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**The Mission Statement of Hosanna Lutheran Church:**

*"To initiate, nurture and empower Spirit-filled relationships for God and God's people"*

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## *LENTEN/EASTER SERVICES*

**Wednesdays, March 7—March 28: Soup Suppers at 6:00pm, Lenten Services at 7:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, March 31: Adult Choir Cantata with Communion, 6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, April 1, Palm Sunday: Adult Choir Cantata with Communion, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

**Thursday, April 5, Maundy Thursday—Communion Service, 7:00 p.m.**

**Friday, April 6, Good Friday—Tenebrae Service, 7:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, April 7: Easter Vigil—Communion Service at 6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, April 8 Easter Sunday**

Communion Sunrise Service, 6:30 a.m.

Communion Services 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast following the 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. services

## LENTEN SERVICES

CHRIST ON TRIAL is a series of Lenten worship services in which court is in session to determine who Christ is. You are the jury. Come and listen to the testimony of witnesses and the arguments of lawyers. Decide for yourself who this self proclaimed Messiah is.

### ASH WEDNESDAY

We hear a lawyer's opening statement on who people are saying Jesus is and who will be on the witness stand in the weeks to come.

### FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Matthew, a tax collector, testifies on Jesus' association with sinners.

### SECOND WEEK OF LENT

A once crippled woman testifies that Jesus illegally healed her on the Sabbath.

### THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Nicodemus, a Jewish leader, speaks of Jesus disturbing the peace.

### FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

A woman caught in adultery testifies how Jesus halted her execution.

### FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

John speaks to accusations of consuming Jesus' body and blood.

## CHRIST ON TRIAL

### LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Drawn from the themes in the "Christ on Trial" Lenten worship service series, this six-week Lenten Bible study series gives participants a more in-depth look at determining who Jesus truly is. Evidence found in Scripture is analyzed each week, and witness accounts on their encounters with Christ from Matthew, a once crippled woman, Nicodemus, a woman caught in adultery, John, and Mary Magdalene are reviewed in greater detail. Real-life questions for today are included each week as participants, acting as a kind of jury, undoubtedly reach the final verdict that Christ is the Son of God sent to save us.

Join us for "Christ on Trial" Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary.

In His name,

**Pastor Greg**

## The Clean Kitchen Poem

The Kitchen's been painted, The Great Hall has too.  
Let's keep it clean and cozy, For each and every one of you.

You won't find a "don't" sign, There are no locked doors.  
God's house is for your use, And every house has chores!

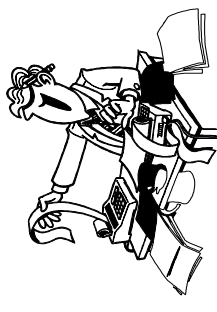
Please use what you find there, But please let us know.  
By leaving a short note, When something is low.

Remember your mother, How clean she kept things.  
Well we're sorry to tell you, **She doesn't work here!**

We offered her a job, She just gave us a smile.  
And said in a sweet voice, I've trained up my child.

So please clean your dishes, Yes coffee pots, too.  
Put things where you found them, It's the nice thing to do!

Please be respectful when using God's house.  
We love all of God's creatures but let's not feed that mouse.



### ACOLYTE SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

Mar 3 (Sat)	6pm	Adam Davis
Mar 4 (Sun)	8am	Katie Ferguson
	10:30am	Luke Powers
Mar 10 (Sat)	6pm	Garret Koerwitz
Mar 11 (Sun)	8am	Nathan Sherak
	10:30am	Amber Crewse
Mar 17 (Sat)	6pm	Katy Brown
Mar 18 (Sun)	8am	Tyler Gehring
	10:30am	Dillon Gabeheart
Mar 24 (Sat)	6pm	Dylan Nieto
Mar 25 (Sun)	8am	Jordon Gehring
	10:30am	Billy Bradshaw
Mar 31 (Sat)	6pm	Billy Bradshaw
Apr 1 (Sun)	8am	Katie Ferguson
	10:30am	David Kozak

### JANUARY BUDGET

Income	\$ 22,808
Expenses	<u>\$ 25,029</u>
Net Loss	<u>\$ 2,221</u>



## SUNDAY SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Thanks to our Sunday School classes! We donated over 80 "handmade with LOVE" Valentine cards to Morningstar Assisted Living Home on Valentine's Day. Upcoming events include soup supper with our Youth Group and an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 1.

We are asking that congregational members donate candy for the hunt. Watch for a basket in the narthex.

Please check out the wonderful drawings from our 3rd and 4th grade classes showing God's House. Also, we thank our 5th and 6th grade classes for sharing the true meaning of Mardi Gras with us. We welcome new students, Holly, Pierson and Nathan, to our Sunday School program.

When you see our Sunday School teachers, please take a moment to thank them for giving their time and talents to our children.

God's blessings,

*Christine Saul*  
Ministry of Education

## A THANK YOU NOTE FROM THE FAMILY OF KEN PIRK

*To all my dear brothers and sisters in Christ,*

*I can't begin to tell you how much your prayers and tender loving care meant to me and our family when Ken was called home to heaven. The outpouring of love was overwhelming! We felt like we were wrapped in heavenly clouds, comforted, loved, cared for and lifted up.*

*Thank you for the nourishing food for our bodies and the cards that nourished our souls. Your gifts will be used to purchase the pipe organ window to Ken's memory and the glory of God. Ken joyfully served his Lord and Savior, especially through his music. He loved organ music (next to Bach and Barbershop), so the family felt that this was a fitting tribute.*

*Thank you all again, and I give thanks to God for leading us to Hosanna and our wonderful family in Christ. Peace to you all and much love,*

MJ

## CONGREGATION PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

The training wheels are off and I'm riding on my own. Here is my first "crack" at a congregation presidential address ...

First, I would like to thank Jude Donovan (past president) and Margo Pasha (past treasurer) for their selfless service to Hosanna, to you and to the Lord. They devoted their talents and many, many hours over these past two years. Thanks.

Second, I would like to thank you for your generosity in 2006. Not only did you pay for a great resurfaced parking lot, but Hosanna also closed out the year in the black with a surplus of \$14,000. That will be a great start in 2007 and will make a big dent in our "faith funding" (more commonly called a stretch goal) in the budget approved last November. Thanks again.

Third, speaking of the parking lot, with all the snow the Denver metro area has received this year, I thank the Lord (and the insurance company inspector) that we paved the parking lot last summer. Remember the parking lot before the resurface work? Just think of the size of the pot holes we would have now had we not resurfaced. Not only would we be dodging Hosanna sink holes, but the repair and resurface price would have been much higher than what was paid. Thanks again.

And finally, thanks to all of you who helped with the Great Hosanna Clean Sweep last month. Wow, what a project. I estimate that we had around 30 volunteers sorting, hauling and repairing, as well as donations of necessary supplies by other members. The final tally was 40 cubic yards of trash hauled away, one pickup load of old computers recycled, one load of old documents and paperwork shredded, and about eight trips made to Goodwill. Great job, and thanks again.

Looking forward, 2007 will be an eventful year for Hosanna. The other church leaders and I are excited about this year's theme, **Mission: LITTLETON**. There will be two small group Bible studies conducted this year, much like the successful *40 Days of Purpose* group studies conducted in the past.

Also, Lent is near and our friends in Witness & Outreach are about to begin a postcard mailing campaign. The campaign's main goal is to invite our un-churched neighbors to worship with us and celebrate the death and resurrection of our Savior. So keep your eyes open for visitors and give them a hearty welcome to the Lord's house.

*Sola Gratia - Sola Fide - Sola Scriptura,*  
Guy

## **PALM SUNDAY, MAUNDY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SERVICES**

**Saturday, March 31 & Sunday, April 1, Palm Sunday:**  
Adult Choir Cantata with Holy Communion at all Services

**Thursday, April 5, Maundy Thursday:** Communion Service at 7:00 p.m.

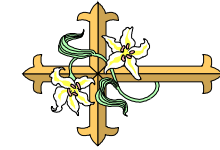
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### **EASTER CANTATA “STATIONS OF THE CROSS”**

**BY LANI SMITH**

Join us for our annual Easter cantata, “Stations of the Cross,” on Saturday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. and on Palm Sunday, April 1, at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

### **EASTER COMMUNICANTS**

Anyone who prefers drinking wine from a cup may so indicate to the server.

If you prefer non-alcoholic wine, an acolyte carries a tray containing both wine and simple white grape juice.

The juice is in the center of each tray.

### **FROM OUR HEAD ELDER**

Greetings,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your Head Elder this year. We are looking forward to some exciting opportunities for all of us to learn how to better ourselves and to improve in regards to the Lord's expectation of us.

We have all been commanded to go forward and spread the Word. To simply attend a church service once a week is not enough to fulfill this command. We need to reach out to our friends, family and community and bring them in to hear the Word. Then we give them the tools needed to fulfill the command. In the coming months, you will be hearing more about an opportunity to learn some skills to help spread the News.

And, as always, the Elders are here to serve you and help you in your spiritual needs. If you have a question or concern, give one of us a call or talk to us before or after a worship service. If you have a personal concern or need, call on us. If the Elder you contact cannot fulfill your need, he or she will find someone who can. We are here for you!

Yours in Christ,

**Bob Hille**

## **CAREGIVERS NEWS**

Please welcome Heidi Boettcher as the new Head Coordinator for Hosanna's Caregivers!! Thank you, Heidi, for volunteering to head up this important Hosanna Committee. Heidi will be replacing Lori Keating, who has been coordinating Caregivers since 2004. The volunteers of Caregivers provide meals, send cards to members in their time of need, and offer other care services. Please check

your mailbox for further information on how you can help. Although these services require little volunteer time, they are greatly appreciated!! If you want to help with Caregivers or have a need, please contact Heidi at 303.972.4514 or

[hboettcher@aol.com](mailto:hboettcher@aol.com).

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## **HOSANNA RECEIVES LCEF CHECK**

Hosanna recently received a rebate check in the amount of \$4,148. This check is given to those congregations who maintain LCEF investments equal to 50% of their loan amount. With a little effort, we can significantly increase this rebate amount. Hosanna is one of 36 churches in the Rocky Mountain District of the LCMS receiving the rebate.

*Lutheran Church Extension Fund* offers a variety of attractive investment tools, ranging from high-yield, interest-bearing checking accounts to long-term CDs. By investing your dollars in LCEF, you not only receive attractive rates but you also *help support the mission and ministry* of the church.

The LCEF's primary goal is to help provide the "space and place," so the Great Commission of spreading the Gospel may be accomplished through Hosanna and LCMS churches worldwide.

## **EASTER FOOD BASKETS**

Hosanna is currently collecting non-perishables and canned goods for Easter food baskets for local senior centers and needy families. If you would like to help with the food drive or nominate a needy family, please call Lori Keating at 303.972.8565 or send an e-mail to [lri.keating@jpl.com](mailto:lri.keating@jpl.com).

Also, if you would like to donate any children's Easter baskets, individually wrapped candy, or supplies, it would surely bring a smile to a child's face!

Please place items in the box in the narthex and *thanks again* for your generosity!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DIRECTORY CHANGES

**Ford, Sharon, Shannon & Shane**  
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Thornton, CO 80241-3425

**Turner, Kathy**  
303.495.2724

### RELEASES

**Baker, Angie**  
Children Alexandria Ervin & Zoe Baker  
**Walker, Patricia**  
**Waller, Don & Linda**  
**Winters, Charles**

### Youth Lock-In—The Ridge! March 9 and 10

Join in for pizza, swimming, fellowship and more. Open swimming from 7-9:00 p.m., followed by the lock-in from 10:00 p.m. on Friday, March 9 through 6:00 a.m., Saturday, March 10.

Look for more details in flyers and at the coming youth meetings.  
Contact Mary Powers for more details.

Attendees must be in the 7th grade or older.

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER!

**Galluzzo, Nicole (Denny)**  
10447 W Hampden Ave # 103  
Lakewood, CO 80227  
303.933.9959

Transferred from Mount Olive Lutheran,  
Aurora, CO

### TRANSFER

**Hoener, John**  
Children Joshua & Christina  
Transferred to Shepherd of the Hills  
Lutheran Church, Centennial, CO

### New Member Class

New to Hosanna?  
Want to know more about the church?  
Interested in learning what it means to be Lutheran?  
Want to discover hundreds of ways to find joy in serving?

Then please attend our new member class on Saturday, March 24, 9am until noon.

It will be an opportunity for you to meet Pastor Greg and to learn more about our family of faith.

Contact Pastor Greg with any questions,  
303.973.1706.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Hello!

I would like to thank everyone who made it to the youth meeting/potluck we had at the end of January. I believe these times of fellowship/discussion/planning are important, because it allows for the leaders of the youth group to share their vision, passion and ideas for the youth ministry, and allows those who may not have all that clear of an idea what it is that the youth group actually does to see what we do.

During the meeting, I shared what I believe to be a key aspect to the success of the youth ministry at Hosanna: that youth ministry is a **team effort**. Though I believe that God has given each of us unique gifts, resources, and experiences, I also believe those blessings are more effective when they are combined with others in the church to fulfill God's purposes. Regardless of how well gifted we are, God never intended there to be Christian "superheroes" who did everything all alone (and not many people can pull the whole spandex thing off that well, myself included ☺). This principle can best be found in the book of Ecclesiastes:

"Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV)

I have also selected this verse as the theme for our youth ministry leadership team and volunteers, because I believe that without this unity and mutual support, we run the risk of burning out and losing sight of what God has called us to. I also believe that this unity and support is not limited to the leadership of the youth group, those who have young people in the youth ministry, or even the youth themselves. I believe that **everyone** has a valuable contribution they can make to the youth ministry. I'm not simply talking about financial contributions (though I extend my sincere thanks for all your support in that regard), I am talking about investing **yourselves** in the lives of these young people. Whether it's being a chaperone for one of our events, helping with snacks, or coming to one of our Sunday night youth services and sharing your testimony, I believe that these acts of service can make a profound impact on these young people. I believe that God works just as well through the less noticed aspects of what goes on in church as He does the more noticeable ones (sometimes even more effectively).

So I invite you to prayerfully consider how you can use what God has blessed you with to invest in the lives of these young people. Come see me, any of the youth leadership, or feel free to come to one of our monthly youth leadership meetings. I look forward to having you join us!

*Chris Asta*  
Youth Director

