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From the Pastor's Desk

Bagpipes, choirs, ukuleles, hand bells, trombones... Oh, my!!!

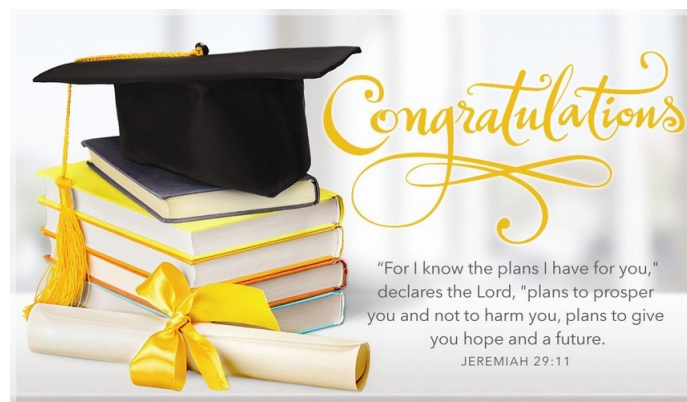
What wonderful gifts of music we have had, including musicians from our midst, as well as musical guests...all lifting our prayer and praises to God. The end of March and the month of April have been filled with many wonderful ministry and mission happenings, of which you will see glimpses in this edition of our newsletter, on our social media pages, and in our online worship services.

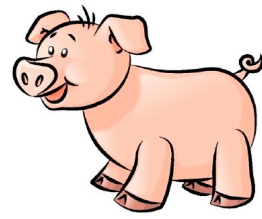
Thank you for your support of this congregation, and the ways we welcome the sounds of music, prayer, and scripture, and the ways we are sent out to share the good news with others.

Your congregational leaders are currently visioning as to how to continue our heritage of faith into the future. The five standing committees represented on the CLC Executive Council (Mission & Ministry; Welcome & Witness; Time, Talent, & Treasure; Building; Executive officers) gathered in April to both celebrate what has taken place in ministry and to also start setting goals for the coming year. This month our CLC Executive Council will retreat together to continue this faithful planning.

We do this work as leaders and members centered on our congregation's mission statement, "Connecting all generations to Christ and community," so that we will continue to ring out the good news of Jesus in word and song in the Canton community and beyond.

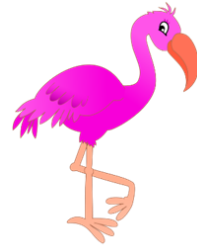
Thank you for your partnership!





You can win half a hog processed. The **Hog Raffle** has launched, and we will be **drawing for two winners on May 19th**. Look for us selling tickets after Wednesday and Sunday Services or reach out to a youth attending or Cami to get some tickets purchased. **One ticket \$3, Two tickets \$5, Five tickets \$10, and Twelve tickets for \$20.**

The flamingos are migrating to the Canton area and looking for yards to roost in (within the city limits). **Flamingos** are very territorial and unless they are captured by our highly skilled flamingo removal technicians, they may roost in your yard forever. Our skilled flamingo handlers will stealthily remove them from your yard. Cost for this valuable service is **\$25 to bless a yard for flocking and \$20 for a removal of the flock or \$25 for removal and blessing a new yard.** If you don't want in on the fun, **flocking insurance can be purchased for \$20.** Please contact Cami at 605-941-2730 to start the process or stop in the church office to fill out some paperwork... *Where will the fun begin?*

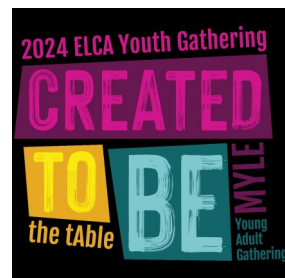


Urgently seeking **prayer partners** for the ELCA youth gathering. We have lots of numbers available for purchase and hope to have all the envelopes gone by Mid-May so we can finalize a prayer partner event...please contact Cami at 605-941-2730 or see us after church services to connect.

What have the youth been learning since the last newsletter?

For Easter we viewed the Passion of the Christ and had a time of discussion on the depth of God's love for us. We had a night of charades and discussion about other types of religion and what main tips or focus they have. We started a series on How is your soul. Focusing on when is your soul home, the health of our soul, and the hope of our soul? *SO HOW IS YOUR SOUL?*

A poster board has been posted in the foyer with our journey to the **ELCA Youth Gathering** and the costs for the group. We continue to work towards funding our adventure in faith and are so thankful for the support of our congregation. We are one year short on our fundraising and the costs of transportation, lodging, and the event have increased making this the largest amount we have ever needed. We have faith in the Lord and what he will provide. Please continue to pray for the 21 Youth, 3 parent Chaperones, Cami and Pastor Jon as we finish our fundraising strong.



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Are you a Thrivent Member?

Remember you can direct your (2-\$250) Action Team Grants for ministry here at CLC. Please contact the church office if you have questions or need help with this process.

Positive change begins by taking action.

You are WELCOME Here

For Worship, Education Classes and Activities

If you are unable to join us in person for worship, please join us for Sunday Worship on the Canton Lutheran Church YouTube Channel for live worship.

The Sunday service is also broadcast daily on your local cable channels:
Midco Channel 19 at 1pm & 7pm, VAST Channel 302 or 98 at 7am, 1pm and 5:50pm.

If you aren't receiving the service on cable, or the sound or picture isn't what it should be, please contact the church office for assistance. 605.764.2429



Giving on phones and tablets can be frustrating. Nobody likes poking at their screens to type long card numbers. Tithely enables you to save your details and give with a few taps using the free online giving app. Once you have an account set up you can give and tithe through the mobile app, on your website, or through a text message. You can set up regular automated giving too.



Give to CLC

General Fund

March			
	Budget	Actual	Change From Budget
Income	\$ 29,520.84	\$ 23,087.90	\$ (6,432.94)
Expenses	\$ 29,520.98	\$ 24,868.46	\$ 4,652.52
Over/(short)	\$ (0.14)	\$ (1,780.56)	\$ (1,780.42)
Year to Date			
	Budget	Actual	Change From Budget
Income	\$ 88,562.52	\$ 64,169.22	\$ (24,393.30)
Expenses	\$ 88,562.94	\$ 77,783.00	\$ 10,779.94
Over/(short)	\$ (0.42)	\$ (13,613.78)	\$ (13,613.36)

New Cameras! New Speakers! New Sound Board!

Live worship has switched to **YouTube**. Please, subscribe to the CLC YouTube channel for worship. There will be a YouTube link on Facebook and the website for your convenience.

With the change over to the new system, the screen slides can now be included as a picture in picture on the streaming video. This allows you to follow along with the church service without needing a full bulletin that has everything printed. If you would like a regular Sunday bulletin emailed to you, please call or email the church office.

We also welcome your input from those that are watching from home. We are learning to work with the new equipment and continue to try to improve your watching experience. Your input is very important to let us know what is working well and what we should work on improving.



Ukelele Club doing the Children's Message during worship!



Pastor Jon and the Augustana University Ukelele Club



Augustana University Trombone Choir in worship with us on Sunday, April 28th. We are blessed, you shared your music with us.



Augustana Ukelele Club in worship on Sunday, April 21st. Thank you so much for sharing your music with us!





Thanks to all those who donated their time to help serve the guests at the Banquet on Monday, April 8th. We served about 275 guests and 25 children. God blesses us to be a blessing to others, and to hear their stories.



We all had a roll of fun playing Bunco on Saturday, April 6th. Thanks to Time, Talent and Treasures committee for hosting the event!



We Didn't Mean to Keep it a Secret, but ...

Did you know that Canton Lutheran Church has an endowment fund, established and perpetuated by members who were powerfully impacted by the ministry of this church? Most Endowment Fund donors expressed their gratitude through designating a portion of what was left at the end of their life to the Canton Lutheran Church Endowment Fund, while others directed memorial gifts to the fund. As a result of their generosity, their gifts create meaningful impact to the mission and ministry of this church now, and for countless years to come.

An endowment fund is a permanent, self-sustaining source of funding. Endowment assets are invested. Each year, a portion of the value of the fund is paid out to support the fund's purpose. In our case, the purpose is the mission and ministry of Canton Lutheran Church. Any earnings in excess of the distribution are used to build the fund's market value. In this way, an endowment fund can grow and strengthen our ministry in perpetuity.

Submitted by the CLC Endowment Committee

Time to get Fit!



Starting on Mondays in the summer, Amber Van Dam is going to be leading a Pound Class in the parking lot here at Canton Lutheran Church! Join her at 6pm starting on Monday, June 3rd. 10% of fees will be donated to the church. If you have any questions about the program, please visit with Amber. Hope to see you all there!

What a great opportunity to help out Shetek! Shetek Lutheran Ministries has given us their wish list on Amazon! Please visit this wish list to help campers this summer!!!



www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/QVJEHR810T3J?ref_=wl_share



Baccalaureate Service

Celebrate with our Canton High School Graduates at Baccalaureate Service on Wednesday, May 8th at 6:30pm at the Performing Arts Center. Please note, there will be NO Services here at CLC that evening.

\$10,250 Contributed to CLC Youth

In 2023 and 2024, with grants of \$5,000 and \$5,250 respectively, the CLC Endowment Fund is powerfully supporting our youth. The grants will contribute to the expenses for those who will attend the ELCA youth gathering in New Orleans this July.

Guided by criteria set forth in the Endowment Fund bylaws, the CLC Endowment Committee makes prayerful grant decisions with the goal of maximizing the impact of the funds available to distribute. Our belief is that the New Orleans event will be a life-changing, faith formation time for our youth.

Thank you to the Endowment Fund donors ... past and present. Your gifts change lives!

Submitted by the CLC Endowment Committee



Canton Lutheran Church and Grand Valley Lutheran are hosting Vacation Bible School June 17-20! Visit the QR code to register!



We were blessed to have the 4th-6th Grade Handbell Choir in worship with us on Wednesday, April 24th! Thanks kids for sharing your music with us!



Prayer Concerns

All active duty and retired military, firefighters, EMT's, police officers, first responders, and all others risking their lives to save others.

CLC Members w/ Health Concerns:

Dan March ~ Mike Hoffman

Arlene Markle ~ Steven Monen

Davin Richardson

CLC Members, Family & Friends

Nick Joslyn

(Friend of Rich & Teresa Beitzel)

Chris French

{Friend of Matt Ness}

Jarrold Hill (Nephew of Brenda Heggen & Cheryl Johnson)

Jordan Hout

(Friend of Paul & Sherry Anderson)

Lance

(Family Friend of John & Peg Anderson)

Alan Hammerstrom

(Brother of Lynda Johnson)

Chris Trandal

(Nephew of Kay Haisch)

Vicki Hoekstra

(Sister of Deb Jansen)

Justin Knutson

(Son of Stacy Knutson)

Aaron & Laura Rogers

(Grandson of Grace Richardson)

Tyrone Richardson

(Son of Grace Richardson)

Lois Sundling

Sister-in-law of Julie Crawford

Betty Miller

Sister of Joan Arnott

Jim Miller

Brother of Joan Arnott

Joe Miller

Brother of Joan Arnott

Kristi Palet

Daughter of Doug & Kay Thormodsgard & Great niece of Kip & Julie Crawford



The Welcome & Witness board has chosen a Sunday each month to thank & recognize servant groups. In May, the board would like to honor all mothers, grandmothers, aunts, etc. Please plan on attending.



May 12—Mother's Day

June 16— Father's Day

Mission of the Month

May— Community Outreach

Make a donation one of two ways. First option - use Tithe.ly and select Mission of the Month.

Second option - using a Mission of the month envelope and placing in offering plate.



Thank you to all that helped make the Sunday, April 14th 80+ Birthday Party a success. The Library was full of people eating Birthday Cake, singing Happy Birthday to our birthday members, and enjoying the special day. Thank you to the WELCA Board members for baking the little birthday bread treats that were given to the birthday people. It was a good day.



On **Friday, May 31**, WELCA will again be having our annual "Coffee & Rolls" Fundraiser on Garage Sale Weekend. We will be serving rolls, coffee and lemonade from 8:30 to 3:00. Come in, rest your feet, have a roll and coffee or take them with you. **Free will Donations** will be accepted. If you choose you can even purchase a pan of rolls to enjoy later. This is a great coffee break during your shopping.



May WELCA News

Monday, May 13, Bible Study 2 pm
Library "The Chosen"

Monday, May 13, WELCA BOARD Meeting 5:30 pm Library

Thursday, May 16, Care & Share 1 pm

Friday, May 31, WELCA "ROLLS & COFFEE" FUNDRAISER—GARAGE SALE WEEKEND



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

			1 6:00pm Confirmation Class 6:00pm SONday School 7:00pm WOW Service 7:45pm Boards & Committees 7:45pm Gospel Choir 8:00pm Tabernacle	2 Feeding South Dakota Senior Boxes	3 Office Closed	4
5 Graduation Recognition Sunday 9:45am Worship & Live on Canton Lutheran YouTube 10:45am Coffee Fellowship	6	7 2:00pm - 4:00pm Food Bank 5:00pm TOPS Meeting	8 7:45pm Executive Council 7:45pm Gospel Choir 8:00pm Tabernacle	9	10 Office Closed	11 Canton High School Graduation
12 9:45am Worship & Live on Canton Lutheran YouTube 10:45am Coffee Fellowship	13 2:00pm W.E.L.C.A Bible Study 5:30pm W.E.L.C.A Board Meeting 7:00pm Building Committee Meeting	14 5:00pm TOPS Meeting	15 7:00pm WOW Service in Chapel 7:45pm Gospel Choir 8:00pm Tabernacle	16 1:00pm Care & Share	17 Office Closed	18
19 9:45am Worship & Live on Canton Lutheran YouTube 10:45am Coffee Fellowship 11:00am - 5:00pm Executive Council Retreat	20 Newsletter Articles Due to Church Office	21 5:00pm TOPS Meeting	22 7:00pm WOW Service in Chapel 8:00pm Tabernacle	23	24 Office Closed	25
26 9:45am Worship & Live on Canton Lutheran YouTube 10:45am Coffee Fellowship	27 Church Office Closed for Memorial Day	28 5:00pm TOPS Meeting	29 8:00pm Tabernacle	30 Newsletter Crew	31 Office Closed WELCA Coffee & Rolls Fundraiser	