

# The Pacific Hills Messenger

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## National Lutheran Schools Week

This upcoming week (January 22 –26) is National Lutheran Schools Week. Lamb of God Preschool will be celebrating with Lutheran preschools, elementary schools, and high schools around the country and across the world God's rich blessings made available through Christian (and distinctly Lutheran) education. We will be having fun spirit "dress up" days, enjoying ice cream sundaes, and listening to "Pastor Bear" read to us. But most importantly, we will be celebrating how much Jesus loves us, and thanking God for the opportunity to hear about His love for us every day in our school. We thank you for your support of Lutheran education and our Lamb of God Preschool, and we ask for your continued prayers for our children, parents, staff, and ministry.

Kay Storck  
Director/Teacher  
Lamb of God Preschool

## Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	11:30am	CYF Board
	12:00pm	Foundation
Monday		National Schools Week
Tuesday	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:00am	Alanon
Wednesday	8:30am	Foster Care
	9:30am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	10:00am	Fellowship
	5:15pm	Children's Music
	6:00pm	Youth Confirmation Class
	6:30pm	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	7:00pm	Gamblers
Friday	7:30pm	Omaha Philatelic Society
Saturday	8:00am	Westside Parking in Lot
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	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
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	11:30am	Outreach Board

**Today's altar flowers** are given to the glory of God by Carla, JR, and Julia Risko in celebration of Joe's birthday.

**Board of Directors of Living H2O Lutheran Campus Ministry announces the installation of DCE Donald Bader as it's Executive Director.** A service of installation will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 5020 Grand Avenue, on Sunday, January 21, 3pm. Rev. William Moorhead, Circuit Visitor for the Omaha North Circuit will be the installer. The entire LCMS metro area is invited to join in this momentous occasion and step forward for Campus Ministry in our city. Living H2O Lutheran Campus Ministry recently became an official RSO of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. A reception for Don Bader will follow the service.

**Ushers/Greeters:** Usher and Greeter refresher training will be at the Church Saturday, January 20, at 9am and will take about 90 minutes of your time. This will include a review of normal procedures and practices, as well as a security briefing prepared by Mike Whealy. Please make every effort to attend. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided!

The **2018 Flower Chart** has been placed in the coat room for your convenience to sign up for Sunday Altar Flowers.

**If you haven't picked up your 2018 Offering Envelopes, they are available in the coat room on a table.**

**Missions and Social Ministry Board will be collecting diapers and baby items now through March.** Please place items in the narthex bins. Items include: diapers, clothes, lotion, shampoo, bottles, foods and any other baby items. Thank you for your generosity.

January is observed as Sanctity of Life Sunday: This year we are once again partnering with **Essential Pregnancy Services** of Omaha in our effort to make a difference in the lives of at risk mothers and their unborn and newly born children. This year, we would like to double that number. With your support, we can make a difference in the lives of countless families and support the sanctity of life in greater Omaha. You may register using one of the following links. If one table is full, register at the other table. There is no charge to attend the dinner so those that register will not be asked for any credit card information. One last friendly note, if you mark the "host a table box" then you will be creating your own table instead of sitting at one of the two Pacific Hills tables.

Please speak with Pastor Drebes if you would like to host your own table.

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## BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

1 Peter 3:15b

**Be prepared to ... "give the reason for the hope that you have"**

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**There are opportunities to assist with set-up and clean-up of Communion.** Lessons are free whenever you like (one Sunday, Saturday or more, any time would help.) Sign up on the sheet on the kiosk in the narthex, contact Tom Zorko at 402-507-9120, or contact the church office.

## Events of Other Congregations and Agencies

Pacific Hills youth are invited to attend a lock-in at **St. Mark Lutheran Church** (1821 N. 90 St.) on January 19 at 8pm to 8am January 20. We will be going offsite for glow in the dark bowling at Maplewood Lanes and returning to St. Mark for games, activities and devotions. We wanted to get closer and establish connections with some of the other LCMS youth programs in our area. We look forward to meeting and enjoying the company of the guests that join us. If you have any interest or questions, contact Casey Roberts at 402-391-6148. or [croberts@stmarkomaha.org](mailto:croberts@stmarkomaha.org)

**Due to weather conditions, Kindergarten Roundup for Concordia Academy has been rescheduled.** Two sessions are open for your convenience. You may pick from Thursday, January 25, (6 to 8pm with complimentary pizza meal) or Friday, January 26, (1 to 2:30pm). RSVP to Dawn Cooksey, Admissions Director, at 402-990-9444 or email at [cookseyd@concordiaomaha.org](mailto:cookseyd@concordiaomaha.org). More information about Concordia can be found at [concordiaomaha.org](http://concordiaomaha.org).

**You are invited** to attend St. Mark Lutheran Churches rededication of their newly remodeled Sanctuary on Sunday, January 28, at 3pm. Following worship there will be a time of celebration and refreshments downstairs in Falkenroth Hall.

Have you ever considered becoming a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Scott Holder from **Concordia Seminary**, St. Louis, would like to meet with you at Living H2o Campus Ministry, 1124 S. 90 Street, on January 29, 4pm and 7pm. Rev. Holder is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages— elementary school age through adults. Appointments are individual, informal, and family/friends are welcome. Appointments are not necessary but encouraged. Please contact Rev. Holder at 314-505-7225 or [holders@csl.edu](mailto:holders@csl.edu).

**Open House at Concordia Jr. High** will take place on Tuesday, January 30th in the evening from 5pm to 7pm. Dinner and free admission to the varsity basketball games will be provided. Meet faculty, take a student-led tour and learn about electives and student activities.

# PRAYER LIST

January 19, 2018

*Family and Friends: Please call the church office to add/remove names below.)*

**Readings for Sunday, January 28:** Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28

## Birthdays

John Glissmann	1/23
Rachael Vacanti	1/24
Joe Risko	1/25
Doris Anderson	1/27

**Death:** Pastor Ron Brusius, January 18 (friend and former pastor of Pastor Drebes)

**PHLC Members:** Anita Bladt, Frank Bladt, Grady Chastain, Mary Lou Chastain, Duane Fieck, Jeannine Fulner, Paul Gladman, Helen Glanzer, Rosanne Glock, Roger Graham, Tim Haar, Don Hafsaas, Freda Harris, Mike Horton, Christopher Kiihne, Rita Klingman, James Koun, Mike Lessmann, Bob Loeck, Harriet Moore, Geraldine Rueter, Jean Schmieding, Paul Shultz, Leon Siedlyk, Alfred Simonsen, Chris Stastny, Kae Stille, Dorothy Storek, Carolyn Vierck, Marilyn Walker, Judy Webster, JoAn Werblow, Sara Young

**In Assisted Living Facilities:** Charlotte Berkland, Mary Lou Chastain, Dorothy Ebener, Lois Eggers, Jeannine Fulner, Mike Lessmann, Norma Payne, Jean Schmieding, Leon Siedlyk, Alfred Simonsen, Marilyn Walker, Jan Bouc, Helene Stigge

## Friends and Relatives:

Tyler Adams (grandson of Don and Lorene Adams)  
Luetta Beckman (mother of Linda Minor)  
Sandy Botrell (cousin of Barbara Fremder)  
Claire Cabianca (granddaughter of Dorothy Storek)  
Carol Copple (sister-in-law of Doris Anderson)  
Brent, Angel, Paul Dale & Wendy (family of Esther Scarpello)  
Patty Dyer (niece of Leon Siedlyk)  
Ron Ethan (friend of Helen Glanzer and Kae Stille)  
Rod Grindle (brother of Dennis Grindle)  
Sharlene Grindle (sister-in-law of Dennis Grindle)  
Delbert Johns (grandfather of Shannon Green)  
Mary Johnson (friend of Carol Priest)  
Philip Kander in Military (nephew of Alice Osborn)  
Tom Krengel (brother of Barbara Fremder)  
Vera Krengel (mother of Barbara Fremder)

Sharon Larson (cousin of Dennis Grindle)  
Alma Meseke (aunt of Barbara Fremder)  
Dave Minor (husband of Linda Minor)  
Barbara Nelson (sister-in-law of Doris Anderson)  
Bob Nelson (son of Barb and Lew Nelson)  
Both Nyun (family of Peter Chol)  
Heidi Padilla (niece of Doris Anderson)  
Jo Anna Perkins (friend of Dennis Grindle)  
Mary Grace Reese (friend of Dennis Grindle)  
Tammy Rogers (mother of Stacey Swan)  
Virginia Syslo (friend of Carol Priest)  
Charlotte Thompson (sister of Leon Siedlyk)  
Gavin Webster (grandson of Larry and Judy Webster)  
Andy Young (son John and Sara Young)  
Marilyn Zimmermann (mother of Sharon Vacanti and Paul Zimmermann)

## Special Intercessions:

Those who travel and those who protect us  
All who lead us ecclesiastically and politically  
Missions/Missionaries of the Church  
Our Campus Ministry program  
Our Lamb of God Preschool  
All Lutheran Schools  
The pastors, staffs, and members of our North Circuit congregations, schools, and preschools.  
Ministry of Concordia Lutheran Schools of Omaha  
Concordia University, Seward  
Mentally ill, their caregivers, and PHLC Care Ministries  
The ill, hospitalized, dying, and grieving  
Health and protection of all children, including the unborn  
Unemployed/financial difficulties  
End to terrorism and for justice and peace among all nations  
The incarcerated  
Pray for God's grace and mercy upon all who face trials, chronic illnesses, or addictions, and upon all who lack a saving faith in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior  
Unrest in the U.S. and the world  
Victims of storms across the country  
Good News Chaplain, Nsbiet Matthew, who serves prisons in Nigeria.