Cross of Glory & West Freeborn Lutheran Churches

April, 2017

Sunday Morning Worship times: Cross of Glory: 9:00 a.m. – West Freeborn: 10:30 a.m.





"Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

The Joint Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at West Freeborn

** The office computer's email system is not working properly...if anyone has sent an email to the office in the last few days, I probably didn't get it. My apologies for any items that are not in the newsletter. ***

Cross of Glory & West Freeborn Churches Joint Council Meeting March 7, 2017

Cross of Glory Trustees and Deacons Meeting - March 7, 2017

West Freeborn Lutheran Church Council Meeting – March 7, 2017

Special Joint Meeting of Cross of Glory & West Freeborn

The special congregational meeting was called to order by President Jerry Morstad @ 10:03. First Jerry asked for helpers @ the parsonage Wednesday morning March 8 when the Salvation Army truck comes. All belongings left will be moved into the garage. Pastor Hillmer said he will bring a U Haul on March 18, Jerry asked for help on that date too.

Jerry described Pastor Steve Schwartz again for the members present. He also explained the Call process & how we have gotten to this point. Questions & comments were asked & answered. The paper vote was 28-0 to approve the Call. Jerry will go to WF to get their tally & deliver the signed, official paperwork to the SE MN Synod office on Monday.

MSC to adjourn @ 10:17.

Respectfully submitted, Cathy Crowe, Secretary Pro Tem

Easter Services

Please note the change for this year's Easter Sunday Services

Breakfast at West Freeborn – 8:30 a.m.

Worship at Cross of Glory – 9:00 a.m.

Worship at West Freeborn – 10:30 a.m.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL AT WEST FREEBORN -</u> Sunday School will be held on the 3rd Sunday of each month. If you have questions, please contact Sonja Honstad – 863-2154 or Becky Ausen – 863-2165.

<u>CHURCH WOMEN</u> Eunice Circle will meet on Wed. April 19th – 1:30 p.m. at the church.

Rachel Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 18th – Carol Light, hostess.

Rachel Circle met on Saturday, March 18th & assembled 25 Birthday Bags. They will be donated to the New Richland Food Shelf. Thank You to everyone who donated & helped assemble the bags.

<u>Women of the ELCA – Blue Earth River Conference Spring Event</u> Saturday, April 1, 2017 – Bricelyn Lutheran Church, 404 N. Secor Street, Bricelyn, MN Registration - \$5.00 – Coffee – 8:00 a.m. Program - 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Program – Jens Nielsen – Mankato Crossroads Ministry Temple Talks with Tina Foster from Good Earth Village

West Freeborn Quilters

The West Freeborn Quilters have resumed their quilting schedule. They will meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

Ushers for April: Cross of Glory – not available at print time - Communion Server: Acolytes:

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Note from Cindi: Please send me the usher lists as soon as possible. Thanks! 🕲

Info on the Lutheran World Relief Kits

The Personal Care Kits have gone to the Republic of Georgia. LWR"S partner in Georgia is the Union of Investments and Humanitarian Projects, which is a non-profit organization. It provides assistance to disabled people, orphans and other socially vulnerable groups. As part of this program, Personal Care Kits, Baby Care Kits, and Mission Quilts will be distributed to an estimated 25,000 people in central Georgia. These quilts and kits are invaluable during the cold winter months and provide a sense of security and dignity to those who receive them. Having these basic necessities allows families to direct slim resources to other essentials like food, clothes and firewood for heat. Georgia, a country at the intersection of Europe and Asia, is a former Soviet republic that's home to Caucasus Mountain villages and Black Sea.

**The CG council passed a motion to start an electronic giving program for our members that have expressed an interest in it. The first step is to let me or the office know that you would like to give your offering electronically. It is best to give us a voided check so we can get the bank routing number & your account number. This will take a while to get set up so please be patient. Nothing will change for members that prefer to give by check or cash. 5 2

** Cross of Glory has designated all Lenten & Easter special offering to the New Richland Area Food Shelf. **Statistics for Cross of Glory Lutheran Church** ATTENDANCE GENERAL FUND IMPROVEMENTS MISSIONS SUNDAY \$ 1,235.00 \$ 133.00 \$ 50.00 3-6-17 36 3-12-17 33 1,110.00 50.00 0.00 3-19-17 20 1,193.12 25.00 0.00 960.00 0.00 0.00 3-26-17 35 \$ 4,498.12 \$ 208.00 \$ 50.00 TOTALS Cemetery - \$ 400.00 Air Conditioning - \$ 0.00 **Statistics for West Freeborn Lutheran Church** February 2017 General Fund: \$4,716.00 Feb. Bldg. Fund: \$ 330.00 March 2017 General Fund: \$3,011.00 March Bldg. Fund: \$330.00 Year to date: \$ 16,919.00 March attendance: 3-5-17 – 34; 3-8-17 – 39; 3-12-17- 18; 3-19-17 – 24; 3-22-17 – 31; 3-26-17 – 25 Budget - \$ 62,110 **Community Events** Wednesday, April 5th – Trinity Lutheran Church in Albert Lea will host their annual Spring Salad Luncheon – 12:00 noon. Saturday, April 22nd – St. John's Brunch, Rummage & Bake Sale. 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Free will donation Cross of Glory email address: cgwf@smig.net Cross of Glory Website: www.crossofglory.weebly.com West Freeborn Website: www.westfreebornlutheranchurch.weebly.com Jerry Morstad, Cross of Glory President 507-373-0085 Church Office - 507-845-2818 - Fax # - 507-845-2732 Pastor's cell phone: 651-925-6509, Parsonage Phone – 845-2825 Dave Ausen, West Freeborn President – 863-2165 Stacie Madson, West Freeborn Custodian 845-2501 Alvin & Cindy Morstad, C.G. Custodians 845-2813

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2 9:00 a.m. Worship at CG SS – 10:00 – 10:45 - CG 10:30 a.m. Worship at WF	3	4 Joint Council 7:00 p.m. @ WF	5 Lenten Service @ WF – 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. supper	6	7	8 Bell Choir rehearsal @ CG – 9:00 a.m
9 Palm Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship at CG SS – 10:00 – 10:45 – CG Children's Choir will sing 10:30 a.m. Worship at WF	10	11	12	13 Maundy Thursday Services 6:00 p.m. @ CG 7:30 p.m. @ WF	14 Joint Good Friday Service @ CG 7:00 p.m.	15
16 Easter Sunday Breakfast @ WF – 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Worship at CG 10:30 a.m. Worship at WF	17	18 Rachel Circle 7:00 p.m. Carol Light, hostess	19 Eunice Circle 1:30 @ WF	20	21	22
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