

The Pacific Hills Messenger

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Easter Sunday

We remember that because He lives, we also now live.
8:00 and 10:30 AM

Yearly we gather on this day to hear the good news that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. Alleluia!

Weekly we celebrate Resurrection Day as each Sunday is a reminder that Jesus lives.

Daily our lives reflect the resurrection as we drown the Old Adam so that the New Man in Christ Jesus might arise and live before God in the New Life revealed at the empty tomb.

Celebrate the good news of Easter yearly, weekly, and daily. This is an amazing time for the good news of Jesus to be shared in our community, in our homes, and in this congregation.

Grand Reopening and Rededication of our Sanctuary and Facility

April 25, 2021
9:00 AM

As part of the Reopening and Rededication Sunday we will feature The Rev. President Richard Snow of the LCMS Nebraska District. He will be our guest preacher for the day. Zach Hastings, our Director of Music is planning special music. There will be an Open House walk through of the church offices before and after services. Music and Worship will provide food and refreshment and President Snow will speak to the congregation at 10:45 AM in Acker Hall regarding the renovations and capital improvements at the University Chapel in Lincoln and at the District offices.

Church Events

April guideline changes continue relating to coronavirus distancing: Families to stay together distancing 6 feet from others.

GOOD
FRIDAY
Apr 2

7:00 pm Good Friday

Sun
April 4
EASTER

8:00am Eucharist
9:15am Education Hour
10:30am Eucharist
6:00pm Adult Bible Class
(ZOOM)

Wed
Apr 7

9:30 am Eucharist (ZOOM)
6:00 pm Youth Confirmation

Thur
Apr 8

6:30 pm Tai Chi

Sunday
Apr 11

8:00am Eucharist
9:15am Education Hour
10:30am Eucharist
6:00pm Adult Bible Class
(ZOOM)

Returning to God, Tithes and Offerings During the Pandemic



Remember Your Offerings

As you know the church's ministry and expenses continue even though services and programming are a bit different. You can still give your tithes and offerings by mail. You can set up your bank account to give electronically or you can utilize MyEOffering. There is also a link to MyEOffering on our web page, on the top menu. Our web page is: www.PacificHillsLutheran.org. You can sign up at <https://members.myeoffering.com>. Your church needs people like you to continue their regular patterns of giving despite virus-related closures to maintain current ministry. Consider the following passages: **2 Corinthians 9:7** - Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **Malachi 3:10** - Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. **Proverbs 11:24** - One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. **Luke 6:38** - Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

See the Renovations Online! You can see what's happening with the facility renovations, on the Pacific Hills web site. On the top green menu bar, there is a Renovation Update selection. (There is also a link under About Us.) Click on that to see the latest – with photos – on the progress. No hard hat required.

Members can contribute to the Yahweh Fund to address community assistance. During this pandemic, PHLC offers **HyVee gift cards that are purchased for those who seek assistance for food or gas.**

Preschool Enrollment Available

Lamb of God Preschool is now accepting registrations for the 2021-22 school year. Classes are available for children ages 3-5. We offer developmentally appropriate curriculum in a high quality Christian environment. Visit our website, <http://www.lambofgodpreschool.org/> or call 402-391-2288 and speak with Kay.

READERS NEEDED TO ASSIST WITH SERVICES

Volunteers are needed to give the second reading during worship services. Volunteers are needed for both services. Please email Kevin Warneke at kwarneke6593@cox.net

Starting Easter Sunday, April 4, live streaming of service will **CHANGE** from 8:00 am to 10:30 am service. To access the live stream, go to our website (www.pacifichillslutheran.org) or YouTube channel, PacificHillsLutheran, (tinyurl.com/j37skpsh). All live streamed services can be found on the Pacific Hills Lutheran Church website and YouTube channel. And, when you **subscribe** to our YouTube channel, you will help us reach 100, at which time we will be eligible for additional YouTube services.

BIBLE VERSE of the Week

"Why do you look for the living among the dead?"
(Luke 25:5b)

Services will still be held in Acker Hall until further notice!!

Online Worship Services: Go to our website www.pacifichillslutheran.org for more information.

If you can assist or offer to help in any way in the Church Office with bulletins, birthday card preparation, computer data entry, etc., please contact Kim in the church office!

Sunday Worship Notes -- The Elders and Pastor recommend that everyone wear some kind of face covering in worship. Also, there are no children's messages on Sunday mornings, due to social distancing requirements. Thank you.

Bob Vandervort is offering a **Bible Class on the book of Joshua via Zoom every Sunday evening** from 6:00 – 6:45 pm. Email him at rsvod@cox.net or call 402-350-0872 for more information. Everyone welcome!

Directors mail boxes are now located in the church office on second floor (Room 212).

MISSION/SOCIAL MINISTRY APRIL MISSION OF THE MONTH: ISSUES, ETC.—Issues, Etc. is a 10-hour weekly syndicated radio talk show and podcast. The program features expert guests, expansive topics, while extolling Christ! The program is hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Jeff Schwartz. Google Issues, Etc. and listen to 24/7 edifying talk radio, on-demand archives, and morning services from Kramer Chapel on the campus of Concordia Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN. We can become a sponsoring congregation and join 10 other Nebraska churches and over 250 LCMS churches in USA and Canada in supporting this important ministry. PHLC will be included on the IE website if we can reach the \$2000/year level. LISTEN, BE ENRICHED, AND PLEASE GIVE TO THE "MISSION OF THE MONTH", CHRIST CENTERED, CROSS FOCUSED TALK RADIO, ISSUES ETC.

Tai Chi offered every Thursday evening at 6:30 pm in Acker Hall. Bring your mask!



The Nursery was cleaned and is open for anyone to use during Holy Week/Easter!

Holy Communion via Zoom: This service is currently offered each Wednesday morning at 9:30 AM. This does not replace Sunday morning worship with Holy Communion, but it does provide an option for those that cannot attend regularly due to the pandemic. Please contact Church Office for more information.