



B.A.S.I.C. Newsletter

Brothers and Sisters in Christ at
Zion Lutheran Church of Mondovi



April 2025

The Week that Changed the World!

On that first Palm Sunday when Jesus rode into Jerusalem, people who welcomed Him with palm branches in their hands believed that this was the start of something big. Many thought Jesus would be the kind of king they had longed for, that He would solve their political problems and make life better for them. But no one that day could fully understand what would happen in the days that followed. Jesus is King indeed – not an earthly ruler to satisfy our physical and social needs, but an eternal, heavenly King who would bring so much more.

Many today are still misguided into thinking that worldly leaders can resolve all hardship and pain, bring peace and security, hope and joy. But none of the things we need most can be obtained without the King of Kings. All that we have and experience here on earth will soon pass away. What we need most is the assurance that there is more to life than this. We need to know that there is an eternal kingdom that Jesus Christ, by His life and death and resurrection, has prepared for us.

Join us at Zion as we follow Jesus through the events of Holy Week:

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, when Jesus was greeted with palm branches as He entered Jerusalem. Palm branches were a symbol of victory, and we celebrate the victory over sin and death that Christ came to bring. The hand of the Lord has come to us in Jesus.

On Maundy Thursday we recall our Lord's "last Supper" with his disciples in celebration of the Passover. After eating this special meal with them, He took bread and wine and instituted our Lord's Supper. In Holy Communion, the hand of the Lord serves us and feeds us.

Good Friday commemorates the day of Christ's death on the cross for our sins. The hands of the Lord were pierced for us. As we hear of our Lord's trials and suffering, we hear Him speak from the cross of God's gracious forgiveness when His sacrificial work is finished.

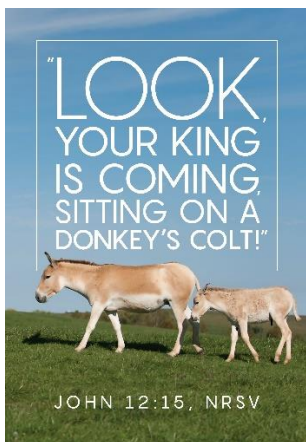
On Easter Sunday we celebrate Christ's victorious resurrection and proclaim, along with His disciples of all times: "Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!" He now holds us in His living hands!

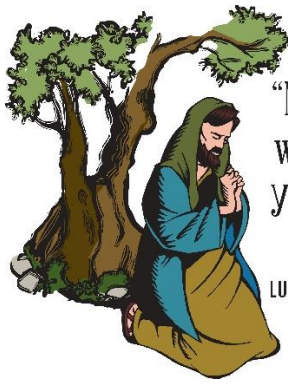
This is the week that changed the world and changed our lives forever! Come and join us! Thank God, our lives are in His hands!

Yours in Christ, Pastor Mark Benning

HOLY WEEK in Pictures

Hosanna!



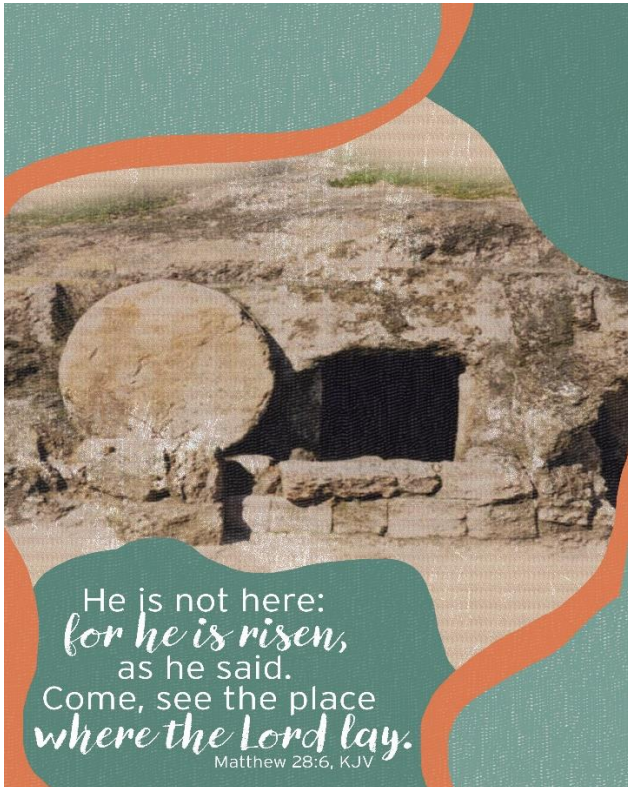


"Not my will, but yours be done."

LUKE 22:42, NIV

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

Luke 23:34, NIV



He is not here:
for he is risen,
as he said.
Come, see the place
where the Lord lay.

Matthew 28:6, KJV

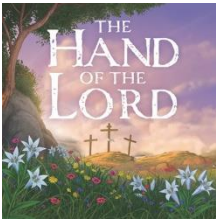
Parish News

Call Committee Progress

The Call Committee received a new Call List from the District President on Monday, Feb. 17. The committee reached out to the 14 candidates on the list. Of those 14, only 5 were able to consider a Call. The committee interviewed 3 of those candidates. Letters with information about the candidates were sent to members of the congregation the week of March 16. There will be a congregational Voters meeting on March 30 at 11:30. At that time, the Call Committee will review the candidates and ask for a vote to Call a Pastor to Zion. We ask that you read over the information you received, consider Zion's needs, and pray for God's will as we vote to Call a new Pastor. If you have any questions, please reach out to any of the Call Committee members.

Committee members: John Schultz, Dan Heike, Laura Nowaskey, Jane Reineke, Jeremy Anderson, Joel Lewiston, Matt Mohn

The Hand of the Lord – Lenten Series



Remember the song “He’s God the Whole World in His Hands . . . ? As we continue in our Lenten journey, we see how “The Hand of the Lord” affect every aspect of our lives. This series is a basis for our Midweek worship and our Sunday Morning Education Hour. We pray that you will take time to join us as we see how God’s hand

works in our lives today.

April 2 – The Hand of the Lord Who Raises the Dead

April 9 - The Hand of the Lord Who Holds All Things

April 17 – Maundy Thursday-The Hand of the Lord Who Serves
and Feeds Us

April 18 – Good Friday–The Hand of the Lord Who Was Pierced For Us

April 20 – Easter–The Hand of the Lord Who is Risen

Sunday Morning Education Hour

Study and fellowship are all a part of our Sunday Morning Education Hour. We have classes for all ages from 10:30 – 11:30. 3K-5th graders meet in the basement gathering space, middle and high school students meet upstairs in the library and classroom. Adults gather in the fellowship hall as we learn more about our Lord and what He has done for us. Please note that this

month, there won't be a regular "class" on Easter morning but everyone is invited to join us for an Easter breakfast.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class

During the season of Lent, our Sunday morning classes will preview our Wednesday evening Lenten services. We will be studying "The Hand of the Lord." What does the Bible say about the Hand of the Lord? What do we think of when we hear that phrase? How do we use our hands? How did Jesus use His hands? All of these things will come together as we study God's Word. Join us every Sunday morning from 10:30-11:30 as we learn more about "The Hand of the Lord."

Sunday School

During the month of April our children will have two special learning opportunities. During the education hour on Palm Sunday (April 13), they will be working through various projects and stations that will lead them through the events of Holy Week. On Easter morning, April 20, they are invited to join us for a special Easter message and Easter egg hunt. This event will start at **9:00!** Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this special time.

Confirmation

The month of April will be a special time of review for our students. At the beginning of the month we will review The Lord's Prayer and the gift that prayer is. After that, the 8th graders will have time to review and prepare for their Confirmation. The sixth and seventh graders will spend some time working through the Passon story and a Bible overview during this time. We pray that our youth would grow in their faith as they learn more about our Lord.

Confirmation Sunday

Confirmation Sunday is scheduled for May 4 this year. On that Sunday, these students will be making pledges to God and we pray that they would always hold firm to their faith. This year's 8th grade confirmands are Amelia Bethke, Alli Hoffman, Calvin Olson, Tanner Osenga, Breanna Vollmer, Izzie Winberg, and Aubrey Wittig. We ask that you keep these students and families in prayer as they confess their faith in God. "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Vacation Bible School

Mark June 22-25 on your calendars and plan to join us this year as we visit “Wonder Junction” where we will focus on the wonder of Jesus. “From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised.” Psalm 113:3. Watch next month’s newsletter for more details.

Senior High Youth

This spring will be a busy one. First off will be the Easter Breakfast which is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Melissa Linse is organizing this year. There will be many opportunities to help! Saturday, April 19 will be our prep day starting at 9:00 a.m. and then there will be prepping, serving, and cleaning up on Easter morning. Sign-up sheets will be available. Keep May 31-June 1 in mind also – those are the days we are planning on doing our rummage sale again. More details will come out as we get closer to that day.

Organ update

At the last Voter’s meeting, we shared that we were in the process of looking at our current organ (which is showing its age) and our future needs. Zion’s current organ was dedicated in 1987 and has served the congregation well. However, as with all technology, it is currently outdated and is to the point where when things don’t work, replacements are hard to find and expensive. We know that we will need to do something and want to consider the needs of our congregation now and in the future. We have a group consisting of Dan & Lisa Heike, Ginny Gunderson, Mike Ashwell, Mary Gehrke, William Ickstadt, and Jane Reineke who have started looking at options. The council also approved adding an “organ fund” to our Special Funds. As our group gathers more information, we will be sharing our thoughts and recommendations with the congregation. Please keep this process in your prayers.

Council Minutes

March 20, 2025

The meeting was held in the fellowship hall and was called to order at 6 pm by Dan Heike. 10 people attended-Dan Heike, Andy Heike, Deborah Deutscher, Wendi Ashwell, Galen Aase, David Reineke, Gene Schultz, Mike Ashwell, Joel Lewiston and Pastor Mark Benning. Vacancy Pastor Benning started with a prayer, there was no devotion. Minutes from the February 2025 meeting were reviewed by the council via email. Dan Heike motioned to approve and second by Deborah Deutscher. Approved.

Financial Report- Deborah Deutscher reviewed. Galen Aase made the motion to approve, second by Andy Heike. Approved.

Treasurer's Report- Deborah Deutscher reported there is no outstanding debt. There is money in Holding Accounts Payable to be paid to Hansen's IGA and Mondovi Hardware. The Church has 2 CD's. One that secured Pastor Johnson's home loan and the other is the 6 month CD opened last month. There is still an active parking lot fund. There was money withdrawn automatically every month for the copier that is not necessary and has been cancelled by Diane Ashwell. Diane is also exploring a monthly freight cost that is automatically withdrawn, that should not be happening.

Pastor's Report- Vacancy Pastor Benning reported midweek Services started March 5th. February 23rd, new members were welcomed in the Service. The first weekend of April Pastor and his family will be away. He reached out to Pastor Moe (retired) who suggested Pastor Bruce Richardson (also retired). Pastor Richardson will cover the service on Sunday April 6th. Palm Sunday will be celebrated Sunday April 13th. Maundy Thursday service will be Thursday April 17th at 7 pm with communion. Good Friday services will be Friday April 18th at 1:30 pm and 7 pm. Easter services will be held on Sunday April 20th at 7 am and 10 am. Easter Breakfast served at 8 am and children's activities at 9 am. Confirmation will be Sunday May 4th, there are 7 confirmands.

Elders Report- Vacancy Pastor Benning confirmed elders will meet Tuesday March 25th.

Evangelism Report- Mike Ashwell reported there will be an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter, outside if the weather is good, inside if the weather is poor.

Christian Education Report- David Reineke reported nothing new.

Trustees Report- Mike Ashwell reported Liz Leasum asked Dan Linse about lighting behind the cross up front behind the altar. An estimate came in from CVEC for \$2207.40. Deborah Deutscher is not interested at this time. Andy Heike suggested lower cost ideas such as LED strip lighting, there is an outlet close to the cross. There might be a need for a switch. Tom Leasum(not at the meeting) said there is one. Joel Lewiston thought we had permission to add lighting already. Tabled until next month with trustees and a couple council members taking a look for a switch tonight after the meeting.

No new carpet news. About \$1000 still owed. There was discussion started by Andy Heike about a flexible epoxy glue to use once the weather warms up.

Old Business- Deborah Deutscher started discussion regarding the *mortgage burning*. It has been determined that Rally Sunday will be the first Sunday in September the 7th (due to early Labor day). Approved to burn that day by Vacancy Pastor Benning and group council vote.

75th Building Anniversary, council agreed to push to 2026. A committee will have to be appointed for the event.

Voting member update. Deborah Deutscher stated the files are messy, there is a book that new members have signed and a copy of the constitution is given to the member. Council decided this should continue. Deborah is going to look into an online version of the constitution.

New Business. Bloodmobile using the Fellowship Hall July 9th, 11 am to 6:30 pm, ok by the committee.

VBS dates June 22nd through 25th from 6 pm to 8 pm, ok by the committee. David Reineke added it is a Train Theme this year.

Birthday party, April 6th for Ruth and Duttie Kent in the fellowship hall, ok by the committee. Bible Study will be moved to the sanctuary which allows their family time to set up and prepare.

Baby shower in the fellowship hall April 26th, hosted by Ann Schmidtknecht, ok by the committee.

Homeplace requested using Zion as an evacuation location if needed for their patients (due to fire or other emergency) ok by committee. Contacts for entrance will be Diane Ashwell, Vacancy Pastor Benning and Dan Heike.

Organ Fund. Joel Lewiston moved to start the fund, Dan Heike second. Approved. There is \$1000 in the fund already.

Auditing Checkbooks. Deborah Deutscher audits, states someone should audit her. Elders to provide a person before the end of the year.

Account changes. Deborah Deutscher reported an office equipment category was added. Bulletins are now in the worship category.

Endowment (LCEF) term is due. Deborah Deutscher reported the balance is \$21,060.92. Council approved renewing a 2 year term with interest at 4.318% and the earnings will continue to go to the memorial fund.

German Cemetery. Dan Heike reported nobody is caring for it or mowing in the future. Zion is licensed as responsible and if we are unable, the county will take over. Council agrees Dan will offer the work to the congregation (please put in the bulletin) as some members are still interested and may have family there or plots for future use.

Terms defined. A person voted in is a term, someone appointed is not. Council approved.

Michael Paul. Deborah Deutscher will ask the ladies group to host him as a mission visit. Most likely not on a Sunday but will be June 5th, 6th or August 8th through 11th.

Absentee Ballots. Joel Lewiston motioned, second by Dan Heike, approved. Process would be a sealed ballot taken before the in person voting.

7:11 pm- Motion to adjourn by Galen Aase, second by Andy Heike, Vacancy Pastor Benning closed with the Lord's Prayer.

These minutes are unapproved to be approved at next Council meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Wendi Ashwell, Recording Secretary

The next Church Council Meeting will be April 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Christian Education Committee

Thursday, March 20, 2025

The Christian Education Committee met in the church library at 5:30 p.m. Pastor Mark Benning opened with prayer. Present were John Gehrke, Gene Schultz, Pastor Mark Benning, David Reineke, Jane Reineke, Elizabeth Leasum. The minutes from the November 6, 2024 meeting were read and approved. The Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday plans were discussed. On Easter Sunday there will be Sunrise Worship at 7:00 a.m., breakfast at 8:00 a.m., group Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. with Pastor Benning presenting the Nesting Egg Story, and 10:00 a.m. Easter Worship. The last day of the 2024-2025 Sunday School year is May 18th with a recognition of the children at the 9:00 a.m. service. There are plans for a group Summer Sunday School. A Graduation recognition is also planned for Zion's three high school graduates on May 11th or May 18th. Plans have begun for Vacation Bible School to be held Sunday, June 22 to Wednesday, June 25 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. with a meal served at 5:30 p.m. The Saturday morning men's Bible study group will not meet in April, will meet in May, and then not meet in the summer. The Monday evening Bible study will not meet in the summer. The next Christian Education Committee meeting will be May 6th. The Lord's Prayer was prayed.

Respectively Submitted by,

Elizabeth Leasum, Committee Secretary

Zion Lutheran Ladies Society

Thursday, March 13, 2025

The March 13th meeting of the Zion Lutheran Ladies Society was held in the Bible study room. LaRae Grotzinger, President began the meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And also with a prayer- Be with us today dear Lord and guide us so we may serve you best. Amen. There were 11 members present. Ginny Gunderson gave the devotion on "Give Him Fifteen" and shared with us the Founder's Bible. Pastor Mark Benning led us in prayer and Bible study, God Sees Our Story- Therefore Rejoice! from the Winter 2024 issue of the Lutheran Woman's Quarterly. The Hymn- Lutheran Women, One and All sung, the

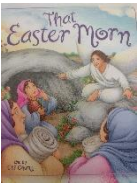
Pledge said, and mites collected. The business meeting began with the secretary's report. The minutes from the February 13 meeting were read. A motion was made by Mary Standaert to approve the minutes, seconded by Ginny Gunderson. Motion carried. The Ladies Society balance sheet was presented and will be submitted for review.

OLD BUSINESS- LaRae read a thank you that was received from Mary Gehrke. She also reported that the Evangelism Committee will serve the March "5th Sunday of the month" coffee. The Ladies Society handbook corrections were made. The June 26-29 LWML National Convention in Omaha was discussed and noted that registration is March 1-April 30.

NEW BUSINESS- The next serving group to serve a funeral is #1, the April Sunday morning coffee is serving group #5, Senior Fellowship in April will be served by Brenda McKissick. Audrey Aase reported for the Shawl Committee. There have been 142 shawls given over 20 years. Audrey read a poem that is given with each shawl. Volunteer knitters are welcome and yarn is supplied by the committee. Next the members considered when to assemble the balloon kits- this will be done an hour before and an hour after the April 10th meeting. A motion was made by Deb Hill to give Easter flowers to shut-ins, seconded by Lisa Heike. Motion carried. Saturday, April 26 Alma Center will host the LWML Zone 15 Spring Rally. Wednesday, April 30th the Hot Beef Dinner will be served by the Zion Ladies Society from 4 to 7 p.m. The menu will include hot beef sandwich, coleslaw, baked beans, chips, pie and ice cream. The cost will be \$15.00 for dinner, \$8.00 for sandwich only, \$5.00 for pie and ice cream only. Under 5 and confirmands free. A motion was made by Ginny Gunderson for the proceeds- 1/3 to New Orleans Youth Gathering, 1/3 to Zion organ project, 1/3 to treasury (which the ladies do donate \$50.00 every month to an organization), seconded by Jeanne Anderson. Motion carried. LaRae led the prayer for the prayers requested. A motion to adjourn. The Lord's Prayer prayed *The next Ladies Society meeting will be held April 10th.*

Respectively submitted by,
Elizabeth Leasum, Recording Secretary

Zion is looking for an individual to care for/mow the German Valley Cemetery. There is reimbursement for your time of caring for this area. Please contact one of the Trustees with any questions.



That Easter Morn

There is a new book in the children's library titled That Easter Morn. For children of all ages, the words are taken from the hymn "O Sons and Daughters of the King."

Zion Card Cart

Hippity Hop 🐣 *Easter cards found their way to the shelves in the Resource Room* 📬 *Imagine that!! Don't forget... beautiful cards for all occasions also available.*

Spring Challenge: Somewhere in the midst of the puzzle shelves are some Easter themed puzzles.....just like hunting for Easter eggs, wouldn't you like to find them and enjoy them? There are also some beautiful spring scenery puzzles for a perfect fun activity.

🐣 hippity hop!

Tuition Support from Concordia Chicago

Concordia Chicago has instituted a new policy, the Prepared to Serve Church Professional Scholarship. All students enrolled in church-work programs will be able to study for no more than \$5,000 / year, not even factoring in district scholarships or other outside scholarships. This will significantly lift financial burdens for students and make it much more feasible to enter church-work programs at CUC. This also makes CUC one of the most affordable options for students in our Synod. Check out the commitment from the other LCMS Concordia University Schools at:

<https://www.lcms.org/serve/set-apart-to-serve/teacher>

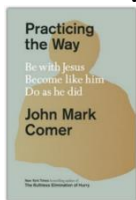


Adult Choir – As we prepare for the Lent, Holy Week and Easter season, now is a great time to join us. We meet every Thursday from 6:30-7:30 here at church. We would love to welcome you to our group. Everyone is invited! Come join us as we sing, learn about God's Word, and enjoy each other's company. If you have any

questions, ask any choir members, or contact Jane Reineke.

Men of Zion- Saturday Men's Group

Our Saturday morning monthly study with breakfast will not be meeting in April. Our next study with breakfast will be on Saturday, May 17, 2025.



We are continuing with the book - *Practicing the Way*. This is a very practical study on what it means to be an 'apprentice' of Jesus. This book is provided for all who are interested and want to join us. Please let me know if you need a copy. I will make sure to have one ordered for you. David Reineke

Easter Lilies

There are sign up sheets in the Resource Room for anyone who would like to sponsor an Easter Lily for our Easter Garden on Easter morning. If you so want put your name on the sign up list along with the name(s) of the individuals that the lily is "in memory of" or "in honor of" then order your own, or purchase your own. Please have the "lilies" to church by April 18. Thank you in advance.

Evangelism Meeting March 11, 2025

Sunday Coffee (March 30, 2025)

- Schedule: Assembly at 9:00 am, with coffee served after the church service.
- Items Needed: Bars, cookies, milk, juices, and fruits.

Easter Egg Hunt (April 20, 2025)

- Weather Contingency: If the weather permits, the event will be outdoors; if not, it will be moved indoors.
- Schedule: Pastor Benning will read *The Nesting Egg* story at 8:45 am, followed by the egg hunt.
- copies of *The Hands of the Lord Jesus* Book will be given.
- Needed Items: 4" plastic Easter eggs and candies.
 - Candies are collected and ready to be placed in the eggs.
 - Plastic eggs have been received.
 - We'll arrange the candies and eggs at our next meeting.

Friendship Sunday (May or June 2025)

- Encouragement: Invite friends and family to church.
 - Cross keychains have been ordered and will be given to visitors attending Friendship Sunday.

Sharing Table (Possibly October 2025)

Garms Family Concert (December 6, 2025)

- Event Time: 4:00 pm.

Other Discussions:

- North Wisconsin District Resources (NWD-LCMS):
 - Offering Mini Mission Grant Application: This year, they have \$45,000 to distribute. Grants will range from \$200 to \$10,000 and can be used for community events, such as the Garms Concert.
 - Deadline of submission: August 15, 2025.

Next Meeting: Date & Time: April 8, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Submitted by Reggie Corpuz

Stamps for Missions



Lutheran Women's Missionary League invites you to save canceled postage stamps and donate them for our mission goals. Since 1997 LWML has been collecting canceled postage stamps and **YOU can too!**

It's simple :) At Zion there is a "Fish

Bowl" in the Narthex for depositing your stamps or you may leave with our AA Diane. Could donating for a good cause be any simpler?

One important request please -- there needs to be a perimeter around each stamp, so when you open your envelopes at home, maybe open from the bottom? We need to be sure there is a good margin around each stamp before donating. A 1/4" margin is required. If trimmed too close, they will be discarded. If you cannot trim, NO worries, we will have a trimmer on standby :)

Here are some additional ministry requests if you can/want:

- 1) Intact picture postcards (do not cut - give entire postcard)
- 2) Pre-1930 envelopes intact (do not cut - give entire envelope)
- 3) Foreign stamps - large and small
- 4) Any collections of stamps (do not remove from pages or albums)

Our LS will trim as required and take to LWML for sorting and selling in batches to collectors and dealers at stamp shows and club auctions.

Thank you so much!! and bless you 🙏

Official Acts



On February 23, 2025, we joyfully welcomed Faye Betts, Deborah Gilbertson, Maarja Halverson and Leah Siewert as members of Zion Lutheran Church, Mondovi. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we grow together in faith and be witnesses to the love of God and the peace of Christ.

April Birthdays

3-Sally McGee
4-Oliver Trembl
6-Mary Gehrke
8-Kimberly McGee
9-Cody Endle
10-Khloe Erickson
11-Ruth Kent
12-Tony Brion
12-Mabel Halverson
12-Duttie Kent
12-Becket Sessions
13-Caleb Benning
13-Brynlee Glaus
13-Travis Odegard
15-Larry Anderson
15-David Baumann
15-Lisa Heck
16-Ethan Cavit
16-Jeffrey Glanzman
16-Nathan Moyer
16-Teresa Odegard
17-Joey Dziekan
17-Melissa Linse
17-Larry Suhr
19-Ginny Gunderson
19-Dan Kersten
19-Bridget Sessions
20-Eloise McCabe
21-Larry Bloom
21-Laverne Urness
21-April Winberg
22-Amanda Altamirano
23-Florence Deutscher
25-Wyatt Maukstad
25-Naomi Nowaskey
25-Lois Stay
26-Hanna Summerlot
27-Matthew Koesterman
27-Brenda McKissick
28-James Schultz
28-Rebecca York
29-Deborah Deutscher

30-Gabriel Linse

April Anniversaries

12-Cheryl & Dale Anibas
15-Mike & Diane Ashwell
16-Charles & Teresa Odegard
25-Duttie & Ruth Kent
28-John & Lisa Heck

Thrivent Choice Dollars:

Thank you to the following for their donations for the month of February 2025.

Julie Benning
Ken & Kathy Blodgett
Lois Bloom
Mary Brion
Rich & Bev Brion
Florence Deutscher
Deborah Deutscher
Mary Gehrke
Carl Girtman
Judy Heck
Margaret Linse
Loretta Roetter
Betty Trones
Beverly Vollmer

Gifts & Memorials:

- ❖ *In Memory of A-IA Organ Fund*
Deborah Deutscher
Mike & Diane Ashwell
- ❖ *In Memory of Berval Deutscher Organ Fund*
Deborah Deutscher
- ❖ *In Memory of Duane Deutscher Organ Fund*
Deborah Deutscher
- ❖ *In Memory of Barbara Deutscher Organ Fund*
Deborah Deutscher

From the April 10th, 1925 Mondovi Herald News (The installation date was Sunday April 5th, 1925)

The German Lutheran Church was not large enough to hold those who assembled there Sunday afternoon for the installation of Rev. A.G. Hemer who became the pastor in succession to Rev. Karl Wedel.

Rev W. Huebner of Canton who dedicated Rev. A. G. Hemer to this new work preached a very impressive and appropriate sermon on the qualifications of a pastor. Rev A. N. Wahl of Eau Claire assisted.

After the service an adjournment was made to the dining room of the Norwegian Lutheran church where a fine lunch was served and a reception given to Rev and Mrs A.G.Hemer. They were greeted not only with words of welcome but with gifts in kind and in money at which they were as genuinely pleased as they were genuinely surprised.

The new pastor and his congregation have made a good beginning. May he be happy and blessed in his work for the promotion of the Kingdom of God on earth.

The officials and congregation of the German Lutheran church "desire to express their thanks for the fraternal spirit displayed by the Norwegian Lutheran church in placing its dining room and equipment at their disposal."

That was on Sunday April 7, 1925

The Mondovi Herald by April 6, 1950

Note: This article had Sunday April 7 as the installation date. That is wrong. An internet check revealed that April 7, 1925 was a Tuesday. Pastor Hemer had to be installed on Sunday April 5th, 1925. I corrected it below.

On April 5, 1925 Rev. A. G. Hemer was installed as pastor of the Mondovi Lutheran church. Twenty Five years have passed since then and during that time Rev Hemer has endeared himself to members of his congregation. To show him the esteem to which he is held, and that they hadn't forgotten the anniversary, they presented him with a dozen American Beauty roses and a card containing cash and remembrance at the morning service on Sunday April 2.

Thank you for the submission John Schultz 😊

Also, take a few minutes to listen to on *youtube*: **The Old Timer Writes About Reverend A. G. Hemer Narrated By Pastor Scott Johnson(MONDOVI HISTORICAL SOCIETY)**

Growing in Faith

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we dig deeper into God's Word. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Our Monday Night Bible Study meets every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. Please feel free to join us.

Men's Group will meet again on May 17. We enjoy breakfast, watch & discuss a video, and encourage one another as men of faith.

Rachel Circle is a women's Bible study that meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 1:30 pm. Feel free to join these ladies anytime.

You are most welcome to Worship

Sundays - 9:00 a.m.

March 5 – April 9

Wednesdays –11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Lenten Services

Soup and Sandwich served after 11:00 a.m. service and before the 7:00 p.m. service

Maunday Thursday

7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service

1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

7:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Services

April 23 & 30 @ 7:00 p.m.

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