



INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- 1 July devotion
- 2 Prayer List, July Celebrations
- 3 July schedule of events, scriptures, Pastor's note
- 4 Council summary
- 5 WOW, Yard Sale
- 6 Sanctity of Life Event

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

Please email to:
ewpressler@
suddenlink.net
or share with her on
Sunday Morning

JULY DEVOTION-COMMUNION ON THE MOON

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

Editors note: This July we will honor the day 50 years ago when Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin first stepped on the moon. We remember the words by Neil Armstrong on July 20, 1969: "One small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind," However, not many of us are aware that communion was served on the moon on that historic day. The astronauts spent a total of 21 hours and 37 minutes on the moon's surface before redocking their lunar module Eagle with the command ship Columbia. Astronaut Buzz Aldrin tells us the rest of the story:

"The Saturn 5 rocket gave us a rough ride at first, but the rest of the trip was smooth. On the day of the moon landing, we awoke at 5:30 a.m., Houston time. Neil and I separated from Mike Collins in the command module. Our powered descent was right on schedule, and perfect except for one unforeseeable difficulty. The automatic guidance system would have taken Eagle to an area with huge boulders. Neil had to steer Eagle to a more suitable terrain. With only seconds worth of fuel left, we touched down at 3:30 p.m.

Now Neil and I were sitting inside Eagle, while Mike circled in lunar orbit, unseen in the black sky above us. In a little while...Neil would give the signal to step down the ladder onto the powdery surface of the moon.

Now was the moment for communion. So I unstowed the elements in their flight packets. I put them and the scripture reading on the little table in front of the abort guidance-system computer. Then I called back to Houston.

'Houston, this is Eagle. This is the LM Pilot speaking. I would like to request a few moments of silence. (Buzz Aldrin asked for radio silence because NASA was fighting a lawsuit brought by an intolerant atheist, Madalyn Murray O'Hair, who objected to the previous Apollo 8 crew reading the first chapter of the book of Genesis in their Christmas radio transmission.) I would like to invite each person listening in, wherever and whomever he may be, to contemplate for a moment the events of the past few hours and to give thanks in his own individual way.' For me this meant taking communion.

In the radio blackout I opened the little plastic packages which contained bread and wine. I poured the wine into the chalice our church had given me. In the one-sixth gravity of the moon the wine curled slowly and gracefully up the side of the cup. It was interesting to think that the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the first food eaten there, were communion elements.

And so, just before I partook of the elements, I read the words which I had chosen to indicate our trust that as man probes into space we are in fact acting in Christ. (John 15:5) I sensed especially strongly my unity with our church back home, and with the Church everywhere."

As they were returning to Earth, July 23, 1969, Buzz Aldrin stated via television: "This has been far more than three men on a mission to the moon. ... Personally, in reflecting on the events of the past several days, a verse from Psalms comes to mind. 'When I consider the heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the Moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained; What is man that Thou art mindful of him?'" Neil Armstrong added: "To all the other people that are listening and watching tonight, God bless you. Good night from Apollo 11."

Condensed from several internet articles on the first lunar landing.

Prayer List

*For continuing comfort and healing-*Carolyn Krick, Lelanie Exbom, Donna Kowalske, Pat Bingham, Vern Parsons, Sue Bernard, Cathy Bain, Char and Dale Matheny, Barbara McCord

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).

July Celebrations

July Birthdays!



Karen Shaffer	July 9
Donna Pederson	July 20
Pat Toth	July 31



Nick and Carol Nichols July 20
50 YEARS TOGETHER!!

Bob and Arlene Allison	July 21
Ken and Cherie Bourlier	July 31



TIRED OF THE HEAT?

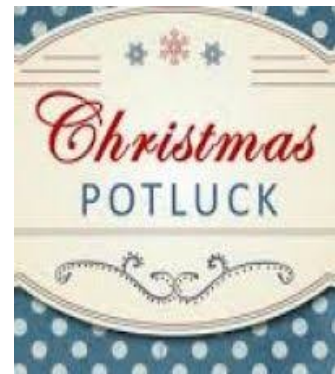
Christmas in July Worship

July 28, 2019 10 AM

Sing Christmas Carols as we join in a special summer worship and celebrate the birth of Christ!

Join us after worship for a Christmas Dinner Pot Luck!

Dig out your favorite Christmas recipes!



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.

JULY EVENTS AT LWLC—JOIN IN WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31- 8 AM Men's Bible Study and Fellowship

7/7 Pastor Kenneth Davis worships with us

7/11 Council Meeting, noon

7/14 Pastor Carol Peters worships with us

7/21 Pastor Michael returns to our pulpit

7/28 CHRISTMAS IN JULY

JULY SCRIPTURES

7/7 Galatians 6: 1-16, Psalm 66:1-9, Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

7/14 Colossians 1:1-14, Psalm 25:1-10, Luke 10:25-37

7/21 Colossians 1:15-28, Psalm 15 Luke 10:38-42

7/28 Isaiah 9:1-7, Psalm 138, Luke 11:1-13



EDITOR'S NOTE: *Pastor Michael is in Washington working on his cardiac rehab program. His June "Notes from the Pastor" is perfectly appropriate to repeat for the month of July also!*

It's that time of the year! The lazy days of summer—and the traveling days of summer. I hope and trust all of you will be enjoying some "on the road time" this summer, hopefully making some memories.

Speaking of "memories", don't forget your church family as you enjoy the summer. Let's keep praying for each other and getting together for worship as often as we can AND be sure to have some worship time with the Lord

where ever you may be. Whether visiting a sister church as you travel or worshipping in God's amazing Cathedral of His Creation as you camp and enjoy the outdoors—worship!

I'll be in and out this summer as well, taking care of health issues but there will always be Godly worship waiting for you at Living Word!! May God bless and keep all of us under His amazing care.....*Pastor Michael*



LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH (SUMMARY MAY 7, 2019)

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

Rosie Freeman opened with prayer. April Council meeting minutes approved.

Items to be added to the agenda:

Sanctity of Life Update-Event theme is "From the First Heartbeat Until the Last". Event will be held 6/1/19 at Metcalfe Park from 9 am until approximately 10:30 am and will conclude with a walk around Locomotive Park. The event will feature 4 speakers and 4 musical presentations, together with prayers. All members are encouraged to attend. Funding is provided as a Thrivent Action Team Project. **Mother's Day Ice Cream Social**-The Men's Group will sponsor an Ice Cream Social in honor of Mother's Day during the fellowship time following worship.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Michael Birnbaum (full report attached)

Lease payment for our facility will be coming up soon. Pastor expressed his strong feeling we should keep paying quarterly rather than paying for the full year. Council discussion revealed the Council President must sign the lease for renewal, therefore would be liable for payment if Lease was broken early. President Ken Bourlier will send a letter to ReMax asking for terms of lease to be changed to a 6 month lease instead of full year. The possibility exists that if ReMax agrees to change in lease, the rent may be increased. Ken will report response to inquiry at June Council meeting so a decision can be made. Lease renewal is due by no later than 6/30/19. Pastor reported that his spine surgery will likely be delayed due to his recent cardiac issue (stenting of LAD). He will update Council on plans when he returns to Kingman the week of 5/13.

Pastor Assistant: Eileen Pressler (full report attached)

Easter Worship was a great success! W.O.W. group served breakfast, Alleluias were resurrected during worship, and there were 79 in attendance! Pastor Michael will be in Washington for medical evaluations 5/5 and 5/12. Pastor Dan Storvick will lead our worship. Faith Lutheran Church in Albuquerque, New Mexico contacted Eileen. Their youth drama team SHINE will be coming through Kingman on May 24th and would be honored to perform our Christ centered presentation at no cost. The program consists of short skits with a Gospel message. They requested to be able to camp out on the church floor the evening of May 24th after the presentation on their way to serve another sister LCMC church and church plant in the central CA area that weekend. Council was excited to agree to honor their request. Thrivent Sponsorship will be requested to cover any costs for food, publicity, etc.

President's Report: Ken Bourlier Thanks to Greg Jensen for contacting a company for weed removal.

Vice President: Bob Pressler Problems with PowerPoint presentations have been resolved with purchase of new computer and HDMI converter upgrade. Plans are in place to run the cable through the ceiling as part of permanent installation.

Financial Report: Arlene Allison Reviewed this month's financial report. Motion to approve report by Bob, 2nd by Rosie. Annual Church insurance is due by 6/10/19. Church Mutual has communicated probable increase in cost. Bob Pressler will review insurance policy to determine limits of coverage and compare current coverage and rates to other companies. Bob will report results at June Council meeting.

Mission Coordinator: Rosie Freeman Current mission project is working with Advice and Aid Pregnancy Center to present Pathway to Peace, a conference for women who have had abortions. Kate Masterson and Sharon Peterson will coordinate filling gift bags for Pathway to Peace participants. This is a Thrivent Action Team Project. Rosie will be travelling the months of May through September but will stay in contact via email/text.

Old Business: Greg Jensen contacted company for weed removal. **New Business:** See items added to agenda.

Next Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 4 at noon.

Meeting was closed with Lord's Prayer Respectfully submitted by Eileen Pressler, acting recording secretary

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



WOW!! W.O.W. - Women Of the Word met Saturday, June 18th, at Pizza Hut on Andy Devine, 8 women were present. Donna Pederson gave a report on the Sanctity of Life Event and Walk and thanked all of the women for their participation and support of the Event. It was estimated at 150 people participated in the Event, over 100 persons walked around Locomotive Park and 122 people signed the Declaration of Life at the event. It was very exciting and successful. It is suggested that it be an annual event.

The matter of WOW taking leadership of the annual church yard sale in the fall was discussed. Pat Toth and Karen Shaffer agreed to be co-leaders of the yard sale and will bring matters back to the WOW group for consideration and to have members volunteer for subcommittees. Eileen reminded members of the new Council rules regarding financial activities.

After the meeting, several of the members took a tour of the Cornerstone Mission facilities for homeless men and a presentation by Joey, of the Mission, on the services it provides to the homeless and the community at large. Members agreed it was a very beneficial tour and planned to request assistance from the Living Word Church family to provide socks and underwear to Cornerstone, which are needs at the Mission, in honor of Father's Day.



Mark Your Calendar!

Our 3rd Annual "Giant, Huge, Really Big Fundraiser Yard Sale" will be held in late September! All proceeds from this annual event go directly to the general operating fund of Living Word.

Now's the time to begin thinking about what you can do to help. It's also time to begin setting aside the items you'll donate to our sale. During the next few Sundays, we'll let you know when you can start bringing your donations to the church.

More detailed information will be shared with everyone soon.

Sanctity of Life Event and Walk, June 1, 2019

128 people signed in; estimated 150 attended

19 churches were represented

(Kingman, Cedar Hills, Lake Havasu, Phoenix and Fountain Hills areas)

110 signatures of Declaration for Life which will be shared with appropriate officials

The Event

Speakers:

Pastor Peter Ernst of Family Bible Church-lead the program

Pastor Kent Simmons, Canyon Community-spoke on abortion

Pastor Matt Larson, Journey Church-spoke on values, adoptions and choices

Teresa Reaume, Advice & Aid Pregnancy Center-spoke on how to support and be pro-life

Jenny Sullivan-spoke on the joys of adopting children

Pastor Richard Young, Kingman First SBC- spoke on the sanctity of life of the disadvantaged and the elderly

Lynn Bergeson, RN-spoke on the whole spectrum of the Sanctity of Life "from the first heartbeat to the last."

The wonderful musicians who blessed us with their songs:

Sarah Bradley, Aimee Oberg, Pastor Kent Simmons and Pastor Richard Young.

Pastor Michael Birnbaum of Living Word Lutheran Church-introduced the "volunteers chorus" singing "**Go Light Your World**" and sent a crowd of over 100 participants on a walk, in unity to support the Sanctity of Life, around Locomotive Park

We are thankful to see that supporters of the "Sanctity of life 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" are carrying on the message.

Sponsored by:

W.O.W. (Women Of the Word). Living Word Lutheran Church

Kingman Advice & Aid Pregnancy Center

Kingman Evangelical Ministerial Association

