

# Hosanna Highlights

A newsletter for members and friends of Hosanna Lutheran Church

April 6, 2017



Hosanna voted to call Pastor Jay Grave as the new Sr. Pastor to Hosanna Lutheran Church at our Special Congregational Meeting on April 2nd. He will begin on June 1st.

**The Council has elected the following Council Members to the Executive Team:**

<b>Tara Bremond</b>	President
<b>Ginny Sirera</b>	Vice President
<b>Ron Entzel</b>	Secretary
<b>Brad Phillips</b>	Treasurer

## Graduate Recognition Service

Will be Sunday May 21st.

For each graduate we need three pictures: Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation.

Please give these pictures to Emily Clamser or to the church office by April 30th.



Thank you Amazing and Awesome Volunteers for all of your hard work and dedication to making the Yard Sale a success! If you have not heard by now, the Yard Sale brought in over \$4,000 thanks to your efforts. I know that for our youth attending LutherHill and those youths attending the mission trip to Belize this will help considerably with some of the transportation costs.



April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Wanting to make a difference in someone's life?

We will be working on the house of an elderly lady in Covington. We need to replace the roof (mobile home), repair the fence, back door, and some crumbling walls, and do some light landscaping to spruce up the yard. If you can help out physically we would appreciate it. If you can't, and would like to help monetarily to cover some of the expenses, please write a check to Hosanna, and in the memo area write "HIS Ministry-Billy". You can sign up for this work day at the Info Center.



## VBS

June 26th - 30th  
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Volunteer orientation on Sunday, June 25th after 2nd service

There are plenty of opportunities for the congregation to volunteer to help with this vital ministry that serves our youth and the youth of the community. What can you do to help? Please see the insert in your Sunday bulletin or stop by the church office to volunteer to be a part of VBS.

**Register your child now for**

## VBS

Children who have completed kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to attend VBS. Registration has begun in the Welcome Center after services or download a registration form from our website under the Programs tab! Invite your grandkids, neighbors, and friends to register!



## Crawfish Boil

April 23rd

Tickets are on sale at the Info Center  
Crawfish, corn & potatoes  
\$10 per adult, \$5 per child,  
\$30 max cost per family. Soft drinks & hot dogs provided.

## HCP SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 5TH - JULY 28TH

Open to children who are potty trained up to six years old.

Call Marilyn Boudreaux, Director at 624-5525 for additional information.



### Maundy Thursday

April 13th - 7:00 pm Service

### Good Friday

April 14th - 7:00 pm Service

### Easter Sunday

April 16th  
9:00 am Traditional Worship Service  
10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

## First Communion Celebration



## Congratulations

to the following youth who celebrated their First Communion on Sunday, March 26th:

Morgan Abram, Tessa Abram, Miranda Batte, Emery Burbrink, Jackson Johnston, Logan Peters, and Hayley Pettus.



### Scrip cards

Make Great Easter

Basket Fillers: Bath & Body Works, Best Buy, iTunes, Amazon, Old Navy, Starbucks, PetSmart, Shell, Academy, and more!



The proceeds help send our kids to camp and on mission trips!

The deadline to submit information for the next newsletter is 9 am on April 18th.

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Vicki Entzel - Small Group Coordinator  
Trudy Miller - Office Manager  
Stacy James - Administrative Assistant  
Troy King - Bookkeeper

Brian Johnson-Osborn - Director of Music at 10:30 am

**Hosanna**  
Christian  
Preschool



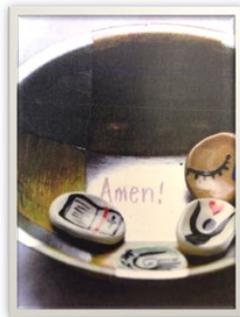
Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

Now taking registrations for the 2017-18 school year - Please call Marilyn Boudreaux, Director, at 985-624-5525 for additional information.

Our program is 9 am - 1 pm for 18 month through 5 year olds.

- \*18 month to 2 year olds
- \*2 and 3 year olds  
Tues/Thurs or Mon/Wed/Fri
- \*2,3,4, or 5 year olds  
Mon - Fri

Monday and Wednesday we offer extended days until 3 pm. Call Marilyn Boudreaux, Director at 624-5525 for additional information.



**Faith Formation**

In March, we celebrated our first milestone since my arrival! The Communion milestone was our first congregational milestone presented at Hosanna. So, you may be asking, why a rock? The rock is a symbol of so much more. It is the opportunity for us to name, bless, and gift special and significant moments in our faith and personal journey. Milestones do not have to be stones, but can be any physical item that is associated with a faith event. There are blankets, key chains, Bibles, and pins that are also given as milestones. Everything about a milestone is symbolic and that adds to the milestone's value in supporting faith. Milestones are traditionally kept in a family milestone bowl. Later in the year, I look forward to introducing the milestone bowl to our congregation and showing how it can be used in the home to assist in making Home Church too!

**Why should Milestone Ministry be important at Hosanna?**

Milestone ministry is an important ministry at Hosanna because it gives the church a chance to recognize and draw attention to important events in faith. It is also an important part of "Making Home Church too" and "Taking Faith Home" because the milestones are taken to the home where they serve as a reminder of our faith walk. The stones can bring back a happy memory, mark a leap in our faith journey, and give us an idea for a daily prayer. Milestones help the church to stay connected to the lives of congregation members and the members to stay connected to the church.

A great book that I recommended for council members to read so they understand the language of Faith Formation

is "Frogs without Legs Can't Hear" by Doug Hill and David Anderson. If anyone is interested in wanting to read it, I would love to lend it to you. Inside, you will hear words that are becoming familiar: Caring Conversation; Ritual and Tradition; Blessing; Service; and Milestone Ministry. You will also learn about authentic, affirming, and available disciples, which we call-Mentors!

Be on the look-out for upcoming milestones for Confirmation and Baptism! For our little ones, we have also added SPLASH so that parents will be supported in the home with a monthly newsletter. Our little ones will also receive their First Bible and the family will receive a Home Altar kit to begin Faith Practices in the home.

These are just some of the ways that we are Passing on the Faith at Hosanna and making Home Church Too!

GLYASDI,  
Miss Emily



**Sundays, 5:30 - 7:30pm**  
**For 3rd to 12th graders**

*Dinner is provided.*

**Be a Friend – Bring a Friend!**

**All participants must register to attend.**

**There is no Youth Night on April 16th**

**Youth Night Menu**

**April 23rd**  
Hot Dogs & Nachos

**April 30th**  
Mashed Potato Bar and Chicken Nuggets



The Gathering will be June 27th - July 1st. We need to send in Registration and Deposits in September. ELCA Youth Gathering team announced the theme of the 2018 gathering. "This Changes Everything," based on Ephesians 2:8, "By grace you have been saved..."