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## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

### Why We Have Value

In a commencement address to a graduating class at Miami University, columnist George Will gave some statistics that help to trim down our sense of self-importance. He pointed out that "the sun around which Earth orbits is one of perhaps 400 billion stars in the Milky Way, which is a piddling galaxy next door to nothing much." He added, "There are perhaps 40 billion galaxies in the still-unfolding universe. If all the stars in the universe were only the size of the head of a pin, they still would fill Miami's Orange Bowl to overflowing more than 3 billion times."

Wow! Just to think about it is incomprehensible! Yet, there is a plus side to all this overwhelming data. The God who created and sustains this vast star-studded universe deeply loves and cares for us. And He doesn't just love the human race as a whole, He loves each one of us individually. Each person matters to God. You matter to God. I matter to God. What St. Paul exclaims to be true about himself is true about each of us in all our insignificance: Christ "loved me and gave Himself for me" (Gal. 2:20).

At the beginning of 2010 we took on some big challenges. A Child-Development Center was launched. An Assistant Pastor was added. Why? Because in a

seemingly insignificant universe, the truth is that "each person matters to God." Now more than ever, people living in a sin-broken world need to know that they have value and worth because through Christ, God loves them. Now more than ever, young children need to be firmly built upon that love from Christ. Now more than ever, teenagers need to draw their identity from it. It will either be from Christ or their identity will be from somewhere else. We're able to do something about that! Now more than ever, parents need the Christ-centered support that comes from a body of believers. And we can give that! Now more than ever, the world needs God ... and now more than ever, the world needs you and me to be God's messengers to a world in need.

Astronomically we are insignificant. But from God's perspective, each one of us is treasured! Astronomically we are insignificant. But when used for God's purposes we are significant. Significant in the lives of others – young and old – for eternity!

### OSLC's Easter Celebrations!

Easter is right around the corner. Our celebrations will include a Sunrise worship service at 6:30 a.m., along with our regular worship services at 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00! As we prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' Easter victory, don't miss out on your opportunity to worship each week during our mid-week Lenten services as we look at "The Power of

the Cross," Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. A daily devotional book, weekly Bible studies, and more go along with this series. Why not bring a friend?

### **Welcome Pastor Voth!**

Rev. Daniel Voth was installed as our Assistant Pastor on Sunday evening, February 21, 2010. Daniel Christian Voth was born in Rochester, MN, to Vic and Sheryl Voth, the eldest of two sons (his brother Dave resides in the Phoenix, AZ area). Within a year, they moved to Red Wing, MN where Dan attended Concordia-Immanuel Lutheran School through 6<sup>th</sup> grade and graduated from Red Wing Central High School. He attended the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point earning a degree in Natural Resource Management with an emphasis in Land Use Planning.

While working for a private city planning consulting firm, Dan realized he could no longer "put-off" God's call to the ministry. He attended Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft Wayne, IN. It was while there that he met Crystal (nee: Carlson), whose father was one of Dan's classmates. The two were married on August 2, 1997 and enjoyed a month long honeymoon camping their way to vicarage in Bradenton, FL, on the south side of Tampa Bay next to the Gulf of Mexico. They have since been blessed with four children: Gustave (Gus) who is 9 and in 4<sup>th</sup> grade; Lillian (Lilly) who will be 8 next weekend and in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; Larz who is 6 and in Kindergarten; and Gavin who is 4.

Daniel served a congregation in Milwaukee, WI and most recently a dual parish in Forest and Deer Park, WI. He enjoys bicycling, camping, and hiking with his family and looks forward to serving God's people in this place.

Welcome Rev. Voth, Crystal and family! We look forward to serving in the work of the Lord together!

### **OSLC's Spring Adult Mission Trip**

Due to the violence in Juarez, Mexico, OSLC's spring Mission trip has been postponed. Fearing for the safety of participants, Ysleta Lutheran Mission, our host for the trip, has suspended their humanitarian trips across the border with mission groups until the current drug wars become less violent. The need is still great and the people still suffer under intense poverty, but the climate for North Americans to bring needed assistance is still too dangerous. Even though the team chose not to travel this spring, a substantial donation was given from the Mission Team to assist in the work in our absence. The hope is to reschedule the trip sometime soon.

### **Are You Getting Married?**

"*Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts*", Pastor Krueger's pre-marriage class is scheduled for March 12-13. If you're planning to get married at OSLC this year, then put these dates on your calendar. This class is for you – giving you helpful hints and great insights into making your marriage strong and rewarding right from the start! Please register early by telephoning the church office to reserve your space. The registration fee is \$40 per couple, which will cover the cost of your book, "*Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts*" and your workbooks. For those planning to get married at OSLC, we ask that you attend pre-marriage classes.

Questions? Contact Pastor Krueger. Start your marriage out right! Plan to take part!

### **Discover Sunday! Grow Your Faith!**

Are you ready for your faith to grow? Check out our March "Discover Sunday!" Pastor Krueger is offering "CLASS 201 – Discovering Spiritual Maturity" as your opportunity to gain the tools and helps for cultivating the 4 habits of Spiritual Maturity. Feed your faith; live your faith! Discover how to refresh your spirit on a daily basis in CLASS 201.

You can also consider taking part in OSLC's "CLASS 301 – Discovering My Ministry." Bonnie Rennich and Cheryl Coyle will take participants through a discovery process in which you can discover your God-given S.H.A.P.E. for service to Christ. Find out what God has uniquely gifted you to do! Find out where your life can have the greatest impact for Christ in His Kingdom. Discover!

Plan to take part in one of the "Discover Sunday" seminars, 2:00-6:00 p.m. on March 21<sup>st</sup>. See you there!

### **Do We Have Your Email Address?**

There's new information all the time that goes out from our church offices. The fastest and most effective way to communicate is through email. Do we have yours? Send it to Pastor Krueger, [paulk@srt.com](mailto:paulk@srt.com), to be included in the important communication that comes from our church.

Pastor Krueger

**VICAR'S CORNER**

## WELCOME!

First off, I would like to extend a warm welcome to OSLC's new Assistant Pastor of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Daniel Voth. Welcome! I am sure you will receive the same wonderfully inviting welcome that Betsy and I received in August. The OSLC community is filled with kind and generous individuals. They have a great way of making you feel blessed to become a part of their lives. I am sure they will make you feel right at home. And personally, I certainly look forward to working with you and gaining valuable experience and knowledge from your expertise. Welcome to Our Savior Lutheran Church!

### Salvation Ain't Pretty

Have you ever come across a story from the Bible that you found just repulsive? Have you ever read anything in the Bible that made you cringe? I know I have. There are a number of accounts in the Bible that describe gruesome, frightening, or even disgusting situations. If you need a few examples, check out the prophet with dirty underwear in Jeremiah 13:1-11 or the man having a tent peg driven through his temple in Judges 4:14-24.

These are some sickening examples of bizarre stories in the Bible, but why would God include such gut-wrenching events in His Word? It is because these accounts show God's pattern for our salvation—and salvation ain't pretty. Think about that for a moment. What is our salvation? Our salvation is a payment for all of our sins. That means salvation needs to pay for all the horrifying things people do in our world. Our salvation needs to make up for murder, war, drug addiction, stealing, hate, lust, and all other sins.

With all of the terrible sins in the world our salvation had to be bought at a huge cost (and it was). It cost the life of Jesus. Our salvation was won on the cross. The cross was a Roman method of execution. Death is never pretty and crucifixion is one of the most horrific ways to be put to death. Jesus was whipped, beaten, spit on, and then He was hung on a cross to die of exposure, dehydration, and starvation. But while this is a gruesome scene it accomplishes so much. It accomplishes our salvation—our forgiveness.

When He instituted the Lord's Supper, Jesus says this describing His upcoming sacrifice: "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." (Matthew 26:28). The writer of Hebrews goes on to explain that "without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness." (Hebrews 9:22). The price of salvation is the shedding of blood. This is God's plan and He has shown that throughout the entirety of His Word. The

sacrifices of the Old Testament reflect the pattern found in the ultimate sacrifice of Christ. The war and brutal bloodshed of the conquest and period of the judges shows the cost of sacrifice for the salvation of God's people. And the illustration of Jeremiah wearing a soiled pair of underwear shows God's relationship to us. Despite our "dirty" sinfulness He chose to pay the price and claim us as His own.

The love of God for you is deep and the price He paid to claim you was great. Our salvation is glorious in that it results in an eternal life spent in heaven surrounded by the love of God, but please remember the lengths God has gone to in order to secure that salvation. He willingly subjected Himself to torture and died a grizzly death to win our forgiveness. That is how much He loves us. While salvation has glorious results, the way it is accomplished sure isn't pretty.

Thanks be to God for suffering such an un-pretty punishment for our forgiveness!

Vicar Rick

## → MUSIC BEAT → SMALL GROUP AND VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES

### Music Ministries

The choir is busy working on our Easter cantata, *Who is This King?* We will be presenting the cantata on Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:30. At this point, it looks like we'll be singing it at either Central Campus or Magic City Campus. Watch for details in the bulletin, the Sunday Power Point announcements and posters all around the church!

Our Ash Wednesday worship service was a beautiful and deeply meaningful evening. Please make plans to attend each mid-week Lenten service on Wednesdays at 7:30 as we continue the *Power of the Cross* series. Then on April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30, we will share in our Holy Week journey with Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship services. These will be wonderful opportunities to help prepare your heart for the full experience of the joy of Easter. We will offer four worship services to celebrate Easter on April 4<sup>th</sup>: 6:30, 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 a.m. See you there!

### Small Group Ministries

Our Lenten series, *The Power of the Cross* includes a wonderful devotion book. Please make sure you pick one up in the Fellowship Hall. The daily devotions are absolutely powerful. There are also weekly Bible studies to accompany these daily devotions that can be found on our website ([oslc-minot.org](http://oslc-minot.org)) or at the Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall. Take time this season to truly prepare your heart for Easter by spending time in the Word each day.

Laura Larson is hosting a new women's group that meets every other Monday. They are doing a Beth Moore study entitled *A Woman's Heart*. 16 ladies showed up for week one, so that's awesome! But it's not too late to join them. They will actually begin Session 1 on March 1<sup>st</sup>. C'mon and see what all the excitement is about!

Our other new small group, the Singles Group, meets every Saturday at 4:00. One week is spent in Bible Study (I Kings) and the next week is a time of fellowship and fun. All ages are welcome!

Okay – are you a woman between the ages of 18-105? We are gearing up for some very special events just for **YOU!** First, you are invited to **A Taste of the Sweet Life**, a one-afternoon retreat on Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. This is just an “appetizer” for our two-day retreat called **Sweet Life Café**. We will head up to Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads on Friday, April 30 to help you satisfy your cravings for deeper relationships with God and other women. **Sweet Life Café** will be a relational and personal experience where you will grow spiritually and discover ways to live out what you learn. Get these dates on your calendar now – **March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 30/May 1**. So what's with the “sweet” theme? Well, these retreats are all about God's grace – how richly, extravagantly, and surprisingly He indulges us with His love and grace. Mmm-mmm-mmm! I can taste the sweetness now . . .

And coming up in April – right after Easter – join us as we embark on a church-wide campaign called *40 Days of Love!* Unearth the core of Jesus' ministry in how we show love to the people God has placed in our lives here on earth. How can we communicate more like Jesus? How do we love our Creator, our neighbors, ourselves? We'd love for you to join us on this journey. Let's discover together a love that is patient, kind, forgiving, unselfish and always speaks the truth, all during this six-week journey into the very heart of the matter. Start praying now and watch for the opportunity to sign up and be a part of our small group ministry here at OSLC. You'll love it!

### Volunteer Ministries

We **STILL** need **YOU!!** Check the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for a couple of opportunities to help serve here at OSLC. Specifically, we are in need of ushers and greeters. Stop by and sign up!

Have you ever said these words: “I don't really think I have any special gifts.” Or “I don't really know what my gifts are.” Or “I don't really think the church needs me or the things I like to do.” You have? Well, you will not want to miss our March Discover Sunday CLASS 301 – Discovering Your SHAPE for Ministry. This is a really fun and informative session. You'll see a sign-up sheet very soon on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Don't deny yourself this opportunity to learn more about you and what makes you special. Find out how your “SHAPE” fits into your church family here at OSLC! I'll be there – hope you will, too!

In His service,  
Bonnie Rennich  
Director of Music  
and Congregational Ministries

*“My purpose is that they be encouraged in heart and united in love . . . .  
in order that they may know Christ.” Colossians 2:2*

## FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

The Board of Youth is very excited to welcome Pastor Voht into its midst! What blessings the Lord has brought to Our Savior Lutheran.

Thanks to all the youth for serving at the Valentine's Day Dinner. And a big special thanks to Laurel Olson, Susann DeForest and the rest of their team who helped plan and execute the event!

Need some help? The high school youth are trying to raise money for their mission trip to Wyoming in June. If you could use some help with shoveling, cleaning, washing pets, or any other household job, call Kyle or Ashley Bergstedt at 575-749-1243 or 317-828-7693. Please help the youth by letting them help you.

The season of Lent has begun which means Easter is on its way...as are the Easter Crosswalk and Breakfast! Crosswalk shirts and sweatshirts will once again be sold in the church fellowship hall on Sunday mornings. Proceeds go towards the youth funds. If you have questions about the Crosswalk, call Brent Detlaff at 701-721-2598 or Karla

Yates at 701-721-2668. If you are able to help with the Easter Breakfast or donate food for it, please sign up on the bulletin board located in the fellowship hall or call Kristie Zolondek at 701-350-1149.

For anyone who would like to donate to the youth, you can do so by grabbing a red envelope titled "Youth Scholarship Program" on the usher's table outside the sanctuary and dropping it in the offering plate or at the church office. Donations can be made to the youth general fund or to a specific youth to help sway the costs of trips or events.

Do you buy groceries??? Our Savior youth need your MarketPlace Foods receipts!!! Every time you make a purchase at MarketPlace Foods, either big or small, ask the cashier for a "WE CARE" stamp. Bring the stamped receipt to church and place it in the plastic envelope on the youth bulletin board in the fellowship hall. 1% of your purchase will be contributed to the youth of Our Savior Lutheran Church. It's that easy! Thanks to those of you who already bring in receipts...what a great way to donate with so little effort.

## LHLH CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Little Hands, Loving Hearts  
Child Development Center, Inc.

"Reflecting the light of God's love  
by embracing children and their families and encouraging  
growth in mind,  
body, and spirit."

I read recently that when one is doing God's work, there are three stages: the impossible, the difficult, and the DONE! The first six weeks of operations at Little Hands, Loving Hearts, as with any new business, have undoubtedly been challenging. The government forms and paperwork that must be maintained...impossible! Operating with 1/3 of the staff out sick on the same day...very difficult! And yet, we've been blessed with a glimpse of the "done" as well.

For instance, I had the opportunity to visit with the grandparents of one of our 3 year olds when they came to pick him up for the day. With much enthusiasm, they explained what a positive difference LHLH CDC had already made in their grandson's life. He had begun to articulate

much more clearly, given up his pacifier at long last, and was so much more content and co-operative at home. But the "done" moment came when they shared that their extended family had gathered the weekend before and were sitting down to their evening meal. As everyone began to dig in, our "little heart" interrupted the proceedings with, "Wait, we need to say grace first!" Already the love of our Savior is being shared around the dinner table and we rejoice with a big AMEN!

Have you noticed our new dining room floor in the Great Room? What a pleasure it is to sweep after every meal and think of the selfless stewardship of those who installed it. Deepest gratitude to Dave Niess and Gary Trueblood who's knees are probably still aching...it's done!

Have you appreciated the church lot and sidewalks cleaned of snow each week? I so appreciate not having to shovel the LHLH CDC entrance at 5:45 a.m. each morning, because Wayne Aga has already plowed...thank you Wayne...it's done!

I am indebted beyond words to the LHLH CDC and OSLC Boards! Our weekly SCRIPT orders and grocery shopping are done! The transitioning of our shared spaces is beginning to smooth out and it is a joy to witness God's people coming together for the success of our mission ministry. The new lunchroom "Grandmas" are a big hit and so very, very helpful. Bonnie's music ministry on Wednesday afternoons is a highlight of our week and greatly anticipated and enjoyed by children and staff alike!

Though we are weak (and often tired and discouraged) HE IS STRONG and we will continue to persevere through the impossible and difficult until we bask in done. Your prayers energize us and the Holy Spirit empowers us.

Perhaps your heart has been moved to become a volunteer or a financial sponsor of our program. I'd be so pleased to visit with you about opportunities that exist to support us.

Finally, my brothers and sisters in Christ, I want to deeply and humbly thank you for your warm words and acts of kindness during this personally difficult time. Doug's ALS continues to march forward and requires my escalating attention. You are angels on earth and I thank God for you each day. We are sustained by His mercy and the love of His people. God bless you all!

Forward in faith,  
Terry Voeller, CDA  
LHLH CDC Director

## FROM THE LHLH BOARD

Dear OSLC Family and Friends,

Our church's dream of impacting little lives through a Christian Child Development Center has finally happened! Since the opening of our center on January 4<sup>th</sup>, children and staff have quickly settled into their daily routines and an atmosphere of love, dedication, and happiness, can be felt as you pass through the center! The staff and directors for Little Hands Loving Heart's Child Development Center would like to extend a big thank you to all who have dedicated time, donated supplies, and provided personal financial support to this ground-breaking ministry to children! Without the dedication of our congregation, and your personal support, this would never have happened!

As the ministry builds momentum, your continued support means a great deal in the lives of children. We'd like you to consider continuing this vital support in one of the following ways:

- A monthly gift for direct support of the ministry.
- A gift toward a "Special Purchase Item" off the LHLH "Wish List"
- "Sponsor a Child" – You can directly help a young family provide for Christ-centered care through a monthly or yearly LHLH Scholarship Program gift.
- A one-time gift to the ministry. Your gifts provide a vital service in a child's life!

Find out more about these meaningful support options by calling LHLH at 852-5454. Don't forget to continue to purchase SCRIP on Sunday mornings! Use it just like cash in over 200 Minot area businesses where you already shop and eat.

## CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Caring For One Another is a small group Bible study that meets every Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are currently using the one sheet Bible studies.

If you would enjoy leading the Bible study for a particular week, please let us know or if you have a topic you'd like to study. The participation is always voluntary so you don't

have to worry about being "called" on! We'd love to have you join us!

Love through our Lord,  
Duane and Clara Schell  
838-4498

## FOREVER YOUNG

Forever Young is a small group fellowship for those in the 50+ age group. We meet at 6:00 p.m. on the third Friday of each month from September through May.

We have an exciting program lined up for March 19<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Daniel Voth, Crystal and family will be joining us so we can "meet and greet"! The potluck meal will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. followed by the program with the Voth's. They will tell a little about themselves and we will share something about ourselves so we can get to know each other.

Hope to see you there! Why don't you bring a guest? The food is always delicious and we have a good selection.

Thank you to Betty Hahn for supplying us with such a lovely door prize in February. Anyone want to supply one for March? Call us!

In Christ's Love,  
Duane and Clara Schell  
838-4498

## SEWING DISCIPLES

Join us on Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m. to tie quilts! Bring a friend and a sack lunch! It's a great time of fellowship as we work on this worthwhile mission project for Lutheran World Relief!

## FROM THE CHURCH RECORDS

### Baptisms

February 21, 2010  
Kaylee Jean Robinson  
Daughter of Kenneth & Amy Robinson

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March 1 David & Debra Schwede  
March 6 Morton & Mary Jo Kent  
March 10 Allen & Jennifer Bonness  
March 10 Bryan & Trisha Boyeff  
March 11 Archie & Mavis Zahursky  
March 15 Jeff & Krista Myers  
March 18 Gerald & Alice Wickman  
March 24 Jerel & Carolyn Schweitzer  
March 30 Brad & Corleen Haugeberg  
March 30 Michael & Loa Orvik

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 1 Gail Steinwand  
Teina Rust  
Emily Lentz  
March 2 Virgil Werner  
Joyce Goodvin  
Sandra Deplazes  
Abraham Moilan  
Kaden Carlson  
March 3 Jamie Rennich  
Brandon Chabot  
March 4 Fay Clark  
Jamie Thull  
March 5 Shannon Staehr  
Regan McNally  
March 6 Caden DeMakis  
March 7 Jolene Klebe  
Ryley Plesuk  
Julianna O'Neill  
Austin Rosenbaum  
March 8 Edwin Klebe  
Bruce Jungling  
Dorothy Kerr

John Laib  
March 9 Tenley Nordstrom  
Trevor Schweitzer  
Blake Wallstrum  
Amanda Kerr  
March 10 Eloise Krueger  
Stephanie Haugeberg  
Dustin Olson  
March 11 Alice Wickman  
Theresa Voeller  
Candice Saunders  
March 12 Kristie Zolondek  
Nathaniel Tohm  
March 13 Allen Luckow  
Rhonda Tangen  
Tristan Hightower  
Shane Fleck  
March 14 Jennifer Bonness  
Angela Holzer  
Danielle Plesuk  
March 15 David Small  
Molly Rylander  
March 16 Peyton Perron  
March 18 Robin Melchert  
Shaylah Olson  
Jaksyn Graham  
March 19 Joanne Ronsberg  
Penny Brandt  
Justin Olson  
Berkleigh Thompson  
March 20 Clara Schell  
Donna Richard  
Shanna Labrensz  
Joel Johnson  
March 21 Jeff Buller  
Mandy Womack  
Daniel Lentz  
Travis Haugeberg  
Mara Cox  
Leandra Olson  
Jade Harbaugh  
James McElwain  
Landen Mikkelson  
March 22 Susan Ziolkowski  
Justin Hoffart  
Taylor Benno  
Zarra Schmidt  
March 23 Jonelle Fleming  
Lisa Potts

March 24	Alayna Geiger Kyle Bergstedt Jordyn Schaefer Jack Kramer Kamryn Gullicks Keith Klug
March 25	Joan Hance
March 26	Rachel Adkins
March 27	Rev. Tom Eaves Deanna Westman Chad Hedberg
March 28	Daniel Saunders Candace Schumaier
March 29	Archie Zahursky Becky Gage Justin Zayas
March 30	Myrtle Bachmeier Shawn Benham Jessica Plesuk
March 31	Roxann Hayhurst Melissa Meigs Jared Schumaier

Of course the dinner wouldn't be a success without our guests for the evening. It is my hope that we provided an evening of entertainment and good dining for those who attended. Thank you to everyone for the support. Keep your eyes open to pick up your pictures in the fellowship hall. We hope to see you next year!

Serving for Him  
Laurel Olson  
S.W.A.T. Team Member

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

### Serving Away From Home

Blake Hunter  
Matthew Voeller  
Noel Allen

### Battling Cancer

Larry Anderson  
Tammi Benno  
EIRita Nelson  
Bill Reum  
Gloria Schmidt  
Jean Tohm  
Carol Tribitt

Happy Birthday and God's richest blessings to each of you!  
If your birthday is not listed, or if the date is incorrect,  
PLEASE call the church office  
and let me know!

## VALENTINE THANK YOU

I would like to send a big thank you to the following people for the wonderful help in preparing for the Valentine Dinner served by the youth: Peggy Lentz, Susann Deforest, Gail Steinwand, Kendra Williams and Ashley Bergstad. A special thank you to Candice Saunders for stepping in at the last minute to do photos.

We had 25 youth from grades 7-11 as well as a few young adults involved in decorating, cooking, serving and clean up. It was wonderful working with these young people. They did a fantastic job and I am so proud of them. What a cool bunch of young people we have in our church family! The students are able to use this event as either a servant event or a fundraiser to add money to their individual accounts.

Our meal wouldn't have been possible without the donations of money and food contributed by our members. Thank you to all who so generously gave.

## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING AVERAGES

### *Attendance:*

January Average: 369  
February Average: 336 (so far)

### *Offering (General Fund):*

January Average:  
\$7,093.85/Week  
Designated Fund Average:  
\$41.20/Week

February Average: (so far)  
\$7,836.90/Week

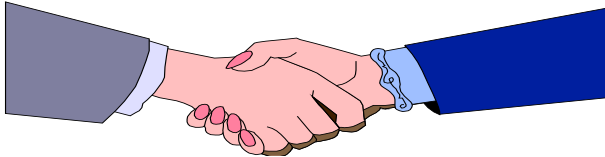
Designated Fund Average:  
\$33.33/Week

*Children's Sunday School:*

January Average: 63

February Average: 65

## MARCH USHERS



**8:30 a.m.**

Duane Schell  
John Rensvold

**9:45 a.m.**

Jack Zolondek

**11:00 a.m.**

Tom Vera  
Ted Krause  
Todd Mikkelson  
Dan Wenzel (14<sup>th</sup>)

If you are willing to serve in this vital area of ministry, PLEASE call the church office at 852-6404 and let Peggy know or sign up on the bulletin board located in the Fellowship Hall!