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DANCE PERFORMANCE

Becky Armstrong's special friends will be dancing at Dance Lansing next week Tues, Wed, Thurs (July 24,25,26) at 7pm at Dart Auditorium, LCC. Dance Lansing is part of the Community Dance Program. Everyone is invited to attend this entertaining performance. FREE admittance but donations are accepted. Parking is FREE on the street and in lots after 6 pm. Questions? Call

Becky at
517-897-2829.



Chapel Chatter

Christ - Students - Community Coming Together



Flowers on the altar this week are given by Ed and Abbi Schleusener, in celebration of their daughter Rebecca's 1st birthday (today, July 22), and of their 5th anniversary (July 13th). Happy birthday, Rebecca, and happy anniversary, Ed & Abbi!

DID YOU KNOW Next week, Sunday, July 29, will be a "hymn sing" at both worship services (also known as "Stump the Accompanist"). You get to choose the hymns for the service from either the hard cover hymnal, or the blue or maroon soft cover hymnals. Such a deal – finally the congregation gets to control the music for the service! Let praises to our Lord abound!

BAPTISM This morning we celebrate the baptism of **Jing Wang**, wife of David Wu and mother of Ella, who has decided to be baptized into the family of Christ. May our God always keep Jing in His care.

DINNER AND DEVO Undergrads, grad students, and 20s and 30s are invited for dinner and a short devotion tomorrow, Monday, July 23, hosted by Joe and Ashley Nettleman, at 6 pm at their home (1642 Wintercrest in East Lansing). We hope you can make it! Please sign up on your interest sheet or email the church office to let us know if you can attend.



LUTHERAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION leaders are meeting today after worship to plan for the fall semester. Please take a moment to welcome them! Leaders for the 2018-2019 Academic year are Jenna Morehead, Tim Mowers, Emma Chrzanowski, and Hunter Carmack.

2019 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING Calling all youth! Start thinking about the 2019 Youth Gathering, "Real. Present. God.", which will be held in Minneapolis on July 11-15, 2019. Held every 3 years since 1980, the LCMS Youth Gathering provides thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith, and their Lutheran identity. For more information, visit <https://lcmsgathering.com>. There will be an interest meeting for all youth entering grades 8-12 on Sunday, August 5, after the morning worship service. This will be an opportunity to ask questions, get some information about the gathering, and gauge interest. Official registration for the gathering will happen in October.



CALL UPDATE As part of the ongoing call process to welcome a new Associate Pastor to Martin Luther Chapel, the Call Committee recently conducted video conference calls with two potential pastors. Following the calls, the Committee invited both Pastors to East Lansing for a visit. One of the Pastors felt it was not the right time for him to consider a new call, so he declined our invitation.

Pastor David Gaddini accepted our invitation, and will be here to visit on August 5/6. We hope to learn more about Pastor Gaddini through this visit before considering the offer of a formal call.

Pastor Gaddini will be attending the following activities open to the congregation.

- Sunday, August 5:**
- 5:30 pm Sunday Supper
 - 7:00 pm Evening Worship
 - 8:00 pm Ice Cream Social/Meet and Greet

Pastor Gaddini will also be meeting with the Call Committee and other groups while he and his wife, Tina, are in East Lansing (more information to come on meeting times and places as plans develop). We hope you can join us on August 5th to welcome the Gaddini's to MLC.



Thought For the Day

It is a sad fact that, even though the world is shrinking and we have possibilities of communication like never before, the world is fragmented into so many different groups and camps. The church can model the barrier-free life that Christ has brought.

That is so on a global scale. It is also the case in the congregation. We are all family, and no one is to be treated as a stranger or alien. Differences in race, class, gender, economic condition, politics, and opinion exist, but they are not barriers to living in unity in Christ. The congregation is a laboratory for the kingdom of God.

- ARLAND J. HULTGREN

NUMBERED OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2018-2019 are available for pickup on the table in the Narthex.

ELECTION HOSTS are needed at Martin Luther Chapel as we host Precinct 2 as a polling place. You will not be involved with the elections but provide direction to our guests who may ask questions about locations of bathrooms, beverage, etc. Please consider if you would like to help on Tuesday, August 7 and indicate your timeframe, i.e. in the morning or afternoon of that date on the sign up in the welcome area. Questions? Contact Pastor Curt.

SUMMER STUDENT BIBLE STUDY Bible study continues on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the Fireside Lounge for all college students in the East Lansing area. This study is focusing on "The Tangible Kingdom". Questions? Contact Pastor Curt.

This Week at Martin Luther Chapel

SUNDAY—7/22

8:45 am Staff Prayer

9:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

10:30 am Trustee Meeting

12:00 pm Lutheran Student Organization Summer Meeting

7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)

MONDAY—7/23

10:45 am Prayers for the Ministry

6:00 pm Dinner and Devo

TUESDAY—7/24

1:00 Strike A Pose Art Class

WEDNESDAY—7/25

7:00 pm Student Bible Study

THURSDAY—7/26

6:00 pm English Conversation Class

SUNDAY—7/29

8:45 am Staff Prayer

9:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm Peer Minister Summer Meeting

7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)

PLANNING UNDERWAY! Mark your calendars for an all-ages "Fun in the SON" event for the weekend of August 11/12. Can you serve on the planning team? Please mark your interest sheet. Questions? Talk to Pastor Curt.

HAVEN HOUSE BACKPACK DRIVE We are again collecting items for the Haven House "Adopt A Child for Back to School" program. This program has been ongoing for over 15 years to provide local children with new clothes and school supplies for the start of the school year. We are collecting items for this effort, including backpacks and school supply basics. If you would like to be matched to a specific child, contact Chequoya Spearman at Haven House at (517)337-2731. You can pick up a list of suggested items on the resource shelf (look for the tan sheet). Drop off items in the marked box in the welcome area.

9TH ANNUAL ADAM D. NEVELLS MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING & DINNER will take place on Sunday August 26, 2018 at the Wheatfield Valley Golf Course. The Adam D. Nevells Memorial Fund is in its ninth year and as of the 2018 distributions has provided over \$31,000 total through individual scholarships & grants to the areas Adam held most dearly: OHS Athletic and Band Boosters, Boy Scout Troop 125, & with more than \$9,000 of the total going to Martin Luther Chapel to support a variety of community youth programs. All donations stay in the fund permanently and the annual awards are made from the fund's annual interest. Adam's fund will give back to the community in perpetuity.

Not a Golfer? Join us for Dinner only (\$30 per person) & a chance at the spectacular "PRIZE TABLE." Additionally, Sponsorships are needed as well as Prize Table donations (see the Golf Outing Flyers in the Narthex).

For more information contact Mike Nevells at 517-285-8733 or mike.nevells@gosolutions.net.

MARTIN LUTHER CHAPEL ENDOWMENT FUND Were you aware that the Chapel has an endowment fund? The purpose of the Endowment Fund is to establish permanent funds that generate income to support the on-going mission, outreach, and programs of Martin Luther Chapel outside of the annual operating budget. Tax-deductible gifts can be made any time and come in many forms in addition to cash: securities, land, real estate, charitable trusts, memorials, life insurance, or gifts-in-kind. If you would like to make a gift to the Endowment Fund or would like to discuss this program, please speak with Pastor Dave.

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER? CONSIDER USING SIMPLY GIVING! Did you know that nearly 60 individuals/families use an Electronic Fund Transfer program to make their weekly/monthly contributions to the ministry of Martin Luther Chapel? Your gifts can be withdrawn from a checking account, savings account, or charged to a credit card. The process is simple!

1. Prayerfully consider your response to God's generosity.
2. (Paper version) Complete the application form, which can be found on the shelves in the entry way, and turn it in to the church office in a sealed envelope.

(Online sign up) Visit martinlutherchapel.org and click Get Involved/Ways to Give/Simply Giving. There you can create your own login, and securely enter your own payment information on a schedule that you choose. You can update it at any time.

Your gifts will be automatically deducted from your account and transferred to the church account on the schedule that you set (weekly, bi-monthly, or monthly). You can also use this process to make special gifts on a one-time or less frequent basis. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Owens, Office Administrator, at mlc@martinlutherchapel.org or by phone at (517)332-0778.

MLC BOOK GROUP will not meet for the month of August. The next meeting is Thursday, September 6th. A number of members will be reading and participating in the East Lansing, One Book, One Community events. The book for this event is *My Beloved World*, by Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Supreme Court of the United States. For more information, please visit <http://www.onebookeastlansing.com/166/2018-Calendar-of-Events>.



"Just 'Early Service' will suffice, Ed."