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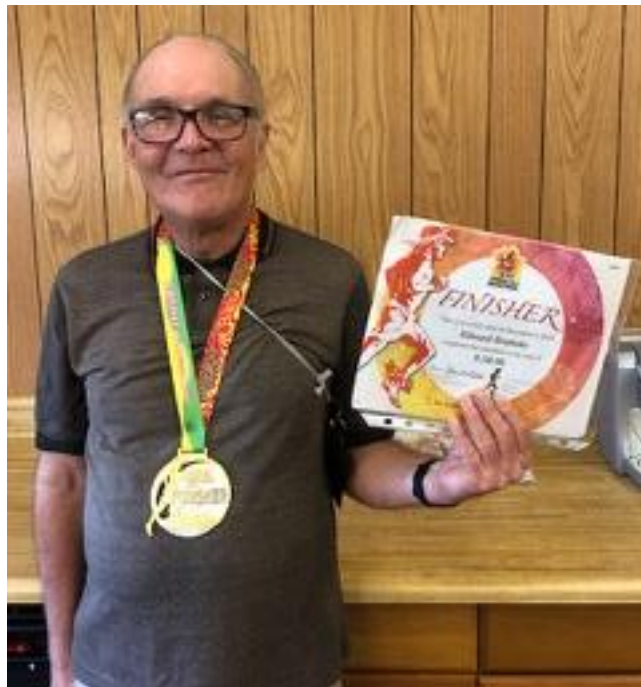
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Congratulations to our Honolulu Marathon Finishers!



What we all know is that Eddie Bruhnke works very hard to prepare for the Honolulu Marathon every year. What many may not know is that in December 2018 he finished his seventeenth marathon. Eddie amassed a total of 2461.2 miles in 2018; a hundred miles more and it would be the distance from Los Angeles to the heart of Manhattan in New York City.

This year he had some out of state company as Karl Bachman's sister, Laura Milarch, came to Hawaii to run her fourth marathon. Congratulations to both finishers.



READINGS FOR JANUARY 2019

January 6	Isaiah 60:1-6	Ephesians 3:1-12	Matthew 2:1-12
January 13	Isaiah 43:1-7	Romans 6:1-11	Luke 3:15-22
January 20	Isaiah 62:1-5	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	John 2:1-11
January 27	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	1 Corinthians 12:12-31a	Luke 4:16-30

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY



Sofia Brege
Glenna Shaw
Charlotte Gusler
Carl Weinsteger

ANNIVERSARY FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Jerry and Valerie Heath



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Women's Fellowship will meet on the third Thursday of January. The women have selected Romano's Macaroni Grill at the Ala Moana Shopping Center as the location. The Women's Fellowship is for members and non-members of Our Redeemer. Join this lively and fun group of women on January 17th at 11:00am.



TAKING DOWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

We had a good group of people to help take down the Christmas decorations. It was noticeably easier to take down than to set up. The following people came to help: Stephanie, Sherry, Ruth, Pastor Christian, Jerry, Gladys, Sharon, Mike, Bonnie Jo, Lorine, Marcy, Stuart, Martha, Stephen, Richard, Takako, Nelda, Nellie, Daniel, Chuck, and Janelle. A big MAHALO to everyone.



RECORDED SERVICES

The services are now being recorded. If you wish to listen to them or know of someone who would like to listen to the services, send an email to hml.ORLC@gmail.com with "Recorded Services" in the subject line. You will receive an email with a link giving you access to the files. The files will be identified by the date, such as 181202-000.mp3 (for the December 2nd service).



The First Anniversary

It was only one year ago this month that Pastor Craig Patterson reported to the congregation the results of the Intentional Interim Ministry process. We extended him a divine call to lead us through that process and a faithful group of members volunteered to serve on a Transition Team to facilitate that work. Every member of the congregation had an opportunity to contribute in a variety of different ways. One of those ways was to attend a cottage meeting to make suggestions for our future mission emphasis as a congregation. Those suggestions were reviewed by several members of the Transition Team who realized that the suggestions fell into three categories: ***care for one another, care for our community, and care for our facility.*** These were all distributed to every member of the congregation for their consideration.

Taken together these suggestions amount to over eighty in number. They were set aside pending the installation of our next pastor who could be part of the process to reduce the number of ideas to those that were feasible, manageable, and ultimately desired by the congregation. The Board of Directors believes that it is now time to begin this conversation. The work will begin with two separate events. The first is a ***tour of our facility*** which will take place on ***Sunday, February 10, at 11:45*** (immediately following Bible Class). We realize that many people have not seen parts of our facility and this is their chance to have a look so they better know the facility, its condition, and its potential to serve the mission of our church.

The second part of the process will be a town hall meeting where everyone will be invited to talk about more specifics of what we might like to do together as we seek to care for one another, our community, and our facility. It is safe to assume that more than one meeting will be necessary to accomplish this. The date for this meeting has not been set.

In the meantime I would invite everyone in the congregation to begin to pray for our church, that God would grant us wisdom to make good decisions about our future together. We are now in a very rare and precious time in our history, a time that is filled with the potential to do great things in love and service to others, bringing them the good news of Jesus Christ for their comfort and salvation. May God bless each one of us as we work together in this moment.

Karl D. Bachman, President



A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT MARTHA DUBKE

December 14, 2018

In less than two weeks we will be celebrating the birth of Our Savior, Jesus! I look forward to singing Christmas carols and reading the wonderful familiar account in Luke 2 about Jesus' amazing coming. Are you ready?

A little over a month ago, I returned from an amazing experience in St. Louis, the Assembly of Leaders Conference, held Nov. 7 through Nov. 10. Jr. Pastoral Counselor, Rev. Hal Toenjes, VP of Organizational Resources, Elaine McFarlane, Young Woman Representative, Ashton Shoenhair and I were encouraged to "Follow the Leader." Jesus, as we learned much about change, encouragement, practical tips, technology, speaking etiquette. We then formulated a plan for a program that we look forward to sharing with you, dear participants in LWML.

Our goal is to encourage fellowship, unity and excitement as we Follow the Leader, Jesus, in all we do and say, not only in the LWML but in all facets of our lives.

During this devastating fire season, one of our congregations, Our Savior in Paradise, California, lost their church building and parsonage due to the Camp fire that broke out about six weeks ago. Wendy Merrick, Zone 12 President, her husband Brandon her mother and their three children, as well as most of the members of the congregation were able to escape the flames. Their homes are gone. One of the members of Our Savior and a long-time LWML member, Carol Arrington, died in this fire. Please continue to lift up these families as well as the communities of Paradise, Concow and Magalia in your prayers as they seek to rebuild their lives after such devastation. If you would like to help, contact Redeemer Lutheran Church, 750 Moss Ave., Chico, CA 95926. Checks should be written out to Redeemer Lutheran Church, memo: Our Savior, Paradise.

As you look ahead, start planning for the LWML Convention in Mobile, Alabama, June 20-23, 2019. The registration information can be found in the Winter issue of the Lutheran Women's Quarterly, as well as online. Plans are being made for a chartered bus to Mobile. More information will follow.

Our Winter Board Meeting will be held on February 8 and 9. At that point, we will be finalizing information about the delegates for the Convention. Usually the Zone President serves as the delegate, but if that is not possible, have someone from your zone. Ideally, we should have an alternate as well.

I will be sending in the order for the name tags, so if you are interested in one, let me know as soon as possible. You can have your name, and your position, though that is optional. They come with a magnet strip. If you cannot use magnets, they do have them available with the pin.

Remember to send in your mites regularly; do not hold on to them. The deadline for the 2017-2019 LWML biennium is March 31, 2019.

Also, continue to gather mites for the CNH District 2018-2020 mission grants. We are currently working on Grant # 7 *First LCMS Peruvian Pastor, LCMS Mission Advancement, Zone 9, \$10,000.*

I am very pleased to announce that Linda Bradley has agreed to be the Secretary to the President with the assistance of Marcia Houseworth. I look forward to working with these ladies as we prepare for the upcoming meetings. I thank all of you who helped me in various ways during the months when I was without a secretary. I could not have functioned without out your assistance.

Karen Mauer sent out the updated roster.

Note the changes and make sure that your information is correct.

God grant each of you and your families a very Merry and Blessed Christmas!

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord!" Luke 2: 11

Rejoicing in Him,
Martha Dubke

Worship Assistants Schedule for the month of JANUARY

January 6, 2019 – The Epiphany of Our Lord

Assistant: Henry Kuhn II
Ushers: Lester Pelletier, Stuart Peace
Lectors: Sherry Spangler – Isaiah 60:1-6
Henry Kuhn II – Ephesians 3:1-3
Gospel – Matthew 2:1-12

January 13, 2019 – The Baptism of Our Lord

Assistant: Lorine Pelletier
Crucifer: Stuart Peace
Ushers: Carl Weinsteger, Thomas Windsor
Lectors: “Willie” Williams – Isaiah 43:1-7
Lorine Pelletier – Romans 6:1-11
Gospel – Luke 3:15-22

January 20, 2019 – The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Assistant: Joseph Krakowiak
Ushers: Anne Krakowiak, Matthew Schlechte
Lectors: Stuart Peace – Isaiah 62:1-5
Joseph Krakowiak – 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Gospel – John 2: 1-11

January 27, 2019 – The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Assistant: Jerry Groth
Ushers: Henry Kuhn II, Marcy Reginelli
Lectors: Nellie Miller – Nehemiah 98:1-3
Jerry Groth – 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
Gospel – Luke 4:16-30

KEIKI CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

January 6	Ruth Crockett
January 13	Kathryn Koopman
January 20	Bonnie Jo Alle
January 27	Lorine Pelletier



JANUARY 2019 Calendar

Wed.	Jan. 2	10:00 am	Bible Study – Aloha Room
Sat.	Jan. 5	8:00 am	Fellowship Breakfast – Kahala Zippy’s (dine in)
		9:00 am	Taking Down of Christmas Decorations
Sun.	Jan. 6	9:00 am	Divine Service with Communion
		10:15 am	Fellowship
		10:30 am	Bible Study – Room 2
Mon.	Jan. 7	6:30 am	Board of Spiritual Life – Aloha Room
Wed.	Jan. 9	10:00 am	Bible Study – Aloha Room
Sat.	Jan. 12	8:00 am	Fellowship Breakfast – Kahala Zippy’s (dine in)
Sun.	Jan. 13	9:00 am	Divine Service with Communion
		10:15 am	Fellowship
		10:30 am	Bible Study – Room 2
Mon.	Jan. 14	6:30 pm	Board of Finance Management – Aloha Room
Wed.	Jan. 16	10:00 am	Bible Study – Aloha Room
Thurs.	Jan. 17	11:00 am	Women’s Fellowship Lunch Romano’s Macaroni Grill – Ala Moana Shopping Center
Sat.	Jan. 19	8:00 am	Fellowship Breakfast – Kahala Zippy’s (dine in)
Sun.	Jan. 20	9:00 am	Divine Service with Communion
		10:15 am	Fellowship
		10:30 am	Bible Study – Room 2
		11:45 am	Board of Directors -Aloha Room
Wed.	Jan. 23	10:00 am	Bible Study – Aloha Room
Sat.	Jan. 26	8:00 am	Fellowship Breakfast – Kahala Zippy’s (dine in)
Sun.	Jan. 27	9:00 am	Divine Service with Communion
		10:15 am	Fellowship
		10:30 am	Bible Study
		11:30 am	Worship Life Committee – Aloha Room
Wed.	Jan 30	10:00 am	Bible Study Aloha Room



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