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***The Newsletter Deadline  
is the 20th of the month.***

**Please email to:**  
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or share with her on  
Sunday Morning



### THE JOURNEY AFTER EASTER

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!” **2 Corinthians 5:17**

We traveled the unknown road leading up to Easter. We wept on Good Friday, pondered through Silent Saturday, and exuberantly rejoiced on Easter Sunday.

And now we live in the After Easter Weeks. Jesus walked and talked with His friends for over a month after His miraculous resurrection. With few exceptions, we are not privy to His words and actions. What we are sure of is that Jesus spoke two profound words which overflowed with both hope and challenge: wait and go. His disciples and friends needed to wait for the promised Holy Spirit power and then go to a hungry, broken world with the resurrection message.

It is no different for us. Through grace and by faith we are filled with the Holy Spirit, and we are commissioned to go. We live in the ‘After Easter-Weeks’ until He returns.

So now is the time to go and tell. Begin the journey on the road with Jesus right beside you. You will never be the same.

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## Prayer List

*For continuing comfort and healing-*Carolyn Krick, Lelanie Exbom, Donna Kowalske, Pat Bingham, Vern Parsons, Sue Bernard, Cathy Bain, Judy David

If you know of someone who should be included in the monthly ongoing prayer list, or you yourself would like to be included, please contact Pastor Michael (509-710-3283).

## Combined Mission and Youth Report



As part of a Cornerstone Mission project, we collected hygiene products to donate for personal care for the men who use the mission. . In addition to the hygiene products we purchased over \$150 of food items that were listed as needs! In June we will be doing the AAPC project. Pathway to Peace, a women's retreat for 5 women who have had an abortion in the past. Kate Masterson and Sharon Peterson will be helping with the shopping and filling of "goodie bags" to donate to the women attending the retreat. This is another Thrivent Action Team Project. For more information about the advantages of becoming a Thrivent member, talk with our Mission Coordinator, Rosie Freeman.

The Sunday School children and Easter guests were thrilled with the opening of the Alleluia box on Easter morning. Their slips of Alleluia, buried in March, yielded a crop of Easter goodie bags with treats and little stuffed animal. But ... there was more to come as they discovered a real Easter bunny hiding in the Alleluia box. It was a very exciting Easter morning.

**May 19th will be the last day of Sunday School for the summer break.**



## Vision/Mission of Living Word Lutheran Church

### Vision Statement

Our vision is to be a welcoming, scripturally based community intentionally serving Christ through missions.

### Mission Statement

Living and growing in faith together as a spirit filled church with the Word of God as our foundation and reaching out through missions showing the Love of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, to  
Create a hunger in others to embrace the Word of God, salvation through Jesus Christ and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

### MAY EVENTS AT LWLC—JOIN IN WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22, 5/29 8 AM Men's Bible Study and Fellowship

5/2 **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**-Join in prayer at the City Complex on 4th Street in Kingman, from Noon–1 PM.

May 5 and May 12-Pastor Dan Storvick worships with us

5/7 Council meeting 3 PM

5/12-MOTHER'S DAY

5/18 WOW Meeting-11:30 at the church

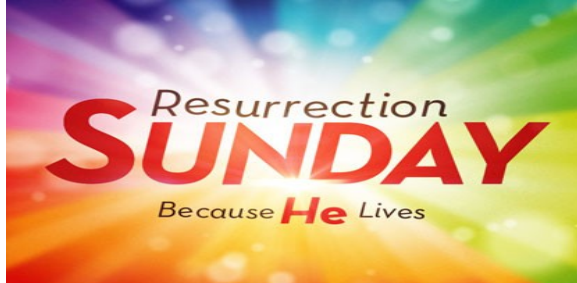
### MAY SCRIPTURES

5/5 Acts 9:1-20, Psalm 30, John 21:1-19

5/12 Acts 9:36-43, Psalm 23 John 10:22-30

5/19 Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, John 13:31-35

5/26 Acts 16:9-15, Psalm 67, John 14:23-29



### Resurrection Sunday Attendance

4/1/2018  
44

4/21/2019  
79



### Resurrection Celebration Note from Pastor

First of all, I want you all to know how exciting it was to see you all there on Resurrection Sunday and with your friends and families – you almost doubled the Easter attendance from last year!! More important than numbers, of course, is the Spirit and Power of the Resurrection that I know you will all be carrying into your everyday lives. Special thanks, of course, to Luther the Rabbit and the good people at Stockton Hill Feeds for making our “Alleluia Box Resurrection” so special! Please keep me in your prayers as I prepare for my next surgery, probably in May, but not sure yet—still in pre surgery testing processes. May the Lord of the Resurrection bless and keep ALL of you!

*Pastor Michael*

## LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

(SUMMARY MARCH 12, 2019)

Pastor Michael Birnbaum, Vice-President Ken Boulter, Treasurer Arlene Allison, Pastor Assistant Eileen Pressler. Mission Coordinator Rosie Freeman & Secretary Sharon Peterson, Guest Bob Pressler

Bob Pressler opened with prayer. February minutes approved.

Joel Anderson resigned as President. Motion made for Ken to move from Vice-President to President until the term is up at the end of December. Council approved. Ken nominated Bob Pressler to fill the Vice-President position. Council approved.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Michael Birnbaum (full report attached) Would like us to think about giving Brandon some money for last Sunday (March 10), OR a sending off gift in the form of a freewill offering? Even though he has been working at Journey he is still a "son of the congregation" and now returning to his Lutheran roots. Motion to give Brandon \$150.00 (from Thrivent Missions) and set up a free-will offering from the congregation. Council approved. I have been working with UPS Store on new signage. I'll come back to you with estimates and we can have a special meeting, if necessary, to approve dollar amount. Will ask the men's group for help in getting the sign up. This could be a Thrivent Action team for new banners and signage for the front of the church. I am leaving March 25 returning April 4. Bill Miller will be here March 31. Still want to convene the "Growth/future Committee" but it looks like this will be on hold until after Easter.

**Pastor Assistant:** Eileen Pressler Pastor's scheduled Sundays off in 2019: 2/10, 3/31

Pastor Bill Miller will cover Sunday 3/31 and there was discussion on what the honorarium should be. Council approved \$350 honorarium. Eileen will talk to Donna & Karen to see if WOW could plan a special fellowship time after worship on 3/31. Lenten mid-week devotions will begin 3/13, noon and 6 PM. Devotions will focus on Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5, 6, and 7. We will need devotion leaders for 3/27 and 4/3 during Pastor's absence Palm Sunday is 4/14. Palms have been ordered. Holy Week services are being planned for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Easter is 4/21. KEMA Prayer Force Request: 5 Tuesdays in April, we will need to open the church 8AM-9AM for KEMA prayer. Eileen will open church on 4/1, Ken will open church on 4/9, Pastor will open 4/16, Rosie/Sharon will open 4/23. Volunteer still needed for 4/30

**Vice President/Financial Report:** Arlene Allison reviewed this month's financial report. Report approved.

**Mission Coordinator:** Rosie Freeman Quarterly Mission we are supporting is Corner Stone. We are still collecting thru this month Shampoo/Conditioner. Small men's jeans (etc). 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter we will be support Aid & Pregnancy Center. Would like to have Theresa (from Aid & Pregnancy Center) come and give a 5 min talk to the congregation on what they do and how they help the community. This will give us an opportunity to see where our support goes to. Annie's Attic is sponsoring a Bunco Night March 22th. This is in support of the Aid & Pregnancy Center.

**New Business:** WOW volunteered to sponsor Easter Breakfast. The established church projects for 2019 presented to Council for approval include Annual Yard Sale, Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Boxes. All projects approved. Eileen will ask WOW to coordinate the Annual Yard Sale. There was discussion on getting more banners for the church walls. Pastor wants to see what we have before looking into purchasing any new ones.

Next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm Meeting was closed with Lord's Prayer  
Respectfully submitted by Sharon Peterson, Secretary

FULL FINANCIAL AND ATTENDANCE REPORTS FOR EACH MONTH AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN  
OFFICE.- STOP IN AND TAKE A LOOK!

LIVING WORD Special Council Meeting (March 24, 2019 11:20 am)

Pastor Michael Birnbaum, President Ken Boulter, Vice-President Bob Pressler, Treasurer Arlene Allison, Pastor Assistant Eileen Pressler. Mission Coordinator Rosie Freeman & Secretary Sharon Peterson

Ken called the meeting to vote on getting the church a new computer. The current computer has had many issues and it is 8 years old.

Motion made to purchase a new laptop, cost up to \$1,000. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Peterson, Secretary

## ***"From the first heartbeat to the last."***

Sanctity of life is actively supporting the life of the unborn from the first heartbeat and protecting, defending, caring for and loving the vulnerable to the last heartbeat.

Living and loving like Christ.



## **Sanctity of Life Event & Walk**

Metcalf Park

Beale St. & Grandview, Downtown Kingman

Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> Event: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Sign-in begins at 8:30 a.m.

We invite you to join us in

**Worship, Prayer, Ministry, Music**

**and a short walk in unity**

**to celebrate life and be refreshed in spirit**

**and works for the sanctity of life.**

Sponsored by:

Women Of the Word (W.O.W.), Living Word Lutheran Church  
and Kingman Advice & Aid Pregnancy Center (AAPC)



## **WOW-Women of the Word**

met for lunch at

Grandpa's Diner on

Saturday, April 13th.

Alice Jensen discussed the Easter breakfast, the foods needed, and what the schedule would be

for the breakfast. Rosie Freeman said the church will assist the Pregnancy Center in a Pathway to Peace weekend, for women who have chosen abortion in the past, planned by the Pregnancy Center in June through a Thrivent action team for the food needed. Kate Masterson will be involved in the planning and shopping for food as a confirmation program. Donna Pederson spoke on the W.O.W. Sanctity of Life Event & Walk to be held June 1st and the upcoming movie night to see the movie "Unplanned." She urged all women of the church to be involved in these activities. The next meeting of W.O.W. will be on Saturday, May 18th.

**UPDATE:** 13 members of our congregation were at Kingman Cinema 4/24, to view the movie "Unplanned" together.

May 2, 2019



**CALLING  
PEOPLE TO  
PRAY**

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. Prayer builds bridges between opposing persons and even political parties. Prayer reminds us that we are created in God's image and He desires for us to represent Him everywhere we go. Join in the Kingman observance at the Kingman City Complex on 4th street from 12-1 on Thursday, May 2.



# TIDBITS!



Cara Masterson May 18  
Debbie Cronsell May 25  
Pam Nooman May 26  
Bob Allison May 31



Gary and Donna Ferguson  
May 15

## Cornerstone Mission Project

Unloading donated  
hygiene and food items  
collected by our members



Rosie presenting donation check

## TIDBITS!

### RESURRECTING THE ALLELUIAS ON EASTER SUNDAY!



The children joined with Pastor 40 days before Easter to solemnly bury all the Alleluias in our worship area, not to be used again during Lent.

#### On Easter Day-

The Alleluia Box is joyfully opened to reveal Easter Candy and stuffed animals. But wait! There's more!

#### Easter is about Life !

Pastor opens the box again to reveal.....

#### LUTHER THE BUNNY!

Luther makes a big hit with the kids (and adults!)

#### HE IS RISEN!

#### HE IS RISEN INDEED!

