

Reaching an Ever-Changing World With God's Never-Changing Word

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Pastor Kent

"You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

(Matthew 20:25-28 ESV)

The one who is in charge, we believe, is the one who yells the loudest. The one who is in charge, we believe, is the one before whom everyone cringes. The one who is in charge, we believe, is the one who uses his strength to force submission upon everyone else.

This is why we often bristle when we hear the Bible's instructions for the order of the household. This is why we bristle when we read that women aren't to teach or to have authority over the men of the church. If men are truly the head, we take this to mean that they're to dominate women. If men are truly the head, we take this to mean that they're to dominate their spouse and children. If men are the head, we take this to mean that they're to control everything that goes on. And this, we believe, is demeaning to women. This, we believe, is abusive of children.

This is also why we have a natural tendency to resist those in authority over us. We don't want to be controlled by anyone. And we won't allow anyone to rule over us.

One of the things we see, as we look at society, as well as at the church, is a misunderstanding of what leadership is to look like. We share this misunderstanding regardless of whether we see authority in a positive or a negative light. And we tend to understand leadership, we tend to understand authority, as a matter of control. We tend to understand it as a matter of domination.

Yet, at the same time, we naturally desire to be that person in authority. We want to be the one in control. We want to be the one to whom everyone submits.

However, when we look at Jesus' definition of leadership, it's very different. Jesus tells us that, whoever would be great among us, must be our servant. He tells us that, whoever would be first among us, must be our slave.

In fact, he uses himself as the ultimate example of this truth. Even he, Jesus says, came not to be served. Even though he is God in the flesh, and even though he rightfully deserves to be served, that was not his purpose in coming among us. He came that he might serve. He came that he might give his life as a ransom for many.

In other words, to be a leader means to be a servant. To be a leader means to be a slave of all. To be a leader means that we willingly sacrifice ourselves for the benefit of others.

Even if we do have a measure of authority that's been entrusted to us, we don't use that authority for our own benefit. We use it for the benefit of those in our charge. We use it to serve.

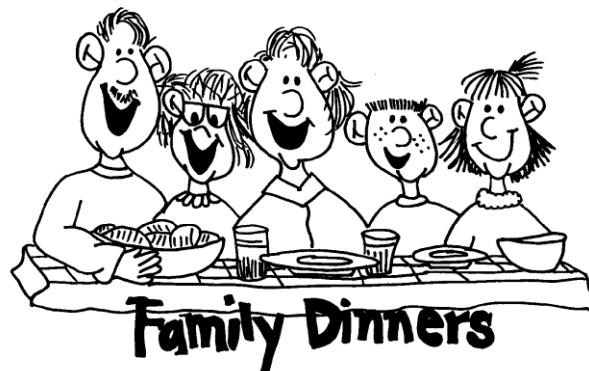
We find the same thing in Ephesians 5, where Paul lays out the order of the household. The husband, he says, is the head. This, however, does not mean that he rules his household with an iron fist. He is called to lay his life down for the sake of his spouse. He is to use his authority for her blessing.

The wife, in turn, doesn't submit simply because her husband demands it. She doesn't submit because she's forced to do so. She does it willingly. She does it voluntarily. She does so that, in this way, she might honor God and bless her husband.

We see this also, as Paul instructs children and fathers in Colossians 3. He tells children to obey their parents in everything. In this, we see the

authority structure of this relationship. Yet, at the same time, he tells fathers that they're not to provoke their children, lest they become discouraged. They aren't to be harsh, they aren't to treat their children unjustly, as they carry out their responsibility among them.

This is what it means to exercise authority at all levels. This is what it means to exercise authority as a husband, as a parent, as a church leader, or as a government official. This is what it means to exercise authority as a business owner or a manager. As Jesus used his authority to serve us, we're to use our authority, whatever it may be, to serve those in our care.



Please join us for family Lenten dinners on Wednesdays in March beginning at 5:45pm. Any donations will go to the youth that are working to prepare, serve, and clean up. Lenten Worship services will be at 7:00pm.



Sunday March 8!



Pastoral Intern Kevin Hall

Luke 9:51–55 (EHV) *When the days were approaching for him to be taken up, Jesus was determined to go to Jerusalem. He sent messengers ahead of him. They went and entered a Samaritan village to make preparations for him. But the people did not welcome him, because he was determined to go to Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, “Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?”*

But he turned and rebuked them. “You don’t know what kind of spirit is influencing you. For the Son of Man did not come to destroy people’s souls, but to save them.”

Luke 19:10 (EHV) *The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.*

This portion of Luke is a good place to look as we start to think about Lent. Luke 9:51 marks a point in Jesus’ ministry when He turned south and started a resolute march toward Jerusalem. He knew what lay in front of Him, even if the disciples could not yet fully grasp what He was doing and the meaning of why He was doing it. It was mysterious for the disciples. They didn’t always know what they were doing, but for them, it was enough that they simply walk with Him. As they walked and lived with the Word made flesh, the meaning of His incarnation and His upcoming sacrifice became more and more clear.

The disciples weren’t perfect. For example, the “Sons of Thunder” (Mark 3:17) wanted to go all Sodom and Gomorrah on a village in Samaria, showing just how fitting their God-given nickname really was. The thing is though, John and James’ error wasn’t that they completely lacked biblical knowledge. James and John knew the Word. It seems likely that James and John were simply applying biblical lessons from stories like Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18:16-19:29, see also Jude

5-7, 2 Peter 2:4-10 and Ezekiel 16:48-52) and Elijah calling down fire from heaven against platoons of Samaritan soldiers (2 Kings 1). Their error (in this case) did not stem from them not knowing the Word of God. Their error was that they did not fully appreciate the purpose for which the Word was given.

Jesus was not walking through Samaria so that He could call down eternal hellfire from heaven on every town that did not receive Him. This was an important lesson for the disciples, and a fitting time for the disciples to begin learning it. From His teachings prior to this point, it was clear to the disciples that Jesus was going to be the one to fully restore the Kingdom of God, but the disciples remained confused about what that Kingdom was and how Jesus was going to usher it in.

Their desire for an earthly and glorious Kingdom led them to assume that Jesus would very soon begin an earthly and glorious reign. They figured that when that happened, surely Jesus’ acts of vengeance against the enemies of the people of God would be more powerful and more glorious than anything previously seen. James and John were all too ready for Jesus to begin conquering the world, and were all too willing to help in the conquest. After all, they were hoping for powerful positions in the new Kingdom and even bragged (but maybe without fully understanding what they were saying) that they could endure the same cup of wrath as Jesus (Mark 10:35-45, Matthew 20:20-28).

But Jesus’ walk toward Jerusalem was not about unleashing the flames of heaven against all the unrighteous of the world. Jesus’ walk toward Jerusalem was about turning the flames of heaven toward Himself, and teaching everyone else to trust in that sacrifice. Jesus did not need the Samaritan village to house Him. In verse 58 He explained that part of His ministry involved Him sleeping under the stars. Jesus didn’t need to invade any of the Samaritans homes, but He desperately wanted to invade their hearts.

There is a caution in this for us as we consider the Lenten season. We should consider both the

Samaritans and the Sons of Thunder and try to avoid either extreme.

Even though Jesus seeks us the whole year, Lent is a special time. It's easy to proclaim "I'm proudly casting off the bonds of works-righteousness. I'm not changing anything I do for Lent." But that approach runs the risk of going the way of the Samaritan village. Jesus is seeking to spend time with you. He always does, but especially in this time of Lent. So when we skip chances to worship with the body of Christ- His Church, or when we ignore His nagging call on us to walk with Him in our personal times of Bible reading and prayer, we've become very much like the Samaritan village. Jesus desires to come to us, but we don't receive Him.

On the flip side, there's perhaps no church season that has become more polluted with practices that teach people works-righteousness than Lent. Mandatory fasting and the condemnation of people who don't fast is directly analogous to James and John, who apparently expected the Kingdom of God to come through the conquering efforts of man. Jesus' walk to Jerusalem was not an invitation for His disciples to conquer for Him. It was an invitation for His disciples to walk with Him, and learn from Him, and come to understand the purpose of God giving us His Word: to seek and to save the lost.

So this Lenten season, I encourage you to walk with Jesus. Don't ignore Him as the Samaritans did, and don't attempt to add to His righteousness with your polluted works, as John and James did. Instead, walk with Him and learn from Him how He cleanses you from sin and unrighteousness. Join us, if you can, for Wednesday worship services, and be intentional about meditating on Scripture. Fast if you desire, knowing that for your sake Jesus had precious few comforts during His earthly ministry (Luke 9:58). But also know that the correct purpose of fasting is not to contribute to Christ's righteousness, but rather to draw closer to Christ, to learn to walk with Him, to grow and mature in His grace, and to trust in His righteous sacrifice even more.

CHAIRMAN

I want to thank the congregation for putting their trust in me to be the Chairman of this congregation. I would like share with you one of my favorite Bible verses, which is Psalm 103:1-5. "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who health all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowned thee with loving kindness and tender mercies; Who satisfies thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagles".

This always lifts me when I read it. I hope you can find some Joy and comfort In this Psalm. One of the projects I am excited about this year is working with the Feed My Starving Children project.

Marvin Sigman, Chairman

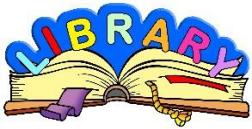
(Marvin has asked me to put this in the newsletter for Feb and I missed it. Sorry!)



Holy Week EASTER PLANS

This is just an FYI to help you with your April/Easter plans...

Maundy Thurs April 9 @ 7:00pm
Good Friday service April 10 @ 7:00pm
Family Easter Event April 11th @ 11am
Sunrise Service April 12 @ 7:00am
Caramel rolls/fruit/juice/coffee @ 8:00am
Resurrection service April 12 @ 9:00am



Library news...

The library is always getting new stuff and moving things around... stop in and check out our great selection of books, movies and resource material.

Ushers for March

- 3-01-2020:** *Marvin Bauer, Fred Bieri, Darrin & Leeta Olin, Dan & Rebecah Martin
- 3-08-2020:** *Robin Richter, Keith Peterson, Dalton & Sylvia Zeiszler, Shane Haugen, Ron Frei
- 3-15-2020:** *Garrett Placke Seth Larson, Gary & Marj Murray, Jim & Rusty Plienis
- 3-22-2020:** *Jim Wenning, Anna Wenning, Dan & Rebecah Martin, Riley & Cheyenne Schriefer
- 3-29-2020:** *Kevin Lee, Lynette Flemmer, Vern & Karla Boehm, Jim Wenning, Jay Seibel



Fellowship service for March

- 3-01-2020:** Kayla Palmer, Wennings, Vern & Karla Boehm
- 3-08-2020:** Sodie Peabody, Bill & Kris Keller, Jason & Heidi Ulland
- 3-15-2020:** Klaudt family, Carey Mattheis, Dan & Rebecah Martin
- 3-22-2020:** Joe & Nancy Wright, Perry & Deb Sayler, Bernard & Judy Tolosky
- 3-29-2020:** Darrin & Leeta Olin, Shane & Amy Haugen, Jay & Ashley Olsen



A polite reminder - those who use the kitchen are responsible for washing the dishcloths and towels and returning them to the drawers! (this includes fellowship and potlucks!)



RADIO BROADCAST

Please Contact the office if you are interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast. The cost is \$35. The Radio Broadcast is heard on Sundays at 11:30 AM on KDKT, 1410 AM. Available Sundays to sponsor are March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29. Send an email to the office or call to reserve a Sunday broadcast!

Missed a Sunday church service?

Did you know that each Sunday's Sermons are recorded? If you would like a CD copy, the cost is \$1.00. You may have the entire service or just sermon recorded onto the CD. You can get up to 2 sermons on one CD. Please call or email the office and we will get one to you! The sermon is also available on our website by the following Monday, on our KDKT Radio broadcast at 11:30 on Sunday mornings and live on our facebook page.



Prayer Request

Prince of Peace is part of a community wide prayer chain. If you have something you would like added to the email prayer chain or would like to receive the prayer emails – please email the church office. If it is after office hours, please email Margie Lee at lee@beu.midco.net



Men's breakfast/Bible study is Saturday March 21 @ 7:00am.



Prince of Peace
Women's Missionary
Federation (WMF)

*The Mission of the WMF of Prince of Peace
is to study and share the Good News of Jesus, through
word and deed, at home, in our community and
throughout the world.*

Happy Spring! Really? Is it that time of year already? Sometimes I feel like I am spinning out of control. I am so thankful I don't need to worry because God is in control. He's got this.

WMF Bible Study will be held on Monday, the 16th at 10:30 and 6:30. We will be looking at Lesson 3: **WHEN I FEEL HOPELESS.** "...When negative feelings are swirling around in your mind where do you go to find Hope?" Join us as we look at the truths in God's word.

We looked at **WHEN I DOUBT IF I'M SAVED** last month. It was so good to review the promises of God and the work that Jesus did on the cross for us. Reviewing the Salvation Facts based on God's word is something that I needed.

Upcoming WMF events:

ARC WOMEN'S RETREAT April 24-26. (Osceola WI)

Speakers will be Pam Olson, Emily (Hoops) Olson, Naomi (Olson) Paige

Praise and worship leader is Yvonne Blake

"The ARC Women's Retreat is a great opportunity for women of all ages to get away from the hectic schedules of home to relax, recharge and reconnect with other women. Take part in relevant Bible teaching, great fellowship and activities to help relieve the stress of daily living. Take a weekend for yourself at the ARC Women's Retreat!"

"This year we have the added bonus of the ARC Spring Boutique to be held Sunday, April 26, from 11AM to 3 PM.

"For more information and to register go to <https://www.arc-aflc.org/womens-retreat>."

"Cost: \$120.00 for the full weekend; \$90.00 for Saturday only"

WMF DISTRICT SPRING RALLY

This will be held on May 2nd at Beaver Creek. More details will come closer to the date.

Mark Your Calendar... Tuesday, June 9, 2020...

WMF Day 2020... At the ARC (Association Retreat Center) Osceola WI

But as it is written: *"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him."* 1 Corinthians 2: 9NKJV

God Bless You!

Judy Tolosky



Women's Care Clinic Baby Shower

Prince of Peace will once again take part in the Largest Baby Shower for the Women's Care Center, previously the First Choice Clinic, during the **month of March**. It is a faith-based, non-profit organization that provides services such as free testing, education and counseling for those facing unplanned pregnancies. In ND, they have offices in Bismarck, Fargo and Devils Lake. New or hand-made baby items can be placed in the crib that will be set up near the back of the church in March and someone will deliver them to the clinic. We have provided a list so you can start shopping early!

Suggested items include:

*Infant clothing (newborn to 3T) *Diapers (sizes 3-6 are needed most) *Baby wipes *Bottles and sippy cups
*Burp cloths and bibs *Pacifiers *Nursing covers
*Washable nursing pads *Thermometers *Boppy nursing pillows and covers *Gift cards (ex. Target or Walmart) *Teething toys *Towels and wash cloths
*Brush and comb sets *Crib sheets *Pack-n-play sheets
*Halo sleep sacks *Infant carriers *Diaper bags

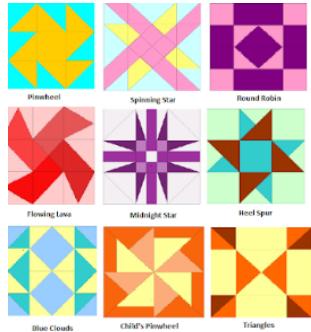
Contact Rebecca Martin, Chris Alt or Anna Novak if you have any questions. We encourage you all to consider donating to this very important cause!

Worship Attendance

01-05 -	157
01-12 -	167
01-19 -	114
01-26 -	145
02-02 -	205
02-09 -	183
02-16 -	166



Ladies of the church,
Please join
Threads of Love
for quilting. We
meet on
Wednesdays
from 9-1. If you
have old sheets
– we can use
them. If you have a Thrivent Action team
card and would like to use it – we would
love your contribution. If you have any
question, call LaRue Schwarz 748-216.



Sunday School Corner

It's crazy March is here already. The kids did a great job singing Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho and We Love in February! We are working on a new song to sing on March 15th for church. On March 22nd we plan to sing at the nursing home and do a craft with the residents if they are not closed due to the cold/flu season. Also, March 22 is considered an alternative Sunday and attendance will be taken as it is considered a make up Sunday but won't count against your child if he/she isn't there. No memory work will be recited that day either. If we arrive back at the church early we will play Bible Trivia to finish out the SS hour. If your child missed a Sunday and has been working on a DQ gift card for memory work, please contact your child's teacher to see what memory verses they need to learn.

In His hands,
Donna Bieri


Prince of Peace will be transitioning to a new membership, media streaming, church management, online directory and Bible resource program called Faithlife Equip. Each of our members and those who worship with us will be given an option to register for an account. Please be patient with us as we work through this transition. Our Righnow media will run for a few weeks while those that are using it can finish up their Bible studies. This new program will connect all of the different ministries, studies, and activities that we do here at POP!



Youth

Do You Feel Blessed?

How do we know if we are blessed? Do you feel blessed? We spend a lot of time waiting around to be blessed and even more time waiting to feel blessed, myself included. Recently I have been looking in the Word to see how we are blessed, in an effort to feel more blessed, and you know what I found? We don't have to look as far as I thought. It truly is a matter of perspective, and how we treat ourselves.

How we look at ourselves and how we view God ultimately determines how and if we see God's blessings. I remember once I heard a story about a man whose house was flooding. He got on his roof and waited for God to save him. A man rowed a boat over to him and told him to get in, and the man said, "I don't need your boat, God will save me." Then a little bit later a helicopter flew over to him and told him to get in, and the man said, "I don't need a ride in your helicopter, God will save me." Eventually the water got too high and he drowned, when he got to heaven he asked God why He didn't save him. And God responded, "What are you talking about!? I sent you a boat AND a helicopter!"

When we look for blessings from God, we typically have a small lens through which we look. We see when God gives us what we weren't expecting but we constantly overlook when we are gifted the expected. For example, I felt unbelievably blessed and overwhelmingly encouraged when Prince of

Peace acquired a church/youth van recently. It was truly an answer to much prayer and deliberation. But in that I started to look at other ways that I am blessed, the moments that I had let go under the radar and had just missed. The blessing of people helping with youth activities from chaperones to people to bring food. The blessing of my wife and how crucial she is to my work and private life. The blessing of energy and youthfulness to do my job well. The blessing of youth (even though sometimes they drive me nuts:) and their willingness to hear and absorb your gospel. In other words... I am finding the problem is not God's ability to bless, but our lack of vision and ability to accept his gifts as blessings. And luckily, God doesn't stop giving his blessings just because we can't see clearly. Instead He graciously waits for us to open our eyes and see His gifts, because He truly is a good good Father.

³ You keep him in perfect peace
whose mind is stayed on you,
because he trusts in you.

⁴ Trust in the LORD forever,
for the LORD GOD is an everlasting rock.
Isaiah 26:3-4

Upcoming Youth Events

Youth families serving Lenten meals every Wednesday in March

High School Youth Group **after** our Lenten Worship services on Wednesdays in March

Thursday Middle School Bible Study

Sunday School on Sundays!



Bentley Lenzen	3/2
Terry Ochsner	3/2
Kynlie Plienis	3/3
Liliya Reinhardt	3/4
Austin Babcock	3/6
Chris Palmer	3/7
Darlene Schaper	3/7
Wes Gunsch	3/8
Marlys Reichenberg	3/10
Esther Fleisher	3/12
Bradley Gunsch	3/12
Macy Bieri	3/13
Miranda Bieri	3/13
Mary Ochsner	3/13
Heidi Zimmerman	3/14
Adam Novak	3/19
Heidi Horning	3/20
LaRue Schwarz	3/20
Dalton Zeiszler	3/20
Ashley Feist	3/22
Cindy Peterson	3/22
Nikki Martin	3/23
Nicole Buchmann	3/24
Kendra Finck	3/24
Ashley Olsen	3/24
Carley Haugen	3/25
Jared Seibel	3/25
Shelley Giese	3/28
Janet Morast	3/28
Lawrence Taylor	3/28
Kayla Fandrich	3/30
Hunter Keller	3/30
Dawn Reinhardt	3/31

2020 POP Church Council

President	Marvin Sigman (2020)
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Nominating Committee	Marj Murray (2020) Marvin Bauer (2020) Jan Sigman (2020)

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

President's Report – Marvin Sigman

Marvin thanked Les Buchmann for chairing the council meeting in January. He is on the Feed My Starving Children committee. They will need lots of help fundraising. Marvin has talked to the Beulah Ministerial about FMSC and has a contact at English Lutheran in Hazen that is interested in helping. FMSC will be held October 2 and 3.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Kent

Participated in ministerial prayer meetings, and attended our monthly ministerial meeting.

Communed residents at KRCC. Conducted a worship service at KRCC.

Confirmation instruction is going well. We are finishing up our look at the Lord's Prayer and will be having our second quiz at the end of this month.

Our Wednesday night Bible study has been working through Colossians. We'll finish up next week, just ahead of Lent. This will end the Wednesday night Bible study for the year as Easter is later this year, and we have Spiritual Life Meetings immediately after.

I've continued to attend meetings with hospice every other week to discuss the care and the care plans of the patients. I've also made a couple of visits for them.

Visiting and keeping up with members, especially those who are ill and shut-in.

Upcoming:

I will be attending meetings of the AFLC World Missions Committee February 27-29. Once again, no church activities will be affected.

Update: Pastor Sperry discussed being asked to speak about his heart issue in Washington DC April 26 and 27. Council agreed it was a good opportunity.

Intern Pastor's Report – Kevin Hall

Two special events were the large highlights of January for me. We hosted the Winter Bible Conference, which I handled the technical aspects of (with help from Del), and my family and I went to Plymouth to interview with the Seminary's School Board, the AFLC Colloquy Committee, and the AFLC Coordinating Committee.

Praise the Lord the committee interviews all went well, and I have been approved for graduation from the seminary and ordination in the AFLC. Now begins the task of discerning God's next call on my and my family's life.

I thought the Winter Bible Conference was a very cool experience and I was very grateful for the help of the many volunteers that made it happen. It was a learning experience for me, and I am thankful that Prince of Peace did it, as I learned quite a bit about the work (admittedly mostly of other people) that

went into making it successful, and those lessons are lessons I can take with me to my next call. It was also just a fun experience to fellowship and dive into the Word.

Youth Director's Report – Seth Larson

Past Events

- Attended Winter Bible Conference
- Attended Youth Worker Weekend
- Oversaw Bingo at Hazen Basketball Game
- Attended Staff Christmas Party
- Extra-long Middle School Youth Group

Current or Upcoming Events

- Youth Movie Day
- Ski Trip
- Doing two lent services sermons
- District Pastor's meeting
- The 19th and 20th in Minneapolis (No School)

Treasurers Report – Margie Lee

General Fund	\$ 22,828.12
Building Fund	\$ 26,643.84
Coffee Hour Fund	\$ 113.32
Furnace Fund	\$ (12,043.48)
Intern Fund	\$ 33,227.12
Church Van Fund	\$ (11,482.79)
Total Bank Acct	\$ 62,800.10

Loan Borrowed 4/2015 \$ 250,000.00

Loan Balance \$ 118,248.52

Deacon's Report – Kevin Lee

Lent will start on February 26th. We are planning to have Pastor Kent, Kevin, and Seth rotate for Wednesday services. We are moving forward with meals prior to the worship services.

Easter – We discussed at council making changes to the Easter breakfast. After looking at 6:00 AM Sunrise service and Easter breakfast attendance the last few years, we are suggesting changing the 6:00 AM service to 7:00 AM, and serving caramel roles and coffee from 8:00 to 9:00.

Darcee has been looking into a new program for church records and financial records. The old one is out of date, needing to be updated. She's looking at a package that would do this and also tie

in other services we're already paying for (online directory, proclaim, and our website). It also has some great Bible study resources available to staff and the congregation as a whole. And it has a streaming library for use by the church. The Deacons are in favor of the new program and stopping the "Right Now Media."

Joyce Bauer signed a contract with FMSC to have a mobile pack at POP Oct. 3rd, 2020.

We voted to purchase Faithlife Equip program. Annual cost for size of our church is \$1,250 per year. This includes Proclaim, website hosting, website tech service, church directory, Faithlife TV, finance management, group texts, LOGOS resources, digital signage. The cost would be less than what we have currently which is separately through various companies.

Trustee's Report – Les Buchmann

Les Buchmann reported checking the filters and sumps on the furnace. Each trustee now has his own keys.

He has checked with Jerry at Beulah Ace Hardware and he will give us a good price on the LED lights.

Summer projects will include installing chutes on the south roof venting to air goes up into the attic. Also, will be replacing the south east sidewalk area and north walkway.

Keith Peterson replaced the faucets in the men's bathroom and he'll be replacing the ones in the bathrooms near the library.

Del Schnaitd insulated the entry ceiling.

The trustees are checking on the price of a chair lift to use instead of a tall ladder.

Christian Ed Report – Angie Wanzek

Election of officers/assignment of duties:

Chairman: Angie Wanzek

Secretary: Chrisy Rotondo

Sunday School: Donna Bieri

Vacation Bible School: Angie Wanzek

Operation Christmas Child (OCC): Becca Larson

Night in Bethlehem: Chrisy Rotondo, Angie Wanzek

Easter Event: Chrisy Rotondo

Night in Bethlehem-Extra crafts were sold for free will donation during fellowship. This paid for the

crafts themselves. We discussed shortening the hours possibly running [from 5pm-7pm](#) and alternating different bible readings as most stayed for the whole event.

Christmas Program- Overall it went very well and we received good feedback! Advent calendars were also a success.

Vacation Bible School- Cost will go up to \$1500 for a team as we will not be sharing with Golden Valley this year. Dates discussed are [May 31-June 5](#), [June 7-12](#), [June 14-19](#).

OLD BUSINESS

Church Van – Kevin and Margie Lee found a used van while they were in Arizona. It's a 2019 15-passenger van. It had 67,000 miles on it before the trip to ND with 33,000 miles left on the 100,000 warranty. Van was priced at \$19,500 and we received \$7,500 in the van fund. Discussed the requirements for using van including need to be 21 years old to drive, having a mileage log, returning it full of gas, etc. Trustees would like a mileage log to track the mileage to schedule tire rotations and oil changes.

NEW BUSINESS

Tithe - We voted to split our tithe: \$1,946.33 to AFLC Seminary Fund and \$300 to Lacey Wenning for her mission trip.

Van Storage – We discussed a permanent garage on the north side of our lot or a heavy canvas unit between the two buildings. We need more time to think about this and get input from the congregation on their wishes.

Policy Booklet – Marvin Sigman would like to get all the policies from all committees and compile them in to a booklet for easy access. There are policies but they are scattered. This includes church van, tables and chairs and kitchen usage.

Correspondence

Thank you notes were received from Women's Care Center for diapers and wipes and WARC for food donation. Also received thank yous from Andrew and Alexis Olson in Tanzania, United World Missions for Lacey Wenning Biggs mission trip and AFLC World Missions for prayers and financial support.