



April 22 & 23, 2017



*Blessed to Welcome,  
Worship and Serve  
262-634-6704*

**Weekly MPLC  
Announcements  
April 22 & 23, 2017**

*A warm welcome to all! We're glad you are here. Visitors, please see the visitor information card in the pew rack, or feel free to complete a guest information card and drop it in the offering plate. To learn more about us, visit our website and find us on facebook!*

**Our website: [www.spaceshipchurch.org](http://www.spaceshipchurch.org)**

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**Regular Worship Times  
with Holy Communion at MPLC**  
Saturday: 5 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

***In the Narthex Today...***

**SCRIP:** Stop by the SCRIP table in the narthex for SCRIP sales and MAKE MISSION HAPPEN at MPLC!

**Sign up FOR:** Coffee Hour Hosts, Relay for Life, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Service Project, VBS and nametag replacement.

**Our Staff:**

- David Echelbarger (DEchelbarger@mplc.us) ..... Pastor
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- Julie Rossman (jrossman@mplc.us) ..... Publications Director



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## \* Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Bob & Jamie Rauth in honor of daughter, Rachel on her 17<sup>th</sup> birthday on April 20.



Today, at the 8:30 a.m. service of worship, we welcome into our baptized membership, Frank Matthew Steiner, son of Kim & Paul Steiner. His sponsors are Wendy Steiner and Richard Hagopian.

## Church Office Hours

Church office hours are: **Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Appointments can always be made for other times by calling the office or the pastors.

**Pastor Dave's Roast:** Today's fresh roasted coffee for coffee fellowship is: Tanzania Shiwanda Estate Peaberry. A bit of sweet Jasmine, with subtle fruit flavors emerging – let this was really cool and you might think you are drinking tea.

## Adult Ed with Pastor Dave

### What it Means to Live Lutheran

Sundays, 10 – 10:35 a.m.

### Following Coffee Fellowship

What would you have learned had you paid attention in confirmation? How do we teach confirmation today versus how it was taught in the past? Nothing has changed more in ministry than teaching what it means to Live Lutheran. What are the key ideas of the Lutheran Faith? What are the important living values of Living Lutheran? Who was Martin Luther? A review of his life and thought.

Join Pastor Dave on this exploration of what it means to Live Lutheran in all of its dimensions.

## Communion Registration and Contributions of Record Reminder

Per our constitution, **once a year**, voting members of Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church are reminded that they need to fill out a communion registration card, found in the pew rack, and make a contribution of record. (After filling out the communion card, you may drop it in the offering plate.) Thank you.





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Lutheran Immigration  
and Refugee Service



**Friday, April 28 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church**

**Freewill offerings will benefit Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services (LIRS). Concert will feature our own Brent Mitchell, the Emaus ELCA Choir and musicians from Living Faith Lutheran Church. Family Friendly concert! Save the date!**



VBS 2017 ~ Super Kids:  
Super-Powered by God's Love!

Our VBS Mascot, Marty the Martian, is setting to take us on a superhero adventure! Join us August 7-11 from 9:00 a.m. until noon as we learn all about Super Kids: Super-Powered by God's Love!

Registration is NOW OPEN for children (3 years old – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) AND volunteers– sign up in the narthex, in the education wing or at [www.spaceshipchurch.org](http://www.spaceshipchurch.org). Registration **deadline is June 25** or when we reach our maximum capacity.

## **VBS Volunteers Needed!**

**\*\*Please Note:** *We will do our best to accommodate your volunteer preferences, but cannot guarantee you will get your first pick. Please number your choices (1-3) and we will do our best.\*\**

We are in need of volunteers in numerous ways to make our VBS a success! We are able to keep our VBS program free by the good graces of our wonderful volunteers. We cannot stress the importance of our volunteers. If your child/ren are attending VBS please sign up to volunteer in some way. A couple of great opportunities if you are unavailable during the week to help are to help set-up for VBS or help with the all-congregation picnic. We will decorate and set-up on Sunday, August 6, at noon. Clean-up will take place on Friday, August 11, at 12:30 p.m. Picnic will be Wednesday, August 9 beginning at 5:30 p.m. See the back of the child registration form to sign up. Thank You!



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## New Member Class & Reception of New Members



The next new member class will be held Thursday, May 11, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (If you would prefer to come that day to a class held from 10 a.m.-12 noon please contact the church office at 634-6704.) Reception of new members will be the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, May 20 & 21. For more information, or if you have questions or are interested in joining MPLC, please contact the church office at 634-6704 or see one of the pastors.



## MPLC SCRIP...*make mission happen!*

**As Pastor Dave likes to say... "You're going to spend the money anyway: Make Mission Happen!"**

WHAT IS SCRIP? Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that enables families to raise money for their non-profit organization. Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards. You purchase gift cards from the SCRIP Table or online at face value, and your coordinator orders those cards from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a reduced price. The difference is an instant rebate for MPLC Missions. It's simple! Just by using scrip to pay for your normal weekly purchases, you can easily help raise \$\$\$.

Stop by the Scrip table in the Narthex for more information or contact Denise Keller at 262-619-9911 or [mewskeller@milwpc.com](mailto:mewskeller@milwpc.com)

### 2017 Relay for Life Racine

**June 9 – 10, 6 p.m. – 8 a.m. at Caledonia/Mount Pleasant Memorial Park (Franksville)**



**Sign up in the narthex by Sunday, April 9 to join the MPLC team!** Please go to

<http://www.relayforlife.org/racinewi> to register. Each team member receives a T-Shirt if they raise \$100. We are looking for a 3rd Co-chair to help us. If you are interested or know someone who may be, let us know. Contact Gina Bartel at [ginabartel@gmail.com](mailto:ginabartel@gmail.com) or Denise Keller at 262-619-9911 or [mewskeller@milwpc.com](mailto:mewskeller@milwpc.com) if you have any questions or would like to be on the team committee. Come see what Relay is all about and join our team!



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## Hunger Never Takes a Vacation

The Food pantry at Holy Communion Lutheran Church is asking for the following items for next two weeks. Thank you for your support!

April 30 - peaches, fruit cocktail

May 7- bar soap, toilet paper

## The Social Ministry Committee is always looking for new members!

Contact Casey McIntosh at [cpmcintosh@gmail.com](mailto:cpmcintosh@gmail.com) or Pastor Krista if you are interested in helping with our outreach and advocacy efforts!

### SAVE THE DATE!

#### Friday and Saturday - July 14 & 15



We are having our annual rummage sale on Friday and Saturday, July 14 and 15! Please save all your treasures, as well as boxes and brown paper bags for the MPLC Rummage Sale. (*Donations will not be accepted until after Memorial Day*). And be sure to mark the date of this annual fundraiser, which benefits non-profit agencies in our Racine community. We need your help the day of the sale! Watch this newsletter as well as the weekly bulletin for further updates. If you have any questions, please contact Kate Lingsweiler at 456-7443, or Judy Smith at 497-2363

## Quilter's Corner



The quilters will meet next on Thursday, April 27 from 9 – 10:45 a.m. If you have any questions please call Joyce Friend at 886-6676 or Linda Berger at 456-4779.

### 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Pen Pal Reveal Breakfast Saturday, April 29, 9-10:30 a.m.

This is for 5<sup>th</sup> graders who have been participating.

### 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Service Project Saturday, April 29, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Come to make birthday kits for the food pantry!



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## **MPLC Blessing of the Bikes and Bicycles** **Saturday, April 29 at 11 a.m. in the MPLC Parking Lot** **(Rain Date is Saturday, May 13 at 11 a.m.)**

The season to ride on two or three wheels has arrived! Bring yourself and your bike, propelled by your own fuel or the kind you buy at the pump, to the MPLC parking lot for a short blessing service. All makes and models of bikes and bicycles are invited to this service of blessing.



Unclaimed Dishes

**Please take a look** at the unclaimed dish table in fellowship hall for items left behind at both Advent and Lenten Meals. The dishes will remain on display through TODAY. Any unclaimed dishes after today may be purchased in July at our annual rummage sale 😊 Thank you!

**Save the Date!** The next MPLC Blood Drive will be Friday, June 16 from 1-6 p.m. We'll need both volunteers AND blood donors! Watch for sign-up sheets in the narthex!



### **Phone – address - email Changes? Please let us know!**



If you have dropped your land line or your number has changed for any reason, please let the church office know. Please also notify us of any address or EMAIL changes. Please call 634-6704 or send an e-mail to Becky Litwin at

[blitwin@mplc.us](mailto:blitwin@mplc.us) and let us know of any changes. Thank you!

### **Online Volunteer Scheduling!**

If you find you still have questions about our online scheduling program, please contact Becky Litwin in the church office at 634-6704 or email [blitwin@mplc.us](mailto:blitwin@mplc.us) Thank you!

### **A new way to “GIVE NOW” at** **[www.spaceshipchurch.org](http://www.spaceshipchurch.org)**

Now, you can give to MPLC online! Just click the “Give Now” button on our homepage to go directly to the donation page. Or, from your smartphone, click the QR code to the right, to go to the online donation page.



If you have any questions please feel free to contact Stephanie Szabo 634-6704 ext 114 or [sszabo@mplc.us](mailto:sszabo@mplc.us). Thank you.



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## What's Happening the Week of April 23...

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>VBS Registration Opens</b>
	9:30 a.m.	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Education Hour
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Adult Ed/Little Lambs</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Noon	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	6:30 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Senior Bell Choir
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
<b>Friday</b>	6:00 p.m.	Quilters
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Refugee Benefit Concert
	10:30 a.m.	Pen Pal Reveal Breakfast
	11:00 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Service Project
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	Blessing of the Bikes
	9:30 a.m.	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Education Hour
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Adult Ed/Little Lambs</b>
		<b>Holy Communion</b>





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**Worship Leadership (5 pm)**

Rosie Johnson, Head Usher  
Sue Cawley, Lector

**Worship Leadership (8:30 am)**

Kirsten Graves, Lector  
Pat & Ron Jensen, Greeters  
Sherry Carrion, Welcome Center  
Jessica & Kyle Ketterhagen, Joseph & Julian Mains, Acolytes  
Jerry & Judy Smith, Ralph & Chesterlyn Kelsey, Coffee Hour Hosts  
Teresa Jacobs, Joan Leger, Phil Lyden, Lynne Santalucia, Paul Taylor,  
Coffee Fellowship Refreshments

Steve Ketterhagen, Karen Petersen, Judy Petersen, Candy Zicarelli,  
Claranna Vytlacil, Communion Assistants  
Jen Rognsvoog, Josh Mains, Nursery  
Connie Mallwitz, Team Leader/ Head Usher

**Worship Leadership (11:00 am)**

Dan & Janell Smith, Greeters  
Dick Zimmermann, Welcome Center  
Charlie & Quinn Cimbalnik, Acolyte  
Patti Whitworth, Communion Assistant  
Jasmine & Gabrielle Cherry, Nursery  
Julia Donaldson, Doorkeeper  
John Franklin, Team Leader  
Barb Rasmussen/ Bob Kolesar, Head Usher

Ed Jacobs, Bread Baker

**Nursery Staff**

Malary Reynolds  
Susan Gonzalez

**Music Leadership**

Michael Becker, Organist  
Sue Cawley, Pianist  
Dr. Eduardo García-Novelli, Senior Choir Director  
Greg Schroeder, Bell Choir Director  
Brent & Stephanie Mitchell & Family, Guitar, Flute, Vocalists

**Pastors**

Rev. David L. Echelbarger, Pastor  
Rev. Christine A. Thomas-Echelbarger, Pastor  
Rev. Krista M. Zimmerman, Pastor