



News You Can Use

May 4/5, 2019

Altar flowers are given in honor of **Noah Thompson's 12th birthday** by his family.
Communion wine is given in honor of **God's love** by Jim & Susi Miller.

Last week's attendance: 322


This week we thank Deb Alber & Sandy Hall for cleaning the main kitchen every week.

The disciples make a big splash and breakfast with the risen Jesus in the gospel. Wading in the water (remembering our baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating the holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us, with Peter, again and again: **Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.**

Synod Assembly This Weekend!

Pastor Tim is away today at the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Assembly, which is taking place this year at the Alliant Energy Center Exhibition Hall. Also attending today are Wayne Corey and Bonnie Dirks, as lay voting members. Pastor Tim will return to the office on Tuesday, May 7.

FAITH FORMATION



May 5 – Today: "All In: Charge!"
– When life gets tough do we: play it safe, retreat into the comfortable, take risks, charge forward, try new things? Come explore all the possibilities to carry forward the cause of Jesus. Room 113 at 9:15

Next Week: "All Out: Rim Huggers" Following God's will... Is it enough to believe the Bible and have correct information about the Christian faith, or do we need to do something?

McFarland Lutheran Church Summer Hours to Begin

Beginning **May 31**, McFarland Lutheran Church offices will begin observing summer hours. The new hours for the church offices will be Monday through Thursday 8:00 to 4:30 as it is now. The change will be Fridays, when the office hours will change to 8:00 – 12:00 (Noon). These hours will continue through the summer ending August 30th. The offices will return to 8:00 to 4:30 Monday through Friday after Labor Day on September 3rd. Office staff members will keep the same number of work hours each week, and are grateful for this opportunity to have a more flexible schedule during the summer months! If you have questions regarding the hours please contact Rita Jenkins or Pastor Tim @ 838-3184.



Blood Pressure checks will be available **Today, May 5** in the Gathering Space from 9:15 -10:30 am.

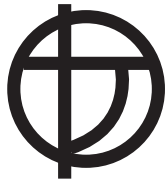
Are you thinking about baptism?

MLC is hosting a baptismal preparation class each quarter for people who are interested in having their child baptized or getting baptized themselves.



The next class is Tuesday, May 21, at 6:30 pm in Room 113. Contact either the church office or Pastor Kelli to sign-up 838-3184. (RSVP is required so sufficient childcare can be arranged.)





McFARLAND LUTHERAN NEWS

Register for VBS!

VBS: Roar!
July 21-25, 2019
Registration forms
available at the Welcome Desk!!!



Thank You

Dick Kohl Retiring

One of our custodians, Dick Kohl, is retiring after 20 years on our staff. His last day will be **May 11, 2019**. We give thanks for Dick, for his years of faithful ministry as custodian, and for his gifts of hard work and dedication at MLC! We are also thankful that Dick and Norma will remain members of our congregation, and will continue to participate in the life of our congregation. We will have a special recognition and prayer for Dick on **Sunday, May 12**, at the 8 a.m. service, followed by a cake reception



in the Gathering Space. And we won't make Dick set up or clean up for his own reception!! May God continue to bless and strengthen Dick in this time of transition as he begins a new chapter in life and faith!

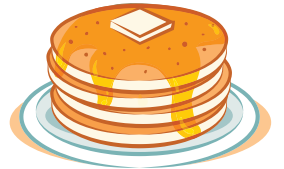
Calling all Walkers and Runners

Just a reminder that Aly's Honky Tonk Hustle is just around the corner (May 18). Please sign up to participate with the MLC team. Joining this run/walk also supports the Wolff family in raising significant funds to continue cancer research. You can register at www.alyshonkytonkhustle.com. Contact Sandy Hall (608-215-3999) ASAP if you need/want a McFarland Lutheran Church Shirt.



McFarland Fire & Rescue Pancake Breakfast

We cordially invite you to attend the McFarland Fire & Rescue Association's Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday, May 19** from 7:00 - 11:00 am. This event will kick off National Emergency Medical Services Week for McFarland Fire & Rescue. The "all you can eat" menu will consist of pancakes, eggs, sausage, applesauce, and beverages.



This year's Pancake Breakfast features a photo booth, appearances by costumed characters (including Paw Patrol and Fireman Sam!), silent auction, 18' inflatable slide/bounce house, and a 50/50 raffle.

Proceeds from this event will be used to benefit the community through fire prevention and health promotion education, vital fire & EMS equipment, and volunteer member recruitment and retention.



New! Game Night
(formerly Men's Game Night)
in Room 125
Saturday, May 11 at 6 pm

Enjoy fun, fellowship and games!
Please contact Kevin Strattan
(kstratt1@amfam.com)
if you have any questions.

Elizabeth Circle will meet at the home of Carolyn Wendorf on **May 14** at 1:00 p.m.