



GREETINGS!

Sounds Of Glory

Glory Of God Lutheran Church Newsletter

A MESSAGE FROM JUANITA LINSEMEYER...

When I was a child, sitting in church on Sundays, I remember thinking "Pastors are so LUCKY! They only have to work ONE day a week, must be nice!"

Now I know that this is clearly not the case when it comes to this particular career. In fact, now I wonder if they take ANY days off. Glory of God is so truly blessed to have Pastor Katie providing us with her services as our Pastor above and beyond each and every week. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Pastor Katie for her passion for Pastoring and willingness to share her strengths with us each week during church and during her office hours as she provides Pastoral care to anyone in our congregation who needs it.

As we are constantly reminded, when it comes to putting on church services, it takes a village. The amount of work that went into Holy Week this year is beyond words. Our office staff (Alison, Michael and Rick) provided outstanding professionalism and dedication to their positions as they worked with Pastor Katie and all of the volunteers who assisted with all aspects of Holy Week. With that being said, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all three of them for their collaborative efforts.

It's also so important to recognize Colleen, Jessica, Roz, and Jan for giving GOG their amazing talents and capabilities above and beyond as always and especially for this Holy Week. I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of our musicians and altar guild volunteers for making this season so memorable.

This year's Easter Brunch was AMAZING and would have been impossible to pull off if not for all of our organizers, kitchen crew, decorators and food preparers. I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to all who made this event such a huge success.

As we move through our transition period to finding a called Pastor, it's important to recognize all of our employees for their hard work and dedication to Glory of God as they continue with the day-to-day needs of our congregation and community. Also, it is important to recognize all of the hard work of our volunteers for being so giving of their time and talents to all of our various ministries. Truly, it takes a village. I am very honored to be a part of the GOG village.

Blessings,
Juanita Linsenmeyer



Apr. 2	Jim Ness
	Bex Schmelzel
Apr. 6	Len Cichon
Apr. 7	Ruth Zinn
Apr. 9	Allyson Paul
Apr. 11	Janet Adams
Apr. 14	Susan Steinhauer
Apr. 15	Luke Breckinridge
Apr. 18	Sandy Henderson
	Kailey McCreary
Apr. 20	Jonathan Bachmann
Apr. 24	Jeff Kelty
Apr. 26	Kurt Schmelzel



April Prayer Families

Apr. 7

Rasey, Reesman,
Reetz, Robinson

Apr. 21

Shaffer, Sherman,
Steinhauer,
Strickert

Apr. 14

Roepcke,
Schmelzel, Scott,
Setzer

Apr. 28

Sutherland,
Swanson, Taggart,
Tanner

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE??

GOG is considering hosting a rummage sale, depending on who is interested. The dates being considered are May 17th and 18th. We are thinking of charging approximately \$30 per "space". The "space" fee would go directly to GOG. All participants would be in charge managing their own sales and materials. Participants would keep their own proceeds. Please contact Alison in the office or Ann Craig if this is something you are interested in.



April Lunch Bunch is scheduled for:

Monday, April 8th

in the Fellowship Hall

Please RSVP to Lynn Hornecker
so we have plenty of food!



A giant THANK YOU to ALL who helped with Holy Week and Easter, in big and small ways! We have an amazing village here at GOG and all your time, energy, and efforts are deeply appreciated!



MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group will have a movie night in April! Date is still TBD. Please keep an eye open for more information coming soon!



Monday Night at the Movies

will resume on May 6th with the film,
"Groundhog Day"
starring Bill Murray.

We will be serving
breakfast for dinner this evening!

Hope to see everyone there!



COUNCIL POSITION UPDATE

As we have mentioned over the past several weeks, GOG has several opportunities to serve on council. We have prepared a list of filled positions and open positions for your consideration. Currently, we have three filled positions and six open positions.

The available council positions are...

VICE PRESIDENT

TREASURER

EDUCATION

SOCIAL MINISTRY & EVANGALISM (*one position*)

FELLOWSHIP

WORSHIP

The filled positions are as follows...

PRESIDENT - Bonnie Taggart

SECRETARY - Nancy Hornecker

PROPERTY - Brad Willey

I would ask that you prayerfully consider joining the council and filling our vacant positions. As I have previously shared with many of you, I had no experience serving on a council when I joined GOG's council. I have learned so much from my time in my various positions on council in the past years, and I can't express enough the amazing experience it has been. Please see ANY of our current council members with any questions. We will be voting in the new council at our upcoming semi-annual congregational meeting in May.



BLURB

I would like to share some of our amazing recent accomplishments in Glory of God's Bingo session. We are starting to recognize an established group of what we like to call "regulars" at our Bingo sessions. These are players that come to our session every (or nearly every) Saturday to play Bingo with us. We are hearing very positive things about our group. As an example, I answered the phone on a Saturday morning to someone who asked what time our session started, I told them our session starts at 12:00 noon, and the caller said that she had attended our session last Saturday and LOVED the people. We are seeing more players and more "regulars" every week which is generating growth in our profits on a weekly basis. With that being said, I would like to take this time to recognize two people that have helped to make our Bingo session the success that it is.

Rick Johnson has finished his Games Manager course and is currently awaiting his certificate so that he can be a licensed Games Manager for our session. **Ann Craig** has agreed to fulfill the position of "Floor Sales Supervisor" at our session. This has generated a smooth and streamlined procedure for the sale of pickles, progressive and double-action games. CONGRATULATIONS to Ann and Rick for being our Volunteers of the Month! We are so very fortunate to have both of you working so hard to make Bingo a success!



THE GOG CRAFT GROUP

will meet on April 1st, 15th, and 29th at 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall.

The Craft Group meets at GOG every other Monday at 10:00 AM. All are welcome to be part of the Craft Group. Please see Debbie Losey if you would like more information!

Joyful

Noise

Joyful Noise is back and we will be singing on **April 21st at 2 p.m. at Morningstar 17351 W. 64th Avenue in Arvada. This will be with Senior living and assisted living residents.**

For people who love to sing and share singing with the residents. Please come join us in sharing the love of music with these residents! No experience necessary! Please see Karen Setzer for any additional information.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Please pray for all those affected by natural disasters. Pray for protection for all religious and faith-based places of worship. Please pray for all those who serve in law enforcement, and all first responders and their loved ones.

CRAFT FAIR



GOG will be hosting a craft fair for the holiday season! The dates are tentative, but right now we are looking at November 29th and 30th. If you are interested, please see Debbie Losey. We will also need volunteers to help with set-up and clean-up. You can find the sign-up sheet at the "council is in table" in the fellowship hall.

BIBLE STUDY

Come Join Us

GOG's Bible Study group meets on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 AM.

We will meet in the conference room with coffee and snacks too!

All are welcome to join the group!



GLORY OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Parish Administrator: Alison Bray,
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Music Coordinator: Roz Kueter

Choir Director: Colleen Turner

Accompanist: Jessica Sweet

God Bless You!

- Michael, for his dedication to the new sound system. It is up and running and sounds WONDERFUL!
- To those who supported and committed financial resources to make the new sound system possible.
- Debbie Losey for providing loaves of homemade soda bread for the Lunch Bunch.
- Lynn Hornecker for her help with Nancy Harju's open house.
- Lynn Hornecker for her leadership in preparing for the monthly Lunch Bunch.
- Rich Johnson for going over and above his Assistant Treasurer position to managing the finances virtually EVERY week at the Bingo Hall.
- All Bingo volunteers and especially Juanita
- Pastor Katie for her leadership in Worship Planning, Care Ministry, and pastoral care
- All those who celebrated Nancy Harju's move to Assisted Living.
- Juanita and Nancy for communication and collaboration.
- Pastor Katie for willingness to support Glory of God and pastor our church during our time of transition.
- All who won an award for their amazing talents that they share with GOG.
- Thank you Lunch Bunch for tap dancing- I am sad I missed this.
- Tech staff for keeping the service going each Sunday.
- Thank you to the worship team for their tireless effort in providing such great worship Sundays.
- Thank you to the Praise band and the worship team.
- Lynn Hornecker for your work for Lunch Bunch and helping members with rides and communicating with Pastor Katie when needed.
- All of our Bingo volunteers for providing your talents in such a generous fashion.
- Marianna Harris for your work with our employees and the PWC.
- Transition team for your hard work with the congregation and the listening circles.
- Diana Wood for getting the Birthday Cakes for the monthly Birthdays.
- Altar Guild. Debbie L, Kathryn G, Marlene B, Natalie C, for your hard work taking care of the Altar and the Sanctuary.
- For those who have signed up and hosted fellowship on Sunday mornings. It is much appreciated.
- Pastor Katie for her willingness to change up our services
- Juanita for being our constant at Bingo.
- All the volunteers who show up each Saturday for Bingo.
- Debbie for her tireless work in the kitchen.
- Jan, Roz, Diana, and Pastor Katie for their great Worship planning...our services are so powerful.
- Diana for her help getting Nancy settled into her new home, working to make Nancy's open house a success & Lynn for doing the snacks.
- Rick for being our Treasurer AND our Council Treasurer.
- Pastor Katie for her incredible sermons, care for GOG, and enthusiastic energy!
- Nancy Hornecker for taking the time for monthly staff meetings with Alison and Michael.
- The GOG congregation for supporting each other in big and small ways.
- Thank you Jessica Sweet for the beautiful music and songs you give us.
- Bob and Earl with their helping me keep the building maintained.
- Lynn Hornecker for visiting shut-ins and bringing communion.
- The Preschool and Petite Music for breathing life into our building during the day.
- Connie Bartram for all of your efforts on GOG office projects
- Council members for their service.
- All of the GOG musicians who make our services so amazing.
- All of the members of our Care Ministry Team for your thoughtful and considerate volunteer time for members of GOG.
- Ann Craig, Marlene Baneck, Kathryn Gault, Fred Behnken, Fred Setzer and Luke Breckinridge for their work on the Transition Team.
- Pastor Katie Emery for your passion for Pastoring!
- All members of GOG who step in to volunteer to help people in need with rides, doctor appointments, a helping hand and a shoulder to cry on - it takes a village, and we have an amazing congregation!