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THE VISITOR

April–May
2018

✠ Holy Week Schedule ✠



Maunder Thursday, March 29, 2018

7:00 PM

Good Friday, March 30, 2018

7:00 PM

Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018

6:45 AM

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor: Elizabeth Hiller
Interim Pastor: Arlen Hermodson
Office Manager: Ryan Cameron
Interns: Hannah Miller & Tyler Egge
Bookkeeper: Anna Erickson
Organist: Kris Wilkins, John Bell & Tawny Anderson
Senior Choir Director: Jean Hanson
Custodian: Rick Prudhomme

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 9 am–5 pm

Friday 9 am–1 pm

Pastor's Message

This past Sunday, as Paula Johnson read the Gospel story of Jesus' death and resurrection during the beauty of the choir cantata, I heard a piece of the story that I'd never heard before. When the women went to Jesus' tomb to anoint his body after his burial, the stone that had blocked the tombs' door was moved. The women were terrified. Sitting on top of the stone was an angel who said, "Do not be afraid!" The angel sat on the stone. The angel's seat was the very thing that soldiers had placed there to remind Jesus' followers of the strength of the authorities who killed Jesus. The angel sat on the object that was supposed to scare Jesus' followers away. The angel sat on the stone that was supposed to remind people that Jesus was dead.

Stone or no stone, Jesus rose. Each one of us has parts of our lives that keep us from trusting Jesus' resurrection. This may be powers that pull us away from God, external forces that call for our time and attention. Or, we might have a hard time connecting with other Christians. We just haven't found a tribe in church and so it's hard to stay connected. Or, we might simply struggle to see the risen Christ in every day life.

No matter our circumstances or fears, God will put them in their rightful place. The tomb is empty, obstacles are still around us, yet in the midst of our life, an angel says, "Do not be afraid!" Trust that God sees whatever is in your way, and that Jesus' resurrection is for you.

Pastor Elizabeth Hiller

Thank you and Send-Offs

Pastor Arlen Hermodson, and his wife Marilyn, will transition to their lake home in early May for the summer, ending his time as our interim pastor. He will continue preaching occasionally and leading adult classes. Pastor Arlen has been incredibly generous with his time, good humor, keen theological and biblical insight, and collegiality.

Tyler Egge's last Sunday at Dilworth Lutheran is April 29. After graduating from Concordia, he will spend his summer working as Assistant Program Director at Shetek Lutheran Ministries in southwest Minnesota. He will begin the Master of Divinity pastor training program at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota in August. We thank God for Tyler's humor, can-do attitude, and his gifts of sharing the Gospel through music and word!

We give thanks to God for the generous grant for the Fund for Theological Education, which made it possible to host Tyler and our youth intern, Hannah Miller, this year. **Hannah Miller**, our youth intern, will continue her work at Dilworth Lutheran after her internship is completed in June. Hannah will continue working with children and youth 10 hours a week in the middle school and senior high ministry, in addition to leading the senior high youth who are heading to Houston, TX, to the ELCA national youth gathering.

All Congregation Worship and Visioning

On Sunday, April 29, we will join together for one worship service at 930am. This time of festive worship will lead into our Annual Meeting, lunch, and a brief time of visioning for the future. We need your insight, your prayer and your enthusiasm as we begin the process of vision setting, consideration of significant building projects and formulating goals for outreach over the next three years.

Updates from our Call Committee, a budget update and election of committee members for 2018-19 will also be a part of this time together.

Childcare will be provided.



Mark your calendar to shop at Dilworth Lutheran!

⇒ Clothing, toys, housewares & more!

◆ Friday, May 18th

4-7 pm

◆ Saturday, May 19th

7-11 am


⇒ Pay just \$5 to fill up your bag



Nearly new items accepted!

Drop off your donations:

⇒ Thursday, May 17th at DLC between 4-8 pm

All proceeds support 

Headed2Houston for the National Youth Gathering in June



**Help Us Grow:
Give Electronically**

Electronic gifts are fast and secure, and they reduce administrative costs, allowing more of every dollar to fund the important work we are called to do.

- ◆ Give anytime, anywhere to your favorite funds
- ◆ Schedule and manage recurring donations
- ◆ Make one-time donations to special appeals
- ◆ Pay for events, programs and other activities

If you would like to give electronically, visit our website and select the Online Offering menu selection or contact Ryan at the church office.

**The Church Council, from their own generosity, will match \$25.00 for every new home signing up for electronic giving up to 50 families!
Thank you church council, for your generosity!**

We Need Your Help!

We need more volunteers to serve on committees and church council in the upcoming year.

Having new people serve on committees helps bring new ideas, new energy, and growth to Dilworth Lutheran Church. There are openings on every committee!

If you are interested and would consider serving God in this way, please contact Matt Spessard at 701-730-6350, Curtiss Peterson at 218-303-5007, or Pastor Elizabeth in the church office by April 5, 2018.

Thank you and God bless!

Our First Communion!



Twenty one young people received First Communion during Holy Week!

Camden Altobelli	Lainey Holte	Anja Nelson
Alex Anderson	Emily Iverson	Kale Okeson
Allison Anderson	Olivia Iverson	Andrew Olek
Cayson Bergee	Brennan Johnk	Sidney Perleberg
Briar Carlsrud	Carson Lofgren	Benjamin Rebrovich
Avery Fortin	Will Martin	Amy Schramm
Gracie Hersrud	Bodie Musolf	Bradley Surerus



Please join us for the 2018 Spring Tea, Saturday, April 28 at 11:30 AM.

The Cost is \$5.00 per person.

Everything will be provided, including entertainment.

Invite your friends and join us on the 28th!

RSVP by card, or call Sandy Stulz at (701) 261-8433 by April 22nd.

See you there!

4G ~ God, Gals, Goodies and Games

Hosted by young Dilworth women, 4G is a time for women to come together around faith for laughter, support, prayer and God's Word. All Dilworth women are invited!

April 24th-Prayer How-To and Focusing our Lives on Love theme

May 24th-Body & Spirit theme with self-care, spa night. Dilworth's own Molly Engstrom will provide facials with Mary Kay products. She will donate the proceeds from all purchases to the youth heading to Houston in June 2018!

Part-Time Bookkeeper Needed

Dilworth Lutheran Church is looking for a part-time bookkeeper, to begin immediately.

Training will be provided, and the candidate will receive a monthly stipend from the church.

Please inquire with congregational president Matt Spessard, mattspess@gmail.com, or call Pastor Elizabeth, 218-287-2628.



Vacation Bible School SAVE THE DATE!

VBS will be held June 11-14, 9-3pm, at Dilworth Lutheran. Together with counselors from Camp Emmaus, and friends from Our Savior's Lutheran Church and Glyndon Lutheran Church, we will hear how God's Grace Changes Everything!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DLC!

- April 1 Easter Worship - 6:45 AM, 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM
- April 8 Youth selling caramel rolls - 9:40 AM
- April 15 Men's pancake breakfast - 9:40 AM
- April 22 Houston trip meeting - 11:45 AM
- April 23 Houston Pizza Ranch Fundraiser - 5-8 PM
- April 24 4G Women's group meeting - 7:00 PM
- April 28 2018 Spring Tea - 11:30 AM
- April 29 Worship - 9:30 AM
- April 29 Annual Congregation meeting - 10:30 AM
- May 6 Youth selling caramel rolls - 9:40 AM
- May 6 Senior's receive their quilts during worship
- May 8 Houston Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser - 5-8 PM
- May 13 Men's pancake breakfast - 9:40 AM
- May 15 United Blood Services Blood Drive - 12-7:00 PM
- May 16 Wednesday and Sunday school picnic - 5:30 PM
- May 18 & 19 Youth Rummage Sale
- April 24 4G Women's group meeting - 7:00 PM
- May 28 Office closed in observation of Memorial Day

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 am
Sunday 10:30 am

Wednesday 6:45 pm