



College Hill Crier

Newsletter of
College Hill Lutheran Church
and Brammer Student Center

✠ I Know that My Redeemer Lives! ✠

Dear Family in Christ,

HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

These words ring out during the entire month of April, while we go leaping and dancing through Eastertide. With great joy and excitement, the usually subdued Lutheran congregation becomes a jubilant crowd rejoicing at the wonderful news that Jesus truly is risen from the dead! Alleluia!!!

And we should rejoice and be exceedingly glad! Jesus Christ has conquered sin, death, and the devil for us! He has stripped the devil of all his accusations! He has given us the victory so that we too shall rise from the dead on the Last Day! YOU ARE FORGIVEN!

No game-winning homerun with two outs and the bases loaded in the top of the ninth inning,

no last second buzzer-beater,

no "hail Mary" pass to the end zone,

no million dollar give away,

no huge promotion at work,

no perfect report card,

no last day of school,

absolutely no other event comes even close to the exciting event that happened that first Easter. It was almost 2000 years ago and the fans are still talking about it like it happened only yesterday! HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

Like the Psalmist chanted of old, *"You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing to you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever"* (Psalm 30:11-12).

Certainly the women who arrived early at the tomb on that first Easter must have experienced the emotion of the Psalmist! From the depths of despair to the highest heights of inexpressible jubilation! Something so wonderful could not be kept quiet for long. With new-found strength and energy, the women dashed off to tell the GOOD NEWS that JESUS IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD! The Apostles, Christ's "sent ones" preached! And faith was born all over the world.

Isn't it fitting, then, that when we Christians gather around the grave

(Continued on page 5)

Volume 08, Issue 4

April 2008

Inside this issue:

LSF News	2
Guest Speakers	3
LLL District Convention	4
Appreciation Sunday	5
Evening Guild News	6
LFY News	7
April Volunteers	8



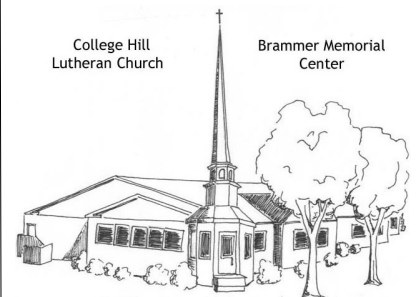
College Hill
Lutheran Church &
Brammer Student Center

2322 Olive Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613

Church 266-1274

Center 268-9094

chlc.lcms@cfu.net



Habitat for Humanity

On **Saturday, April 5** you are invited to meet here at the College Hill parking lot at **9:30 a.m.** and to head over to the new house that is being built by Habitat for Humanity here in Cedar Falls. We will plan to work on the house from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please join us for this great opportunity to help a local family.

Faculty and Staff Luncheon

Volunteers are needed to help serve and clean-up for the Faculty and Staff Luncheon at St. Stephen's Catholic Center next to University Book and Supply on **Wednesday, April 9**. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to meet new people from the other campus ministries as well as the faculty and staff at UNI. If you are interested let Pr. Wegener know or just show up at anytime between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Clean-up will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Dinner Theater Encore

The cast of the dinner theater has been invited to perform skits at the Lutheran Layman's League conference at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca on **Saturday, April 19**. Keep your ears open for further details or ask LSF leadership for more information. Let's take advantage of this chance to show these Lutheran Iowans that College Hill is a great place to be.

Prom Help!

You are all invited to help out with various parts of the Valley Lutheran High School prom. Bring back some memories and dress up for a good time while helping to make it a fun and safe night for these high school students! The prom will be on **Saturday, April 19**. For more information, ask Pr. Wegener or call Valley Lutheran High School.

Be the Guests of the Congregation

The congregation invites you to the April Potluck on **Sunday, April 6**, following the morning service. So plan on being the guests of the congregation and spending sometime with your friends that day. April 6 is Appreciation Sunday. Please read the article on page 5.

Kick Ball Game and Barbeque in Iowa City

We, the students who attend College Hill Lutheran Church, have been challenged to a game of kickball by the students who attend St. Paul's Chapel in Iowa City. The game will take place in Iowa City on **Saturday, April 26** and will begin at 2 p.m. Words have already been exchanged and there is much hype within district about this very important matchup. *This is a must win situation!* Therefore, we want YOU to ride down with us to show those guys what happens when Panthers pounce on Hawkeyes! We *will* return victoriously and make the "President's Cup" a permanent fixture at College Hill. Following the kickball game we will join the students from St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel for a barbeque before we begin our victory ride home to Cedar Falls.

Guest Speakers at Wednesday Night Bible Study

Throughout the weeks following Easter and Spring Break, we will have the privilege of hearing from some knowledgeable presenters on various topics. The schedule at this point is as follows:

Date	Topic	Presenter
April 2	<i>The Lord of the Rings- Christian Symbols</i>	<i>Rev. Larry Feldt (St. John's, Denver)</i>
April 9	<i>The Divine Service and Centrality of the Lord's Supper</i>	<i>Rev. Michael Knox (Redeemer, CF)</i>
April 16	<i>Why all this silly chanting? Why all this ceremony?</i>	<i>Rev. Randall Russell (Peace, Oelwein)</i>

Dinner Theater Review

Get ready for a barrage of annuals. For the tenth annual year the Lutheran Student Fellowship served and performed their annual dinner theater raising funds for the annual Spring Break service trip (Ok, enough with the annuals). The two night event took place Friday the 15th and Saturday the 16th of February and was attended by over 80 members of not only the CHLC congregation but parents and friends of the students as well. The fellowship hall was decorated with cowboy boots on the wall and checkered table cloths on the tables as part of the "Saddle-Up for Service" theme.

In an effort to spread the news of a great night of dinner theater as well as lessen the blow of rising gas prices, the LSF scattered themselves throughout the Cedar Valley selling tickets and receiving numerous generous donations. Congregations visited included St. John, Waverly, St. John, Denver, and Faith & Grace in Waterloo and Our Redeemer in Cedar Falls.

During the first half of the evening, audience members dined on spaghetti pie, salad, and green beans, with tasty lemonade and coffee. The recipe was donated by the family of LSF member Trish Taylor and was a delicious and original dish. During intermission of the theater, brownies and ice cream were served and one lucky audience member each night enjoyed an extra dessert during the ice cream sandwich eating contest in between skits.

The students performed, starred, and even wrote a couple of the 10 skits presented each night. The skits ranged from super cheesy to downright cheesy but all of them garnered laughs and added to a great night at CHLC. The acting in the skits drew rave reviews from many audience members...Look out Johnny Depp and Scarlett Johansson!

At the end of two super nights of great food and varying degrees of entertainment, a total of \$1200.00 was raised with Thrivent matching \$.50 to every dollar. The LSF truly wishes to thank everyone who helped, donated, and attended the dinner theater, and cannot wait to see you all for the 11th ann...yearly event next year.

Spring Break Trip

On the 14th of March, the LSF accompanied by Pastor Wegener spent their spring break serving Montrose, Colorado and the members of the congregation of Hope Lutheran Church.

Helped by the very successful dinner theater, 11 UNI students and 1 ISU student traveled the 1054 miles to Montrose, a city of 16,000 people located in South Western Colorado. Although the trip included many hours of the dull Nebraska scenery, the students looked forward to escaping the dorms, library, and of course, the weather. Even though Colorado also had snow, at least it was covering the largest mountain range on this continent instead of cornfields.

Along with serving the congregation, the students also spent some time seeing the sights and enjoying the activities offered by the Rocky Mountain State.

Thank you for including the students and Pastor in your prayers as they traveled, worked and enjoyed the marvelous beauty God has given us. Thank you also to everyone that brought treats in for the students on their spring break trip.

LLL District Convention

When you look at church attendance on Sunday morning, how many congregation members do you see aged 13-33? Have you ever asked yourself, "Where are all the youth and young adults?" Fact is that most of our churches (and this is true across denominational lines) don't have many active youth or young adults. Have you ever asked yourself why that is? It's a very good question and the answer is NOT because they have dropped out after confirmation.

We will look at who today's young adult is, what they believe and value, how they view the church and how the church can communicate with them, reclaim their commitment, reconnect them with a congregation's mission and involve them in living the Christian faith. We will look at some of the significant data from the book "They Like Jesus But Not the Church" by Dan Kimball.

Information about the so-called "Millennial" and "Gen-X" generations will be shared. We will spend time discussing how to reach them. Hoping to have young adult participants present, we will engage in a facilitated open inter-generational conversation between young and old. And we will spend time developing a strategy that participants can take back to their home churches for reaching out to young adults.

The subject matter is really about the future of the church and our congregations across the district and around the world. It's a conversation that must be had but of which many are afraid. Join us in exploring our challenges and opportunities in young adult ministry and how God can direct our efforts to reach them.

The presenter at the April 19 LLL District convention will be Terry Dittmer from LCMS—St Louis. Register is at 9:00 a.m. and the convention begins at 9:30 a.m. We hope to be finished by 6:00 p.m. The place is Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Various costs are charged of course and they are:

Adults (13 & over) for all day (evening banquet also)	\$25.00
Adults for the day session only (includes lunch)	\$15.00
Children (12 & under) all day plus banquet	\$20.00
Children (12 & under) - day session only (lunch)	\$10.00
Evening Banquet only (adults)	\$12.00
Evening Banquet only (children - 12 & under)	\$10.00

Pre-registrations can be sent to: Allen Schmid 1021 N. 13th St. Clinton, IA 52732

Help Wanted

It's Meals on Wheels time again! The weeks that we help deliver this year are:

April 14—18 July 7—11 August 25—29

We need two volunteers each day to ride with the driver and carry the meals into the homes of the shut-ins.

The volunteers meet the drivers promptly at 10:45 a.m. at the Community Center, corner of 6th and Main Streets. They will be returned to the center about 12:00—12:15 p.m.

If you are willing to help even one day, call Miriam at 266-3234 and tell her which day.

Lutheran Witness

It's time to renew your subscription to the Lutheran Witness. The cost is \$14.16 per year. Bring your money to the church office no later than Sunday, April 27, 2008. Please mark it for the Lutheran Witness.

Food Drive



April is another great time to think about other people who have needs that many of us have never experienced. Once again the Evening Guild will have a food drive for the Northeast Iowa Food Bank. Instead of bringing food items we ask that you consider a donation of money \$1.00 can buy \$13.31 worth of food. (And during March and April the food bank will receive additional matching money from the Alan Feinstein Foundation) Last year CHLC collected \$121.00 toward this goal.

Please consider giving to this worthy cause during the month. Money donations may be put in your Sunday envelope with a note telling the counters how much money is to go to the food bank. Sunday, April 20 is the deadline for contributions.

Any questions contact either Marcia Stirler or Madeline Bruce.

April Potluck

It's time for our April Potluck. Join us on Sunday, April 6, following worship. There will be good food, good friends and good fun as we gather for another meal this academic year. Students are invited as our guests. Congregation families are asked to furnish one hot dish and one side dish (vegetable, salad or dessert). Singles are asked to furnish one dish. Drinks and table service will be provided. The Board of Directors will be our hosts. Don't miss the festivities.

Appreciation Sunday

Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 6, as a Sunday to be at College Hill for the Divine Service in grateful appreciation to everyone who supports the ongoing Word and Sacrament ministry at College Hill. If at all possible, we would like to encourage all of our members to be in church on this Sunday. Likewise, all the college students who have had the opportunity to make College Hill a church home away from home, we invite you to all be in church on the same Sunday. You will be invited to sign your name on a very special (larger-than-normal) card for College Hill Lutheran Church and Iowa District East who ensure that the faithful proclamation of the Gospel is heard and the Sacraments are administered according to Christ's institution. Help us to show appreciation to those who support this priceless ministry by being here.

Angel Food Ministries

Looking for a way to save on your food bill? Everyone is welcome to participate in the Angel Food Ministries at First United Methodist Church, 723 Washington Street, Cedar Falls. This program is not limited to those in need. If you eat, you qualify. Each month we receive a list with the menu for the following month. Look for the lists on the table in the welcoming area. The deadline to order for April is April 6.

Pastor's Message

(Continued from page 1)

where the earthly flesh of our loved one is laid to rest, even in the midst of great sadness and tears, we boldly confess and say with utmost confidence, HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA! *"For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!"* (Job 19:25-27).

Blessed Eastertide to you all!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor John Wegener

LWML Spring Rally

The spring rally of Waterloo Zone LWML will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2008 at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Cedar Falls. The morning begins with a brunch, serving will start at 8:45 a.m. followed by opening devotions at 9:30. Our guest speaker will be Kathy Schweer, past Iowa District East LWML President. Kathy will be speaking about her recent mission trip to Kyrgyzstan, where they worked with the missionaries there helping with medical and spiritual needs.

In addition to the Zone offering, a freewill offering will be taken for the Concordia Lutheran Churches of Kyrgyzstan. Also items of costume jewelry, toiletry items, lotion, soap, cosmetics, and nail polish will be collected for the women of Kyrgyzstan. Jewelry need not be new.

Check with Marica Stirler or Doris Mauer if you would like to carpool.

Let's have a good turn out from College Hill to support our LWML sisters hosting the rally.

Evening Guild

Winter is over and spring is here. That means we will resume our evening meetings for Evening Guild. As we continue to study the Recognized Service Organizations of Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, we will focus on LUTHERAN IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICE. Join the ladies of the church as we learn about this group and their work. It is challenging to be sure.

Evening Guild will meet on Thursday, April 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Flora Brewster will be our hostess.

Plan on attending, enjoying the fellowship and learning more about LIRS. See you there.

Thursday Night Bible Study

Ladies, you are invited to the next Evening Bible Study on Thursday, April 17. We will meet from 7-8 p.m. We will be taking a look at Lydia. What lessons can we apply to our own lives from her story? We assume that snow will not prevent us from meeting this month.



Dear Members of College Hill,

I'd like to thank all of you for your prayers and support during my foot injury. The meals, cards, visits and willingness to help with three energetic children has been quite humbling yet very much appreciated.

Even in the midst of suffering the Lord blesses us with all our needs.

"For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

Ps. 100:5

Heidi and Family

Voters Assembly

April 15, 2008

7:00 p.m.

April 2008 Volunteers

GREETERS

- 6 Josiah Brandt & Kate Elahi
- 13 Carolyn Macomber & Madeline Bruce
- 20 Eric & Stephanie Schumacher
- 27 Lil Lonergan & Suzanne Riehl

USHERS

- 6 Dennis Adolphs & Tim Tjarks
- 13 Brad Brons & Josiah Brandt
- 20 Virgil Mauer & Paul Schmellik
- 27 Keith Macomber & Delmar Blankenhagen

FINANCIAL RECORDERS

- 6 Suzanne Riehl & Virgil Mauer
- 13 Val Wente & Keith Macomber
- 20 Jo Baedke & Eric Schumacher
- 27 Stephanie Schumacher & Suzanne Riehl

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

- 6 & 20 Kevin DeVries

ACOLYTES

- 6 & 20 CJ Ackles & Brian Coulthard

ALTAR GUILD

- 6—13 Carolyn Macomber & Suzanne Riehl
- 20—27 Lori Dove & Carolyn Macomber

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

- 6 Potluck—Board of Directors' Hosting
- 13 Jo Baedke
- 20 Coulthard Family
- 27 Miriam Krallman & Madeline Bruce

Thank you for your help in serving the Lord and College Hill Lutheran Church.

April



- | | | | |
|----|------------------|----|-----------------|
| 9 | Clint Korte | 24 | Johanna Baedke |
| 10 | Kevin DeVries | 28 | Bob Bolte |
| 16 | George Hutcheson | 30 | Terry Hutcheson |
| 19 | LaDawn Hankins | | |

24 Terry & George Hutcheson 32 years

COLLEGE HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH CRIER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>LSF Special Activities April 5, 6, 9, 19 and 26 See page 2 for more details</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Choir 8:30 p.m. LSF Bible Study</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Evening Guild</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:45 a.m. LWML Spring Rally Our Redeemer— Cedar Falls</p>	
<p>APPRECIATION SUNDAY 6 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. LYF Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. Potluck—Board of Directors</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Confirmation 8:00 p.m. Choir 8:30 p.m. LSF Bible Study</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>LYF to Youth Encounter April 11—13</p> </div>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. LYF Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Fellowship</p>	<p>14</p> <p>May Newsletter Deadline 5:30 p.m. Lay Ministry</p>	<p>15</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Voters' Assembly</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Confirmation 8:00 p.m. Choir 8:30 p.m. LSF Bible Study</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 a.m. LLL Zone 2 Rally Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca</p>
Meals on Wheels April 14—18						
<p>20 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. LYF Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. Fellowship</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Choir 8:30 p.m. LSF Bible Study</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. LYF Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Fellowship</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Choir 8:30 p.m. LSF Bible Study</p>	