

June 9, 2024

The Weekly



Supporting MUST Summer Lunches

By Dana Jelinek

This past Wednesday I delivered a check from LCR in the amount of \$4,612.00 to Must Ministries specifically allocated for the Summer Lunch Program. Kevin Pounds, Director of Strategic Partnerships at MUST Ministries, was so thankful for our generous contribution.

MUST is one of our key outreach partners that offers food, shelter, and services to folks in need in Cobb and Cherokee counties.



Kevin Pounds and Dana Jelinek

NEW DATE: JUNE 23

Sunset SOCIAL

Sunset Social

June 23
6:00 - 8:00 pm
LCR Deck

Join us for fellowship, a hymn sing-along, and a special visit from Fiona the owl from HawkTalk, a raptor rehabilitation center!

CALENDAR

JUNE 9

Traditional Worship
8:30 am | Sanctuary

**Adult Faith Formation:
Jesus and His Jewish Influences**
9:45 - 10:45 am | Conference Room

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am | Sanctuary

JUNE 19

Group Spiritual Direction Begins
10:30 am & 6:00 pm | Pastor's Office

JUNE 23

Sunset Social
6:00 - 8:00 pm | LCR Deck

JUNE 30

One Blended Worship Service
10:00 am

JULY 27

Bible Trivia Night

Synod Assembly

LCR is part of the ELCA, a national network of Lutheran Churches with over 8,000 congregations. Regionally, we are part of the Southeastern Synod, composed of ELCA congregations in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and Tennessee.

Every year clergy and lay representatives from each congregation of the synod gather for an assembly to vote on a budget, hear stories from around the synod and ELCA, and tend to other legislative issues. This year the Synod Assembly took place in Columbus, GA. Here are a few pictures from the assembly...



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STARTING JUNE 19

Grow Spiritually This Summer

You are invited to explore spirituality with Pastor Rich and a few others this summer. Spiritual direction is not a bible study, a fellowship group, or adult class. It is an intentional period of spiritual focus that will include a pattern of silence-sharing-silence-response-silence.

[Sign-up for one of two-time slots available for this experimental time of spiritual discernment.](#) Participants are asked to prayerfully consider committing to be present at all sessions for the most fruitful experience. *Limited spots available.*

Wednesdays (starting June 19)

10:30 am - Noon or 6:00 - 7:30 pm | Pastor's Office

group spiritual direction

 **Only 4 spots left!**



Some people prefer their faith to be neatly organized and comfortable. Others prefer their faith to be messy and challenging. There is a space for both in vibrant faith communities. As Lutherans, much of our faith is paradoxical: saint/sinner, law/gospel, theology of the cross/theology of glory.

Join Pastor Rich and others from LCR to dive into the messy part of faith, where we will live and thrive in the question and paradox rather than in concrete answers. All participants should expect to be uncomfortable, messy, and open in a setting where all are welcomed and honored for their perspectives.

Classes will be starting in July.

Email [Pastor Rich](#) if you are interested.

Help Build Community Over Coffee This Fall



The Fellowship Team is taking a summer break from Coffee Hour, resuming on September 8. There will be a special Father's Day Coffee Hour. The Fellowship Team Lead role is also being split between Events (led by Cristi Minard) and Coffee Hour (position open for recruitment). To get involved or share ideas, contact [Andy Minard](#).



The LCR Staff is Praying for You This Week!

While our staff prays for this church and our community on a regular basis, we are instituting a more structured way to lift up all the families of Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in prayer during our staff meetings starting this summer.

Each week the staff will light a candle to remember the presence of God's Spirit as we gather and lift up a few families by name. Pastor Rich will be contacting these families to check in and see if there are particular joys or concerns to pray for. You will also receive a card in the mail as a reminder that we are praying for you!



LAUNCHING NEXT MONTH:

Stories of Resurrection, a New Monthly Magazine

To more fully celebrate and share the wonderful things God is doing through Lutheran Church of the Resurrection we are launching a monthly magazine to share stories of impact and transformation, highlight our wonderful ministries and leaders, promote upcoming events, and share devotional and faith resources.

Each month will include things like...

- a note from Pastor Rich or one of our leaders,
- photos and stories from past events
- an exploration of a particular ministry or outreach partner,
- at least one story by or about a member of LCR
- some kind of spiritual formation and faith building resource
- an at-a-glance calendar and reminders about upcoming events

The launch of the magazine is part of a broader refocusing of our communication efforts led by our communications team, Common Good Creative. The Weekly will transition to a simplified email sent out each Thursday with all the content contained in the email itself.

We will repurpose the content from the monthly magazine as blog posts on our website and content for social media amplifying the reach of these stories and allowing all of us to share these uplifting stories of Resurrection with the wider community.

We are looking for folks to join our Story Corps Team to write stories and take photos of Resurrection ministries and events. Interested? [Contact LeAnn Haack.](#)

Deadlines

Monthly Magazine

Two weeks before the first Sunday of the month

- July issue: June 23
- August issue: July 21
- September issue: August 18
- Oct issue: September 22

Weekly Email

Monday at noon

Share Story Ideas and Announcements

Want to share a story or announcement? Please use our [Communication Request form.](#)