



April 29 & 30, 2017



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

**Weekly MPLC
Announcements
April 29 & 30, 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

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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: Living Lutheran Magazine, Spring Yard Clean Up, Ladies Golf, Blood Drive Volunteers, VBS and nametag replacement.

Our Staff:

- David Echelbarger (DEchelbarger@mplc.us) Pastor
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- Becky Litwin (blitwin@mplc.us) Church Secretary
- 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 Jim & Jean Richio in honor of granddaughter, Jessica Ketterhagen's 10th birthday on April 26.



Our sympathy and prayers go to Betty Kleimola, Bob & Joan Leger, on the death of husband and uncle, Waino Kleimola on April 25.

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: Guatemala Huehuetenango Boqueroncito: Blackberry, dried cherry with a cinnamon spice. A taste of spring! Bright! Join us in fellowship hall at 9:30 a.m.!



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.



Lutheran Immigration
and Refugee Service

Benefit Concert Thank You

Thanks to all who attended our concert here on Friday night in support of LIRS! If you missed the concert and would still like to donate to LIRS, please drop your labeled offering in the offering plate today.



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Parking Lot Update/Fund

It is now time for us to construct our new parking lot. The design has been approved by the Village of Mount Pleasant and is now out for bids. The new parking lot will add 111 blacktop parking spaces solving our parking problem. We will for the first time have ample overflow parking. Currently there is congestion at the 8:30 service and a bottle-neck prior to the 11:00 service.

The new parking lot will cost in the neighborhood of 100,000 – 110,000 dollars. It is advisable at the same time for us to repair the existing parking lot, broken curbs, and cover the entire existing lot with 1 inch of asphalt, add handicapped spaces. This will cost approximately \$50,000 for a total project cost of up to \$160,000.

After selling the land, paying off the mortgage, and associated expenses, such as reality fees, survey fees, etc, we have \$105,000 remaining from the sale of the land to put toward this project. Essentially, in the end, we got this land for free. The priority now is the construction of the new lot. We are hoping that you will consider giving a special gift to the Parking Lot Fund that would enable us to complete the entire project. It is more economical to do both projects at once.

If we receive enough contributions we will do both projects with our objective to complete them this summer.

There will be a Special Congregational Meeting to authorize this project on May 14' 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

A special dedication service will be held and a booklet published for those who contribute to the project.

Please mark your gifts Parking Lot Fund and indicate who you want to honor or memorialize with your gift.

We will be receiving gifts through May 31, 2017. Service of dedication to be June 4, 2017 at all services.

Notice of a Special Congregational Meeting: Sunday, May 14, 2017 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

The sole purpose of this meeting is to authorize the construction of a new parking lot and to repair and resurface the existing lot and curbs. This meeting has been called by Pastor David Echelbarger and Council President David Santalucia. To be held on **May 14' 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.**



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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 – 6th grade) AND volunteers– sign up in the narthex, in the education wing or at www.spaceshipchurch.org. Registration **deadline is June 25** or when we reach our maximum capacity.

**“I can do all things through Christ who
strengthens me.”
Philippians 4:13**

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!

New Member Class & Reception of New Members



The next new member class will be held Tuesday, May 9, 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



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you have questions or are interested in joining MPLC, please contact the church office at 634-6704 or see one of the pastors.

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!

May 7- bar soap, toilet paper

May 14 - toothpaste, toothbrushes



MPLC SCRIP...*make mission happen!*

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

Don't forget SCRIP for Mother's Day, Teachers and Graduates!

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



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 and brown paper bags for the MPLC Rummage Sale. You can start dropping off your things at the 16th Street door after Memorial Day. We are asking you not to bring the big items until the week of the rummage sale.

Rummage Sale Volunteer Meeting

There will be a meeting for all rummage sale volunteers on Tuesday May 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you have volunteered in the past or think the rummage sale might be something you are interested in, please come to the meeting or contact Kate Lingsweiler at 456-7443 or Judy Smith at 497-2363.

Crafter's Corner

The crafters will meet in May on Thursdays, May 4 & 18, ay 9 a.m. in Mygatts Corner. Come join us as we continue to





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work on “stuff” for our fall boutique sale. Helping hands are always welcome!

Quilter’s Corner



We are having a very productive year, we have made close to 100 quilts for charity. Most of the quilts will go to Lutheran World Relief. We have 2 more meetings in May. We will meet on Thursdays May 11th and 25th at 9:00 a.m. These will be our last meetings before the summer break. Remember if you’re doing any summer cleaning we can always use fabric, (cotton, corduroy, polyester, flat colored sheets) just bring it to church and put it in the quilting room. Hope you enjoy seeing examples of our quilts hanging in fellowship hall! Any questions please call Joyce Friend at 886-6676 or Linda Berger at 456-4779.

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!



Ladies Golf



Spring is coming ...and so is our ladies golf group. Sign up in the narthex if you would like to join this informal, fun group. The ladies play on Wednesday mornings at Ives Grove. As the weather warms up, we will share with you the details of start date and costs. Please sign up in the narthex if you’re interested. Email JoAnn Goodyear goodyear_joann@yahoo.com or call her at 634-3560 with any questions.

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 and let us know of any changes. Thank you!

Spring Yard Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m. – Noon

Come one and all and help clean up our yard! We have such beautiful gardens here at MPLC – please come help to finish cleaning up some flower beds! We also need some strong bodies to help remove a dead



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tree on the lot. **Confirmation students** – do you still need a service connection? This is a great opportunity for you. Sign up in the narthex if you can come, or just show up on May 20, ready to work. Thank you!

Did you Know?

Living Lutheran Magazine is the new name for The Lutheran. It is the official magazine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). It's full of interesting articles and pictures from the ELCA and from ELCA churches across the country. Copies of the monthly publication are available in the narthex on the coffee tables. If you'd like to receive one directly in your narthex mailbox each month, please sign up in the narthex. If you currently do receive it, please sign up as well, so we know you'd still like to get it. We're trying to update our list of interested recipients! Thank you!

Did you Know?

For the second year, MPLC will be a stop in the Open House Racine County Tour! The event will be on Saturday, May 6, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. If you know of folks who have always wanted to see what the inside of "The Spaceship Church" is like, be sure to tell them about the open house! For more information, visit

<http://www.realracine.com/event/open-house-racine-county/1676/>



What's Happening the Week of April 30...

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	9:45 a.m.	Education Hour
	10:00 a.m.	Adult Ed/Little Lambs
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	4:00 p.m.	Living Faith Community Meal
	Tuesday	Noon
	6:30 p.m.	Senior Bell Choir
	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Open House Racine County at MPLC
	5:00 p.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	9:45 a.m.	Education Hour



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10:00 a.m. Adult Ed/Little Lambs

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Worship Leadership (5 pm)

Olivia Garner, Head Usher

Worship Leadership (8:30 am)

Rich Miller, Lector

Robert Schlack, Greeter

Shelley Forbus, Welcome Center

Ella & Owen Mattson, Jade Johnson, Morgan Mekemson, Acolytes

Paul & Vicki Taylor, JoAnn Goodyear, Darrel Schweissing, Coffee Hosts

Kirsten Graves, Pam Thomey, Kara Reske, Judy Smith, Joyce Akin, Coffee

Fellowship Refreshments

Sue Cawley, Sandy Lyden, Elaine Klandrud, Ona May Brunsvold, Frank

DeCesaro, Communion Assistants

Julia, Emma, & Claire Graves, Nursery

Matt Rossman, Doorkeeper

Chuck Svoboda, Team Leader

Connie Mallwitz, Head Usher

Worship Leadership (11:00 am)

Trudy Strand, Lector

Bonnie & Chris Christensen, Greeters

Robb & Laura Luehr, Welcome Center

Marin Holle, Damien LaCanne, Acolytes

Sherry Coburn, Communion Assistant

Evan Holle, Caden Christensen, Nursery

Grace Brussat, Doorkeeper

Bob Syslack, Team Leader

Barb Rasmussen/ Bob Kolesar, Head Usher

Jean Richio, 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



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Brent & Stephanie Mitchell & Family, Guitar, Flute, Vocalists

Pastors

Rev. David L. Echelbarger, Pastor

Rev. Christine A. Thomas-Echelbarger, Pastor

Rev. Krista M. Zimmerman, Pastor