

Hosanna Highlights



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When I was interviewing for a pastor position several years ago, my reference told a member of the call committee that I was the kind of pastor who would, “take a drunk off the street and before you knew it, he would be on the church council.” The reference meant it as a negative, but I have never heard a better compliment in my life. That church did call me to be their pastor and before they knew it, we had recovering addicts singing in the choir, we had adult baptisms and confirmation classes, we were welcoming new members and even having a wine and cheese reception after our Saturday night services.

I left that congregation to come to Hosanna. “Proclaiming the Love of God to All People” seemed right up my alley. A history of having “all God’s creatures” having a place in the choir sounded pretty cool, and of course an ELCA congregation organized around the framework of the Purpose Driven Church. I was in! My challenge as pastoral leader in this congregation is how to bring all these principles together into a vision we can live into together.

Hard conversations in 2019 brought about new Bible studies and discussion groups. Discussion groups led to growing outreach ministries and new ways to see traditional programming. Seeing programming in new ways led to changes in staffing and even with all of this change my perception is still the same.

How does Hosanna Lutheran Church Proclaim the Love of God to All People, so they may Know Jesus Christ, Grow in Faith, and Follow Christ?

It is simple. We continue Being the Church Together. Our Lutheran heritage teaches us that welcoming all is at the core of the Gospel message. We are reminded that we are all sinners in need of God’s saving grace which is given as a gift. We are each convicted by the law and set free by the Gospel and because of that we each have a unique story of redemption to share. Together we will spend more time with Luther as part of our Spiritual Growth Campaign.

As we continue to be church together, we continue to make space for all of God’s creatures to have a place in the choir. Literally, as in the Interim Worship Team which continues to meet Thursday nights to sing, laugh, and learn the songs for the following Sunday worship. If you like to sing, come and join in the fun. We all knew building a new worship team would be a difficult process. We have had some applicants and put a couple plans together, but as the writer of Proverbs says, “**Many are the plans in the mind of Man, but the purpose of the Lord will prevail.**” We continue to pray that God will lead us in the search process.

If the worship team isn’t for you, maybe you want to lead a new small group. Elizabeth is training new leaders all the time; helping new groups get started. Maybe you want to help with worship, or volunteer in the office, help with our Sunday night youth program. Maybe, God is calling you to participate in a completely new way. That is awesome! Let’s talk and get you plugged into ministry. All are welcome!

As we continue being Church together, we will also learn from the earliest Christian church. This month I will be preaching from the book of Acts. This 5th book in our New Testament is part historical and part motivational. Luke, the writer of Acts chronicles the early days of the first Christian church. What they did on a daily basis. How the incorporated new people. How they dealt with controversy. How they changed with the power of the Spirit.

In this newsletter you will find lots of opportunities to get involved and I hope you do. God Bless,

Pastor Jay

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FEBRUARY 2020

Church Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for the online church calendar

Feb 6	Quilters Interim Worship Team	Feb 20	Quilters Interim Worship Team
Feb 7-8	IF: Local Stream- exclamation	Feb 23	FCF/Exclamation
Feb 9	FCF/EXCLAMATION RESUMES!	Feb 24	Hosanna Hot Meals OFFICE CLOSED
Feb 10	Hosanna Hot Meals Executive Committee	Feb 25	OFFICE CLOSED
Feb 11	Reading the Bible Class	Feb 26	Drive through ashes ASH WEDNESDAY Service
Feb 12	Morning Bible Study DivorceCare	Feb 27	Quilters Interim Worship Team
Feb 13	Quilters/Quilters Tutorial Interim Worship Team	Mar 2	Hosanna Hot Meals HIS Planning Meeting
Feb 15	FCF- Family Fun Global Wildlife	Mar 4	Morning Bible Study JOY Divorce Care
Feb 16	FCF/Exclamation	Mar 5	Quilters Interim Worship Team
Feb 17	Hosanna Hot Meals Church Council Meeting	Mar 7	FCF: Family Fun PICNIC  
Feb 18	Reading the Bible Class		
Feb 19	Morning Bible Study JOY Divorce Care		

Notes and News:

Hosanna Hot Meals!

We now provide free hot meals to those in need in the community every Monday night, here at Hosanna Lutheran Church!
 Hot meals are served from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved! We need help cooking, serving, greeting and clean up. If you would like to help out on a Monday night, contact the church office.
 Can't help serve? You can provide a sponsorship to help feed the hungry. You can get a sponsorship form at the information counter.

Do you like to sing?

While we continue to search for a new contemporary worship leader, You are invited to share your voice as a part of the interim worship team.
 On **Thursday nights**, anyone interested in singing together is invited to meet in the sanctuary at 7 pm. Carter will be there to play the piano and assist in singing the songs which will be sung the upcoming Sunday at the 10:30 service. We will practice together as a large group. **Join in the fun!**



Director:
Marilyn Boudreaux
(985) 624-5525



hosannapreschool.com

facebook.com/hosannachristianpreschool

Registration

Started January 13th for the 2020 - 2021 school year

If you have little ones that need structure, socialization, and want to prepare them for a classroom setting in a safe loving environment, come check out our Preschool!

Upcoming Events:

Feb. 7th Tea Party

Feb. 20-21 Mardi Gras Parades

Feb. 24-28 Preschool CLOSED

Just a Note from our director:

Our first Open House was a great success due to the hard work of all of our teachers, and student participation! Thank you teachers for all your hard work. We have a great team and are looking forward to success and growth in 2020-2021 school year.

Community Coffee Labels

THANK YOU PARENTS and all who participated in collecting and turning in Community Coffee Labels. We were able to collect \$155.20!



All Mandeville and
Covington Dominos
Locations

Be sure to mention the name
of our
Preschool when ordering.
Thank you!

Make it a Pizza night!

Every third Wednesday of
the month, Hosanna
Preschool will receive
20% of the proceeds for
each pizza ordered
through Dominos Pizza



Hosanna Christian Preschool

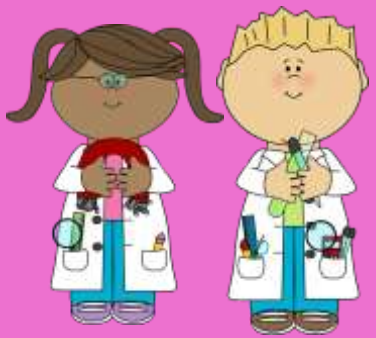
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FRIENDS



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CIRCUS WEEK





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Congregational Care Team

The Congregational Care Team of Hosanna Lutheran Church spends time praying and caring for individuals and families who are going through illness, are home-bound or facing any personal struggles. The group keeps in contact with them by sending cards, making phone calls and visits. They also find out if they need help or anything else during their time of struggle. If you need help or know of anyone please contact Lois Sundquist (985-327-7047), Julie Dautat (985-264-5951) or the church office (985-727-9200).



HIS Planning Meeting– March 2nd @ 7:00 pm
 For more information contact: **Ashley Burbank(985) 789-0508**




Every Monday



Join Hosanna and the Mandeville Community for dinner every Monday night from 5:30-7pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!


DIVORCE Care

DivorceCare helps you recover from the pain of separation and divorce. You will learn how to deal with the pain of the past and look forward to your future.

**Wednesday Evenings
7 :00 pm- 9:00 pm**

Hosanna Quilters

Meet every Thursday 9:00 AM-12:30 PM and on the second Thursday of each month 12:30 PM -3:00 PM for quilting tutorial to learn new skills and for quilting. No experience necessary. All are invited to come see what love creates!



Observing the Lenton Season



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ash
wednesday

Drive-Thru Ashes: 7am-3pm

Ash Wednesday Service:
February 26th at 6pm

HOSANNA SPIRITUAL GROWTH CAMPAIGN

40-DAY *Journey*

WITH MARTIN LUTHER

Books can be purchased
at the information booth for:

\$5



Easter Worship Schedule



February 26th

7:00 am –3:00 pm Drive Through Ashes
6:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

Lenten
Devotionals

Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:00 pm

Online at <https://www.facebook.com/hlcpage>

More information coming soon.

Holy Week

April 5th - Palm Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am

April 9th - Maundy Thursday 4/09 6:30 pm

April 10th - Good Friday 4/10 6:30pm

Easter Sunday

April 12th - 9:00 am, 10:30 am

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

April 4th, 2020

10am-12pm

at Hosanna Lutheran Church

Presale Tickets:

Family 3+ kids: \$25;

Individual: \$5

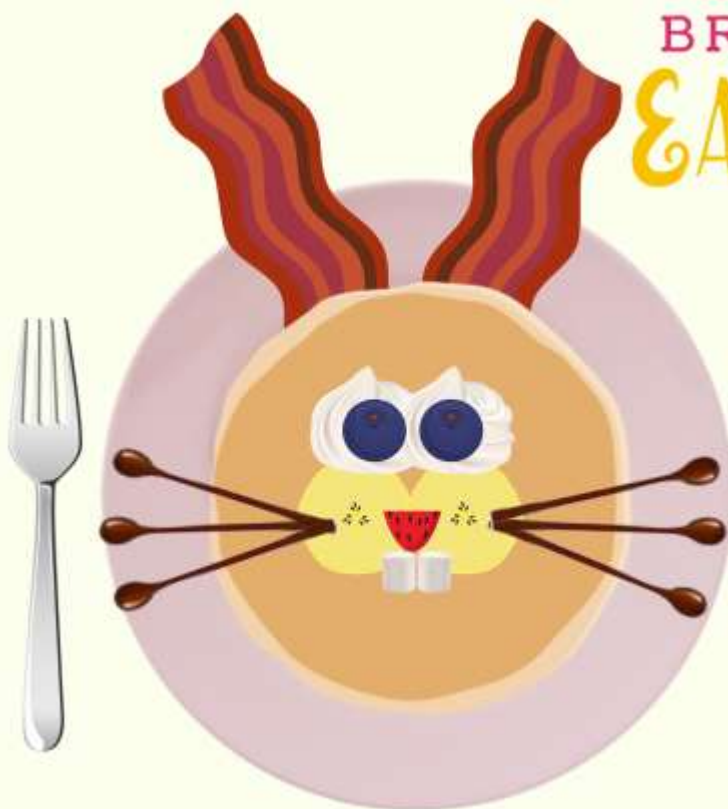
After presale ends on

March 21st, 2020:

Family 3+ kids: \$35;

Individual: \$10

All proceeds will benefit Hosanna Teens and
Children Summer 2020 Programs



Hosanna Lutheran Presents

Together

Women's Retreat

March 20-22, 2020

Fontainebleu State Park
Conference Center

Register online at: hosannalutheran.com or sign up today at the information booth. Sign up by February 23, to be entered into a drawing for a chance to win your registration free!

Beyond Welcoming

KEYNOTE
Peggy Hahn

\$102

Includes:
Lodging & Food

Resources and Information

This video Bible study library is for every person in our church.

Watch over 2,000 kid's episodes in the RightNow Media Kid's Library. Stream them in the living room or on the road. These Bible-based shows will educate and entertain children of all ages.

Contact the Church Office for access.

office@hosannalutheran.com



We are now on YouVersion Bible app: Get the YouVersion Bible App on your phone to follow along with Pastor Jay's message each Sunday. Download the app, select 'More' in the bottom right corner, then select 'Events'!

New Online Resources

Check out our new additions the church website:

- [ONLINE COMMUNITY](#)
- [Online Church Calendar](#)
- [Find a Group List](#)
- [Online Directory](#) (Log in required)
- [New Online Giving](#)
- [Register for Events or Classes](#)



Online

Visit hosannalutheran.com and click [ONLINE GIVING](#)

Text to Give

Text [HOSANNALUTHERAN](#) to 77977

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Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. Support your church by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com.



Baptism Milestone

If you are interested in being baptized or having a child baptized.

Contact the office.

[Milestone Ministry Website](#)

Milestone Ministry



Our new Splash program provides support for families and provides Faith Practices which can be used in the home. Home is

Church Too! Each month, a newsletter will arrive with ideas for gameplay with your child, prayers, blessings, and they are all developmentally appropriate for your child's age. If you would like your child to be a part of this program, please see contact the office.

Church Council

See end of Newsletter for December
Church council meeting minutes.



President-Brad Phillips
Vice-President- Julie Brown
Secretary- Sandy Nieto
Treasurer- Rob Rhea

Purpose Area Liaison
Worship- George Michell
Discipleship- Teresa Abram
Evangelism- Ryan Weber
Fellowship- Ashely Burbank
Ministry- Steve Beene

Put on your calendar,
Hosanna's Annual
Congregational meeting,
March 8th at 4:00 pm.

Voting on new council
members

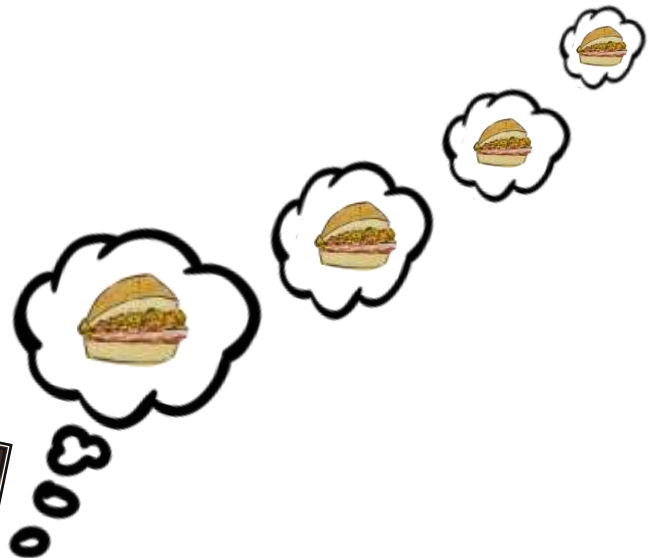


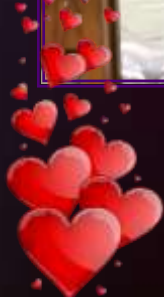
Katie Sepcich
 Youth Director
 youthdirector@hosannalutheran.com

Exclamation starts back up on February 9th! We are so excited to start meeting on Sunday nights again! During February, we will be focusing on the topic of dating and relationships. Out of all of the questions I get as a Youth Director, questions around dating are the most frequent. Last year, I planned one week to discuss dating and relationships, and we ended up extending it to 3 weeks because there were so many questions. This month, we are going to be using portions from a study called, *Single, Dating, Engaged, Married* by Ben Stuart, the pastor of Passion City Church in D.C. and the former director of Breakaway Ministries at Texas A&M. My hope is that this series will start the conversation and provide an outlook into dating and relationships that is different from what the world says. Major prayers for this month and this conversation!

In other news, major thanks and appreciation to everyone who participated in our Muffuletta Fundraiser! As I write this, we don't have the final numbers calculated, but I am so thankful for so many of you who came and bought a muffuletta; who came to help make the muffulettas; who helped Ms. Gina shop for groceries; and of course Ms. Gina and her marvelous muffuletta making skills. Thank you all for helping our teens and their Bahamas Mission Trip travels!

Katie Sepcich
 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Director
 Hosanna Lutheran Church







We can't wait!
All ages welcome!

Fun Church Fun: Family Fun!

Saturday, February 15th
Global Wildlife Center

26389 HWY 40
Folsom, LA 70437
1:00-3:00pm



Contact Erin Fogarty
for more Information
(504) 457-1419



Contact Erin Fogarty with
questions regarding kids:
PreK-6th

families@hosannalutheran.com

Jesus & me
SMALL GROUPS FOR KIDS

exclamation!



Contact Katie Sepcich with
questions regarding youth:
Jr. & Sr. High

youthdirector@hosannalutheran.com

Let's talk about Love...

exclamation!❤️

Sunday Nights in February @ 7:15-8:30pm
@ Hosanna

March Birthdays!

Mar 1	Larry Lemieux	Mar 11	John Griffitt	Mar 22	Jennifer Thompson
Mar 4	Jonathan Gunn	Mar 11	Brenda Eike	Mar 22	Shannon Bearden
Mar 4	Christine Moskau	Mar 12	Charles Entzel	Mar 22	Jason Greenleaf
Mar 4	Eric Nungesser	Mar 12	Lacie Weber	Mar 23	Lois Sundquist
Mar 5	Kelly Mayfield	Mar 12	Kathy Colbert	Mar 23	Ethan Dauterive
Mar 5	Kathlyn Dannewald	Mar 13	Barbara Hood	Mar 24	Natalie Rick
Mar 6	Lynne Dongieux	Mar 13	Robert Huet	Mar 24	Emery Burbrink
Mar 7	Kristene Furan	Mar 14	Richie Helmlinger	Mar 24	Brantley Braud
Mar 7	Ginny Sirera	Mar 14	Brian Johnson-Osborn	Mar 25	Gayle Francke
Mar 7	Isabelle Grave	Mar 14	Shelley Pettus	Mar 25	Adam Duris
Mar 7	Dylan Nichols	Mar 15	Katie Starner	Mar 25	Alexandra Collier
Mar 7	Cameron Doyle	Mar 15	Jordan Lacoste	Mar 26	Bryan Walters
Mar 9	Kimberly Salvaggio	Mar 15	Gina Weber	Mar 27	Jessica Johnson
Mar 9	Steve Picou	Mar 15	Ryland O'Leary	Mar 27	Brianne Hood
Mar 9	Jamie Mayo	Mar 16	Greg Bennett	Mar 27	Valerie Griffitt
Mar 9	Blair Sundquist	Mar 20	Stacy Mathers	Mar 28	Roy Dausat
Mar 9	Adam Moore	Mar 20	Robert Burbank	Mar 28	William Pope
Mar 9	Nana Mejia	Mar 21	Sunnie Bremond	Mar 31	Nathan Entzel
Mar 10	Linnea Savoie	Mar 21	Dana Reed	Mar 31	Katie Sepcich
Mar 11	Kristen Bevilacqua	Mar 22	Cynthia Naka	Mar 31	Lydia Beebe

March Anniversaries

Mar 6	Kennie & Karen Schindler	Mar 16	Lee & Kristina Pearson	Mar 29	Julie & Burk Berzas
Mar 9	Fred & Laurie Wetekamm	Mar 19	Chris & Desiree Bild	Mar 29	Bryce & Alecia Peck
Mar 11	Michael & April Gidman	Mar 19	CJ & Tara Boynes	Mar 29	Lance & Casie Lalanne
Mar 12	C.J. & Marlene Mehle	Mar 26	David & Donna Lloyd	Mar 30	Alan & Linnea Savoie
Mar 13	Carl & Sharon Hilt	Mar 28	Derron & Stephanie Decker	Mar 30	David & Donna Lacoste
Mar 15	Glenn & Phyllis Giffin	Mar 29	Steve & Debbie Picou	Mar 30	Tara & Jacques Bremond

December 9, 2019 Hosanna Lutheran
Church Council Meeting

The regular meeting of the Hosanna Lutheran Church Council was called to order at 7:22 pm on December 9, 2019 by Brad Phillips.

Present

Julie Brown, Ashley Burbank, Teresa Abram, George Michell, Brad Phillips, Jay Grave, Steve Beene, Sandy Nieto

Council members list of Difficulties this Year

Understanding church financial reports

Music team

Volunteerism(lack thereof)

Youth Staffing

Participation at events

Leaving vs new members

Communication to disseminate accurate information

Fundraising

Successes this Year:

ELCA understanding

Sanctuary Revamp

Resolving Financial issues

Council layout

Hot meals

Office staff

New outreach(Hot meals, Mariners boxes, Project Christmas)

Videos at service

Council Structure: Exec (business) Council (church)

Discussed changing bylaws so that exec positions will be elected by congregation. Consider that VP would become Pres in next year.

Minutes from last meeting approved: Steve motioned, Julie seconded, all in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Sandy Nieto