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In Matthew's Easter Gospel, we hear that the women disciples who came to Christ's tomb early that Easter morning were gripped with both *fear and great joy* by what they found. Fear... because they could only imagine bad reasons why there would be an earthquake, guards who fainted dead away, a lightning-bright angel, an open tomb. That wasn't what they expected.

But along with the fear, their hearts were filled with great joy! God turned the world upside down, defeating death itself! God assured the women, the other disciples, and all the faithful down through the ages that God has already won the battle between life and death—for us... for YOU! Alleluia!

Easter isn't a historical event that happened once in the past. Easter happens in your life every day when God turns your fears into great joys. God is always working to turn what we fear into joyful, life-giving surprises.

As you reflect on what your fears are, ponder how God might be working to turn your fears into great joys—right here, right now. Whenever that happens, give thanks to God for every "little" Easter in your life. Alleluia!

Blessed Eastertide,

Pastor Evelyn

“Our Lord has written the promises of the resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.”

Martin Luther

Upcoming Scripture Readings.....

May	7	John 10:1-10
	14	John 14:1-14
	21	John 14:15-21
	28	John 17:1-11
Jun	4	John 20:19-23
	11	Matthew 28:16-20
	18	Matthew 9:35-10:8
	25	Matthew 10:24-39

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School classes start at 9:30am and are over at 10:30am. Sunday School is open to all children age 3 through 5th grade. Come



and join us for Bible study, singing, games, and crafts. Members, friends and family are welcome.

Carefree Living Worship

There will no worship service in May. The next Worship service will be held at 2PM on Sunday, June 11, 2017 at Carefree Living. If you are interested in helping in some way (reader, or serving coffee an’), please contact Jo Langan (218-827-2353). All Carefree Living residents and their families, all church members and neighbors, all are welcome!

Council elects new Secretary

At the council meeting on April 12 LuAnn Smith was elected Secretary. LuAnn has been a member at Evangelical since 1994. This is LuAnn’s first term on the council. We wish her all the best as she takes on this important role.

Ruby’s Pantry—Sharing the Love of Christ through food

Ruby’s Pantry will hold a food share distribution at the Babbitt Municipal Center on Saturday, May 27th. Registration begins at 9:30AM and distribution at 10:00AM. The cost is \$20. Bring two containers to carry your food share. Volunteers are always needed, no special training required; please come at 8:00AM.

VLM Summer Camp Schedule

It just wouldn't be summer without a camp adventure at Camp Hiawatha or Camp Vermilion! The **2017 VLM Summer Camp schedule** is displayed on the bulletin board in the narthex. There is something for everyone! BELC Camperships are available.

www.VLMcamps.org

vlm@VLMcamps.org

800-331-5148 OR 218-666-5465

The phrase
“do not be afraid”
is written in the
bible 365 times.
That’s a daily
reminder from
God to live
every day being
fearless.

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KRAZY QUILTERS

The Krazy Quilters meet on Monday mornings at 9:00AM. New members are always welcome. We need cutters, assemblers, sewers, or just a willingness to help. If you have some spare time, just show up on Monday morning and join the fellowship.

Women of the ELCA

General Meeting

Spring Luncheon, May 3, at 11:30 AM.

All women who are members of
Evangelical Lutheran are invited to
attend. Friends are welcome!

Circle Duties for May

Meeting Hostess—Dorcas
Special Occasion—Esther
General Worship—Dorcas

CIRCLES

Wednesday, May 17th

Women of the ELCA

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Monday, May 15th, 6:30 PM

Altar Guild

Wednesday, May 10th, 1 PM

Attendance

March 26	44
April 2	45
April 9	55
April 16 (Easter)	103

Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 10th, 6:30 PM

2017 Budget & Current Exp. Offering* (thru Apr. 16)

2016 Adopted Annual Budget	\$92,753
2016 Monthly Budget	\$ 7,730
April MTD Offering	\$ 5,980
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Current Expense Offering YTD	\$24,060
Synod Benevolence YTD	\$ 1,618
Other Designated Offering YTD	\$ 6,844
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$ 531
Total YTD Current Exp & Designated	\$33,053

* Figures are unaudited and subject to adjustment.





EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Confirmation Service Opportunities

Confirmation students are required to
Some upcoming service opportunities:

- Ruby's Pantry, 4th Saturday of each month, 8am—noon+ (get 4+ hours each time).
- VLM Day Camp at BELC, Mon-Fri Aug 1-5, approx 9am-3pm (ends at noon on Friday). Students who have completed 8th grade can get 20+ hours in one fun week, helping the VLM counselors.

Plus other events to be planned.....

Do you have an idea for a Evangelical Hope Parish Youth event? We would like to hear from you! Please submit your ideas to Stan Dow, Jr at Hope or Donna McKibbon at Evangelical. Events take 60-90 days to plan so please let us know what kind of events you would like to see. Hope contact info: Phone 218-984-2037 or email [hopelutheranembarrass@gmail.com](mailto:hoperlutheranembarrass@gmail.com).

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This Changes Everything - 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering

"By grace you have been saved...." Ephesians 2:8

June 27 to July 1, 2018, youth and adults from across our nation will gather in Houston, Texas for the ELCA Youth Gathering. Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service, and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

But first, we will start with the Synod Journey, June 23-26 in Galveston, TX, where we will begin our mission of helping others. We'll board charter buses in the Quad Cities and caravan with other buses from across Northeastern Minnesota Synod to Galveston Island. We also will worship, do service, and have great fellowship with the youth of the NE MN Synod.

All youth currently in grades 8-11 (2016-17 school year) can be part of this faith

experience. Group Registration begins Sept 15, 2017.

The cost for the 2018 Synod Journey and ELCA Youth Gathering will be roughly \$1,205, which includes transportation, lodging, Gathering registration, and some meals. With all meals, offerings, and spending money, the full cost should be no more than \$1,600 for June 23 through our return on July 2 (10 days).

This isn't a trip everyone will want to be part of, but I know several families in our parish that would like to give their youth the opportunity to be part of this event. We'll try to find fundraisers to help with the costs, especially looking for ways people outside our congregations can contribute.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Call or text 218-404-5303 or email eweston@luthersem.edu.

Pastor Evelyn



BELC Day Camp

Aug 7-11, 2017

FREE! Grades K-5th

Bible Stories & Crafts

Singing & Games

Tell your friends & family!

BELC High School Graduates to be honored at Graduate Recognition Sunday

Three of our high school youth at BELC will be graduating this year. Laurie Huseby, Ben Novak, and Kristin Zupancich will be honored and presented with a gift from the congregation at Graduate Recognition Sunday on May 21st. A cake and coffee reception will follow.

F-E-A-R: has two meanings:

1. Forget Everything And Run
or
2. Face Everything And Rise



The Choice is Yours!

Your donations to ELCA World Hunger at work....

AT THE TABLE BY GRACE

In downtown Omaha, Neb., Table Grace is a place where lasting connections are made and the needs for healthy food and job opportunities are met. The café is an extension of Table Grace Ministries and the dream of managers Matt and Simone Weber. This ministry is one of more than 300 programs in the United States supported by your gifts to ELCA World Hunger.

At this pay-what-you-can restaurant, anyone who walks through the door is served a nutritious meal regardless of their ability to pay. In place of a bill, patrons are asked to pay what they are able through monetary donations or through the giving of their time. "This is a give-give relationship," Matt says. "What you give is free-will. Donate or volunteer—our goal is 100 percent participation."

The café's connection with its patrons often goes beyond food. A 10-day training program is available to community members who are experiencing homelessness or are seeking to re-enter the workforce but lack the job skills or training. "We help them build their resumes and coach them so they can find culinary and restaurant jobs," shares

Simone. And, sometimes the job is at Table Grace Café.

Noah Mejstrik was without a home when he first arrived at the café. Today, Noah has an apartment and is one of seven paid staff members. He holds a certificate in food safety and oversees the café when Matt is not there.

Matt and Simone continue to dream. They are planning to do even more—provide more healthy meals and serve even more people through their job-training program. Your gifts to ELCA World Hunger are helping the Webers do just that—more of the work that God has called us to do together. Thank you!

Soup kitchens, pay-what-you-can restaurants, food pantries and meal programs provide immediate support to those in need. Community gardens and agricultural programs help families grow food to nourish themselves and build safer, healthier communities for the long term. These are some of the ways ELCA World Hunger accompanies communities as we work to out an end to hunger—for good.

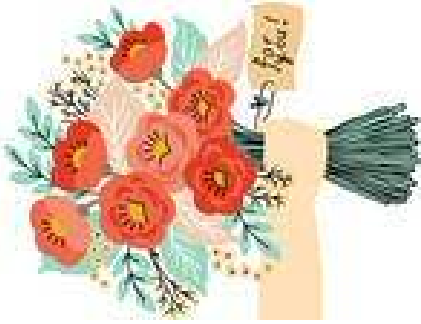
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Augsburg Choir & Orchestra to Perform May 2 at 7:00 pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, working in concert with ELCA Churches in the Hibbing/Chisholm Area and the Hibbing High School, is proud to announce that the Augsburg College Choir & Symphony Orchestra (a talented group of 80 college musicians) will perform at the Historic Hibbing High School. Free will offering.

WELCA Spring Luncheon—the Women of the ELCA of Babbitt will hold a spring Luncheon on Wednesday, May 3rd at 11:30am at Evangelical. All women are invited to attend. Friends are welcome. A brief meeting to elect the new officers will follow the luncheon.

Please R.S.V.P. to 218-827-2659 by Monday, April 24th. If leaving a message please include your name, phone number and number of women in your group.



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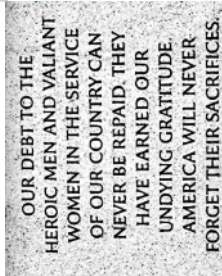
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Happy Mother's Day!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Crazy Quilters meet	2 7:00 PM Augsburg College Choir & Orchestra at Hibbing HS Auditorium	3 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours 11:30 AM WELCA Luncheon & election of officers	4 8:30 AM TOPS 12:00 PM National Day of Prayer 1:00 PM Carefree Living Communion	5 No Pastor's Office Hours	6	
7 Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion & Mission Interpreter installation 9:30 AM Coffee An' 9:30 AM Sunday School	8 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Crazy Quilters meet	9	10 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours 1:00 PM Altar Guild meets 6:30 PM Council Meeting	11 8:30 AM TOPS	12 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	13
14 Fifth Sunday of Easter Mothers Day 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An' 9:30 AM Sunday School	15 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Crazy Quilters meet 6:30 PM WELCA Executive Board meets	16	17 Circles meet 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	18 8:30 AM TOPS	19 No Pastor's Office Hours	20 Camp Vermilion Work Day 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Registration & rolls 12:30 PM Lunch
21 Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion & Graduate Recognition Sunday 9:30 AM Coffee An' 9:30 AM Sunday School	22 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Crazy Quilters meet	23	24 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	25 8:30 AM TOPS	26 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	27 Ruby's Pantry at Babbitt Municipal Center 8:00 AM Volunteers 9:30 AM Registration 10:00 AM - 11:30 PM Distribution
28 Seventh Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An' 9:30 AM Sunday School	29 Memorial Day	30	31 No Pastor's Office Hours			

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**“Pray, and let God worry”
*Martin Luther***

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