

Easter is almost here, and soon we will have our alleluias back! The white banners will be hung, the lilies will fill the new sanctuary with a lovely fragrance, the parish hall will be filled with the smells of a wonderful breakfast, and we will joyfully shout, "He is risen indeed!" Our

hymns will sound triumphant and full of promise. Our anticipation of Spring will mirror our anticipation of the coming of Christ to take us home to heaven and our departure from this grey and frozen veil of tears. Easter is a celebration of the Gospel, and of our life together with God and with each other.

But when we say the word "Gospel," do we know what it means? All too often, modern Christianity confuses the Good News of the Gospel with the accusations of the Law. Do we as Christians truly grasp the meaning of the crucified and risen Christ on a daily basis, or do we look at it as a set of facts that are loosely connected to our "daily walk" with Jesus? Is our approach to this faith something like, "Jesus did His best, now I must do the rest?" If it is, then our approach to the faith is wrong. Dead wrong in fact.

As Christians, we must put the idea of "living right" being the way to eternal life out of our hearts and minds. We will battle this idea the rest of our lives, but it is a battle we must continually fight. We often imagine that if we pray hard, and we work hard, and we read more, and we sacrifice more, and if we give more, and if we be more, that our devotion to God will make Him happy with us. We think that if we live cleaner, be smarter, help more, fight the good fight more fiercely, then we will live a life that is worthy of heaven. The truth is, however, that "All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God," and "The wages of sin is death." None of us can ever live well enough to earn heaven, not even one. The Law accuses everyone on earth equally, so that every mouth trying to boast of its good works will be shut up, and the whole world be held accountable to God.

The Gospel is different from the Law. It is completely different. It is absolutely different. It is in no way the same. The Gospel is not, never was and never will be about us "living right." The Gospel is about rescue. It is about a Father who sacrifices His innocent Son to win a bride. The Gospel is about Jesus Christ atoning for the sins of all mankind with His own flesh and blood, paying the debt we cannot pay, fixing the brokenness we could not fix, reconciling us to God when we could not reconcile

ourselves. The Gospel is about Jesus saving us, never about us cooperating with Him in our salvation. The Gospel is about the perfect obedience, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ on our behalf, and never about our work. And this is the most unexpected and joyous Good News that our fearful ears will ever hear!

So, when we celebrate Easter and proclaim the Good News of the Gospel, we remember that Jesus was crucified and raised from the dead to save us. Since salvation is not up to us "living right," but instead based on the work of Christ done in love for us, we rejoice! We can sing with peace of conscience and hope of the things to come without fear. Christ's death and resurrection means that we do not need to fear death, or where we go when we die. Heaven has been opened to us! We are heirs with Jesus to all that the Father has to give!

Under His Mercy,

Pastor Killian

***Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Christ Alone, Scripture Alone,  
and to God Alone be the Glory!"***

**Worship Schedule: Sundays @ 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.**  
Holy Communion is served every Sunday

Pastor's office hours: Tuesday-Friday 10:00-1:00



Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunrise 6:30 a.m.

Easter Breakfast 7:30 a.m.

Easter video for children 8:30

Easter Egg Hunt for children following video.

Easter Late service 9:30 a.m.

NO Pre-service supper during Holy Week.

Confirmation classes will meet at usual time.

## Bible Study Schedule

You are encouraged to join us for Bible study on:

**Sundays 9:15 a.m.:** We are studying the Proverbs

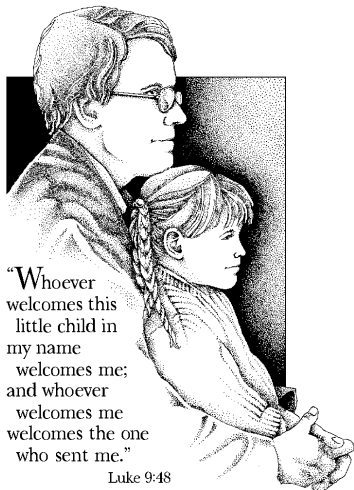
**Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.:** New- Justification & Sanctification

### Office hours:

Monday- Friday 9:00 a.m. to noon

Pastor's hours Tuesday- Friday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Web site:** [www.faithupontherock.com](http://www.faithupontherock.com) Check it out. If you have ideas of things you would like to see on it, send them to Kie.



“Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.”

Luke 9:48

## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

We know children can be a handful in a worship service. We believe God wants your children to be part of the worship time and so do we.

You can begin training them as soon as they can sit by themselves. To help you, here are some suggestions. First - Worship with them, teaching them the pattern of worship. Folding hands during prayers is a good place to begin and standing when the congregation

does. As they get older teach them to follow the service in the hymnal or with a large print bulletin. Teach them the hymns so they can sing with you. During the sermon, let them color or play quietly.

And finally – they are children and will not be perfect. We expect an occasional “melt down” so hang in there. There is a monitor in the Sunday school room at the end of the hall on the right. You can sit in a chair back there and listen to the service till your child calms down. While following the service from back there, you will know when communion starts so you can come out and receive the holy gift.



## Easter

## Easter Breakfast

The deacons will again be serving breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 5. They voted at their board meeting to use the free will offering to help both seminaries. The funds will be split between Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne and Concordia Seminary in Saint Louis. They have set a goal of \$1,000. As in the past, your help will be needed to provide food and manpower.

**VOTERS' MEETING** is April 19 at 7:00 p.m. All confirmed members are urged to attend.

**NEW FLOWER CHART for 2015** is on the bulletin board. There are still dates available to provide flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion

## Remember Our Shut-Ins:

Floyd Burroughs, Windsor Care Center, 2305 Crescent Dr., CF  
Steve Boyken, Ravenwood Care Center, Waterloo  
Kathy Boyken, Ravenwood Care Center, Waterloo  
Dona Carter, 5605 Sierra Dr. Waterloo 50701  
Shirley Clement, 1442 Prospect Blvd, Waterloo 50701  
Rande Galle, 3261 Ansborough Ave. Waterloo 50701  
Dale Holmes, 2104 Parrish, Cedar Falls 50613  
Leona Jeanne Perkins, 203 Lake St., Cedar Falls 50613  
Geneva Wardius, 707 5<sup>th</sup> St, PO Box 26, Dike IA 50624

## NEW Addresses & phone numbers:

Pastor's new phone # is: 319-610-4063  
Jill's new phone # is: 319-610-4148  
Tori's new phone # is: 319-596-6268  
Violet Wynstra, 305 Walnut, Ogden IA 50212

## OFFICIAL ACTS in March:

**Baptism:** Andrew Jackson Wynstra, March 1

## CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER for the BLIND



The Blind Outreach in March coincided with the Spring Cleaning. The people that cleaned the church were invited to join us for lunch and we had a good group. We had a lot of help. DeLoy Rainey, Elaine Irey, Vickey Smith, Jill Killian, Kie Maas, and Peggy Carlson prepared the food and set up. Moira, Sophia, and Trinity served our guests, Deb Dalluge, Lucas and Leah Tanney, and Mike Smith picked people up.

One of our Blind guests has requested a ride from Cedar Falls for our Wednesday Bible Study. If you would be able to help out with that, call Mike Smith, 296-2342. Thank you

Please contact Kie Maas, 231-5711, Jill Killian, 429-3115, or Noreen Purcell, 230-8786, if you would like to be a part of this outreach ministry.

## CHURCH LIBRARY

**The Cry Room has shelves from when it was Pastor's office.**

This is now a perfect place for a church library. All the magazines that used to be on the table in the hallway are now on the shelves in the library. There are also many pamphlets written by the late Dr. A.L. Barry. These pamphlets cover many topics that you may have questions about. Please stop in and browse. You can take the pamphlets for yourself and also to share with friends that may have questions.

We hope to grow the library with good Lutheran books. You can donate toward that with cash or with books that you would like to donate. Please give all books to Pastor Killian to approve before they go in.

I, Kie, hope to highlight a book from the library in the *Rock* each month to introduce it. I wrote these articles several years ago.

A book that is already in the library that you might enjoy reading is: ***"A Man Spoke, the World Listened"*** by Paul L. Maier about his father, Walter A. Maier, the first speaker of "The Lutheran Hour."

The story of this man's life is a history lesson on the work of the church. I especially appreciated it since I was not raised in the church. It gave me an understanding of a lot of the things that I have heard of but didn't know much about.

Remember the Walther League? (For those of you that don't, it was the national youth organization of the LCMS back in the day) Dr. Maier was involved with that before the Lutheran Hour. The Walther League was responsible for saving the Wheat Ridge Hospital for

people with TB. At that time they had to be separated from society. Now, of course, they don't need to do that, but the Wheat Ridge Foundation is still active "seeding" many new ministries that help people through the love of Christ, like providing cars for single moms, and digging wells to provide clean water in underdeveloped nations. You have probably helped by donating money for Wheat Ridge Seals. Selling those stamps is how the Walther League raised enough money to keep the hospital open. (Wheat Ridge Ministries provides funding and support for starting new health-related ministries. Its Joshua Grants are awarded quarterly. For more information about Wheat Ridge's Joshua Grants or its other grant programs, visit [wheatridge.org/grants](http://wheatridge.org/grants))

When radio was first invented, Dr. Maier saw the value of it for getting the Gospel to the people or as the slogan goes: "Bringing Christ to the Nations and the Nations to the Church" through "The Lutheran Hour." It was first produced in the attic of the old Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, then moved to the new Seminary when it was built.

I hated to see this book end because it was not only inspiring, but was fun to read. I don't know if that was because Dr. Maier had such an interesting life or because Paul Maier is such a good author. I suppose it is a little of both.

Paul L. Maier has also written some excellent historical novels, *The Flames of Rome* and *Pontius Pilate*. He will be speaking at the Issues, Etc. Making the Case Conference in June. See information on that on the bulletin board.

## 2015 Waterloo Circuit Pastor Panel - April 12

All are welcome to attend the Waterloo Circuit Pastor Panel on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at College Hill Lutheran Church. Four of our pastors will present on various topics and allow for Q and A from the floor. An offering will be collected to help seminary students. The titles of the presentations and the presenters are as follows:

- "What Does the Old Covenant Reveal?" by Rev. David Steege
- "The Faith You Confess: Communion and the Clarity of Scripture" by Rev. Troy Peperkorn
- "Help in Preparing to Receive the Sacrament of the Altar" by Rev. Michael Knox
- "A Practical Look at Our Doctrine and Practice of Closed Communion" by Rev. Larry Feldt

**HOSPITAL STAY-** Pastor Killian does make it a priority to visit the hospitals. However, the hospital will not call us to let us know when one of our members is admitted. If you know ahead of time that you are going to be hospitalized, please indicate that on your record of fellowship or speak with Pastor Killian. If you are admitted suddenly, call or have a friend or relative call the church office for you.



### **LUTHER'S CORNER: PRAYERS**

Almighty God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we can not always stand upright: Grant us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. Amen

### **YOUTH GROUP WILL MEET Wednesdays**

April 15 & 29 – Youth Bible Study at Church, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. (1 hour of studying the Bible and 1 hour of playing games)

Sunday, April 12 – Youth will be providing donuts between services for free will donation to help fundraise for future events (...and also to get people to go into the parish hall and check their mail boxes and possibly stay for adult Bible study :)



### **Y4Life: Answering THE question of our generation**

**Y4Life** is here to help youth and young adults answer what may be the most important questions of our generation: Find Y4Life Blog at [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

### **Vacation Bible School** will be July 19-23 from 5:30-8:00

p.m. for children 3 years old- 6th grade. Supper will be served at 5:00 p.m. for the children and leaders. Please be praying about who you can invite to VBS, and how you might use your time, talents and treasures to make VBS a success. If you are interested in helping with VBS this year, please contact Jill Killian

## **CONFIRMATION AND WEDNESDAY CLASSES**

April begins the last weeks of classes after a spring break and Holy Week off. **CONFIRMATION CLASSES WILL MEET HOLY WEEK FOR THE UPPER GRADES.** Students will be preparing for confirmation on Sunday May 3. This will be the first confirmation in the new sanctuary. What a blessing for us all to see learning and a commitment to the faith we believe and confess. Pray for these students as they move toward this important time.

Many younger students continue their studies of the church year. Presently it's Easter and the events, changes in music liturgy, colors, banners and symbols since Ash Wednesday began Lent. Look and listen with our students as you understand the church seasons and the importance of it in learning about our faith.

**NO MEALS** after March 25 until our last day cookout. Class time will be 5:30-6:45 p.m.

Plan ahead: LAST day for Wednesday classes is MAY 6 with a cookout and fun day.

*"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen!"* Luke 24:5b, 6a NIV

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL APRIL 2015-**

April turns our hearts and minds from winter to spring which brings us happiness and joy. For believers it is much more about the joy in the resurrected Jesus, in a promise fulfilled in the great love and sacrifice for us, sinners! Alleluia! He is risen! He is risen indeed!

Sunday school students will celebrate in the joyful music and Bible accounts of Jesus' resurrection and appearance, His preparing us for the time when He returns again. Good News! Great News! Share the story of His saving love for all who believe.

### **April Lessons :**

April 5: Easter- Resurrection- John 20

(Video & egg hunt after breakfast, approximately 8:30 a.m.)

April 12: Jesus road to Emmaus - Luke 24

April 19: The Good Shepherd –John 10, Psalm 23

April 26: Jesus reinstates Peter – John 21:1-19

**Heroes of the Faith** is the focus of the middle school class.

**High School and Adult Bible** study also meet during the Sunday School hour. Please join a class to grow and feed your faith, keeping you confident in what you believe and confess.

**PLAN AHEAD:** No Sunday school on May 3, confirmation breakfast for families and confirmands. Anyone wishing to help prepare, serve or clean up please contact Deb or Vickey Smith. Your help is always appreciated.

*"He told them, 'This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in His name to all nations. . .'"* Luke 24:46-47

## Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

### 2015 Summer Camp Theme: **SET FREE**

*"Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."* – John 8:34-36

Jesus comes to set you free. Throughout His ministry, Jesus healed the sick, made the deaf hear, the lame walk, and the blind see. Yes, He even forgave people their sins. Through the lens of His ministry, we see Jesus' death on the cross and His resurrection as the ultimate act of setting people free. Jesus paid the price so that we are freed from being slaves to sin.

Being a slave means that someone owns you, and sin owns people. Even some of our most beloved biblical figures have been slaves to their sinfulness. King David and the Apostles Peter and Paul are some of those who have been owned by sin. They were enslaved to sins such as hatred, denial, adultery, lying, deceit, and even murder. Their mistakes are sins that we can relate to. David, Peter, and Paul were freed from their sins. By delivering the forgiveness Jesus won on the cross, the Holy Spirit sets us free from our sins too, just as they were! Their freedom from their sins is something we can relate to. Join us this coming summer as we explore their stories and our own stories of being *Set Free*.

**Summer camp registration is open!** We are adding two more programs to our lineup. The first is Basketball Camp for Jr. High youth and the second is Defending the Faith Camp, which is an apologetics themed camp for Sr. High youth. Stay tuned for more information on these programs at our website and on our Facebook page!

**WOMEN OF FAITH** Next meeting will be April 14 at the Panda House at **6:00 p.m.** The Panda House is located at 1415 San Marnan. Also the spring rally is at Grace Lutheran Church on April 18 at 8:30 a.m. All women are invited to attend.

An LWML member is a woman who is a member of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and is committed to the mission and ministry of the LWML, and chooses to support and participate in one of more of its activities."

An LWML member is a teenager, an ethnic woman, a young woman, or a senior citizen; a professional woman, a retired woman, a young mother, a grandmother, a working woman, a stepmother; a widow, a divorced woman, a handicapped woman, a shut-in, a 'snowbird,' a busy active woman, a tall woman or a short woman. . . who is committed to Bible study, mite giving, praying, or doing altar duty; supporting food banks, saving soup can labels, making lap robes or quilts, gathering and assembling school, health, layette kits and/or visitations . . . and chooses to attend rallies, conventions reads the Quarterly and the IDEA, writes Bible studies, makes banners; or teaches Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, writes reports, reviews bylaws, shares program ideas, chairs meeting and always, yes always sings praises to her Lord!

**Sow the Seed!** Hallelujah, Christ has Risen!! Praise and thank God for the sacrifice of His Son. We ask His blessing on all our plans as we pray for our convention to be **Bountiful** bringing more to His harvest fields. Convention Logo Polo Shirt mail orders need to be postmarked no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>. Postmark deadline is June 1, to be able to pick up your shirt at the convention. It's time to get your convention registration in. You should be receiving your worker assignment soon. Be sure to follow the instructions given on how to register for convention. Do NOT complete the registration form in the *Lutheran Women's Quarterly*. Only complete the registration form that is in your worker assignment packet attaching your worker discount coupon that is worth \$65. Please go to the host websites to view the Host Committee Convention Newsletter, *Bountiful Blessings*. The websites are <http://idwlcms.org/lwmlnews.php> or <http://www.lwml-ied.org/>

*"And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: the ones who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy."* Mark 4:16



## YOU'RE INVITED

Tori Killian & Stephen Ramsey Wedding  
April 25, 2015 @ 3:00 p.m.

### IDE FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCE

Will address topics surrounding Domestic Violence. The Conference will be held on April 25 at Zion Lutheran Church, 201 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. Hiawatha. The poster is on the bulletin board. Check it out, if you are interested.

**Do you have information** that you would like to share with the congregation? Please bring it or e-mail it [Faithluth@aol.com](mailto:Faithluth@aol.com) to the office by **April 17** to be included in the May Newsletter.



### So many people do so much

around our church that may go unnoticed. Here are some things that have been noticed:

- Kenny Maas reworked the lights in the parish hall so they give more light.
- Gene Johnson and Kenny Maas did outside clean up.
- Thanks to everyone that brought food for Wednesdays.
- Thanks you to everyone that came out to clean for the spring cleanup: Peggy Carlson, Ann Wiechert, Sharon Hermann, Carrie Frost, Julie Frey, Jeremy Hinz, Kenny Maas, John Dalluge, Shane & Rebecca Stitchman, Becky Dalluge, Jill Killian, Sue Lund, and Vickey Smith
- Thanks to Jim Dalluge for cleaning out last year's garden.
- Thanks to Susan Clark for donating the piano for Sunday school.
- Thanks also to the men that moved it: Shane Stitchman, Pastor Killian, Stephen Ramsey, Kenny Maas, John & Evan Dalluge

If you have noticed something or someone that should be recognized, please notify Kie in the office, [faithluth@aol.com](mailto:faithluth@aol.com)

**I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE** for your prayers, kind thoughts and cards over the past two months. My illness and the death of my mother have been very difficult. Your prayers and God's love have carried me through. Again, my deepest and heartfelt thanks,  
Teri Mason

## ORDER YOUR LUTHERAN WITNESS NOW!

Look at the copies on the table. They are packed with good articles by various authors. The overall theme is always: **Witness, Mercy, Life Together!** The magazine has a new look and new emphasis.

If you don't get Lutheran Witness delivered to your home, you can sign up for it for only \$15.96 per year. That is only \$1.33 per issue and it is well worth more than that. **There is a sign-up sheet on the TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.** We encourage you to subscribe to this magazine to provide you with stories and information that complements congregational life, fosters personal growth in faith, and helps interpret the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective. PLEASE SIGN UP BY APRIL 28

### April Anniversaries

- 7 Michelle & Randi Finger (8)
- 10 Lee & Amanda Budde (5)
- 20 Deb & Ron Hacker (30)
- 21 Rebecca & Matt Evers (8)
- 25 Kate & Jesse Henderson (6)
- 30 Mallory & Neal Scribner (4)



### April Birthdays

- 1 Jackson Chidester, Cole Stitchman
- 3 Rachel Clark, Sharon Meggison
- 4 Markus Woolery
- 5 Charlotte Collins, Geoffrey Miller
- 9 Harriet DeBolt
- 10 Tonia McBride
- 11 Hannah Beck
- 12 Christine Larsen, Darrin Wireman
- 13 Julie Frey
- 14 Paula Hinz
- 15 Dixie Gerholdt
- 18 Justin Riggins
- 24 Mary Jo Elbert
- 28 Ashlyn Bronson

**Stewardship Thought:** St. Paul states in Romans 6:12-23, that because of Christ we have changed masters. Without Christ we are slaves to sin, but with Christ we are freed from that bondage to be willing servants of righteousness. As Christians we practice good stewardship not as a burden but rather as a privilege. That makes stewardship a joyful lifestyle.

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP FOR FEBRUARY**

**Giving back as we've been blessed!**

Total undesignated income	\$ 29,067.41
Required to meet budget	\$ 27,751.36
Status (offerings compared to budget)	+ \$ 919.72
Year To Date	+ \$ 1,316.05

**The Lutheran Hour-**

The Lutheran Hour can be heard each Sunday morning on the following stations: 6:30 a.m. on WMT 600 AM  
7:30 a.m. on KCHA 1580 AM  
8:00 a.m. on KWAY 1470 AM  
9:30 a.m. on KXEL 1540 AM

The Lutheran Hour also podcast their broadcast. For more information go to <http://www.lhm.org/podcasts>

**April 5, "One Step Ahead"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz  
Your future is not a mystery. Our risen Savior is one step ahead and He leads you to eternal life. (Mark 16:1-8)

**April 12, "God Always Shows Up"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz  
Jesus shows up in your life today with His gifts of forgiveness and new life. (John 20:19-38)

**April 19, "It's Not Over 'til Jesus Says It's Over"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz  
Our risen Savior enables us to hold on when troubled times tempt us to bail out. (Luke 24:36-49)

**April 26, "Open-Minded and Accepting"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz  
Tolerance and open-mindedness are values much touted, but truth is even better. (Acts 4:12)

**WHERE CHRISTIANITY MEETS CULTURE**

**The 2015 Issues, Etc.**

**"Making the Case" Conference**

**Friday, June 19 and Saturday, June 20, 2015**

**(Attendance for the 2015 Conference is limited to 400 people.)**

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
1300 Beltline Road  
Collinsville, IL 62234**

**FEATURING**

**Dr. Paul Maier**, Professor Emeritus of Ancient History, Western Michigan University  
"Making the Case for Biblical Archaeology" and  
"Making the Case for the Historicity of Christianity"

**Mollie Ziegler Hemingway**, Senior Editor at "The Federalist"  
"Making the Case for the Differences Between Men and Women"

**Pr. Jonathan Fisk** of "Worldview Everlasting"  
"Making the Case for the Church's Response to Postmodernism"

**Pr. Will Weedon**, Director of Worship for the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod  
"Making the Case for a Lutheran Approach to the Church Fathers"

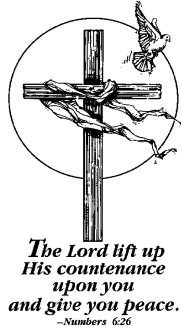
**Pr. Chris Rosebrough** of "Fighting for the Faith"  
"Making the Case against Vision-Casting Leaders in the Church"

**Dr. David Menton** of Answers in Genesis  
"Making the Case against Naturalism"





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 888-217-8679  
[www.word-of-hope.org](http://www.word-of-hope.org)  
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## Pennies for Life!

There was \$17.77 in the donation jar. A baby bottle with \$15.06 was turned in and another \$4.17 came in to make it an even **\$37.00**. Thank you for your support for Lutherans For Life of Iowa.

### Alternatives Pregnancy Center

1006 Decathlon Dr. Waterloo, 50701

**Offering Christian Compassion, Counsel and Care**

Grounded in Christian faith, Alternatives' staff and volunteers have helped thousands of women, men and their families face their real or suspected unplanned pregnancies. We are committed to helping individuals find love, acceptance and assistance in spiritual, physical and emotional ways. At Alternatives, clients receive:

- Information about alternatives to abortion
- Education about their bodies, their babies and how to care for both.
- Assistance with diapers, baby clothing and equipment

Alternatives Pregnancy Center, 319-232-5683, Call for more info or to volunteer to help women in crisis.

## A BIG THANK YOU!

Your prayers, concern and love continue to uplift and encourage Zoe and her family. Words cannot express how much you have all meant to us as we walk through this journey of Zoe's. The kindness and care you have shown us, especially during this last year of surgeries, has helped to keep us hopeful as well as given us strength. We trust in God's will for Zoe and know He has a plan for her, which is to bless her.

Please continue to keep us all in your prayers. Zoe faces new challenges every day and it is very hard for her, her family, and the medical professionals. It is knowing that God is always with us and the prayers of many others that help to keep us going and having hope.

Bless all of you!

Zoe, Noah, Josh & Jamie Jones

Papa Mike & Grama Vickey Smith



## Valley Lutheran School

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### MISSION STATEMENT

*Empowered by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Valley Lutheran School will provide a Christ-centered learning environment in which the full potential of each student will be reached in academics and Christian service.!*

### Motto

*Where faith and knowledge grow as one.*

**FAITH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** We are looking to start a committee from Faith to help plan events to support Valley Lutheran School. We will meet on Wednesday, April 8 at 6:00 to discuss ideas for our church.