

# Good News From New Road

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, God's Family in Service

June 2019

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church

## We're Covered

The good news is that our Ministry Site Profile has been submitted to the NTNL Synod, has been approved by the Bishop, and has been published for all the world to see. Our Call Committee is ready to field inquiries and sort through possible candidates for our full-time pastor position. Time will tell, but we'll keep you informed as to our progress.

Of note, Pastor Clayton McCord's contract with us came to an end on May 17, 2019. Pastor Clay has been supplying pastoral care to our homebound and shut-in members during this interim period. Because he and his wife had previously set plans for travel in their retirement, our association must now come to an end. Best wishes to them and "thank you" for the blessing of his ministry. Starting May 20, 2019, Pastor Andrew Ronnevik began supplying pastoral care for our homebound and shut-in members. Our Stephen Ministers will inform their clients of Pastor Andrew's availability, but we'll also need your help in spreading the word of this change.

Beginning Sunday, May 19, 2019, Pastor Andrew Ronnevik will begin both presiding and preaching each Sunday through Sunday, July 21, 2019. Pastor Andrew and Meredith will be leaving to "show-off" Baby Ronnevik back home in Minnesota for three weeks. Assuming we still do not have a new pastor, we will again call on Pastor Larry and our three Lay Worship Leaders to preside and preach during this three-week period. Upon Pastor Andrew's return, he will continue presiding and preaching along with Pastor Larry and our three Lay Worship Leaders.

I'm confident that our Lord is preparing now our next Pastor. Join me in prayer that it is so as well, giving thanks for the blessing of Pastors Clay, Andrew and Larry and our Lay Worship Leaders Kenneth, Marianna and Phil.

Keep Believing!

Bill Jones, Council President

Please note that **use of the Fellowship Hall, or any part of church property, must be approved** by church administration prior to use. **False security alarms** cause interruption of church personnel family time and can result in **fines up to \$500** by the Waco Police Department. **Advance request** for use should be submitted to the Church Office. **Thank you** in advance for your cooperation.

The **Finance Committee meeting** will be on Monday, **June 17 at 6:00 p.m.**



Please join us throughout the summer months for **Bible study** led by Phil Van Auken on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

## An update on our financials and attendance

Attendance last Sunday: 102

Financials for the month of May thru 5/19/2019:

Income Budgeted for Month	\$24,300.00
(existing budget items + the proposed pastor compensation)	
Budgeted per week (4 Sundays)	\$6,075.00

Sunday Offerings for May 19, 2019:

Sunday Offering	\$3,228.00
Vanco Automatic Deposits	\$2,925.00
Total	\$6,153.00

	Weekly Amount	Month to Date	Goal to Date
Week 1	\$9,357.50	\$9,357.50	\$6,075.00
Week 2	\$3,278.00	\$12,635.50	\$12,150.00
Week 3	\$6,153.00	\$18,788.50	\$18,225.00
Week 4	\$0.00		



### Council Minutes—May 13, 2019



Members present: Bill Abright, Sally Engelbrecht, Linda Heyde, Shelly Jasek, Paula Jenson, Bill

Jones, Clay Sellers, Linda Stanford, Robert Cotner, and Jeremy Wallace

President Bill Jones called the meeting to order.

Bill Abright offered the devotion.

**Approval of Minutes:** Sally presented the April 8, 2019 Council meeting minutes for review. Two corrections were noted. Linda Stanford made the motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Paula seconded; the motion passed.

Shelly presented the **Treasurer's Report:**

- There is \$61,204.35, after deducting designated funds, in the checking account as of April 30, 2019.
- The actual year-to-date income less expense amount is \$32,741.30.

### **Old Business**

- Bill Jones shared an update from Sharon Gripp regarding Valor's request for classroom space. Bill and Paula agreed to reach out to Jared, at Valor, and set up a meeting for him to view our floor space.
- Pastor McCord will be leaving soon.

**Committee Reports:** Committee Reports were given. Linda Heyde updated the Council on the Call Process; it is hoped that candidates may be available after Memorial Day.

### **New Business:**

- Linda Stanford asked about this upcoming Sunday's schedule and planning for the graduates, scholarship, and Sunday school teacher recognition. Paula also noted that this Sunday will be the presentation of the Bold Women awards. It was determined that this Sunday will be the best time.

- Bill Jones shared the preaching and presiding schedule. Pastor Andrew has agreed to visit the shut-in members.
- Stephanie Abright was elected to the Lutheran Sunset Home Board.

There being no further business, Paula made a motion to adjourn and Linda Stanford seconded. The motion passed and the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

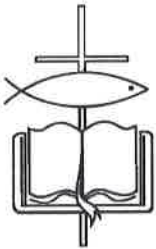
Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Engelbrecht, Secretary



### W-ELCA News

**Congratulations to Paula Jenson and Jean Moeller** who were selected as **Bold Women of Faith for 2019**.

**W-ELCA Combined Summer Circles** will begin the combined Bible study meetings in June. The first lesson will be Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are honored to have Dr. Phil Van Auken as our Bible study leader for the summer Bible study meetings. Please come and learn and enjoy Phil's studies.



**Prayer Angels** meeting, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. in conference room.

### Celebrating Our Graduates



**Teresa Umberger** graduated Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from MCC with a degree in Associate of Arts in General Academics.



**Aaron Jasek** graduated from Midway High School on Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup>. He participated in school for 6 years in FFA by showing rabbits and doing Ag Mechanics. He also participated in BPA, Business Professionals of America, for 3 years. He attended the 2015 ELCA

gathering in Detroit. He is looking forward to starting at Texas A&M in August in The College of Engineering with a goal to study Civil Engineering and continue to make our Texas Highways safe for all. He enjoys helping his Dad making hay, helping his family with the cattle, and is looking forward to working his second summer at Texas Department of Transportation. Aaron enjoys spending a bit of spare time with family & friends.



**Blake Gregory Ustanik**, Lorena High School (Bill & Diane Jones' grandson)

**Congratulations on Stephanie Abright's** election to the **Lutheran Sunset Ministries Board** for a three year term! The other two candidates elected were: Virginia Heinley, Our Savior's Lutheran, Norse and Al Herzog, Trinity Lutheran, Clifton. Thank you for your service.



**Members with Prayer Concerns** Alfred Gstattenbauer (hospital), Norma Swanson, Cora Gillespie, Imadene Peterson, Denise Self, Steve Jenson, Pastor Kenneth Moerbe & Paula Moerbe, Joanne Zuch, Agnes Decker, Duane Early, Clydine Arthur, Ron & Stephanie Lambring, Lauren Roller, Linda Stanford, Elsie Pietzsch, Melba Hafer, Edna Harris-Howland, Bill & Elnora Schwake, Ron & Sharon Peterson, Eunice & John Linda, David & Stacey Vanderkinter, Ty Henrichs, Tammy Vickrey, Weldon Howell, Stephanie Partin, Ed Poehl



### Those serving in our military:

Landry Erickson, grandson of Irene Erickson  
Willie Creamer, brother of Sam Creamer  
Claten Bechtol, grandson of Jo von Rosenberg

### Those for whom prayer is requested:

Cynthia Tamaz (Elnora Schwake)  
David Everett and Gregg Woodul (Steve & Paula Jenson)  
Brenda Bradley & Cody Poteet (David Vanderkinter)  
Berry Klingman and Carlos Remedios (Terry Roller)  
Mike Harkins and Jordan Mann (Mary Koon)  
Brenda Canada (Linda Stanford)  
Pete Tamez (Elnora Schwake)  
Jackie Harkins (Mary Koon)  
Marie Fuller (mother of Cynthia Frey)

Bert Dockall (Bradley Linda)  
 Rodney Roller (Terry Roller)  
 Gloria Martin (Beth Pristash)  
 Immanuel Lutheran (Posey, TX)  
 First Lutheran (Longview, TX)  
 Community Fellowship (Waco)  
 St. Peter Catholic Student Center (Waco)

### In Christian sympathy for:

✠ Brenda Henderson, sister of Edie Walker



Steven and Karen Mullens request the honor of your presence at the marriage of Melissa Mullens to Travis Fairchild on July 13, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Matthew Lutheran Church. Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall. **RSVP** to Karen Mullens at 254-744-7873 by July 1, 2019.



Dear St. Matthew family,

Just a note to thank everyone who has visited me or sent cards, flowers and prayers through my health problems since December. I am at the Brazos of Waco in the long-term care area. Miss you all. God bless St Matthew.

Love,  
 Elsie Pietzsch

Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thank you for selecting me as one of the recipients of the Bracken Scholarship. I greatly appreciate this honor. This will assist me in reaching my goals of getting my Alternative Teacher's Certification.

I plan to start classes this June and complete by August. This way I can start teaching this fall. This happening proves to me that St. Matthew is a family and family helps family.

Once again, thank you for helping me achieve my goals. I cannot wait to give you all up-dates.

Thank you,  
 Ashley Jenson

**Simply Giving** is offered through the church office for automatic withdrawal from your checking or savings account to give to St. Matthew Lutheran Church. Forms are available on the table in the hallway. Please fill out the form and return to the church office. Should you have questions, please contact Carol Linda at 254-722-0280.

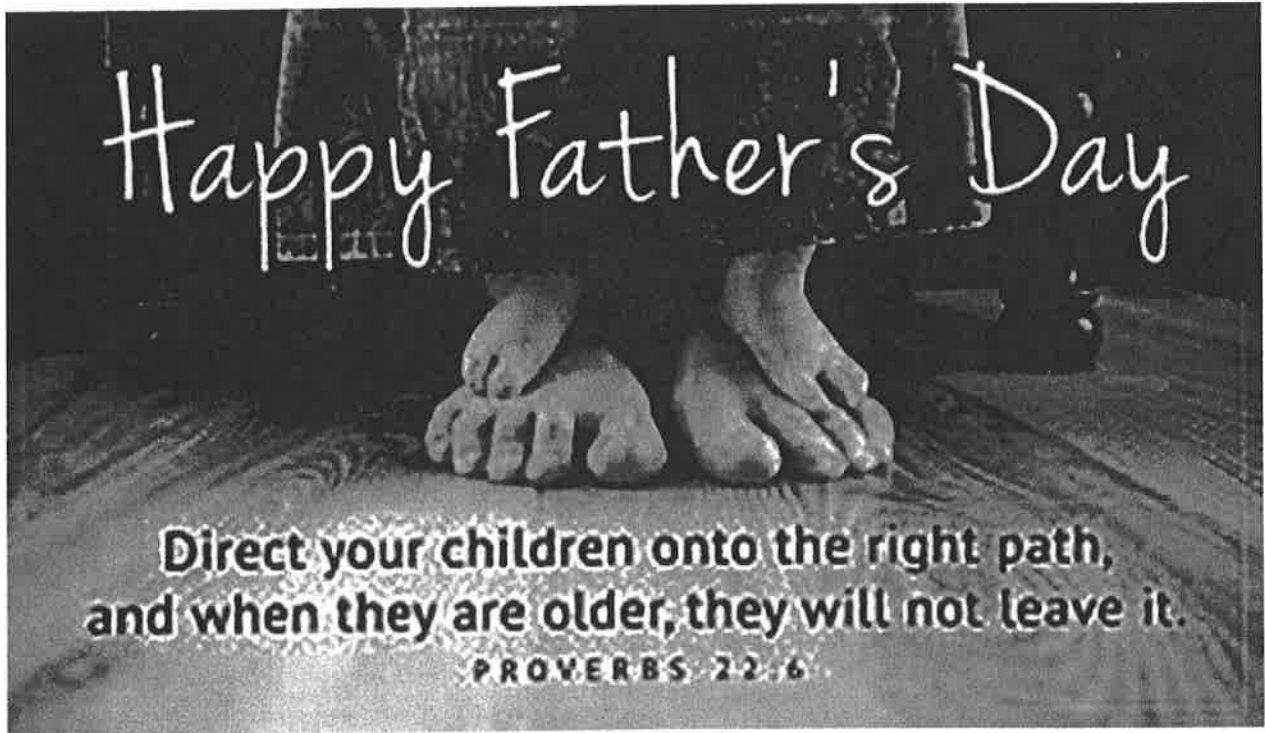
### June Anniversaries

DeAnna & Kemper Beard	6/1
Bill & Mary Krause	6/1
David & Stacey Vanderkinter	6/1
Sha & Ann Towers	6/13
John & Shelly Jasek	6/15
Chad & Maggie Johnson	6/16
Rod & Becky Rodeman	6/22
John & Lori Smith	6/23
Roy & Florence Anderson	6/26

### June Birthdays

Steve Jenson	6/1
Ann Towers	6/2
Jean Bush	6/3
Teresa Bancale	6/5
Ty Henrichs	6/7
Henry Beard	6/8
Sally Engelbrecht	6/8
Allana Stanford	6/9
Janet Reiske	6/12
Denise Self	6/13
Sean Smith	6/15
Edie Walker	6/16
Kathy Nordt	6/20
Elsie Pietzsch	6/20
Colleen Early	6/30

Have a good  
 Summer!



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Andrew and Meredith Ronnevik are excited to announce the birth of their daughter, Beatrice Elizabeth Ronnevik. She arrived at 7:28 p.m. on Sunday night and was 18.5 inches long and weighed 6 lbs. 7.5 oz.

# June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 8:30 Stephen Ministry Supervision 9:30 Worship	3 11:00 Dominoes	4 6:30 Men's Prayer Breakfast 11:00 Bible Study	5 9:00 Quilters	6 10:00 Calligraphy	7	8
9 8:30 Prayer Angels 9:30 Worship	10 10:00 WELCA Combined Circle Bible Study 6:30 Church Council	11 11:00 Dominoes	12 11:00 Bible Study	13	14 9:00 Quilters	15
16 9:30 Worship	17 6:00 Finance Committee	18 11:00 Dominoes	19 11:00 Bible Study	20	21 9:00 Quilters	22
23 9:30 Worship	24 11:00 Dominoes	25 11:00 Bible Study	26	27	28 9:00 Quilters	29
30 9:30 Worship						

# JUNE 2019 Ministers of Worship

	June 2 9:30 AM	June 9 9:30 AM	June 16 9:30 AM	June 23 9:30 AM	June 30 9:30 AM
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	Bradley Linda	DeAnna Toten Beard	Bradley Linda	Meridith Sellers	TBA
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Rosemary Fielder	Ken Busch	Rosemary Fielder	Ken Busch	Sue Hensel
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Marcyly Howell	Marianna Busch	Marcyly Howell	Marianna Busch	Marcyly Howell
<b>Children's Sermon</b>	Jeanne Dittmann	DeAnna Toten Beard	Jeanne Dittmann	Meridith Sellers	TBA
<b>Lector</b>	Jeanne Dittmann	Beth Pristash	Bradley Linda	Clay Sellers	TBA
<b>Acolyte</b>	TBA	TBA	TBA	Ziggy Sellers	TBA
<b>Communion – Set Up</b>	Peggy Tooker	Peggy Tooker	Peggy Tooker	Peggy Tooker	Peggy Tooker
<b>Communion – Clear Altar</b>	Marcyly Howell	Marcyly Howell	Marcyly Howell	Marcyly Howell	Marcyly Howell
<b>Wash Communion Ware</b>	Carolyn Van Auken	Carolyn Van Auken	Carolyn Van Auken	Carolyn Van Auken	Carolyn Van Auken
<b>Greeter – Elements</b>	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>Greeter</b>	Arlene Schwarz	Edna Dietrich	Arlene Schwarz	TBA	Arlene Schwarz
<b>Usher</b>	Bill Moeller	Roy Anderson	Sharon Gripp	TBA	Del Hensel
<b>Usher</b>	Jean Moeller	Bill Abright	Lyle Gripp	TBA	TBA
<b>Usher</b>	Lyle Gripp	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>Usher</b>	Sharon Gripp	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>Tellers</b>	Bill & Mary Krause				
<b>Tellers</b>					
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	DeAnna & Kemper Beard in Thanksgiving for 28 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary	DeAnna & Kemper Beard in thanksgiving for Henry Beard's 20 <sup>th</sup> birthday	Peggy Tooker in memory of her parents	Roy & Florence Anderson in celebration of their 59 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary	(OPEN DATE)

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Friend us on Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/SaintMatthewLutheran](http://www.facebook.com/SaintMatthewLutheran)

Church Office Hours:  
Monday through Thursday 9:00 am –1:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 noon.

**Remember:** If you **do not have a code** to the alarm system (which is different from the code to the key pad outside the front and back doors), **DO NOT enter the building after office hours**, or if no one else is already in the building. All Council members and the various group leaders that meet at St. Matthew have codes for the alarm system.

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