

Lordstown Lutheran Church

Worship Sunday, 10:00 A.M.



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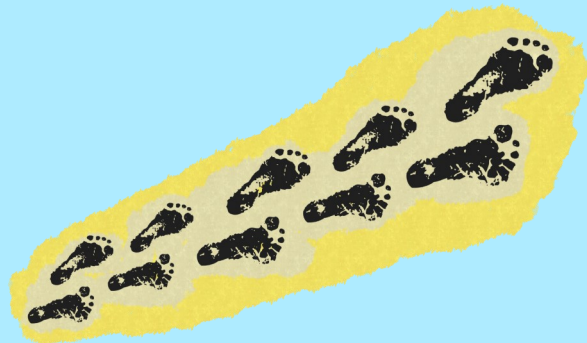
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january

Newsletter

Resolve to go micro

Most New Year's resolutions are so major they seem made to be broken. Maybe that's why "micro-resolution" is the latest January buzzword. Setting smaller goals is more realistic and helps ensure follow-through, according to experts. People who try setting micro-resolutions say that approach is more positive and leads to longer-lasting change. For example, instead of attempting to lose 30 pounds this year, make a micro-resolution to walk 10 minutes twice per day and to snack on fresh fruit at least once a day. Micro-resolutions can also be helpful in matters of faith. If aiming to read the entire Bible in one year feels overwhelming, take five minutes each morning and evening to read a brief devotional or pray. If joining your church's missions committee isn't possible, try to talk to one new person each week about your faith or church. May God bless you as you take small steps that add up to big impact this year!



Upcoming Events & Activities

COMMUNION SUNDAY



January 7, 2024
at 10am
ALL WELCOME
TO SHARE



**MONTHLY
COFFEE
FELLOWSHIP**
January 28th

The Men's Breakfast will be on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, at the Perkins on Elm Rd at 9:00AM.

The next one will be
Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 9:00AM

Cards Class—1st Thursday of the Month **January 11:00 A.M.**

11:00 A.M. in Fellowship Hall



**Cost \$15.00 Includes : 12 Cards and Envelopes
(4 each of 3 card designs)**

Bring your own double sided tape or pay \$1 to use tape in class, all other supplies are provided for easily creating beautiful handmade greeting cards.

**Many of us enjoy lunch while we stamp cards together. You can bring your own lunch, skip lunch or order with others from Ross's Eatery (CASH ONLY) in Lordstown.
Contact DREA with Questions or to RSVP by Texting or Calling 330-770-5585**

DORCAS CIRCLE

On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 9:00

Join us next month, as we design, sew, cut and measure our projects for shut-ins, hospital and nursing home residents, and for Lutheran World Relief.

*Call the church, 330-399-7227
for more information*





CHOIR PRACTICE

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Join us for practice on
Thursdays at 7:00 PM
ALL ARE WELCOME!

ADULT
Sunday School

January 7th 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45
January 14th 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45
January 21st 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45
January 28th 9:00-9:30 or 11:15-11:45

CHILDREN'S
Sunday School

January 14th
January 28th

New Year's Church Family Celebration
SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024



After the congressional
meeting, join us for

A Soup Supper and Games!

Sharing God's Love

God's Work



Our Gifts

JANUARY MISSION PROJECT

**A Collection of New Warm
Blankets for Emanuel
Lutheran
Clothes Closet**

**PLEASE BRING IN YOUR BLANKETS
TO CHURCH ANYTIME BEFORE THE
END OF JANUARY
TANK YOU!!!**



Marc
Our Compassion
International
Child Supported by
Lordstown Church



Dear Friends,

I'm happy to greet you. How are you and your family doing? My family and I are doing well thanks to our great God. How are your church activities? What special activities are you preparing for Christmas? I am doing quite well in school, the grade is not difficult, I adapted myself well. I just took the first term exam, I am sure that I will get good grades. I am glad that you always want to hear from me, thank you very much! I will continue praying for God to bless you more. Say hello to our church for me. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Thank you for the beautiful letter you wrote me, for your love and your prayers.

May you keep praying for me to make progress in my studies and pray for my family.

-Marc

Sharing God's Love

LORDSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL PANTRY

Sponsored by Lordstown Lutheran Church

THERE IS A HUGE NEED FOR TRAVEL SIZE DEODORANT, REGULAR SIZE IS ALSO FINE.

Other needs are travel size shampoo, conditioner, soap, and feminine pads

Donations can be left at the display by the church entrance.



LORDSTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PANTRY

Sponsored by Lordstown Lutheran Church

Please help fill the shelves at Lordstown Elementary School

lets continue to fill the shelves to overflowing for the 2023/2024 School Year. Just choose your favorite, kid friendly, single serve, nutritious food and drop it in the red bins at our parking lot entrance.

If you prefer, you may mail a donation to the church, Please make your check payable to:

Lordstown Lutheran Church with Children's Pantry in the memo line



Grocery List

- Toastee sandwich crackers
 - Single serve macaroni and cheese
 - Single serve cookies
 - Single serve pretzels, baked crackers
 - Single serve apple sauce
 - Single serve oatmeal
 - Granola Bars
 - Ramen Noodles
 - Single serve fruit cups
 - Trail Mix
 - Shelf stable dairy products
 - Breakfast Bars
 - Single serve cereal bowls
 - 100% juice boxes
 - Tuna, chicken foil packed Individually Packaged
 - Muffins
 - Vegetable Cups
 - Cracker & Cheese Packs
 - Single Serve Soup
 - Maruchan Instant Lunches
 - Raisins
 - Lunchables
 - Your ideas here
- * Please No Peanut Containing Products**

News of the Parish

PRAYER LIST & PASTORAL CONCERNS

Please keep our loved ones in your prayers this week

Immediate & Ongoing Health Concerns: Lucas Paxson, Ron Hill, Phyllis Housel, Jean Housel, Ted Paxson, Leo Divencenzo, Tiffany Fellows, Destiny Givens, Anna Strickland, JoAnn Leepard, Joe Harrison, Molly and Family, Mary Sabol, Mark Molnar, Laura Paxson, Rachael Ann, Ilona Rupnik, Linda Behner

Compassion Child: Marc Yvans.

Active Duty Military: Julian Krusely, Jason Layfield, Talon Brown, Kiana Gates

Scout Troop 20 and its leaders

Our Monthly Mission Outreach and The Children of Lordstown Elementary School

World Peace: Especially for those living in the region of Ukraine and Russia.

Thank you for your prayers

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 330 399-7227 OR
EMAIL US AT LTOWNLUTHERAN@YAHOO.COM TO NOTIFY US OF FRIENDS OR RELATIVES WHO
NEED TO BE ADDED OR REMOVED FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

December Church Attendance

3rd -
10th -
17th -
24th -
31st -



AS WE BID FAREWELL TO THIS YEAR
AND WELCOME THE NEW YEAR,
LET'S JOIN OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER
FOR OUR BELOVED CHILDREN AND
THEIR FAMILIES. MAY THE COMING YEAR
BRING ABUNDANT BLESSINGS, HEALTH
AND JOY TO EACH ONE OF THEM.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Those Who Serve



Lector Schedule

Scriptures will be left in your Mailbox

- 7th - Dolly Lutz
- 14th - Erica Thomas
- 21st - Barb Paxson
- 28th - Linda Falatic

Acolyte & Cross Bearer Schedule

Available Children will take turns rotating as Acolytes and Cross Bearers. Please arrive 10 mins before worship. Those present will share turns. Don't forget to bow at the altar as you enter and as you leave the chancel area.

You've ALL been doing a great job! Thank you for serving your church !

Guest Ministers

- 7th - Rev. Breyley
- 14th - Rev. Robarge
- 21st - Rev. Hazelton
- 28th - Chaplain Weidenbach



January 14th - Dolly
January 28th - Barb

Altar Guild

January - needed

Sign up on the 2023 Flower Chart posted in the Narthex

Thank you

2024 has open dates
please sign up on the small bulletin board in the Classroom OR call Erica Thomas Boyle if you can assist.
330-644-5506 Thank You.

Thank You!

Jan Hall For Teaching Adult Sunday School
Dolly, Elizabeth, Karen, & Pat For Teaching Children's Sunday School

Barb Paxson For putting together the High School donation display
Acolytes Thank you to all those who have volunteered to be Acolytes

Lectors Thank you to all those who have volunteered to be Lectors

Anyone who has helped and contributed, that may not be listed.
Please CALL 330-399-7227 or EMAIL ltownlutheran@yahoo.com if you would like to
Thank someone for their good deeds.



Please be sure all lights are off in the educational building and church when you leave the premise.



Thank You



Are you in need?

The Scouts have donated the following
**Wheel chairs, Crutches,
& Walkers**

If anyone is in need of these items,
please call 330-399-7227

**LORDSTOWN LUTHERAN CHURCH
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES 2022**

Please feel free to call our council members with your questions, suggestions or concerns

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Chuck Thomas: 330-979-6392	EMERGENCY PASTOR Gerald Gammon: 330-306-8965		
COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT & EVANGELISM Chairperson: Karen Lerch 330-506-6544	COUNCIL SECRETARY & FINANCIAL SECRETARY Pat Hogan 330-824-2427		
FINANCE Chairperson: Dick Dorazio 330-360-0366	WORSHIP & MUSIC Chairperson: Erica Thomas-Boyle 330-766-8409		
BENEVOLENCE TREASURER, THRIVENT ADVOCATE FOR LLC, STATUTORY AGENT FOR LLC, INCORPORATES FOR TAXES Dick Dorazio 330-565-3630	STEWARDSHIP & FELLOWSHIP Chairperson: Michelle Knox 330-550-8202		
SOCIAL MINISTRY Chairperson: Dolly Lutz 330-233-8660	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Chairperson: Erica Thomas-Boyle 330-644-5506		
ADMINISTRATIVE Drea Gates 330-770-5585	PROPERTY Chairperson: Jeff Housel 330-219-1815		
PASTOR'S MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE			
June Harrison 330-824-2226	Kathy Lerch 330-503-4337	Bob Housel 330-503-5021	Denell Harrison 330-360-0823

LORDSTOWN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

Administrative Assistant—Drea Gates
Choir Director—Lois Dorazio
Substitute Organists—Jessica Wilk
Custodial—Patty Housel

Finance Treasurer—Rhonda Mansell
Organist—Margaret Thomas
Substitute Organist—Maranel Tallman
Lawn Maintenance—Erica Thomas-Boyle

Links to ELCA websites
For information regarding the wider Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
www.neos-elca.org— Weekly Synod News
www.elca.org - general ELCA news

MISSION STATEMENT
To serve God's people in all times and circumstances; showing the saving love of Christ, our Lord.

CHURCH 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT THRU NOVEMBER



INCOME vs EXPENSES FOR NOVEMBER

INCOME	EXPENSES	+ OR -
\$6,035.30	\$5,003.42	+1,031.88

YEARLY INCOME vs YEARLY EXPENSES THRU NOVEMBER

INCOME	EXPENSES	+ OR -
\$73,249.60	\$58,531.86	+15,017.74

INSURANCE AND LAND TAXES

MONTH	WHAT IS IT	HOW MUCH	PAID	FUND
FEBRUARY	LAND TAX (1/2)	\$864.38	YES	PARSONAGE
APRIL	INSURANCE (1/2)	\$2,551.00	YES	PARSONAGE
JULY	LAND TAX (1/2)	\$864.38	YES	PARSONAGE
OCTOBER	INSURANCE (1/2)	\$2,566.00	YES	PARSONAGE

"NON CURRENT" BILLS FOR NOVEMBER

FUND	AMOUNT	FOR
Parsonage	\$150.00	Quarterly pest control charge.

NOVEMBER MISSION SUPPORT:

MISSION	GIVING	YTD	NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES
Benevolence	\$155.00	\$2,295.00	To support ELCA church wide ministries.
USO	\$125.00	\$125.00	Mission project."Operation Phnoe Home".
Compassion	\$52.00	\$353.00	Balance = \$218.25
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$35.00	\$888.00	Balance = \$3,055.92

COMMENTS:

Offerings for current and mission support were very good ... again! Our finance committee estimated that we would received around \$76,000.00 for the year. Well, you can see we already have received \$73,249.60 thru November. Outstanding! And that we etimated we would spend around \$62,000.00. And you can also see we are close to that. And the very good news is that we are +\$15,017.74 income over expenses for the year.. We did have one non current bill. It was \$150.00 for our quarterly pest control. Average attendance for the month was 33 and for the year 32.

If you have any questions about this report or any finance issues please ask.

Thanks as always for your great support!

Report prepared by: Richard Dorazio, Benevolence Treasurer

THRIVENT MEMBERS.

I would like to take this time to remind you that you have until 3/31/24 to direct your Choice Dollars for 2024. Please do not miss this opportunity to have Thrivent provide funds to Lordstown Lutheran. You can go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 1-800-847-4836 and say Thrivent Choice after the prompt. I hope and pray that we take full advantage of this great program!

Thank you Thrivent members for supporting “Choice Dollars”.
God Bless you all.

Richard Dorazio Thrivent Advocate.

?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

In the book of Judges, the warrior Barak would go to battle only if a certain female leader went with him. Who was she?

- A. Rebekah
- B. Jael
- C. Michal
- D. Deborah



Answer: D (See Judges 4:1-10.)



LATIN CROSS — The Latin cross is the simplest and most common form of the Christian cross, possibly dating from the second or third century. Roman Catholic and Orthodox Christians typically display a crucifix — an image of Jesus hanging on the cross — to remember his death for the sake of the world. Protestant churches often favor the empty cross, commemorating Jesus’ resurrection.

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Creating a Community of Love
Where all Are Welcome,
Especially You!

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