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News You Can Use

January 28 & 29, 2012

Today Altar Flowers are given in memory of Lucas Bernau by Janell and Steve Moran.

Communion Wine is given in honor of Alexander Gilbertson's 3rd birthday.

Last weekend's attendance was 270.

On Sunday, January 29, at the 9:15 service **Nicole Grace Schoch** is baptized. Heather Schoch is Nicole's mother. Nicole's godparents are Steve and Susan Schoch.



On February 5th the **blood pressure checks** will be located in the short hallway beside the nursery. Look for signs in the central hallway.

Nursery Relocated

Today the nursery is located in the CLM "Tots Room" which is on the other side of the small corridor next to the current nursery. Follow the signs.

Recycle The Warmth

Remember to bring in your new, or gently used, blankets, pillows, sheets and other bedding.



Two bins will be available in the Central Hallway and Gathering Area through **Monday, January 30.**

Recycle The Warmth envelopes are also available for you to make donations that will be used to purchase new blankets and bedding. Make checks payable to McFarland Lutheran Church.☺

Mom's Night Out

Please join us on Wednesday, **February 8, 2012 at 6:15pm** in room 122 for our next Mom's Night Out. This month we will get to know Pastor Tim and discover his faith journey. All Mom's are welcome! Hope to see you there!

Calling all Kids!

There has been a change to our children's music program. If you are a child age 3-5th grade, and you love to sing, there is still a place for you to do so! Kids' music will now be happening during Sunday School time in room 101 beginning February 5th. You are welcome to come and sing, even if you are not enrolled in Sunday School!

Grade 1-5: 10:30 am
Ages 3—Kindergarten: 11:00am

Please join us!

In Deuteronomy God promises to raise up a prophet like Moses, who will speak for God; in Psalm 111 God shows the people the power of God's works. For the church these are ways of pointing to the unique authority people sensed in Jesus' actions and words. We encounter that authority in 'God's word, around which we gather, the word that trumps any lesser spirit that would claim power over us, freeing us to follow Jesus.☺

THIS WEEK WE THANK. . .

*all the people that answered the call to help move the Library downstairs on Saturday morning in preparation for the construction which started this week. Job well done!
Many hands make for light work.☺*

Finance Summary Report As of December 31, 2011

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Actual thru Dec 31	\$ 330,988	\$ 318,333
Budget thru Dec 31	\$ 294,190	\$ 332,140

As of December 30th Actual Income exceeds Actual Expenses by \$ 12,665.

The first line relates our actual income year to date to the actual expenses year to date. The second line is the year to date budget we passed in July of 2011. The third line indicates our actual financial condition. MLC continues to be current with payment of all bills. This month Income exceeded Expenses. Last month we transferred \$12,000 from the Operating Reserve Fund to the Checking Account. This transfer of funds was part of the budget passed in July of 2011 (a planned transfer of \$70,007 from Operating Reserve Fund) to balance the budget. If you have questions, please call me at 838-3498 or email me at djknutson@charter.net or speak to a Council member.

Dennis Knutson☺

The Basics of Alzheimer's Monday, February 13 6pm in Room 113

This presentation by the Alzheimer's Association will provide useful information for friends and family, caregivers and those living with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease. Please join us.

Church email address:
office@mcfarlandlutheran.org

McFarland Lutheran Church Service Times:

Saturday—5:00 PM
Sunday—8:00, 9:15, & 10:30 AM



In an effort to keep you informed about what's happening at McFarland Lutheran Church, highlights of council meetings are published as "Minutes in Seconds". After the official minutes have been approved they will be posted on our web site and published in the newsletter. Please contact any member of the church council for more details or answers to your questions.

**"Minutes in Seconds"
Council Meeting January 17**

1. **The CLM/4K contract with the McFarland School District was approved for a one year term.**
2. **The recommendation of the Nursery Task force to renovate the nursery at a cost not to exceed \$9600 was approved. Nursery space will double and the library will be a staff office. Properties committee and staff will work together to address storage space.**
3. **The proposal for a community meal is still being considered as the community group finalizes details.**
4. **The contracts for the Capital Campaign (Kairos) and the architect are under review and will be addressed at the February meeting.**
5. **The Council will have a retreat on February 11.**
6. **The Puerto Rico trip group will be having a brunch on Sunday, February 19 from 1030 – 1230 as a fundraiser. Everyone is invited.**
7. **There will be an update on our mortgage on January 29 at all services.**
8. **Pastor Tim will attend a continuing education program February 2-5 on Head of Staff Leadership.**

HS Breakfast Sponsor Opportunities

The High School Youth Breakfast Ministry is a community outreach offering "free" breakfast to all high school students on Wednesday mornings during the school year in the Family Life Center. This midweek ministry welcomes youth to our church for a good meal, fellowship, and faith formation opportunities. MLC has hosted this ministry for nearly ten years. This ministry is supported by the dedication of our congregation, our staff, and volunteers.



If you would like to financially sponsor a breakfast, options are outlined in the hallway by the main office. Thank you for supporting our youth ministries!

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2012 Offering Envelopes are available for pick up in the central hallway today.☺



Mission and Mardi Gras

Support MLC's mission to Puerto Rico over brunch! The Puerto Rico mission team will be hosting a brunch on **Sunday, February 19**, in the Family Life Center, from 10:30am - 12:30pm (following the 9:15 and 10:30 worship services). Freewill donations will support the upcoming mission trip to Puerto Rico. This is the last Sunday before Lent, so don't forget your beads.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Lois Pullar
- Larry Everett* (son of Lois Pullar)
- Andrea Langer* (friend of Vicky Beyler)
- Dennis Brunker* (brother of Kathy Westby & Eileen Richter)
- Vicky Bailey
- Margaret Carr* (mother of Donna Thompson)
- Zoey Schmidt* (Newborn baby of Myron Sherry's friend)
- Sharon Brozek*
- Elizabeth Braun* (Jan Lunder's sister)
- Eleanor Seekins
- Jack Mitchell* (Mindy Marty's nephew)
- Renee Gray*
- Ashley and Andy Farrell*
- April Johnson* & family (friend of Tom & Nancy Vick)
- Tim Bellmore*
- Victor & Lucille Shorette
- Carol Stoeckmann
- Bill Garvey*
- Diane Wells
- Jody Hitchcock
- Betty Josheff
- Marietta Thieding-Zonge (relative of Ernie Thieding)
- Ken & Marguerite Potts

- Marie Bryan* (sister-in-law of Ernie Thieding)
- Frank & Julie Barroso* (Friends of Dick Atkins)
- Karen Kempken* (Susan Heckel's mother)
- Nona Harrington
- Bert Pullar
- Hondo Schmitt* (friend of Myron Sherry)
- George and Carol Newton* (brother & sister-in-law of Bonnie Hansen)
- Paul Holtz (husband of Sharron Holtz)
- Dane Schrader* (son of Marv Schrader)
- John Jones* (friend of Don & Dee Weikert)
- Edwin Jacob* (Jeanne Jacob's husband) * Non Members
- Linn Ruscher* (Jack & Pat West's daughter)
- Dorothy Schiefelbein
- Ron Britten
- Arlene Clift
- Eileen Richter
- Marvel Edwards
- Alta Ellestad
- Russell Alsmo
- Willard Lund
- David Lund* (son of Willard Lund)

Prayers If you know of someone to include on the prayer board (Printed in the bulletin insert on Sundays and the Newsletter bi-monthly) or on the Prayer Chain (e-mailed to the Prayer Chain participants only), please call the church office: Monday—Friday 8am to 4:30 pm at 838-3184.