



March 2021

Campus Sojourner

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Regina & David Bruner



Kathy & Mike Gallagher

Weekly Calendar

Sunday

- 8:30 am First Service
9:45 am Education Hour
11:00 am Second Service

Monday

- #### Tuesday
- 8:30 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday

- 4:00 pm Small Group Communion (2nd & 4th Wednesdays)
5:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
8:30 pm The Gathering

Thursday

- Craig Busseau's Day Off
7:00 am Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study: 2nd & 4th Thursdays (Zoom Meeting)
10:00 am "Son"shine Ladies Bible Study (Zoom Meeting)

Friday

- Pastor Kent's Day Off
10:00 am American English for Internationals (Zoom Meeting)

Baptized



Amanda & Matthew Bell and family celebrate as Leila Kay Bell is Baptized into the family of Christ on Monday, January 18, 2021

Living and Sharing the Transforming Love of Christ



Pastor's Corner

As we journey through the season of Lent our focus is on the cross where Jesus gave His life in exchange for ours. In just a short time the Lenten season will end with Holy Week and on Easter Sunday we will celebrate our Lord's triumphant victory over sin, death and the grave!

This coming Easter will be especially meaningful for us, as we were not able to gather in person last year because of the Covid-19 pandemic. While much has changed since then and many people have been vaccinated, there are still risks and we are still observing measures that keep us safe and that seek to show care for our neighbor.

Below, you will find information about our updated procedures for worship and some specific measures that are in place for Easter Sunday. It's a wonderful blessing to be able to reconnect with more and more of our Campus Lutheran members and I look forward to seeing many of you in our special services in the weeks ahead!

Serving Christ with you,

Pastor Kurt



Maundy Thursday Worship (4/1) - 7:00 p.m. In Person & Online

Good Friday Tenebrae Worship (4/2) - 7:00 p.m. In Person & Online

Easter Sunday Worship (4/4) - 8:30 a.m. In Person & Online — 11:00 a.m. In Person Only

Flowering of the Cross—Easter Sunday at 7:45 a.m. Please bring flowers which we will attach to the “old rugged cross” as a symbol of Jesus’ resurrection and the new life He has won for us by His victory over death. As we flower the cross we will also sing some of your favorite Easter hymns. Volunteers will direct children to bring their flowers to the cross in a manner that practices social distancing.

Masks & Social Distancing—To allow a larger number of seating spaces and more flexible groupings, we have taken away the pink ribbons and blue tape that had previously marked off restricted seating. We ask that you adhere to the common practice of six feet social distancing from anybody that is not in your COVID bubble and that you keep your mask on, covering your nose and mouth at all times when inside the building, except when receiving Holy Communion. Please keep the safety and comfort-level of those around you in mind at all times.

Pre-Registration for Easter Services—In an effort to keep as many people safe and comfortable as possible for our Easter Sunday services, we will require pre-registration for Easter Sunday only. Please sign up as early as you can at campuslutheran.org/worship. If you prefer, you can also contact the church office, or your Elder to register. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Our 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Easter services will be exactly the same in content, except that the choir will sing in the 8:30 a.m. service only.

Registration will open on Wednesday March 17 at 7:00 p.m.



Discipleship and Family Life Ministry

CONNECT ... especially in a pandemic

Throughout the design and building phases of our recent construction, there were many thoughts and discussions about how our facilities themselves could help to connect people with Jesus and each other. Subtle and not-so-subtle decisions were made in order to bring folks together. The purpose of doors, hallways, signage, furniture, even carpeting is to assist people's connections. These connections are natural, good, and necessary for people. We were just getting comfortable with our new spaces, when along came Covid-19. Connections may be bad in a pandemic, but at Campus, we haven't stopped reaching out to each other.

As I reflect upon the last three-fourths of 2020, God has still been at work, even during the pandemic. Yes, we have been careful and creative. We have worshipped and followed the council of our civic and church leaders. We have put events on hold, looking for a day when the pandemic is over.

It's hard to connect during a pandemic, but not impossible. Our ministry has been able to function in both the Hi-Tech and the Low-Tech realms, and usually somewhere in between.

We immediately began to put together digital worship services, which led into Vacation Bible School also being presented online locally and in far-reaching locales, including Alaska.

From the time we got clearance to meet in smaller groups with social distancing, we have made in-person worship possible with modifications. We have zoomed along with Bible Studies and meetings. Holy Communion is available for small gatherings a couple of times each month.

We have been able to upgrade technology from our humble beginnings. And thanks to some GRACE Road families and our tech wizards, we produced an on-line Children's Christmas worship service. Many thanks to our talented on-air presenters, recording and production crews.

Bags and boxes have been filled with 'to-go' materials for programs such as VBS (a hybrid of on-line content and packaged resources), and 12 symbols of Christmas for young families.

God has truly blessed us. Can we do more? Yes! Let me mention another piece of technology – the telephone. When you get a chance, call someone and chat, ask how they are doing, pray for them over the phone. CONNECT!

Soli Deo Gloria,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig Pariseau".

DCE Craig

Student Ministry



By Carolyn Faber

The Gathering Welcomes Newest Peer Minister, Emma Roth

After attending Campus Lutheran's ice cream social, Emma Roth has been coming back to the Gathering ever since. After an application and interview process, leadership at the Gathering is happy to welcome Emma as the newest Peer Minister. Peer Ministers play a vital role in planning and executing the Gathering, creating a positive culture and developing relationships at the Gathering.

Roth hails from Farrar, Missouri and is studying Animal Science with the intentions of becoming a veterinarian. Roth said that what motivated her to become a Peer Minister is that the Bible is something that she can confidently talk about as well as motivation from others to join.

Roth said that "everything and anything" that her home pastor taught her is something that she wants to bring to the Gathering. She learned extensively from his teachings and hopes to bring some of that knowledge with her. Roth acknowledges that her private Lutheran school education is something that everyone had growing up and she wants to use the technical knowledge that she gained from her upbringing to add to the Gathering.

Roth's favorite part of the Gathering is the small group element. A typical Wednesday night at the Gathering consists of worship in the sanctuary, small group studies throughout the church and fellowship in the Community Life Center.

When describing the Gathering, Roth said that it is, "very friendly. As someone who grew up in an entirely different situation, I grew up with all the people I went to school with for my entire life and coming here you are made to feel like you have already been here for a long time. You're made to feel like family."

Decked in cowboy boots and a perpetual smile, Roth is excited to get started with her role at the Gathering.



TREASURER'S REPORT - CHRIS LOHMAN

CLC 2020 Ministry by the Numbers

Despite the challenges and uncertainties that we faced in 2020, Campus Lutheran Church has certainly been blessed and we have been able to continue carrying out our mission and ministry. Below are just a few of the Lord's blessings we have witnessed over the last year:

- Regular giving has remained steady and close to projected amounts.
- The year-end Thank Offering was the best we have had in several years, totaling over \$22,000 by the end of the year.
- Churches and religious organizations were eligible for Paycheck Protection Program forgivable loans, which enabled us to receive \$54,000 and offset some of our operating expenses. We received word in mid-February that our note was fully forgiven and nothing will have to be paid back.
- Overall staff and ministry expenses came in below the approved spending plan amounts.
- Our new live streaming equipment (and updated sound system), which totaled a little over \$40,000, was fully funded by the generous gifts of many members.
- We were able to refinance our debt with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund, which will provide more flexibility for us to repay the loan.

Speaking of debt, thanks to the generosity of many members making contributions above and beyond their regular giving toward debt retirement, we have reduced our loan principal by over \$80,000 in the last three months alone! Contributions designated for debt reduction are being tracked in a separate fund and all contributions are currently used to pay down the principal. We are currently making the interest payments as part of our spending plan. If you would like to designate a special contribution to make an interest payment, please contact me or our Financial Secretary, John Sponaugle. Our new LCEF loan provides us another 2.5 years of interest-only required payments, then the loan will convert to a regular principal + interest payment for 30 years. Although, our LCEF representative had said that on average many congregations pay off their mortgages in seven years, which may certainly be possible for us if this generosity continues. Thank you!

May the Lord continue to bless our congregation and our ministry into 2021 and beyond.

Condensed financial statements for 2020 are shown below. If you have questions or would like more detailed information, feel free to contact me at chris.lohmann@campuslutheran.org.

Chris Lohmann, Treasurer

Condensed Statement of Activities (General Fund) – January–December 2020

	Actual	Annual Budget
Income		
<i>Offerings & Giving</i>	394,189	398,349
<i>Other Income</i>	59,414	65,058
Total Income	453,603	463,407
Expenses		
<i>Staff Salaries, Benefits, & Expenses</i>	227,870	302,578
<i>Administration</i>	16,514	13,790
<i>Property Management</i>	72,826	68,905
<i>Boards/Ministry</i>	48,374	79,425
<i>Debt Service</i>	63,296	71,475
Total Expenses	428,880	536,173
Change in Assets	24,723	(72,766)

TREASURER'S REPORT - CONTINUED

Condensed Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet), as of 12/31/2020

Assets	
<i>Cash on Hand</i>	68,463
<i>Other Current Assets</i>	14,127
<i>Buildings</i>	3,494,179
Total Assets	\$3,576,769
Liabilities	
<i>Current Liabilities</i>	3,332
<i>LCEF Building Loan</i>	1,390,493
Total Liabilities	1,447,825
Equity	
<i>General Fund</i>	1,565
<i>PPP Proceeds</i>	(54,000)
<i>Designated Funds</i>	77,694
<i>Equity in Facilities</i>	2,103,686
Total Equity	2,128,944
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$3,576,769

Go Leadership Retreat March 20, 2021



STEWARDSHIP - RACHEL SKRABAL

Campus Lutheran is faced with exciting opportunities and challenges over the next several years. We have been blessed with dedicated members, talented staff, and a spacious building. With some setbacks in growth due to the year we call 2020, we are behind in some targets we planned to meet.

The Financial Strategic Planning Committee has been formed under Stewardship to identify the financial challenges and create plans for addressing these challenges while continuing the mission that God has placed before us. Members of the committee are Chris Brown, Cindy Kadlec, Dale and Deb Linneman, Baron Roth, and Rachel Skrabal. After several meetings, we have cataloged the challenge and identified several steps to move forward.

Our recommendations were presented to the council, and the following items were approved.

- Council should partner with LCEF to develop a stewarding culture and plans to institutionalize stewardship processes.
- Council should ask members who are contributing to the capital campaign if they would allow funds needed to first go to ongoing loan payments and all above that to go to debt reduction to avoid interruption of the ministries of CLC.
- Stewardship Committee should create an Alumni and Friends task force to work with student ministry and church staff to create a network of ongoing support for our student ministry.
- Develop a comprehensive communication strategy related to finances.

Work has already begun on most of these items. If there is an area you would like be a part of, please contact one of the members of the committee, and we will get you connected!

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

Go Leadership Retreat March 20, 2021



The Gathering collects 710 Pounds of Canned Food in Soup-er Bowl Food Drive

In a time where many facilities are not allowing in-person volunteers, Lutheran Student Fellowship sought a creative way to give back to the community.

Ending on Super Bowl Sunday, students were challenged to bring in as many non-perishable food items as possible to donate to the food bank.

In less than a week and a half, students who attend The Gathering brought in 704 items weighing 710 pounds. Students brought everything from over 300 cans of vegetables, to bags of coffee to powdered milk. Students competed as small groups to see who could collect the most items.

Competition brewed over the week as students continued to bring in items from Wednesday to Sunday. Ultimately, the winning team brought in 252 items.





2020-2021 LSF Officers

President:	Carolyn Faber
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Secretary:	Riley Vogler
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THE GATHERING

The Gathering

The Gathering is a weekly Bible study for college aged students which focuses on equipping students with biblical truths, and providing an environment for authentic Christian relationships with peers.

Date: Every Wednesday

Time: 8:30-10:00pm

Audience: College Student Ministry

Location: Community Life Center

First Gathering of the Spring Semester



Worship in the Sanctuary



Small Groups

How To Connect

OrgSync - <https://orgsync.com/47114/chapter>



LSF Mizzou



gathering.como



Elders' Prayers:

FEBRUARY 20 - Dennis & Donna **BOGLE**; Jenna **BOHLER**; Jonathan **BOLDT**; Matt **BOLDT**; Mark **BRAKHANE**; Ken, Linda & Beth **BROKAMP**; Caleb, Katie, Xavier, Vivian, Lorelei & Teague **BROWN**; Kersten **BROWN**, Steve & Chris **BROWN**; Tyler **BROWN**; John & Sandra **BRUMM**; Paul **BRUNER**; Gene & Barb **BUCHHOLZ**; Emeri & Matthew **BURGHER**; Craig & Beth **BUSSEAU**; Lee & Joyce **CHORLEY**; Jordan **CONSTANCE**; Madison **CONSTANCE**; Jenny, Doug & Liam **COON**; Lena **COON**; Cindy & Duane **CRAIG**

MARCH 20 - Scott, Danielle, & Rosalie **DART** & Jonah & Alison **UNTERREINER**; Lucas **DAUB**; Brian, Jeanine, Drew & Corinthia **DAVISON**; PJ **DIBIASI**; Howard & Carol **DIERKING**; Dave **DRILLING**; Tim & Linda **DUFFEN**; Benjamin **DUPRE**; Steven & Ryan **DUPRE**; Brandon **DUQUE**; Gerry, Kristin, Heather, Benjamin, & Byron **DUQUE**; Heidi **DUQUE**; Lucas **ELLIOTT**; Carolyn **FABER**; Paul, Kristina, Justin, Paul, Jr., Miles, & Joshua **FORNEY** & Skyler **FULMER**; McKenna **FORNEY**; August **GARVEY**; Autumn **GARVEY**; Mark & Jackie **GARVEY**

Happy Birthday!

February:

- 5 - Rollie Bartels
- 6 - Julie Zimmerschied
- 8 - Alan Telle, Byron Duque
- 9 - Tina Bartels, Kevin Hughes
- 11 - Gene Buchholz, Sarah Pellis, Gavin Pennington
- 12 - Dale Linneman, Vicky Olson, Blair Musbach, Abraham Zachary
- 16 - Neal Heermann
- 17 - Ray Bacon
- 18 - Corey Moentmann, Lynn Limback, Lori Group

- 20 - Emma Roth
- 21 - Roberta Lee, Linda Hoffman
- 23 - Joy Adam
- 24 - Peggy Young
- 26 - Shirley Littell

March:

- 1 - Lena Coon
- 2 - Danielle Beck
- 3 - Kevin Holman
- 5 - Luke Telle, Chris Brown
- 7 - Cindy Craig, Elliott George
- 8 - Meridith Haley, David Manz
- 10 - Joshua Forney, Justin Forney
- 11 - Mandi Giboney, Sam Lohman
- 13 - Lee Chorley
- 14 - Darlene Kruse

- 15 - Kelly George, Anna Hoemann
- 16 - Lugine Hein
- 17 - Garrett Huggins, Joyce Chorley
- 18 - Mike Jones, Autumn Garvey
- 19 - Norah Pierce, Grace Maxey
- 21 - Gerry Duque
- 22 - Colin Hubert, John Zimmerschied
- 23 - Alivia Sarff, Mary Olson
- 24 - Theresa Nelson, William Reynolds, Rosalie Dart
- 25 - Joel George
- 29 - Adam Barchet, Jake Vaughn



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February:

Neal Heermann, Linda Heermann,
 Judy Alexander, Jackie Garvey,
 Matt Boldt, Kara Pennington,
 Hannah Nacarato, Paul Bruner,
 Eva Moentmann, Zach Group,
 Kelsey Morgret, Tim Giboney,
 Landon Giboney

March:

Gene Buchholz, Katie Hollenberg,
 Shirley Littell, Vicky Olson,
 Lynn Limback, Roberta Lee,
 Alan Telle, Mani Giboney,
 Rob Vaughn, Corey Moentmann,
 Emma Roth, Isaac Zachary,
 Chris Zachary, Clay Patterson,
 Gavin Pennington, Lorelei Brown,
 Teague Brown

Wedding Anniversaries



February:

Jenny & Doug Coon celebrate 20 years on February 24
 Kevin & Mary Lou Hughes celebrate 48 years on February 17

March:

Bruce & Dana Hibbard celebrate 8 years on March 16
 Erik & Melissa Slatinsky celebrate 10 years on March 12
 Philip & April Sarff celebrate 11 years on March 6
 Rollie & Tina Bartels celebrate 34 years on March 14



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