



# McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Join us for the Third Sunday of Easter

April 13/14, 2024

Sat. 5 pm worship

Sun. 8 am Worship

Sun. 10 am Worship & Facebook Live

### IMPORTANT DATES

**April 10 - 7:00 am**

High School Breakfast

**April 10 - 9:00 am**

Rachel Circle

**April 10 - 7:30 pm**

Vocal Choir Rehearsal

**April 11 - 5:00 pm**

Finance Committee

**April 11 - 6:30 pm**

Men's Basketball

**April 13 - 5:00 pm**

Worship

**April 13 - 6:00 pm**

Game Night

**April 14 - 8:00 am**

Worship

**April 14 - 9:00 am**

Sunday School

**April 14 - 9:00 am**

Confirmation

**April 14 - 9:15 am**

Face Time

**April 14 - 10:00 am**

Worship/Baptism

**April 14 - 11:00 am**

Kids Chorus Practice

**April 15 - 9:00 am**

Giving Quilters

**April 15 - 5:30 pm**

Care of Creation Committee

**April 15 - 6:30 pm**

Global Mission committee

**April 16 - 8:30 am**

"Piece" Corp Quilters

**April 16 - 6:30 pm**

Executive Committee

**April 16 - 6:30 pm**

CLM Committee



## Have You Moved?

If you have moved, please contact the church office to update your mailing address. Call us at (608) 838-3184 or email us at [office@mcfarlandlutheran.org](mailto:office@mcfarlandlutheran.org).

## Greetings from CLM Staff and Students!

“The flowers are here!”

Today is Tuesday and as I walked some friends back to Rainbow South, we found flowers growing along the path. So yes, the flowers are here! We stopped, and stooped, and looked at the tiny purple blooms popping up. And then E. said, “I wish the whole world was covered in flowers.”



We are moving into our last six weeks of preschool and as I write this, Sara is sitting across from preparing materials for next Fall! Our last weeks of preschool are filled with getting ready for programs, picnics, field trips, and making spring artwork to decorate our halls and walls. It will all move quickly. In June, our Summer Programming will begin and we have planned exciting activities for school age and Rainbow North and South.

All of the staff is excited to meet Pastor Peter when he arrives. It was wonderful to hear him lift up the ministry of CLM in his welcome video, and the importance of our ministry within the congregation. Exciting days are ahead for CLM and MLC. May we travel thru them safely, with purpose, and with the promise of the resurrection always guiding our way.

Deb

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## Worship AV Volunteer Sign-Ups & Training Opportunities

There is a need to grow our worship AV volunteer team. Recent training opportunities have helped involve new people. Thank you for your continued volunteer efforts!

### How do I volunteer and learn how to run the worship slides, sound, and video?

You can still simply sign-up on the online Worship Assistants Sign-Up – 8AM Worship Volunteers & 10AM Worship Volunteers on the church website.

There are now 2 AV volunteer sign-up slots: **AV Leader AND AV Assistant/Training**

- If you are a regular, experienced AV volunteer, you can sign-up as normal under “AV Leader” and you might possibly help teach or assist someone less familiar with the technology.
- If you are brand new, or are still learning, you can sign-up under “AV Assistant/Training” to gain live training and experience during the worship service.
- We would like to move towards a model where we have 2 people in the AV booth for each worship service to teach more volunteers, and to better run the various moving parts of slides, sound balance, video production, and the occasional troubleshooting issue.

## First Communion Instruction for 2nd Graders!

All 2nd Graders (plus a parent/grandparent/fun adult) are invited to join a Communion Instruction Day in preparation for receiving their First Communion!

Join us for conversation **Wednesday, May 1 (4:00-5:30pm) – OR – Saturday, May 4 (9:00-10:30am)**. We will meet downstairs in Room 113.

Celebrate your First Communion at any worship service the **weekend of May 4 & 5**.

If interested, **RSVP by April 24** to Pastor Kelli ([kschmit@mcfarlandlutheran.org](mailto:kschmit@mcfarlandlutheran.org)).

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## Kids Chorus Will Be Singing More!

Our youngest vocalists shared their musical gifts in worship. It was such a hit that they're invited to participate again!

Rehearsals will be in the sanctuary on Sundays immediately following the 10:00am worship for roughly 15 minutes. Students will sing during the 10:00am worship.

Rehearsals on April 7 and 14. Sing on April 21.

All students are welcome to participate!

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## Join Us For Game Night!

**Game night is open to everyone who is interested in playing games.** Join us every second Saturday of the month at 6:00 pm in the FLC. **Our next night is on April 13th.** Enjoy fun, fellowship and games!



Contact Kevin Strattan if you have any questions, [kcascade@tds.net](mailto:kcascade@tds.net).

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## Sanctuary Projector Update

You may have noticed that one of our sanctuary projectors is not working. We have been working to resolve the issue. These projectors are nearly ten years old, this projector model is no longer in production, and service for this old technology isn't available or cost effective. We are in the process of gaining proposals to replace our two sanctuary projectors. It will take a few weeks to finalize a replacement option and to schedule this installation.

The good news, projector technology has improved a lot since these were first installed. Our new projectors will be laser projectors (not bulbs), they will provide a brighter and more vivid image, they will last much longer than bulb projectors, and they will be more reliable and require less maintenance than our current projectors.

## Handbell/Choirchime Update



Did you know that the first set of handbells (3 octaves) were purchased by MLC in 1980? The choirchimes were purchased in 1996 and the 4th octave of handbells were purchased in 1997. Like all musical instruments, the handbells and choirchimes require periodic refurbishment – ours have never been serviced. Therefore, we have sent them to the manufacturer for refurbishment (this includes polishing, tuning, replacing worn/broken parts and repairing the instrument cases). We have scheduled the refurbishment to begin the week of April 15 to receive a manufacturer 10% discount on basic maintenance. The tables have been taken down so that the table covers can be cleaned. The MLC Handbell

Choir looks forward to next Fall to begin the new musical season with the refurbished handbells and choirchimes!!

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## Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee meeting minutes have been updated on the McFarland Lutheran Church website under the resources tab.



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## Outreach For World Hope

Guatemala Mission Trip – June 17-22, 2024

What: **Guatemala Mission Trip**

Serving, Building Community, & Assisting with Medical Clinics,  
Distributing: food, water filters, clothing, & toys  
Planting Fruit Trees, Installing Woodburning Stoves, Light Construction,  
Travel, Sightseeing, etc.  
[www.outreachforworldhope.org](http://www.outreachforworldhope.org)

When: **June 17 - 22, 2024 (Monday – Saturday)**

Who: **Adults & Students (14+ years old) able & willing to serve**

Anyone under 18 must accompanied by a parent

**Participants from around the Dane County area will assemble a team of 20-30 people.\***

*\*Note: This June mission trip opportunity is provided by Outreach for World Hope. This particular trip is not sponsored by MLC or MLC Youth Programming. FYI – MLC is planning its 3rd Youth & Family Mission Trip for January 16-21, 2025.*

Where: **Fly from: Chicago to Guatemala City**

**Stay at:** Maria de Teresa Hotel in Chiquimula

**Serve in:** Jocotán – rural villages (southeast Guatemala)

Cost: **\$1,800 per person**

How: **To register, contact Kim Tews at Outreach for World Hope:  
[ktews@restainohomes.com](mailto:ktews@restainohomes.com) or (608) 575-2746**

## Book Club Schedule

The book club will start meeting on the **third Tuesday of the month, 10:00 am** at the Skaalen Village Clubhouse. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Ackley at 608-838-3329. Hope to see you there.



**April 16** - *Finding Me: A Memoir* by Viola Davis

**May 21** - *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell

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## You Can Support the Mission and Ministry of MLC!

Your financial gift empowers the disciples of McFarland Lutheran Church to fulfill our mission to Share God's Word – Show God's Love – Serve God's World!



Check the McFarland Lutheran Church website to access our on-line giving platform and to share a gift via your credit or debit card. Use the drop-down menu and "Note/Memo" box to designate where you would like to direct your gift. Click the "Recurring Giving" box to arrange for a routinely scheduled gift.

Contact Rita Jenkins if you would like a copy of the Automatic Transfer Authorization form. You may turn it in to Rita Jenkins, MLC's Office Manager, to schedule routine gifts from your checking or saving account. Contact Rita with any questions (office 608-838-3184 or [rjenkins@mcfarlandlutheran.org](mailto:rjenkins@mcfarlandlutheran.org)).

We are blessed by your generosity! Thank you for your support!

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## "The Most Fun You Will Have In A Yellow T-Shirt!"

Please join the Local Missions Committee and volunteer at the Madison Brat Fest on Saturday, May 25 between 10am-2pm, with check-in 20 minutes prior to your shift. The INITLIVE



registration website (see below) goes live on March 15 th at 10AM. Volunteer shifts fill up quickly, so log in right away at 10AM to create an account and sign up for a slot. Positions are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. Minimum age to volunteer is 14. Volunteers receive a yellow Brat Fest t-shirt, coupon good for a free food item, a free scoop of Chocolate Shoppe ice cream, and earn \$10 for every volunteer hour, which will go to McFarland Lutheran Church. More information to come closer to the Brat Fest date. If you have any questions or problems signing up, please contact Paul Hundt at, (608) 225 - 0377 or [hundts1@yahoo.com](mailto:hundts1@yahoo.com).



Link to sign up: <https://app.initlive.com/JE/2lh0kiwu5hyftv>

## Q's & A's After Uganda Presentation



At the April 6 and 7 weekend services, presentations were given on our recent Uganda mission trip. Afterwards we presenters were asked several common questions, and we have provided answers below.

### **Q1: If I want to support the Uganda mission, what is most needed?**

There are so many needs, all important and helpful to someone. If you try to use logic to determine which is most important, you'll discover there are good reasons to support each and every need. Rather than using logic, just follow your heart. Whether you want to help supply clean water, support education for children or adults, provide vocational training, clothe a child, provide medical supplies, feed children, or support school construction, do what appeals to your heart!

### **Q2: How do I sponsor a child's education?**

Go to the Hope 4 Kids International website by typing H4KI.org into your browser or clicking on this [link](#). Then click on the Sponsor a Child button at the top of the page. From there you can select a child to sponsor by filtering students by Country, Gender, and Age Range.

### **Q3: Will McFarland Lutheran be raising funds for more wells?**

Yes. Another Walk-4-Water is scheduled on Sept. 21. The website to register for the walk and/or make a contribution will be going live in the coming weeks. Details will be published in the newsletter and on the church website as they become available.

### **Q4: What happens to the produce and animals that are given to us at the well dedication ceremony?**

The H-4-K staff in Uganda distributes the goods to local needy families or to H-4-K employees.

### **Q5: When will there be another Uganda mission trip?**

We don't know yet. The Global Mission Team hopes to get back to one mission trip per year to Uganda, traditionally in March. H-4-K has not put together the schedule for 2025 trips, but we are hoping they will accommodate a trip in March 2025. H-4-K has also been running 2 trips to Uganda in July and one in November, and anyone can attend one of these trips by signing up on the H4KI website.



Ron Vandenberg, Bonnie Dirks, Dale Marsden

## Prayers

We pray that God's love & comfort will surround all those listed on the prayer page. If you see names on this page that should be removed, or to list someone on the prayer page, contact Heather Wedan at [hwedan@mcfarlandlutheran.org](mailto:hwedan@mcfarlandlutheran.org)

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### **Adams family**

### **Bethany Austin**

### **\*Cheryl Bartels**

(sister of Brenda Moen)

### **Tanya Brake**

(Daughter of Russell & Sheila Wolff)

### **Trudy Bredeson**

### **\*Scott Breivik**

### **\*Brent & Mindy**

(Friends of Dee Weikert)

### **\*Sandy Brunker**

(Kathy Westby's and Eileen Richter's sister-in-law)

### **\*Steve Brunker**

(Kathy Westby & Eileen Richter's brother)

### **\*Dale Burke**

(Friend of Harlan & Deb Hettrick)

### **\*James Burton**

(brother of Cathy Kirby)

### **Amber Catterall**

### **Judy Catterall**

### **\*Andrea Denman**

(Friend of Lisa Deegan)

### **\*Kathryn, Tom and Kamiah**

### **Fields**

(Friends of Kathy Westby)

### **\* Jill Fortune**

(Friend of Nancy Vick)

### **\*Renee Gray**

### **\*Cindy Halverson**

(niece of Wayne and Gayle Huston)\***Carol**

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**Linda Othrow**  
**\*Pastor Margo Peterson**  
 (Bonnie Dirks' daughter)  
**\*Connie Peterson and children Corbet, Carissa and Paula**  
 (Diane Wells' aunt and cousins)  
**\*Kelson Peterson-Bystol**  
 (Grandson of Alan & Sharon Peterson; great-grandson of Sylvester Peterson)  
**\*Harlow Harue Phillips**  
 (Great-niece of David & Sallie Waller)  
**Chris Preston**  
**Eileen Richter**  
**\*Albert Sandoval**  
 (Deb Hettrick's brother's father-in-law)  
**Monica Schaller**  
**Clarke Schroeder**  
**\*Mary Seiler**  
 (Friend of Randy Hansen)  
**\*Gladys Severtson**  
 (Aunt of Marla Grover)  
**\*Rick Shoby**  
 (Bonnie Hansen's Brother-in-law)  
**Bonnie Spangler**  
**\*CurtSteindorf**  
 (Family of Lisa Paley)  
**\*Jeff Swenson**  
 (brother-in-law of Diane Egner)  
**\*Randi Thorson**  
 (Friend of Mary Grell)  
**\*Carol Torgeson**

(Friend of Diane Voiss)  
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 (Friend of Kevin Strattan)  
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**Jordan Wendt**  
**\*Marcia Wiberg**  
 (Friend of Kim Henes)  
**Kim Wisden**  
**\*Chad Wood**  
**Linda Swenson**  
**Rich Swenson & Meghan Lindy**  
**Judy Walther & Family**  
**Arnold Vollmer**  
**Andy, Gaylene, Kirk Otteson**

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