



# 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 will ring out this month, 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 last second buzzer-beater from March Madness,  
no huge tax return,  
no million dollar give away,  
no new 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!

Because Jesus rose from the dead, we know that His sacrifice on the cross made complete payment for our sins. By His death He conquered death. This means that our sins are forgiven and we will also rise with all believers in Christ on the Last Day.

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

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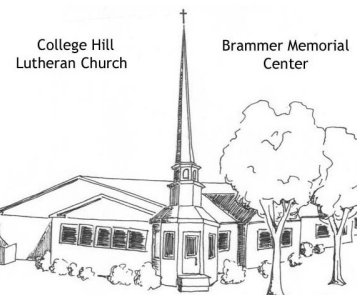
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## Relay for Life

Everyone and anyone is welcome to come to Relay For Life this year. It will be held at the UNI-Dome on April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m.-6:00 a.m. College Hill has a team and will be constantly on the track for those 12 hours. If you cannot stay all night but just want to come for a couple of hours you are more than welcome. If you have any questions please talk to Mariah Lockie. Let's fight cancer by showing our support!

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## Summer Job Opportunity

**Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca** is looking for responsible college-aged adults to serve as camp counselors this summer! Come spend the summer doing some of your favorite outdoor activities while being a Christian role model for youth! For more information please contact Program Director Daniel Sanchez at 319-848-4187 or [Daniel@campiodiseca.org](mailto:Daniel@campiodiseca.org).

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## Kick Ball Game and Barbeque in Iowa City

Our annual Kickball game against Iowa City will take place April 25<sup>th</sup> in Iowa City. This is an all day event and all participants will travel to Iowa City together. The cost is FREE and there is a FREE t-shirt included. We will have a BBQ after the game! So come with lots of energy and Panther spirit so we can win this game. The series stands at 1-0 with Iowa City in the winner's column so we must take the win and show them what we've got!! All students are welcome to come and feel free to invite a friend! Go PANTHERS!!

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## Table Talk

Every Thursday you can find Pr. Wegener at Maucker Union near Essentials at noon with food (usually Zio Johnno's spaghetti and sub sandwiches). If you can only come for a quick bite to eat, that's great! You're welcome to come for the whole time, or just to come for only a few minutes. Conversation at the table is casual, mainly just small talk, catching up on the week's events, and sometimes a little theology based on classroom experiences. It's also a great way to get to know other students. You most certainly may bring a friend or two. No RSVP, just show up!

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## Be the Guests of the Congregation

It's time to say goodbye again to the congregation and they would like you to do that at the annual Farewell Potluck on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, following the morning service. So plan on being the guests of the congregation and spending sometime with your friends that day. Mark your calendar!

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## Dinner Theater Thank You

All of the students want to give a big thank you to all of you who came to Dinner Theater and donated funds towards our Spring Break Trip. We greatly appreciate everything that you do to support us as students. We can't thank you enough! There will be more information in the May Newsletter about our trip. Thank you again for everything!!

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## Holy Week

Our Holy Week observances will begin with Palm Sunday worship on Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. This day focuses attention on the triumphal entry of our Savior into Jerusalem and the Passion History events that led to His suffering and dying at Calvary for our sins.

Plan to be with us on Maundy Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. for Divine Service with Holy Communion as we celebrate the great gifts that our Lord has given us in the Sacrament, namely forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

The Good Friday Service of Darkness, April 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. will emphasize the events of that first Good Friday.

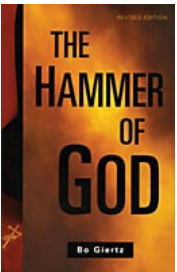
Easter Sunrise Service with Holy Communion will begin at 7:00 a.m. The Divine Service with Holy Communion will be held at 10:00 a.m. Come and join us for the joyous celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our annual Easter Breakfast will be held at 8:00 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study will begin at 9:00 a.m.

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## Library News

**Read! Read! Read!** We have children's books, novels, movies, Bible commentaries, devotionals, reference books, and much more in our library located in the lower level of the Brammer Student Center. Please take an opportunity to browse the selection of books and videos. If you find any that interest you, check them out. Checking out items is easy. You will find simple directions on a blue plastic box on the "library cart" located upstairs in the narthex. If you have any questions about the library, please ask Karmyn VanLengen (277-6769) or Pastor Wegener (266-1274).

**Book of the Month-** *The Hammer of God* by Bo Giertz CPH



From the Preface we read: "*The Hammer of God* is a most remarkable novel. It has the drama, the suspense, the intensity, and the description of persons, of culture, and of nature that characterize the highest level of literature. The reader gets totally immersed in the unfolding story as well as fully engaged in the many mind-boggling and heart-wrenching dialogues. Holding the reader in a grip like a good detective story, the unfolding events present a spiritual drama of death and life, of despair and hope, of upheaval and peace, of sin and grace—all experienced in everyday life by real people in their relation to the Church and her message." The book will be on display by the bulletin board through the month of April and will be available for "checking out" beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**New Shelves!** If you haven't seen it yet, you have to go down into the library and check out the beautiful wood shelves that were carefully handcrafted by our very own Clint and James Orth. A great big thank you to them for all the time and work they dedicated to the project! The shelves provide for some much needed shelf space.

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## Pastor's Message

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*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*

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## CALLING ALL LADIES—IT'S TIME TO GET TOGETHER

First of all, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm we will get together to learn about LAMP. Do you know what LAMP is? Well, Ann Rueber will be glad to tell us all about it and share a DVD also. There will be devotions led by Heather Birk. Erna Blankenhagen is hostess and will treat us well. We will enjoy one another's company. So, put the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April on your calendar for Evening Guild/ LWML.

Secondly, May 7<sup>th</sup> will be a special program night as Mark Welty has agreed to share his talents at the organ and knowledge of music with us. Mark will select a composer/music piece and play it for us giving us details regarding the selection. It will be interesting and relaxing. You won't want to miss. Devotions will be led by Erna Blankenhagen. Flora Brewster will be our hostess and that will be a treat. Once again we will enjoy one another's company. See you on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May at 7 pm at LWML/ Evening Guild.

It's ladies night out at CHLC.

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## Food Drive

The Evening Guild is sponsoring the Northeast Iowa Food Bank Drive April 1 through April 26. This year we are asking just for cash donations. Donations can be made by marking your offering envelope for the Food Bank. Any questions contact Marcia Stirler or Madeline Bruce.

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## Help Wanted for Meals on Wheels

Mark April 13—17 on your calendar. That's the week volunteers from CHLC will be helping deliver Meals on Wheels to the shut-ins of Cedar Falls. We need two volunteers on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and one volunteer on Thursday. You meet the driver at the Senior Center, 6<sup>th</sup> and Main Streets at 10:45 a.m. You'll be back at the Center between 12:00 and 12:30 p.m.

Please call Miriam at 266-3234 and tell her which day you are willing to help.

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## Lutheran Witness

It's time to renew your subscription to the Lutheran Witness. The cost is \$15.00 per year. Bring your money to the church office no later than Sunday, April 26, 2009. Please mark it for the Lutheran Witness.

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Dear Members of College Hill,

We can't begin to say how much your prayers, caring and best wishes mean to us.

I have finished my first rounds of chemotherapy and will be traveling to the Mayo Clinic for more evaluation and preparation for the clinical trial of a new drug in combination with the drugs I took these last four months. I will be there for the two weeks after Easter.

Your wonderful generosity has made our trip to Rochester, MN so much easier for us.

Thank you so much.

*Sylvia and Allan*

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## May Potluck

With the end of another academic year upon us, the congregation is hosting the annual farewell potluck on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, following worship. There will be good food, good friends and good fun as we gather for a final 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. Don't miss the festivities.

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# April 2009 Volunteers

## GREETERS

- 5 Rebekah Cooper & Dustin Mason
- 12 Doris Mauer & TBA (7 a.m.)
- 12 TBA & TBA (10 a.m.)
- 19 Zach Rowley & Lindsey Way
- 26 Abbey Doering & Mary Howell

## USHERS

- 5 Brad Brons & Zach Rowley
- 12 Virgil Mauer & Rev. Thomas Wegener (7 a.m.)
- 12 Tim Gamble & TBA (10 a.m.)
- 19 Bob Bolte & Dennis Adolphs
- 26 Jeffrey Lentz & Danny Coulthard

## FINANCIAL RECORDERS

- 5 Val Wente & Virgil Mauer
- 12 Suzanne Riehl & Nancy Neessen
- 19 Dustin Lilleskov & Nancy Neessen
- 26 Keith Macomber & Jo Baedke

## COMMUNION ASSISTANT

5, 12 & 19 Kevin DeVries

## ACOLYTES

5, 12 & 19 CJ Ackles & Brian Coulthard

## ALTAR GUILD

- 5—10 Carolyn Macomber, Penni & Danielle Lilleskov
- 12—26 Lori Dove & Rev. Thomas & Ruby Wegener

## FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

- 5 TBA
- 12 Easter Breakfast—Youth Group
- 19 TBA
- 26 TBA

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

## April




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| 9  | Clint Korte      | 19 | LaDawn Hankins                    | 30 | Terry Hutcheson |
| 10 | Kevin DeVries    | 24 | Johanna Baedke                    |    |                 |
| 16 | George Hutcheson | 28 | Bob Bolte                         |    |                 |
|    |                  | 24 | Terry & George Hutcheson 33 years |    |                 |

Voters Assembly

April 21, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <h1 style="margin: 0;">April 2009</h1>						
<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. <b>LYF</b> Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. Fellowship	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 7:00 p.m. <b>LSF</b> "The Passion"	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY 9</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion	<b>11</b> <b>GOOD FRIDAY 10</b> 7:00 p.m. Divine Service
<b>EASTER SUNDAY 12</b> 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service with Holy Communion 8:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion	<b>13</b> 5:30 p.m. Lay Ministry	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 6:00 p.m. Catechism Class 7:00 p.m. Vespers 8:00 p.m. <b>LSF</b> Bible Study	<b>16</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Meals on Wheels April 13—17</div>						
9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. <b>LYF</b> Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. Fellowship	<b>19</b> May Newsletter Deadline	<b>20</b> 7:00 p.m. Voters' Assembly	<b>21</b> 6:00 p.m. Catechism Class 7:00 p.m. Vespers 8:00 p.m. <b>LSF</b> Bible Study	<b>22</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>LSF</b> Kickball Game at Iowa City
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