

Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In Revelation 21:5 God tells John, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Of course, God is describing his work of recreation in heaven, that time when we will have new bodies, perfectly sanctified hearts and lives, and a new, perfect relationship with our God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Imagine the joy we will experience with this ‘newness.’ We will never again face bad memories, old hurts, former aches and pains. Indeed, ALL things will be new.

On various occasions we get to experience this newness on a limited level: the purchase of a new car or new clothes; a freshly painted room or a remodeling project at our home; embarking on a new job or entering retirement. Each of these are but a miniscule foretaste of the joy to come.

At Holy Lamb, also, we are experiencing several ‘new’ things:

- A new roof has just been installed on our entire building. This is, nominally, a 40-year roof, although I have never seen a roof actually last as long as promised. Nevertheless, all of our roof surfaces are now on the same schedule. (Due to hurricane damage on only a part of the roof we had been staggering the replacement.) Unless we have additional storm damage, we should be set for several decades.
- The A/C unit for our office/classroom wing will soon be replaced. This was last changed more than a decade ago and was showing its age – visibly on the outside unit and internally in the attic unit. The air purifier we installed to battle Covid will be reinstalled in the new unit.
- Our preschool has ceased operations. Holy Lamb’s preschool has had an excellent reputation in the community for 20 years. Local elementary school teachers were heard to comment on the quality of the students that pointed to Holy Lamb as their source of pre-K instruction. This was due to the dedicated work of our director, Sally Howard, and her insistence on quality instruction by our very capable teachers over the years. For many years we had both a 3-day class and a 2-day class, each with 12 students.

However, when the state decided to fund pre-K classes in the public schools, our student body began to dwindle, eventually to 7 students in a single, 3-day class. Since our program was mornings only, we were available only to families that had alternate childcare arrangements for the afternoons and full days when the children were not in our preschool. As more and more families required both parents to work, the opportunity to attend our preschool with its limited hours of operation declined significantly.

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This means that we now have the opportunity to put these spaces to work in other ways for Holy Lamb's ministry. After drywall repairs and repainting, we could use the classrooms for meetings (allowing more than one group in the building at the same time), while the closets in the nursery can provide much needed storage for our outdoor sound system, as well as much of the stuff that occupies the floor of my office.

- Our committee to address new ministry proposals will soon begin its work. With all the busy-ness of Lent, this has been delayed. I have spoken about the process in the past and will not repeat myself, here. Suffice it to say that the work of this committee will result in some new ministry opportunities at Holy Lamb.
- For many years our members have noted the need for additional space in our building. This need is most apparent when multiple groups need space at the same time and when traffic patterns take us through areas that are already dedicated for other purposes.

Some examples of such congestion are:

- Carrying dishes prepared at home for a funeral luncheon through the Sanctuary before the funeral, while guests are already seated and preparing for worship (and other occasions of a need to access the kitchen before worship such as potlucks, etc.);
- Noise in the Narthex on a Sunday morning, as we greet each other, flowing into the Sanctuary as worshipers meditate in preparation for worship;
- Visitors accessing my office, or the church office, while the classroom is already being used. (Such was the case with the preschool, and will continue as that classroom is repurposed.). Likewise, my exiting my office while the classroom is being used;

These are elements of design and cannot be resolved by any simple change in behavior, as no alternative traffic pattern is available. A building modification/addition is required to address these challenges. In conjunction with the work of the committee that is addressing new ministry options, we need to address a variety of space issues. Very soon we will establish a building committee to consider the various needs and challenges, as well as possible solutions that eliminate present obstacles and offer opportunities for growth.

To this end, the Council has already established a New Construction Fund. Money contributed to this fund is reserved for new construction, only, not repairs or maintenance.

But not all of the 'new' things at Holy Lamb are related to our building. We have had an abundance of new members in recent years, as well as a current class just beginning. These new faces bring new ideas, energy, and availability to our activities and ministry. As we move forward to address the multitude of new opportunities, we welcome these new members to become actively involved in all that we do.

While God's promise to make all things new is a specific reference to our new life in the new creation of heaven, we rejoice and give him the glory for the newness of life, energy, and opportunity that he brings to Holy Lamb in the present. His continued blessings in the here and now allow and obligate us to use all of these blessings for the furtherance of his kingdom through the proclamation of the Gospel in word and deed to our members and the community.

May God guide our efforts and bless our work.

In His Service,
Pastor Panning

Stewardship

You all have heard the commercial about the 3 P's of insurance, *price, price and price*. Well let me tell you about the 3 T's of Stewardship - *Tithe, Talents, Time*. The first *T*, is giving of your money. The second *T*, is using your God given talents to serve the Lord. It may be yard work, helping in the church office, cooking a meal for a sick church member, coloring cards and praying and sending them out, helping at Pumpkin Patch,--reading stories,-painting faces, helping with the craft booth...and the list goes on. These are just some examples of using your gifts. The 3rd *T*, is time. I could run out of time and paper if I list all the ways we can service God with our time. Some examples are Bible study, joining a group such as LWML, Ladies Society or Men's Fellowship, coming to church on Sunday, spending time in prayer, taking a leadership role in church or joining a committee such as Human Care, Evangelism or Stewardship.

Outside of church, you can smile at people, offer to hold a door for someone, listen to someone who needs to talk, run errands for a shut in. Like I said, the list goes on. My favorite saying about Stewardship is "Stewardship is a way of life". May God bless you on your stewardship walk.

Eileen St. Clair, Board of Stewardship

COUNCIL NEWS

Linda Katai has graciously accepted the role of Recording Secretary permanently. We would like to thank her for taking on this important position.

BUILDING NEWS

We will be replacing the whole roof not just the west side. The other sides still have life left, but we have an opportunity to be proactive and do it now verses later.

We are being upgraded to a 40-year shingle for the 30- year price and will not have to visit this line item for quite some time.

After the Congregation meeting, I received an email from a family of Holy Lamb that wanted to make a donation of \$10,000 dollars, either towards the roof or the 2 remaining HVAC units that need repair or to be replaced. We will be replacing the HVAC unit on the office side of the building with the rest of that donation going to repairs of the existing units. We will continue to fund these line items, which include HVAC and the roof, for future repairs or replacement.

It is a pleasure to serve on Council because of the outstanding support this congregation has shown to our Church.

We are still looking for someone to manage the outdoor sign. If anyone is interested, please see me. It only needs to be changed as needed.

Ron Hajduk, Church Council President

Holy Lamb Financial Profile

Financial Update - Giving

	Actual	Budget
Month of April to Date	\$15,976	\$14,184
Year to Date	\$61,370	\$60,282

Elder's Note

My father was a third generation printer, stood on his feet all day working in a hot print shop. In Georgia the heat and humidity played with the paper products, and as well made for a physically hard, demanding job.

When dad would arrive home, he was dead-beat tired most every day. The first thing he would do while waiting on mom to finish making supper, would be to sit down in his rocking chair. He was finished working for the day. Dad would then remove one shoe, and would breathe a sigh of relief. After a few minutes he would remove the other shoe and again breathe a sigh of relief. I once asked him why he did not remove both shoes at once, and he said that he was able to double the enjoyment by removing them separately. Hard to argue with that.

But the important thing was that he sat down. He was finished for the day. In both the Nicene and Apostle' Creeds we say the words speaking of Jesus, *and sits at the right hand of the Father*. Jesus has completed his work. Salvation is ours. The enemy is defeated. The Strife Is O'er and the Victory is Won!

Bret Rhoades, *Head Elder*

A Fast Note From the Property Manager.

Church members are always welcomed and encouraged to share their suggestions for any improvements, large or small, to support the church and church grounds.

Please put your recommendation, along with your name and phone number in the Property Management mail box in the church office.

Thanks.

Dave Katai, Church Property Manager



The preliminary Church Directory is on the table in the Narthex. Please verify **your information** in the directory book and indicate **YES** and your **Initials** as being correct or **NO** along with **modifications noted**.

Contact Pat Marquardt with questions.

Holy Lamb's Men's Christian Fellowship

Our April Meeting was held at the church on Saturday, April 23rd at 9:30 am. Six members attended. Thanks to Pat Marquardt for providing us with a healthy breakfast.

It was reported that the profit of \$10 per book from the 2022 ATTRACTIONS BOOK FUNDRAISER was \$800. A donation of \$400 was made to LCMS Ukraine Relief Fund and \$400 was made to the local *HELP4KIDS* (Backpack Buddies). Thanks to all church members who purchased a book. We will use the Attractions Books as one of our fundraisers again for 2023. If you would like to become a member or just attend a meeting for fellowship, please call or speak with Henry Twentier . There are no dues.

The Men's Club will be sponsoring the Pumpkin Festival and pumpkin sales this October. Other fundraisers were discussed such as a pancake breakfast, spaghetti dinner, Thanksgiving dinner, etc.



Our next meeting will be on Saturday, May 21st AT 9:30am..

LWML

May 1 is Mite Box Sunday. Please return your mite box or a Ziploc bag with your collection. Don't forget to pick up another box if you are leaving yours. Checks are also accepted, made out to Holy Lamb and in the memo area put LWML MITES. Our next meeting/tea will be on Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 am. Eileen St. Clair will be our Bible study leader. All women are invited. Please RSVP to Pat Marquardt. As always, we are grateful for your support.



Thank you for your donations of Metal Nail Clippers. If you wish to provide **DARK COLORED, LIGHT-WEIGHT TOWELS (NOT microfiber) (20x40 or 27x52)**, please put them next to the marked box in the Narthex. We will collect them until the end of June. For the month of May, we are collecting **4 oz. BARS OF SOAP**. Each kit will need two bars in a ziplock bag. You may purchase a multi-pack, but each bar needs to be individually wrapped. Looking ahead to June, we will be collecting **STURDY COMBS**.

Karen Bombria, President of LWML of Holy Lamb

Combined Worship Service May 29, 2022

We will be holding only **ONE** worship service on Sunday, May 29th at 9:30am



A Note of Thanks

This note of thanks was sent from Deaconess, Sally J. Hiller from the Southeastern District, LCMS.

Dear Members of Holy Lamb,

Thank you! What a special treat to be served by you. First you provided space (and trees) for our conference folks to get their hands-on experience. And just in case that was not enough, you provided an incredible lunch meal.

Thank you. May God continue to fill your serving hearts.

Prayer Requests

Unless otherwise requested, prayer request information will be announced in worship, shared with our prayer chain, and published in our bulletin or newsletter. To respect the privacy of those for whom we pray:

With regards to health issues last names will not be given in worship or in print unless they are members of Holy Lamb. Information regarding conditions, diagnosis, or procedures will be given only at the initial church announcement, not in print.

Please update the church office of your prayer request by the newsletter deadline or fill out a prayer request form which are hanging on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

**In His Service
May 2022**

Altar Guild	Caroline Twentier	Rose Ruddick
Newsletter Proofer	Sylvia Stedina (May 26 th))	

May 1	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Neal Riley
Ushers	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio	Kathy Panning	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Julia Diem

May 8	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Neal Riley
Ushers	Marsha Dunn	Chuck Bumgarner
	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio	Phil Harris	Linda Katai
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

May 15	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elders	N/A	Tom Marquardt
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Rose Ruddick
	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio/Piano	Don Piel	Bret Rhoades
Video	N/A	Julia Diem

May 22	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Bill Steele
Ushers	Dave Bingham	Warren Gall
	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio	Phil Harris	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

May 29	Combined Worship 9:30 AM
Elder	Tom Marquardt
Elder	Phil Harris
Usher	Rose Ruddick
Usher	Chuck Bumgarner
Piano	Bret Rhoades
Video	Julia Diem

**Audio and Video
Volunteers Needed**

Our church relies on volunteers to help us run smoothly. Without you, it would be difficult to do the many things we need to do. We are in need of volunteers to run the sound system (8am and 10:30am) and video (10:30am) services. Just one hour a month is all we're asking ~ male or female. Please consider helping out with this important part of our worship services.

Contact Bill Steele.



Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Lutheran Worship

9:15 AM

The Liturgy of our worship service, is a conversation between God and his children. In this conversation, we receive God's gifts and we respond with thanksgiving. In this conversation, God's gifts are delivered through his word and sacrament and we respond using God's own words from scripture. This study explores the deep truths of scripture that we proclaim every Sunday. Join us to discover a new richness available to us every time we gather for worship.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Romans

9:00 AM

We are engaged in a rigorous study of Paul's letter to the Romans. This book is a concise, yet thorough explanation of the mystery of salvation by faith alone – the foundation of Scripture and the cornerstone of Lutheran Doctrine. It was Romans that opened Luther's eyes to this wonderful truth and grounded him through the many challenges of the Reformation. We have a sizable crowd every week and would welcome more.

This opportunity is available in person in the Fellowship Hall, or via Zoom

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

The Messiah

6:30 PM

Our study consists of the book/study guide, *The Messiah – Revealing Jesus in the Old Testament*.

During Jesus' lifetime the only 'Scriptures' were the Old Testament. So, when Jesus said "[the Scriptures] bear witness about me," (John 5:39) he was referencing the Old Testament. This study invites us to understand Jesus' statement.

This opportunity is available in person in the Fellowship Hall, or via Zoom.

Women's Bible Study

The women's Thursday night Bible study meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 on Zoom. All women are welcome to join us! Use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code.

We are using the reading plans provided at www.shereadstruth.com You can find the daily Scripture readings and devotion at their website or sign up for their daily email or download their app. The website and emails are free; some of the plans on the app have a nominal charge. There is also a weekly podcast that discusses that week's readings. *We would love to have you join us! And whether or not you meet with us, this can be another easy way to develop a daily Bible reading habit. (For those men who are feeling 'left out', there is also a 'He Reads Truth' reading plan at the website!)*

Beginning the week of May 2, we will spend 3 weeks studying the books of I and II Timothy. Filled with wisdom, encouragement, and so much hope, Paul's letters remind us that the gospel is the foundation of a Christ-centered life. Paul shares his heart for protecting the truth of God's Word with his protégé, Timothy—and calls the young pastor to hold fast to the gospel in every circumstance.

The next studies are called This is the Gospel & This is the Church and start the week of May 23. We'll spend two weeks focused on the gospel story—the story of creation, the fall, redemption and restoration—to learn about the everlasting hope we have because of what Jesus did for us on the cross. Then we'll spend five weeks learning what it means to be people changed by the gospel, and unified in Christ to live out His mission on earth.

Contact Kathy Panning if you need more information or help obtaining the daily devotions and Scripture readings.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It provides various publications and Bible studies but its primary function is providing a weekly sermon for radio broadcast. The Lutheran Hour has been broadcast since 1933.

You can listen to the Lutheran Hour on the radio every week. Stations & times are listed below



WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	5:00 AM
WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	7:00 AM
WRNN	1450	AM	Sun	7:00 AM

Now, LHM has teamed up with WFAZ out of DC & they will broadcast **The Lutheran Hour on Sundays at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm.** Even if you are not within their local listening area, just go to their website and listen online at <http://wfax.com/>.



May Blessings on your Birthday!

- 3rd Gene McCarthy
- 7th Kyla Thomas
- 9th Aubrey Swails
- 17th Doc Rehm
- 18th Ashley Reimer
- 19th Madison Gall
- 19th Judith Thropp
- 21st Pat Allison
- 23rd Steven Rehm
- 24th Merilynn Sell
- 25th Ron Ziembo
- 27th Sharon Ewing



Happy Anniversary!

- 10th Chuck & Litta Russell
- 13th Bob & Kathy Orlovski
- 17th Marty & Terrie Reynolds
- 19th Joe & Jen Hirsh
- 28th John & Karen Bombria
- 30th Bob & Myrle Rumsey

Ladies Society News

LWML is inviting all women of Holy Lamb Church to attend a Spring Tea on Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

1st Course: LWML Meeting and Devotion

2nd Course: Hot Tea – please be sure to bring a tea cup to experience an assortment of teas

3rd Course: Savory sandwiches and breads

4th Course: Fresh fruit and Desserts

We still have a few openings remaining for the Spring Tea in the Fellowship Room at Holy Lamb This event is open to all Ladies.

Please RSVP to Pat Marquardt



Altar Guild

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, just a reminder, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board & place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The cost is \$35.00. If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

Flower Chart 2022

The flower chart for 2022 is **posted** on the wall in the Narthex by the church entrance. **NOTE:** Highlighted dates are those within the seasons of Lent or Advent. During these times, we refrain from placing flowers on the altar out of reverence to our Lord and Savior, however, you may still purchase flowers in memory or honor of a loved one or special event and have them in the **Narthex** as well as listed in the weekly notes.

If you have any questions, please contact Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

Flowers purchased to the glory of God for May, 2022

- May 1 ~ In honor of the birthday of Wendy Thaxter, daughter of Norm & Carol Boulet.
- May 8 ~ In memory of her mother, Dorothy Armstrong, given by Ina Armstrong.
- May 15 ~ Open
- May 22 ~ In honor of the birthdays of Doc and Steven Rehm, given by Nancy Rehm.
- May 29 ~ In honor and thanksgiving of their wedding anniversary, given by Bob & Myrle Rumsey.



Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter

Ron W., Monica's brother

Sammi, friend of Dave & Linda

Michael, Lois' brother-in-law

Glenn, Lois' brother

Terri, Pat Allison's daughter

Monica Steele

Kyle, Kathy Panning's nephew

Ed, friend of Dave & Linda

Mary, friend of Paul & Jane

Jackie, friend of Mark & Bernadette

Mike, B-I-L of Doug & Rose Ruddick

For Healing

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Jeannine, daughter of Camille

Verlene, sister of Myrle

Netty, neighbor of Deb

Brian, father of Margaret's granddaughter-in-law

Sarah, Bonnie's Neighbor

Marjorie, mother-in-law of Marsha Dunn

Rev. John Kassouf

George, friend of Bret & Janette

Pat Allison

Shirley Berry

Norm Boulet

Sharon Ewing

Mary Lee

Judy Palmer

Bob & Myrle Rumsey

Carol Stocum

Camille August

Carol Boulet

Barb Evans

Merle Falke

Jerry Palmer

Steven Rehm

Eileen St. Clair

Theresa Zweigle

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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

Sunday morning Bible Study	9:15 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	9:00 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	6:30 pm
Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study	6:30 pm