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To the Saints in Christ at Wheat Ridge Lutheran,

After much prayer, deliberation, consideration, and advice from friends, colleagues, and congregants, I have decided to accept the Call to Wheat Ridge Lutheran. This has been one of the most difficult decisions that I have ever had to make, and I thank the Saints at Faith in Christ and those at Wheat Ridge Lutheran for their honest opinions, fruitful discussions, and continued prayers over the last two weeks.

The joy and anticipation is real, on both sides. I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you. I look forward to meeting with you in your homes, studying God's Word together in bible Class, have our sins forgiven in the Divine Service, and rejoice with you over new births and anniversaries while at the same time weeping with you over a hospital bed or a gravesite. The duty placed before a pastor is both wonderful and dreadfully monumental, and so I plead for you to continue to keep me and my family in your prayers.

You have continued the time-honored tradition of calling a sinner to be your pastor, but, truth be told, you could have done no better. I pray that I can serve the Saints at Wheat Ridge Lutheran in Word and Sacrament as our Lord would have me do. I ask for your encouragement and prayers to help assist me in this task. And yet, more importantly, I ask for your forgiveness when I inevitably stumble and sin against you. May the Lord shine His Law upon me when this takes place and then may I hear through the lips of the Saints at Wheat Ridge the beautiful Gospel of the forgiveness of sins in Christ Jesus.

I also ask for you to continue to keep Faith in Christ in your prayers as well. You are acutely aware of the heartache and pain that they are now going through. Implore the Lord of the Church to send them a faithful and diligent pastor so that they may be served as God intends.

It is my intention to be with the Saints of Faith in Christ through Easter. I ask for your patience and forgiveness for this delay. I am confident that Rev. Woolery will bring the Saints of Wheat Ridge Lutheran through this blessed Lententide and the great and glorious festival of Easter with the gifts of Jesus on his lips and the proclamation of sins forgiven each and every Sunday.

Joy (my wife), Emmaus (7), Nazareth (5), Arimathea (3), Salem (1), and I look forward to being with you soon. Until that time, may the peace of our resurrected and ascended lord guide and keep you until He brings us together.

In the name of Jesus,

Pastor Eli Lietzau





Welcome to all women of the congregation!

“Bold in Christ”

Since we have such a hope, we are very bold.
2 Corinthians 3:12

God’s Miracles

Do we experience miracles through our mites? Looking at a little mite box, one might wonder, “How can our small mite box offerings have much impact?” The Bible shows us through the miracle of the feeding of the 5,000 with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. Just as Jesus multiplied the bread and fish. He multiplies each mite and uses it to reach many people and nations. Little becomes plenty if we trust the Lord. Mites can reach so many! Below are is just one of the Mission Grants for this biennium of the LWML Rocky Mountain District.

Mission of the Month

Financial Assistance for Concordia Theological Seminary Food Co-op - \$8,000

The Food and Clothing Co-op on the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana plays a key role in helping students feed and clothe their families during their seminary years. Nearly 60% of the students are married, second career students with families. Access to the seminary’s Food and Clothing Co-op helps reduce their financial burden. The Co-op is supported by donations from individuals, churches, and other organizations. The Co-op spends about \$7,000 a month on perishable items, household and paper products. Praise the Lord, a partial payment of \$3,000 has been paid towards this grant.

You can help support this Mission Grant on MITE SUNDAY, April 14. Thank you to all members of the congregation for your continued support of the LWML Mission Grants!



North Central Zone Spring Prayer Service/Workshop

April 13, 2019

**Wheat Ridge Lutheran Church
Registration: 8:30 am with a Continental Breakfast
9:00 am - Prayer Service led by Pastor Tim Lindeman, Zone Pastoral Counselor, from Peace, Arvada
10:00 am - We will be gathering sweatshirts for Bethesda Lutheran Communities as well as making Birthday and Thinking of You Greeting Cards.**

- **Members of the Congregation: Please help with this ingathering and donate sweatshirts**
- **New or gently used**
- **Sizes Adult small through XL**
- **Colors, solids, prints, lettering are all fine**

The next regular meeting of the LWML will be held Saturday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m. Please join us and SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!

1 cross + 3 nails = 4given

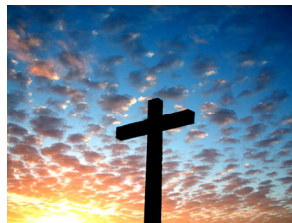
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HOLY WEEK

Tearing O're the Wrecks of Time



Wednesday
April 3 & 10
Worship
6:30 pm
Soup Supper
5:30 pm



PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 14

WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION

10:00 AM



MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 18

WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION

6:30 PM

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 19

WORSHIP

6:30 PM



PASCHAL VIGIL

APRIL 20

WORSHIP

6:30 PM

Question: How Is the Date of Easter Calculated?

Easter is a moveable feast, which means that it does not occur on the same date every year.

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Answer: The Council of Nicaea (A.D. 325) set the date of Easter as the Sunday following the paschal full moon, which is the full moon that falls on or after the vernal (spring) equinox.

We know that Easter must always occur on a Sunday, because Sunday was the day of Christ's Resurrection. But why the paschal full moon? Because that was the date of Passover in the Jewish calendar, and the Last Supper (Holy Thursday) occurred on the Passover. Therefore, Easter was the Sunday after Passover.

The Church does not use the exact date of the paschal full moon but an approximation, because the paschal full moon can fall on different days in different time zones, which would mean that the date of Easter would be different depending on which time zone you live in. For calculation purposes, the full moon is always set at the 14th day of the lunar month (the lunar month begins with the new moon). Likewise, the Church sets the date of the vernal equinox at March 21, even though it can occur on March 20. Both approximations allow the Church to set a universal date for Easter.

Still, Easter isn't celebrated universally on that date. While Western Christians use the Gregorian calendar (the calendar that's used throughout the West today, in both the secular and religious worlds) to calculate the date of Easter, the Eastern Orthodox continue to use the older, astronomically inaccurate Julian calendar.

He is risen!



HAPPY EASTER



Celebrate the Resurrection

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Sunday, April 21

SONrise Worship

With Holy Communion

7:00 am

Breakfast served

8:00-9:15am

Children's Devotions and Egg Hunt

9:00 am

An Easter egg hunt for the children ages 3-12 will follow the breakfast.
Children, please bring your own basket.

Celebration Worship

With Holy Communion

10:00 am

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THANK YOU!

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, phone calls, and well wishes during my recent bout with pneumonia. Due to all my health issues, I am finding I am not able to keep up the flower beds outside as well as I would like, and need to find others who can take over the task.

Jon Hendricks has reprogrammed the timer for the sprinkler system for the flower beds so that they work now. After a spring cleanup, all that will need to be done is occasional deadheading and weeding until time to put the gardens to bed in the fall.

Watch the bulletins and see below for date(s) for the cleanup. Please talk to me or Lou Nelson if you can help.

Thanks so much!

Cathy Bell

IT'S A PARTY!

(Cleaning party!)

On Monday, April 1, let's all join together to do a great Spring cleaning inside the church building. Pews, dusting, clean blinds, clean rooms, nursery, etc. Please bring your own cleaning supplies (furniture polish, window cleaner, rags, buckets, work gloves, etc.)

On Saturday, April 13, the clean-up will be outside to freshen up the parking lot, broken branches, clean up the ditch, trim bushes, weeding, etc. Again, please bring your own supplies.

THANK YOU, ONE AND ALL!



UPDATE: In order for Pastor Lietzau to get to know us before we show him our crazy side.... The new date for the Talent Show is June 2nd. Watch for more information to come!