**St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church**

**405 Emma**

**Chenoa, Il 61726**

**February 1, 2024**

-Lexington/Chenoa update on sharing a Pastor from Tom Norris, Chairman of the Congregation

The Elders have a copy of a draft “Multi Parish Agreement” to review for changes.   Current Proposal for Service times is Lexington at 8:45 and Chena at 10:30 still.   A suggestion for alternating Sunday worship times every year is being discussed.

Pastor Ronchetto will be living in our Parsonage.  This is figured into our share of the Salary as a reduction.     The Lexington Elders meet February 6th to discuss the “Multi Joint Parish Agreement” and proposed change in alternating Sunday Worship every year.

Chenoa Elders are meeting February 13th.   Updates and question are currently being shared via email/phone on our discussions with Lexington   After all parties come to an agreement on the “Multi Joint Parish Agreement” and Call Documents, these documents are to be sent to the district office for review.

Once this is done a voters meeting will be scheduled and the ‘Multi Joint Parish Agreement” and Call Documents will be available for any to review and ask questions before the voter meetings.

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-Ash Wednesday and Lenton services will be held in Lexington at 5:30 with the meal following.    Ash Wednesday is February 14.

-Brian Verdun has volunteered to stay on as an Elder one more year.  Our Elders are.

Jeff Beckman --   Head elder

Leon Bietz

Mike Shrewsbury

Jim Meyer

Mike Erdman

Brian Verdun

The Elders meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month.   This time can change due to possible scheduling conflicts.

 -Church Council plans on meeting the Third Sundays of April, July, October for the rest of the year.

As per Tom’s request the balances of the church’s account are as follows:

Loan with Church Extension - $ 12,034.48

Savings Account - $ 67,950.40

Memorial Savings Account - $ 45,386.22

Checking Account - $ 47,306.86

**ST. PAUL DISCIPLESHIP**

**Date Attnd Offering Mission**

**01-07 70 2446.00 25.00**

**01-21 64 4073.00**

**01-28 75 2596.00 20.00**

**Debt Retirement 1400.00**

**Ladies Restroom Renovation 200.00**

**Holy Acts and Rites of the Church**

**Ryan and Kay Shiflett** have requested to have their membership released to Livingston Global Methodist Church. We ask God’s blessings on them in their new fellowship.

**NEEDING OUR CONTINUING PRAYER**

Joe Bertsche

Richard Blair Jr *[friend of Mike Shrewsbury has pancreatic cancer]*

Jack Brandt

**A**lma Brucker

Myrna Custer *[Janet Seeman’s sister]*

Lennon Jo & Wells Edelman *[Roger & Janet Seeman’s great-grandchildren - new born twins]*

Earl Ellinger

Braden Gutwein [*suffering with Lyme disease – young lad of family that bought Susie Erdman’s house]*

Stacie Hensley

Ethan Jeffreys*[friend of Diane Brandt’s]*

Patty Kelleher *[Kim Rhoda’s sister-in-law]*

Dr*.*Jim May *[cousin of Pat Wahls]*

Randy Miller

Carla Nobis

Penny Rhoades *[friend of Kurt and Kim Rhoda]*

Gerald Schuler

Cathy Casson Smith *[relative of Diane, has breast cancer]*

Leda Thacker *[at Fairview Haven]*

Nancy Todd *[friend of Kurt & Kim Rhoda]*

Lee Wahls

Pat Wahls

**Please notify** Joy if anyone could be removed from the Prayer List

**Ladies Bible study:** The Ladies Bible study group continues to meet on Wednesday afternoons from 2-3 p.m. to discuss JOY: a Study of Philippians.

The schedule is as follows.

NOTE: no meeting on 2/7/24

2/14/24: Week 6

2/21/24: week 7

2/28/24: week 8

We will take a break until after Easter.

**The Chenoa Food Pantry** is in need of the following items:

Canned meats/fish, canned fruits, box side dishes, toiletries (toothbrushes, shampoo, condition, deodorant) and laundry, cleaning supplies.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this ministry.

**2024 Spring Preschool Screenings** which is required for consideration to a district preschool program will be held in Fairbury on February 6, 7, and 8 – phone 815 945-2971 and in Chatsworth on February 14 and 15 – phone 815 935-3555.

 It is the **Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Game night** on Feb 13th at 6 pm.  There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church.

**Book club** will be meeting Thursday**February 22nd**and we will be reading*Finding Grace*by Larry Randolph.  The inspiring true story is of therapy dogs bringing comfort, hope, and love to a hurting world.

**Camp CILCA’s Woodcutters’ Retreat**

**February 23-24, 2024**

Saint Paul admonishes the Christians of Corinth to "act like men." Cutting trees, splitting wood, fellowship with other men, good food, and time in God's word are all great ways to get started in this endeavor. You do not have to be skilled in using a chainsaw, hammer, or tractor to come to this event. Strong backs and eager hands are just as helpful. For more information or to register, go to [www.cilca.org](http://www.cilca.org/) using the events/retreats tab under “act like men” events.

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**Camp CILCA’s Pancake Breakfast**

**Saturday, March 2, 2024**

Come enjoy a free breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and fruit at Camp CILCA. We want to thank you for all of your support! Breakfast will be served from 10 am-1 pm in the Dining Hall.

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