



COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

3/1 Sean Riley, 3/2 Don Quillan, 3/3 Craig Galer, 3/4 Shirley Kelly, Cristin Luea, 3/5 Esther DeWaters, 3/7 Francisco Barajas, Russ Kogut, Mark Petritsch, 3/8 Mary Lynne Dinolfo, Matthew Fountain, Charity Stoll, 3/9 Elizabeth Ludwig, Nicholas Ludwig, 3/12 Ginny Joy, 3/13 Maggie Schmidt, 3/14 Joshua Koval, Daniel Luea, 3/16 Diana Hou, Michael Luea, 3/17 Alex Kilpatrick, Joseph Krause, Jozzlynn Post, 3/20 Connie Garlitz, Tom Giles, Brady Stevenson, 3/22 Isaac Luea, James Munk, David Wittgens, 3/23 Genevieve Gulock, Cindy Kogut, Sophie Murray, Hope Yarrington, 3/24 Paul Gulock, Marcus Luginbill, 3/25 Andrew Krause, Jim Oskvarek, 3/27 Sophia Cooper, Piper Fountain, 3/28 Josephine Cherniawski, Peter Droste, 3/29 Jason Koval, 3/31 Fred Christopherson, Julia Ludwig, Therese Luea, Diane Wojtasinski, 4/1 Ruthie Munk, Adalynn Kennedy, Bernadette Cherniawski.

COMMUNITY ANNIVERSARIES

3/5/83 Chuck & Debbie Putnam, 3/19/16 Francisco & Stacey Barajas, 3/22/97 Peter & Sue Luea.

COMMUNITY NEWS

*THANKS FOR THE PRAYERS: The sisters in **Jacqueline Giles'** women's group will be interceding for the Work of Christ and our mission and outreach events in March. Thank you, ladies!*

UPCOMING SAGINAW LOCAL GATHERINGS:

March 18: 4:30—6:00 PM, at Countryside Trinity Church.

April 15: 4:30—6:00 PM, at Countryside Trinity Church.

Pray for YES! YES! RETREAT: Please sign up for a time to pray for the YES! Retreat. There are slots between Friday, March 16, at 5:00 PM, through Sunday,

March 18, at 12:30 PM. We need people to commit to 1/2 hour shifts throughout this very life-changing weekend for our teens. The spiritual warfare is heavy; please pray for our staff and our kids. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/pray4yes2018> to sign up; thanks to all who have already committed to praying!

I would trade any day in the real world for a minute at camp.

SUMMER CAMP: **Registration is online and should have been completed by February 25.** At the beginning of March, registration opens to returning guests and middle of March new guests. Don't take the chance that your child may lose his or her spot at Summer Camp! Contact Christopher or Linda Luea at WOCSummer-Camp@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Upcoming Events

All events, unless otherwise noted, will take place at the Work of Christ Community Center, 4828 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing.

- **3/4 Healing Gathering: 4:00—5:45 PM.** Set up: Joy. Take down: Luea.
- **3/11 Covenant Gathering: 4:00—6:00 PM.** [Please note Daylight Savings time change] Set up: Jon Ludwig. Take down: Brandenburg.
- **3/16—3/18 YES! Retreat,** Michindoh Ministries Center, 4545 E. Bacon Rd. Hillsdale, MI 49242 Hillsdale.
- **3/18 Open Sunday**
- **3/25 Community Gathering: 4:00—5:45 PM.** *Special: UCO leads the gathering and Hospitality Sunday!* Set up: Ong. Take down: UCO.
- **4/1 Easter—no gathering**
- **4/8 Community Gathering: 4:00—5:45 PM.** [NOTE: Pascha; please do not schedule any Orthodox brothers or sisters for service] Set up: Shireman. Take down: Trent Ludwig.

WINTER COURSES: The Foundations for Married Men and Foundations for Married Women will be offered this winter-spring. The courses meet on Mondays, 7:30—9:00 PM, at the community center. Jerry Munk and Trent Ludwig will teach the men's course. Various speakers will teach the women's course.

3/5 *Sexual Righteousness for Married Men; Sexuality for Married Women*

4/2 *A Married Man's Relationships; A Married Woman's Relationships*

5/7 *Faithful to Priorities; "Busyness" and Managing a Home*

6/4 *Married Men and Work; Married Women and Work*

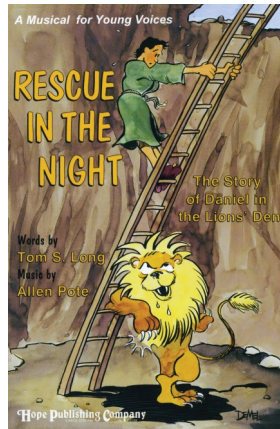
PASTORAL WORKERS MEETING: Pastoral workers, please make sure you have marked Saturday, March 24, 9:00—11:00 AM, on your calendars. We will discuss how deliverance is working in our men's and women's groups and then have a short talk intended to feed and strengthen us as pastoral workers. We will have a split session: one will be for pastoral workers who are caring for one or more members in formation; the other will be for those who are only caring for members who have completed formation.

COMBINED MEN'S GROUP: Brothers, we have a combined men's group scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 7:30—9:00 PM, at the community center. We will follow up on what the Lord did with us at the Men's Conference.



FESTIVAL OF TABLES REPORT: **Thanks so much** to all the ladies (younger and older) who decorated and hosted tables, served in the kitchen, did punch duty, were greeters, and/or attended our event. We had 27 tables, making the attendance 216 women and girls. SPECIAL THANKS to Alissa Brandenburg for all her hard work administrating the Festival. Combining the money cleared from tickets and the additional donations at the tables, we sent \$1,514.80 to the Lansing City Rescue Mission's Women and Children shelter, our charity this year.

WOMEN'S PRAYER MEETING: Ladies, please make attending our annual women's gathering on April 29 a high priority. This is our only time (outside of our conference) to pray, worship, and seek the Lord together as sisters. Soup supper follows; women's groups will be asked to bring soup, fruit, bread, and dessert. Guests are very welcomed to join us.



CHILDREN'S MUSICAL FOR OUR 44TH ANNIVERSARY! **Ruthie Munk** will be directing a children's musical for our community anniversary celebration on May 19. The play will be "Rescue in the Night" (the story of Daniel). Ruthie is planning on a special audition day on Saturday, March 24, for kids who would like solos and speaking parts. This will give

those with the bigger roles time to learn their lines and solos before the regular rehearsals begin. Regular rehearsals will begin April 14, from 10:00 AM—noon. Other practice dates: April 21, 28, May 5, skip May 12 (Camp Training Day), and dress rehearsal Friday, May 18, 3:30—5:30 PM. Call time for the cast on Saturday would be 20 minutes before the performance. Because of the limited number of rehearsals, our actors would need to commit to attending most, if not all, of the rehearsals. If families know they will need to miss more than one practice, their children should plan to come and be an awesome audience. We are looking mainly for children in the summer camp age range, younger if the child can handle well a two-hour rehearsal. There are also parts for kids a bit older, so if there are interested middle schoolers, they would be warmly welcomed.

NEEDED: adult or teen volunteers for the following things: costume coordination, props coordination, snack management, lights, sound, and set construction.

PLEASE SIGN UP YOUR CHILDREN OR YOURSELF WITH THE RECEPTIONIST—336-8530 (not with Ruthie, please). **Deadline for registering children—March 5** (so we can order scripts for participants).

CYA SILENT AUCTION: Please, everyone, be on the lookout for good items to donate to our annual auction (this year



on May 19, our anniversary event). We can use gift certificates for restaurants, plays, movies, horseback riding, skating, concerts, sporting events, and so on. Also new (or slightly used) items: artwork, gourmet dinners, cool baked goods, personal service (babysitting, yard work, home repair, house cleaning, remodeling) - the list is almost endless! Information to help us obtain donors is at the handout table. We need items by Sunday, May 6. Contact Laurel LaPorte or Lisa Luginbill with questions, to volunteer, and for more information. *Thank you for your help with this major fundraiser for youth mission trips and retreats!*

LUNCH SERVANTS FOR SUMMER CAMP TRAINING DAY: A couple of people are needed to prepare and serve the lunch at the Summer Camp Training Day on **Saturday, May 12**. This would include purchasing food, serving, and cleaning up lunch (10 AM to 2 PM). This is your chance to serve Camp this year! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Joyce Richardson at 336-8530.

PRAY-ERS NEEDED: Lisa Luginbill will be collecting intercessors for all summer camp staff. See her after gatherings or email her at lisamar-ia78@gmail.com if you are willing to pray for someone (or if you have someone in particular for whom you would like to pray).

RVs NEEDED FOR SUMMER CAMP: The camp program needs pop-up campers or camper trailers to house staff for camp week. If you can commit the use of your camper August 4-11, please contact Kevin Krause (kevin.s.krause5@gmail.com or 517-485-2417).

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH PROGRAMS

CHILD CARE

March 4

INFANTS: **Lynn Beard**, Stephanie Imgrund
TODDLERS: **Julia Grimm**, Dick Schaefer, Nancy Giles, Finn Keenan, Lucas Ludwig

March 11 (NOTE: Daylight Savings begins)

INFANTS: **Lucy Repovz**, Marion Schleusener
TODDLERS: **Jacqueline Giles**, Eric Lynch, Emily Schaefer, Lily Kogut, Abigail Detzler
4—6 YEAR OLDS: **Linda Luginbill**, Tim Shireman, Sarah Krause, Rachel Stoll

March 25

INFANTS: **Kendra Kennedy**, Ginny Joy
TODDLERS: **Karen Skowronek**, Rene Shireman, Heidi Stoll, Kaitlin Ludwig, Abigail Ludwig

NOAH'S ARK

March 4 Theme: *Children Obey Your Parents*. Team: Jan Munk, Alissa Brandenburg. Helpers: Lily Kogut, Xavier Luea.



March 25 Theme: *Easter*. Team: Elaine Ritter, Judy Skiba. Helpers: Natalie Luginbill, Evan Yarrington.

CHILDREN'S GATHERING

OVERALL THEME: **Jesus is the Light**

OVERALL SCRIPTURE John 1:5: *The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.*

March Theme: *The Lord is my salvation*

Scripture: *The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? (Psalm 27:1)*

March 4

GIRLS Team: Su Butler, Angela Krause. Helpers: Brandy Barr, Joy Kogut, Dorothy Cooper. (Guitar: Rene Shireman)

March 25

BOYS Team: Peter Luea, Kevin Krause. Helpers: Joseph Fountain, Jeoffrey deSpelder, Michael Koval.

April Theme: *Shine in the Darkness*

Scripture: *No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand where it gives light to everyone in the house. (Matthew 15:5)*

April 8

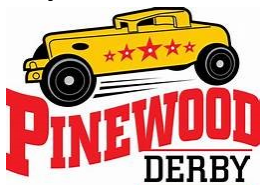
GIRLS Team: Lori Ludwig, Lisa Luginbill. Helpers: Esther DeWaters, Hannah Ludwig, Joy Yarrington. (Guitar: Rene Shireman)

BOYS ACTIVITY Team: Jim Butler, Peter Kogut. Helpers: Matthew Galer, Paul Gulock.

JUNIOR HIGH GROUPS: We meet in March on Thursday, March 8, and Thursday, March 22.

3RD—5TH GRADE GIRLS: Come to *Pretzel Making* with Charity and Mrs. Stoll, on Friday, March 16, from 7:30—9:00 PM, at the Stoll home. Beginning April 14, we hope as many as possible will be spending Saturday mornings at the community center practicing “Rescue in the Night” (our children’s musical)!

EXPLORERS: The Pinewood Derby will now be on **Friday March 9, 7:30PM, Work of Christ Community**



Center. Doors will open between 6:00 and 6:30 PM, if you would like to bring takeout for your family. We will go by the official boy scout weight, but we are not

that particular about the other rules. Awards will be given for: First Place, Rookie of the year, and a wild-card category or two. We always can use a few dads to help out at this one.

CHRIST’S YOUTH IN ACTION

3/1 Small Groups: 7:30—9:00 PM, girls at the Schaefer home and guys at Weber

3/8 Large Group: 7:30—9:00 PM, WOC center

3/15 Small Groups: 7:30—9:00 PM, girls at the Schaefer home and guys at Weber

3/16-18 **YES! Retreat!** Michindoh Ministry Center

3/22 Large Group: 7:30—9:00 PM, WOC center

4/5 Small Groups: 7:30—9:00 PM, girls at the Schaefer home and guys at Weber

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETIREMENT THANK YOU: *Brothers and sisters, I would like to sincerely thank you all for the good wishes, cards (and the 'Big Card'), honorings, and even gifts on my retirement from full coordinator duty. I (along with Yvonne) was honored and felt very appreciated. We have a blessed life together which gives a great vision for what more is possible for our churches. Praise God! "...so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another" (Romans 12:5). Sincerely thankful, Rick & Yvonne Comstock.*

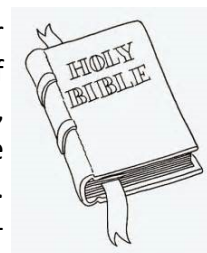
FAREWELL, WITTGENS: *The Wittgens family is on the move (David, Christina, Matthias, Eliana, Leo, Sam, Myriam, and Kolbe). We began our family in Detroit, and we're heading back east, towards Canton, as Dave's skills as a Spanish-speaking MD are needed in Mexican Town in Detroit. He will be working at a faith-based clinic: Covenant Community Care. We will be transferring our commitment back to the Word of Life Community. We anticipate visiting Lansing often; we treasure the fond memories, fellowship, and support from the body. Thank your support and prayers as we discerned this move. Christina and Dave Wittgens.*

ADDRESS/PHONE CHANGES:

Christina Munk: New cell: 269-888-1103

WELCOME NEW LITTLE GLOMSKI: *Mary and Evan Glomski became the proud parents of Kateri Josephine on February 12. She was also welcomed by big brother John and grandparents Tom and Nan Glomski and Gerry and Sue Witchger. Congrats to all!*

SENIORS BIBLE STUDY: The dates for the Thursday study of the Book of Hebrews in March are: March 1, 15, and 29, from noon to 1:00 PM, in the community center conference room. The goal of the study is to better understand the Scriptures. You can join in at any time. Retires and seniors are especially encouraged to attend, but the class is open to everyone (including guests).



CELEBRATE SAINT PATRICK'S DAY AT THE JOYS! Everyone is invited to partake in the fun at an open house on Saturday, March 17. Bring food and drink to share. Feel free to bring guests and children. (No pets, please.) Doors open at 4:00 PM and close promptly at 12:01 AM. Hope to see you and yours. Call Ginny 517-575-7079 or Jim 517-575-8487 if you have questions.

FOR SALE: Charming 120-year-old home in a wonderful community cluster for sale! 4-bedroom, 2 full bath, garage, extra-deep lot, kitchen appliances

included, wrap-around front porch, oak floors and trim, French doors, back deck, and great neighbors! 219 Horton Street, Lansing. \$135,000. Call Jim 810.620.0755 or Piper 810.882.1035 for more details or a tour. Available April 1.

THANK YOU: **Tom and Nan Glomski** would like to thank all those who have helped and supported us through Nan's shoulder surgery. The meals, cleaning help, errand running, drives for appointments and cards and prayers have been tangible proof of love, both yours and our God's. We have also been overwhelmed with your love, prayers and sympathy in the recent loss of our son, Brian. How good it is to live among you. May you enjoy a rich eternal reward.



GRADUATION OPEN HOUSES: June will be here before we know it:

Friday, June 1: Jeffrey deSpelder, 6:00—9:00 PM, Work of Christ Community Center.

Sunday, June 10: Trent Ivey (See invitation below)

NOTE: These are FYI for planning; invitations will be sent/posted separately.

WANT AN OLD PRINTER? Slavka Zabrodsky has an old printer to give away to someone who is planning to purchase a new one at Best Buy. You can turn in the old one for recycling and get 15% off your new one. Call Slavka (897-0245).



INVITATION: *Save the Date - Last of the Iveys! Trent Ivey Graduation Open House: Sunday, June 10, 2018, 3:00 – 6:00 PM with "after party." Glenbriar Golf Clubhouse in Perry. More details to come!*

FOR SALE: Portable Kero Heater - 23,500 BTU/hr. One year old, rarely used. Kerosene included; Desk set - 6' x 3' desk, bridge, credenza with upper cabinet, Cherry; 2 - 4' matching bookcases; Refrigerator - white, standard size, freezer on top; Exercise bike; Sofa and love seat, brown, good condition. Call Ellen Gallavan - 517.374.0076

TO GIVE AWAY: A certificate for a free one-night stay at Candlewood Suites Hotel on Forest Road. It was purchased at the CYA Auction and expires on April 15. Contact Mary Adelman (388-4948) if you can use it.

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