
The Master's Voice

Lutheran Church of the Master

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**Happy
Thanksgiving!**



Join us for Thanksgiving Day Worship at 10:00 am

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From our Diaconal Minister

By Pat Gerber Bornholt

ATTENTION: Women of LCM: Tuesday night Women's Bible study. This fall we are studying the Beatitudes. We meet at the Bornholt home on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 1270 Central Park Dr. Our next meeting will be on **November 15 @ 7 PM.**

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DWELS
NEWS

Fall Schedule

11/9 9:30 Brunch
10:45 Preschool
11/23 11:30 Thanksgiving luncheon/Please bring something to go along with our turkey dinner.
12/14 9:30 Brunch at Bornholt's
12/29 11:30 Lunch/Movie at church

We will be able to reconnect with our Pre-school children again this year. If you know of a senior you believe would

enjoy getting together with us, please invite them. Also if you want to attend, and do not have transportation, PLEASE let me know so we can arrange for someone to pick you up.

END OF LIFE DECISIONS

LCM has a pamphlet available entitled **“Five Wishes”** which helps you make some of the necessary end of life decisions. I am available if anyone is interested in this information. Please leave a message in the church office.

Please keep the church office informed of people who are **hospitalized or homebound** so that I can visit them and bring communion. Hospitals can no longer call the Church with information because of the new HIPAA laws.

I also have information for anyone who is interested in making plans for their funeral ahead of time. Please let me know if you are interested in this information.

Teen Parent Ministry at LCM!



On Monday evenings at 6:30 PM, LCM continues to host a group called **TEEN PARENT CONNECTION**. They are very happy to have our space to use for their meetings. This is a group for teen parents to come together with other teen parents to share their experiences of what it is like to deal with issues such as school, family and caring for a baby. If you are interested in bringing a treat/dessert for them, please talk to me.

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT!

From: 101 Ways to Be Your Best, Michael E Angier, “Ten Ways to Support Someone in Being Their Best.”
First 5:

1. Believe in them:

We all have self-doubts from time to time. Our confidence is shaken. We lack the faith in our talent and skills to go for an important promotion or

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launch a new initiative. Having someone believe in you at these times is priceless.

2. Encourage them:

“You can do it! I know you can.” These are words that are all too infrequently voiced. Sincere encouragement can go a long way in helping someone stay the course. The more specific you are, the better the results. “I remember when you went through your slump last year and ended up winning the sales contest, I’m willing to bet you’ll do even better this time.”

3. Expect a lot:

We’re often told not to get our hopes up. We’re encouraged to have *realistic* expectations. But when it comes to helping others operate at their best, we sometimes have to up-level our expectations. This can be taken to extremes, but there are many times when a teacher, a parent or even a boss has required more of us than we thought we were capable. And we’ve risen to the challenge which enabled us to see further than before.

4. Tell the truth:

And tell it with compassion. We often avoid telling the hard truth because we don’t want to upset anyone. We want to be nice. But telling the truth is a loving

act. You may be the only person who can or will say to another what needs to be said. And you can confront someone without being combative.

5. Be a role model:

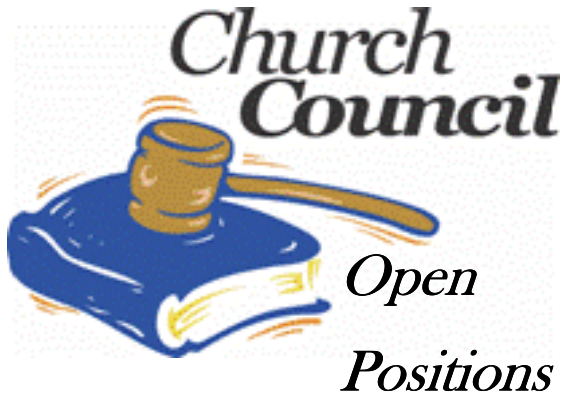
One of the best ways you influence is by your own actions. Who you are speaks much more loudly than what you say. Don’t think that people aren’t watching you. They are. And they’re registering everything about you consciously and unconsciously. We automatically emulate our role models. And we’re *all* role models to someone, so let’s be good ones.

“Faith is a journey, not a trip!”

“Often there is no answer to the question, ‘why?’ There’s just the reality of ‘IS’. But that ‘IS’ becomes the heart of wISdom.”

So enjoy your journey and on the way, find wISdom.

Pat Gerber Bornholt,
Diaconal Minister



Thinking of serving on council? If you have wondered who does what, check out the descriptions below. According to our constitution, voting members* may submit their own names or another person's name in October and November to the Nominating Committee as possible candidates for Congregational Council. Now's the time to consider the following positions for 2012:

Executive Team:

- President (1 year term)-OPEN
- Vice President (1 year term)
- Treasurer (1 year term)
- Council Secretary (1 year term)-OPEN

Council Member At Large:

- Council 1 (continuing with 2nd year)
 - Council 2 (2 year term)-OPEN
 - Council 3 (2 year term)-OPEN
 - Council 4 (2 year term)-OPEN
- (***Voting** members are confirmed members.)

Such confirmed members shall have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or preceding year.)

What does the job require?

Council Positions from our Constitution:

- C11.01.01a The **president** shall preside at meetings of the congregation and the Congregation Council. In the event of the president's inability to serve, the vice-president shall preside.
- C11.01.01b The **vice-president** shall, in the absence of the president, assume the duties of the president.
- C11.01.01c The **secretary** shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the congregation and of the Congregation Council in a volume provided by the congregation, which said volume shall be preserved permanently in the congregational archives.
- C11.01.01d Minutes of the Congregation Council meetings shall be made available to the congregation on the Sunday after each meeting.
- C11.01.01e The **treasurer** oversees the Recording Treasurer who

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shall keep the books of account of the congregation and shall receive from the financial secretary all funds and disburse them on proper orders, making monthly remittance of benevolence receipts to the treasurer of the synod. An audit is to be done for the previous year prior to the current year's annual meeting of each year.

If you have interest in serving on council, please send your information to Merridee at churchoffice@lcotm.org or drop off in the church office. Please include a short bio of why you'd like to serve and your picture so we can share in the next newsletter.

Please speak with any member of the Nominating Committee if you have questions or concerns:

Michael Benshish

Mike Fiorito

Paul Kuczera

Lucy Orr

Merridee Panico

Penny Schmidt

Campaign News

Update from the Follow-Up Team Managers:

The Green Report

Life After Debt

Thru October 31, 2011

# of Commitments	99
Total Amount Committed	\$516,997
Number Giving This Month	57
New Givers w/o Commitments	2
Monthly Contributions	\$9,586.48
Total Contributions to Date	\$120,599.86

Pot Luck Dinner Celebration

Mark your calendars!! **Sunday, January 29, 2012** following the Annual Congregational Meeting, we will have a pot luck dinner to celebrate the Whole Life Discipleship Campaign to date. All are invited!

Congregational Forum

Plan to join us on **Sunday, November 13** immediately following the 10 am worship for a forum on the following subjects:

- 1) The proposed updates to our constitution (copies will be available) to bring it into compliance with the ELCA model .
- 2) The Call Committee—responsibilities and requirements will be explained. Members are encouraged to volunteer and/or nominate candidates to be elected in January.
- 3) Council Nominations — The nominating committee will explain the responsibilities of council members and officers so members can volunteer and/or nominate candidates to be elected in January.



Worship & Music

Michael Benshish, Director

Master's

Gala

*Master's
Gala
Recap*

Our second Annual Master's Gala Dinner Dance Fundraiser was a success once again!!

We turned a respectable profit of just over \$3700 which goes to support the church's general fund. Everyone on the team worked extremely hard to make the Gala a success! And considering that ticket sales, raffle tickets and auction purchases were down from last year, it is still something we can be very proud of! Of note...Worship and Music is the ONLY committee within LCM that turns it's total profit from an event back to the general fund!

LCM MASTER MUSIC SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 3	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Saturday, November 5 Sunday, November 6	5:00 service: MUSIC LEADERSHIP NEEDED! ***ALL SAINTS DAY***10:00 service: Master’s Voices 11:15 rehearsals – Jazzy4Jesus
Wednesday, November 9	7:15 rehearsal – N’Soul
Thursday, November 10	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Saturday, November 12 Sunday, November 13	5:00 service: MUSIC LEADERSHIP NEEDED! 10:00 service: N’Soul & Jazzy4Jesus
Tuesday, November 15	7:15 rehearsal – N’Soul
Thursday, November 17	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Saturday, November 19 Sunday, November 20	5:00 service: MUSIC LEADERSHIP NEEDED! ***CHRIST THE KING***10:00 service: N’Soul & Master’s Ringers 11:15 rehearsals – Jazzy4Jesus
Thursday, November 24	10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day worship NO REHEARSALS – HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!
Saturday, November 26 Sunday, November 27	5:00 service: MUSIC LEADERSHIP NEEDED! ***ADVENT 1***10:00 service: Taize worship - Master’s Voices & N’Soul 11:15 rehearsals – Jazzy4Jesus
Wednesday, November 30	7:15 rehearsal – N’Soul

Worship Assistants — November

5:00	ALM
Nov. 5-6	Kristin Sonntag
Nov. 12-13	Dorothy Sonntag
Nov. 19-20	Shirley Lyles
Nov. 24	Kristin Sonntag
Nov. 26-27	Cynthia Green

COUNTERS SCHEDULE	
Nov. 5-6	Team #1: Karen Mason, Vicki Winter
Nov. 12-13	Team 2: Jeff & Kim Wall
Nov. 19-20	Team 3: Lee Edmunds, Cheryl Kapes
Nov. 24	Team 4: John Pappanduros, Carl Bornholt
Nov. 26-27	Team 4: John Pappanduros, Carl Bornholt

10:00	ALM	COMM ASST.	ACOLYTE	CRUCIFER	COMM. ASST. (YOUTH)	NURSERY
Nov. 5-6	Kristin Sonntag	Julie Mangum	Sydney Weiss	/////	Nathan Engler	Amanda Pawelczyk
Nov. 12-13	Guy Schilke	Jerry Hagevold	Raquel Donovan	/////	Devin Walleck	Hollie Donovan
Nov. 19-20	Karen Mason	Kathleen Kremian	Justin Isla	Lucas Isla	Trevor Flanigan	Isabelle Wilson
Nov. 24	Kristin Sonntag	Nancy DeVito	Sarah Grippando			
Nov. 26-27	Susan Kuczera	Ellen Herman	Sydney Weiss	/////	Nathan Engler	Isabella Guizzetti

ALTAR GUILD: Team #3: Celeste Reif, Cheryl Schilke, Doreen Morrissy



Adult Small Group



“We do God’s work, not because God needs us to do so,” says Bishop Mark Hansen, “but because our neighbor does.” On Sunday mornings, visitors from organizations who serve our community – DuPage PADS, Marklund, Western DuPage Special Recreation Association, Outreach Community Center, to name a few – will be at LCM to tell you what they do and how you can help. Stop to welcome them in the fellowship hall. Learn more about how you can do God’s work.

"Lit-n-Lattes" book club

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at Lutheran Church of the Master (next meeting: **November 8**).

This month’s selection is To Kill A Mockingbird by *Harper Lee*. Enjoy some fellowship with other people that love to read. Any questions, contact Kris Flanigan at 630-682-3061 or kflani-gan419@att.net



Christian Education

TEAM LEADER: Lynette VanLerberghe

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their First Communion on Sunday, October 30:



Nicholas Peter Beckman
Kathryn May Benshish
Izabell Grace Dusik
Dennis Karl Hoffmann
Collin Kreft Rosenberg

Jr. High Youth Ice Cream/Game Night Friday, Nov. 18, 7:30-10 pm

All Jr. High youth (6th-8th) are invited to an Ice Cream social and game night. Come and share ideas on future group activities, play games and eat ice cream! Any and all parents interested in helping are appreciated. Contact Bill Walleck 630-903-5401.

Advent Family Project

Sunday, Nov. 20

11 am-12pm

Make a Jesse Tree

A what?

The Jesse tree represents Jesus' family tree. The name is taken from Isaiah 11:1, in which Jesus is referred to as a shoot coming up from the stump of Jesse, the father of David. The ornaments on the Jesse tree tell of Jesus' ancestors, and of the events leading to Jesus' birth.

Join us for fun, food, and fellowship on November 20 after the 10 a.m. service. For a donation of \$10 per family, you will get a kit that has all the pieces you need to make a Jesse tree banner, the ornaments, and the Bible verses that go with them. (Kits are also available "to go," but we hope you'll stay for the fun). Oh, and there will be pizza too. See you then!

Questions? Ask any member of the Christian Ed team: Shirley Lyles, Mary Skipworth, Dorothy Sonntag, Lynnette VanLerberghe



Senior High:

- Issues & Answers: Mondays, 7-8:30 pm — (check online web calendar for details)
 - Fri 11/11-Sun 11/13 — Fall Retreat! Save the date and your \$\$.
- We'll be enjoying Phantom Ranch for this retreat. Options include horseback riding, paintball (at \$10 additional each), bonfires & more. Cost: \$95 plus \$25 for meal out.
- \$45 due Monday, Nov. 7.

Lifetouch Complimentary Photos are in!!

If you elected to have your complimentary 8x10 photo sent to the church for pick up, the portraits are in a bin on Merridee's desk. Please stop by to get yours!

Spirit of Life Chorus Presents

Fall 2011 Concert Series....

HIS LIGHT STILL SHINES

Sunday, Nov. 28

4:30 pm

*Refreshments will be served in
the fellowship hall following*

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entertainment, and spiritual items. They serve as a message that support is available from someone who understands the physical and emotional pain caused by cancer.

2. One-on-One Friendships...Patients are introduced to a volunteer who provides much needed one-on-one communication and encouragement through letters, emails, telephone calls, holiday cards, visits, support groups, etc.

Carol Stream Christmas Sharing 2011

Thursday, December 15

Help us out for the annual food and toy drive. Participate by donating non-perishable food items and new unwrapped toys!

What is Christmas Sharing?

It is a Village sponsored event that allows Carol Stream residents to share with other Carol Stream residents who may be less fortunate. For information on donations, volunteering, or applying please call (630) 871-6280.

Volunteer opportunities are on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, December 12, 13 & 14. Call the Social Service Unit of the Village of Carol Stream at (630) 871-6280.

Donations of gently used clothing, new, unwrapped toys and other items can be brought to LCM **after December 4**. Because of the various events in the church preceding that date, we ask that you NOT bring items before then. Volunteers are needed to set-up and sort these items. Please see the sign up sheet on Welcome Center to volunteer, or talk to Bob Reif at (630) 682-1025.

Monetary donations can also be made to: Carol Stream Christmas Sharing, 500 N. Gary Ave., Carol Stream, IL 60188.

3.Spiritual Support and Guidance....As a faith-based charity, Phil's Friends prays for each patient and offers Christian counsel for cancer patients and their families. It is our belief that the promise of God provides hope, comfort and security to cancer patients.

Phil's Friends, an organization which brings Christ Centered Care to those dealing with Cancer, will be hosting its

4th Annual Celebration of Hope Dinner on November 18th at Medinah Banquets in Addison. Dinner is complimentary. (Donations to support the ministry will be accepted.) If you are interested in attending or would like to host a table of ten people, please contact Lauren Coleman at (630) 936-7163 or lauren@philsfriends.org by November 4, 2011.

Master's Christian Preschool

Diane Kurtz, Director

Preschool Poinsettia Sale



Time is flying by and we are already preparing for the holiday season.

The preschool is selling the Poinsettia plants again

this year. Please see the display in the Fellowship Hall. A representative from the preschool will be in Fellowship Hall Sunday, November 6 and 13. Plants are \$12.00 each, payable at time of order. All orders must be placed by November 14th at 9:00am. The plants will arrive the week of December 12th.

We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Master's Christian Preschool
Presents:

Breakfast
with Santa

&

Holiday
Marketplace



Saturday, December 3, 2011

8:00 am to 11:00 am

at Lutheran Church of the Master

\$3.00 for Children (12 and
under)

\$5.00 for Adults

Pictures with Santa will be \$5.00

Tickets may be purchased in the
preschool and church offices or by
calling 665-3632.

*Please bring a box of cereal to share
with the Walk In Ministry*

PHIL'S FRIENDS ~ ~
CANCER SUPPORT

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are introducing an organization called Phil's Friends, which is having their annual Celebration of Hope dinner this November 18, 2011. Following is an informational message for your congregants to read about this event.

Captured below is the substance of Phil's Story and why his trials led him to this outreach. We encourage you to make contact with us if there are members of your congregation suffering from cancer that could benefit from Christian love and support. Please, if at any time you would like more information feel free to contact us at the national headquarters.

Phil's Friends
1350 Lake Street Suite C
Roselle, IL 60172
(224) 653-8315
info@philsfriends.org
philsfriends.org

Our Mission —

Phil's Friends mission is to provide Christ-centered support and hope to those affected by cancer.

Phil's Story —

While undergoing difficult and often painful treatment for Stage 4B Hodgkin's Lymphoma, Phil identified the need for a Christian based outreach program that would provide hope and support to those affected by cancer. In March 2005, Phil, a two-time cancer survivor, turned his passion into a charitable organization called Phil's Friends. Since then Phil has used the same enthusiasm and determination that helped him battle cancer to create a successful outreach program for cancer patients. To learn more about Phil's story, please visit philsfriends.org.

The Need —

According to American Cancer Society statistics, approximately 1.4 million Americans will be diagnosed with cancer this year. 1,500 of those diagnosed will lose their battle with cancer each day. The treatment process is painful, physically and mentally devastating, and emotionally taxing. How people cope after diagnosis, during treatment, and in recovery, varies from individual to individual. Thus, the common thread remains the need for a good support system.

Partnering with Phil's Friends —

The Phil's Friends team reaches out to those in need with a uniquely faith-based mission. Patients from all over the country are identified by our network of friends and are contacted by Phil's Friends in three ways.

1. Care Packages....Patients are delivered a care package filled with comfort,

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Small Groups

Master's Men: Sundays, 7-8:00 am
Dan Hoehn, 630/653-0443

Quilting: Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 am,
Jan Froehlich, 630/668-1685

Men's Book Study: Fridays, 9:30-11
am @ Roy Herbst home, 630/289-5742.
Currently studying Rob Bell's book *Love Wins*.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Sundays,
4 pm and Tuesdays, 8 pm

M.S. Support Group: 2nd Friday, 7 pm
Susan Buckson, 630/782-5193

Bible Study

Tuesday:

Once a month—3rd Tuesday, 7:00-8:30
pm @ Pat Gerber Bornholt's home

Saturday:

9:00 am, Men's Study on Luke (every
other Saturday rotation—check online
calendar) led by Roy Herbst 630/289-
5742

9:00 am, New! Co-ed Study on Acts
(every other Saturday rotation—check
online calendar) led by Roy Herbst
630/289-5742



Join us **Thursday mornings at 9:30** in
the old kitchen.

We are in need of full, queen, and king
sheets for quilt backings. Drop off in
church office if you have anything to
donate. Occasionally we will sell a quilt
throughout the year for a special gift for
someone. Let us know if you are inter-
ested.

We welcome anyone who would like to
join us. You don't have to know how to
sew! Come and see what we're all about
and enjoy fellowship and a cup of coffee!

If you have questions, please call Jan
Froehlich at 630-668-1685.

Staff and Council Listings

LCM STAFF & COUNCIL

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Current Council Members

Council Executive Team

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Walk-in Ministry 630.665.5188

Pastor: Rev. Curt Gerald

Diaconal Minister: Pat Gerber Bornholt

∞ WORSHIP TIMES:

Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday, 8:30 am Chapel Service and 10:00 am Worship



Sunday School: Children's Church/Sunday School
for age 3 to grade 6, at 10:00 am (September
through May)

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