# *Refrigerator News* February 14, 2016



### "Lost and Found"

#### Luke 4: 1-13

On the first Sunday of Lent we read the story of Jesus' temptation by Satan in the wilderness. It was in the struggle of temptation that Jesus *lost* some things and *found* others.

#### This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, February 15 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study

> Tuesday, February 16 7:00 Stewardship

Wednesday, February 10 7:15 Choir Practice

## <u>Next Sunday</u>

"Outside Looking In" Philippians 3: 17-4:1

## From Calling and Discernment

Each year you are invited to suggest up to three persons you see as gifted to serve on the Calling and Discernment Team. This team is responsible for matching persons to leadership and service needs of the congregation. Qualifications are:

- Knowledge of persons, i.e., their spiritual gifts, interests and talents.
- Knowledge of the ministries of the church
- Commitment to serve with a sense of "call".

This Sunday and next, you have the opportunity to name persons for this position by filling out the form in your bulletin. Please place the completed form in the offering plate or in the church office. We appreciate your input in this process. - *Marty Kaylor*, Chair of Calling & Discernment



Have you missed a Sunday? Forgotten the date of a meeting? Want to hear a certain sermon again? All this and more is available on the church's website www.lincnotes.org. The website is updated by Howard Williams reflects activities of the church as well as birthdays, etc. Check it out!



We continue to pray for those who are in need of prayers for recovery and for those who are facing medical procedures in the immediate future...

Aletha Sills in Lutheran Hospital.

Carol Williams at home and Lisa Lahr for future surgery. Ron Nicodemus recovering from complications of heart surgery. Robin La Rue, we continue to hold in loving prayers. Arielle Wolf remains in our daily prayers.

We pray for success for **Reggie Berg**, who lives in Denver and is a former pianist for Lincolnshire as he competes in an international jazz piano competition. The winner is guaranteed a 2 yr. free study at UCLA, a world tour and a record contract! Gosh! We knew him *when*...

#### Notes from the Leadership Team Meeting of January 28

The Safety Committee, comprised of Joe and Judi Henderson, Casey Drudge, Sue Bibbee, and Chris Kiess. They will be doing an overview of safety issues, prevention of incidents, and procedures when/if accidents happen and from that, will develop a written policy as requested by our insurance company.

**E3 Groups:** Two groups of three are now in place and will be expanding to six persons per group. They plan to be active before Easter. One group consists of **Dave Cutrell, Lori Linn** and **Peggy Brown.** The other group consists of **Ruth Strole, Pat Fair,** and **Sharri Creed.** 

The Youth Group will present their thoughts on worship and engage the Leadership Team in conversation about worship at the February meeting. Stewardship

- The team is developing a policy for bidding on large projects.
- A schedule for the 2017 Stewardship Campaign is being structured with the November Congregational Meeting.

#### **Property Management**

- **Kevin Thomas** built and installed a rail to the chancel area for choir usage. Two more rails are scheduled.
- Amy Kolb is posting Camp Mack information. Mike Kauffman from Camp Mack will visit Lincolnshire. Date not determined.

#### Worship & Music

Pastor David & Terri Woods are developing long-range planning. Outreach & Caring

- A Valentine's Day potluck is being planned.
- Youth fund-raising for Camp Mack are being planned.
- Names on church mailboxes will be placed above the boxes in February.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

**Marilyn Drudge** reported that 2015 ended with a deficit of \$182. There is optimism that the 2016 Challenge Budget can be met.

#### **Calling & Discernment**

There was good response to the Ministry Surveys.

#### **Projector Update**

There have been positive responses to the new system.

#### **Pastor's Report**

**Pastor David** spoke of his responsibilities as District Moderator. He will preach at Creekside on May 1 as the church celebrates the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the present building.



## **Meditations and Readings for Lent**

The church library has several Lenten books to help deepen your journey through the Lenten season. There are for daily readings, prayers and stories for the Lent. Included are <u>"Seven Words of</u> <u>the Cross"</u> by J. Ellsworth Kalas, <u>"Praying the Passion"</u> by Ken Taylor, <u>"Dying to Live"</u> by James Harnish, <u>"Reliving the Passion"</u> by Walter Wangerin, <u>"Parables and Passion"</u> by John Indermark and <u>"He Chose the</u> <u>Nails"</u> Max Lucado. These books are on the shelf outside the library. To check out a book, sign the card in the back of the book and place the card on the inside shelf of the library room.

## The meaning of Communion

**"Do this in remembrance of me."** With these words ringing in our ears, we regularly celebrate communion. As we drink the cup and eat the bread, we reflect on Christ's sacrifice and look forward to his return. Yet communion is more than a memorial. Our continued participation in this powerfully symbolic ceremony molds our thinking and brings to life deeply spiritual truths in very concrete ways. It shapes our identity as a people of God and provides the truly blessed assurance that we have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. The "message" of communion is important and deserves our full attention. We will celebrate communion next Sunday, **February 21** during the worship service.



## Pack well.....

During Lent, as we focus on Christ's journey to the cross, let's also examine the journey of our lives. The first task when leaving on any adventure is *packing*. What have you packed in your bag? Are you weighed down with temptations, self-doubt, money worries, and relationship troubles? Have you overlooked any important items? Maybe your bag

feels too empty for the challenges ahead. Remember to pack *mercy, grace* and *forgiveness*. Thanks to Easter, we know that our journey in Christ continues, even when the road becomes difficult. So as you prepare for Lent, carry with you the hope made possible by Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf.