

Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

2541 Forestbrook Road
Myrtle Beach, SC 29588

April 2024

OUR CHRISTIAN TIMES AND SEASONS

Christ Is Risen I was once a naïve freshman at Concordia College, New York. Back from Easter break everyone was shouting, “Christ is risen.” It was as if a verbal case of measles gone rogue. Someone kindly explained it to me.

To my amazement My Big Fat Greek Wedding (2002) helped me relive that experience. Ian was invited to Toula’s home for Easter dinner, and every-one was greeting each other with the traditional words “Christos Anesti” (Christ is Risen). Ian didn’t know what was going on. Toula explained it.

Eventually Ian and Toula wanted to marry, but he was not Greek; nor was he religious. They found a way around that obstacle, Ian needed to be baptized. Protestants who see baptism as a rite for infants, were surprised to see Ian baptized in a Greek Orthodox Church. Too big for the baptismal font, the priest brought in a blow-up kiddie pool. Too old to be naked for his baptism, the priest made an allowance for him to wear swim trunks. And Ian got a godmother, Toula’s aunt Maria, she had more fun than she was entitled to slathering his body with olive oil. Baptized, Ian became part of the family.

The Paschal Candle There are many traditions which cross over the denominational boundary lines. In the movie’s baptismal scene, there was indeed a paschal candle. This candle normally sits by the baptismal font, unless there is a good reason otherwise. It is lit from Easter (Easter Vigil) through the Ascension. It is also lit for baptisms and funerals.

The paschal candle plays a prominent role in the Easter Vigil, being a re-minder of God’s continual presence in the pillar of fire that accompanied Israel through the wilderness and the sea to the promised land. The candle sits by the baptismal font, a reminder of the Red Sea which by which God saved the children Israel and drowned the Egyptians.

The Time of Easter Easter is fifty days long, culminating on Pentecost. During the time of Easter the shout of Alleluia is heard. It means “praise the Lord.” The Lord being God the I am. Alleluia is the Greek spelling of the Hebrew, spelled *Hallelujah*. During the days of Easter the first reading at the Sunday service comes from the Acts of the Apostles. Easter is the anchor: the Sundays after Easter are numbered from it.

Pentecost Pentecost follows Easter. Pentecost is the day on which God gave the Holy Spirit to the Church. And, it is also the day from which all the other Sundays are numbered into the summer. As examples, the fifth Sunday after Pentecost, or the twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost. The time of Pentecost falls during the summer, the liturgical color is green suggesting life and growth. Your Roman Catholic friends and family know this season as Ordinary Time.

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The Church Calendar The Church has a calendar which tends to be ecumenical, observed throughout most of Christianity. Most but not all. The purpose of the Calendar is to keep us centered on the Gospel, the story of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection. It does this by prescribing the readings for any given Sunday and holiday.

These readings follow a three-year cycle; A, the year of Matthew; B, the year of Mark; and C, the year of Luke. Each year is in a separate volume. The Gospel of John is used as needed in all three years. The readings are found for convenience's sake in a large book called a lectionary. The benefit of a lectionary is that the lessons are printed in order for any given Sunday, they are all in one place, printed large, and with hard to pronounce names phonetically spelled in the margin. If a pastor wanted to, he could read the lessons from a Bible, but then he has to have bookmarks and paperclips to mark the pages. The lectionary eliminates the need for all that.

Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pr. Steve



Call Committee Update

We received word from the Seminary Director of Vicarages. He said that even though the Handrick's (Tim and Ashley) really liked our meeting and the things we shared about the area, the director has chosen to send him elsewhere.

Please continue to pray for all involved in the call process and especially for the new pastor as we have asked the District for another set of names. As we continue to say, this can be a long process. Have faith in it and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Blessings on your day!
The Holy Lamb Call Committee

LWML News

April 7 is Mite Box Sunday. Please put your mite box or money from mite box in a plastic bag and deposit in the large purple mite box. Don't forget to pick up another box if you are leaving yours. Checks are also accepted made out to Holy Lamb and in the memo area put LWML MITES. Thank you very much. Continuing to contribute to Help4Kids, we are collecting for the month of April, **FULL SIZE bottles of Shampoo (Ethnic kind also)**. Please put them in the marked box in the Narthex.



Karen Bombria, President, LWML of Holy Lamb

Stewardship Committee Report

“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

The Stewardship Committee meets on the 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:30am service.

Our current committee members are:

Cheryl Bingham, Chair; David Bingham, Ron Hajduk, Caroline Twentier, Bill Steele, and Reyne Harris.

Here are some of the items the Stewardship team is working on.

Praying in Color: This team supports those congregation members who are in need of prayer. If you know of anyone who may need this ministry or would like to join this ministry, please reach out to Eileen St. Clair

First Time Visits with Local Guests: This ministry visits guests in the Myrtle Beach area who join us for worship. We encourage everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service. Welcome Packets are available in the Narthex to provide information to them about Holy Lamb. If anyone wants to join the team, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Visitor Thank You Card Outreach: To date, for 2024 we've sent out 8 thank you cards to out of town visitors who've joined us for Worship Service. We want to plant seeds to those who've joined in hopes that they'll visit us again in the future. We ask everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service.

Family Reads – Please join us for our next book cleaning on Saturday, March 30th from 10am – noon. Any and all are welcome to help us clean books to give to Forrest Brook Elementary School. The books are given away to support children reading. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together in fellowship for a good cause. We are also in need of gently used children's books. If you know anyone who has children's books in good condition and would like to donate them, we are collecting them in the narthex under the table.

Day Trip Opportunity: This is an opportunity to get to know and fellowship with other members of Holy Lamb. The Georgetown Waterfront Historical trip has been postponed and will be rescheduled when summer tours are available. Watch for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

If you have any ideas or are interested in joining us, please let us know.

In His Service,

Cheryl Bingham, Chairperson



Holy Lamb Financial Profile—Giving

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Month of March (to date)	\$16,646	\$17,775
Year to Date Needs	\$43,363	\$46,215

Evangelism/Expansion Ministries Committee

The expansion ministry committee meets once a month on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are working on or have completed the following projects. If you have any ideas for a ministry or questions, please contact one of the committee members, Darcy Taiani, Cheryl Bingham, Reyne Harris, Ron Hajduk, Phil Harris, and David Bingham.

Myrtle Beach History Trolley and Step-On Tours

We will be doing our first trolley tour - the Area Ghosts, Pirates and Historic families on Thursday, May 2nd at 10:00 AM. The tickets are \$30.00 per person. This tour offers insights into Murrells Inlet and the spookier and more historic aspects of Myrtle Beach. Including sights of Brookgreen Gardens, the Hammock Shops Village, and Murrells Inlet. If you are interested there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you have ques-

Restaurant Dining Group

Our next dining group will be meeting at the Bovine's at 3979 Business Hwy. 17, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576 on April 23rd at 5:15. If you plan to attend there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions,

Microbrew Group

Our next meeting will be at the Old Café Vienna on April 13th at 4:00 PM. The address is 1604 N Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. If you are planning on attending, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you

Dining with Friends

On April 20th we will be meeting at the Simply Southern Smokehouse. The address is 1913 MR Joe White Ave, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. If you are planning on attending, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If

[Smokehouse - Restaurant in Myrtle Beach, SC](#)

Men's Fellowship



The Men's Fellowship group will meet on Tuesday, April 9th, at 11:30 am. All men are welcome to join them.

Family Game Night

The next family game night is Saturday April 6th, from 4pm-7pm. Please bring a finger food to share. Bring your favorite game or plan to learn a new one.





April



1st Andrew Howard
 2nd Marsha Dunn
 2nd Neal Riley
 4th Bill Steele
 5th Marty Reynolds
 7th Mary Fraley
 9th Jack Sell
 19th Barb Evans
 27th Mike Murray
 28th Eileen St. Clair
 30th Rick McGraw

7th Richard & Maureen Thomas

Please notify the office of any changes to the Birthday and Anniversary information so that we are current.
 Thank you.



April Showers are Back!!

Several years ago, we began an annual appeal to the congregation to replenish our stock of supplies needed around the church.

Then Covid hit!!

As everyone is trying to get to a state of normalcy, we are also asking for your assistance in bringing back some tried and true methods to help the church run smoothly. Please place your donations in the box in the narthex during the month of April.

Many thanks in advance for your generous support!

Needs List

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| † Paper towels | † Copy paper, letter size (8.5 X 11) |
| † Toilet Paper | † Copy paper, legal size (8.5 X 14) |
| † 13 gallon kitchen trash bags | † Copy paper, large (11 X 17) |
| † 39 gallon trash bags | † Correction tape |
| † Facial tissues (no lotion) | † Black Sharpies |
| † Large Paper plates | † Envelopes, #10 (large) |
| † Small Paper plates | † Stamps, Books or Rolls |
| † Small Styrofoam dessert containers | † Scotch Tape |
| † Stick "Bic" pens | |



Bible Study Opportunities



Sunday Morning Bible Study

Hosea, Joel & Amos

9:15 AM

We are using the Life Light Study guide to look at the Minor Prophets. The study guides are available for purchase at \$14 each. Be sure to come to both Bible studies (Sunday & Tuesday mornings) since different people offer different insights.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

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9:00 AM

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Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

Details below on this page

6:30 PM

Women's Bible Study

The women's Thursday night Bible study meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 on Zoom. All women are welcome to join us! Use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code.

We are studying the book of Matthew using our Lutheran Study Bible as our guide.

Altar Guild

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, just a reminder, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board & place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The cost is \$40.00. If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

If you have any questions, please contact Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

Flowers purchased to the Glory of God for April, 2024

April 7 ~ Thanksgiving for our children by Dave & Linda Katai

April 14 ~ Thanksgiving for her grandchildren and great grandchildren by Barb Evans.

April 21 ~ Thanksgiving for their children and grandchildren by Doug & Rose Ruddick.

April 28 ~ To the glory of God by Lana McCarthy



In His Service April 2024

Altar Guild	Bernadette Hilb	Barb Evans
Newsletter Proofer	Linda Snyder (April 25)	
Bulletin Assembly	Linda Katai	

April 7	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	George Hulshart
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Bill Steele
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Julia Diem
Video	N/A	Seth Rylander

April 14	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Bill Steele
Usher	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Hayley Lauritsen
Audio	Don Piel	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

April 21	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt
Ushers	Dave Bingham	Hayley Lauritsen
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Julia Diem
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt

April 28	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Larry Lauffer
Ushers	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio	Don Piel	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Seth Rylander

Volunteers Needed Ushers (both services)

Audio and Video (both services)

Our church relies on volunteers to help us run our worship services smoothly. Without you, it would be difficult to do the many things we need to do. We are in need of volunteers to run the sound system (8am and 10:30am) and video (10:30am) services. **Just one hour a month is all we're asking ~ male or female.** Please volunteer!

Please consider helping out with this important part of our worship services. We could always use more ushers for both services too, especially 10:30am.

Contact Bill Steele if you can help.

Flower Openings

There are several openings for altar flowers during 2024. Remember a loved one or honor a special occasion with flowers. If you would like to reserve a spot, please sign up on the flower chart on the wall in the Narthex. The cost is \$40

VOLUNTEER

All that's missing is U !



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Rev. Stephen Vogt, Vacancy Pastor

Church

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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:15 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	9:00 am
Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study	6:30 pm



Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter
Sami, friend of Dave & Linda
Terri, Pat Allison's daughter
Mary, friend of Paul & Jane
Pastor Omar Krieger
Michael, Lois' B-I-L
Sue Bennett

Mourning the Loss

Glenn, brother of Lois Murphy

The Call Process

Praying for our new-to-be Pastor and the Call Committee decision making process.

For Healing

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout
Verlene, sister of Myrle
Ron, Ed's Cousin
Nick, friend of Lois
Erin, daughter of Lois Murphy
Scott, son of J.R.
Jim, husband of Lois Murphy
Brian, Son of Adell Keeney
Joan, friend of Marsha Dunn
Helen, sister of Lois Murphy
Nathan, B-I-L of Blain & Christel Lefort
Alice, friend of Doug & Rose
Bobby, brother of Sharon Bumgarner
Michael, B-I-L of Lois Murphy
Brian, friend of Hayley Lauritsen
Kim, daughter of Pete Snyder
Bill, stepdad of Darcy Taiani

Pat Allison
Carol Boulet
Merle Falke
Mary Lee
Steven Rehm
Bob & Myrle Rumsey
Theresa Zweigle

Monica Steele
Norm Boulet
Theresa Falke
Karen McCarthy
Marty Reynolds
Al Stout
Kathy Orlowski