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Church Office Hours:
Monday - Friday
9:00am - 3:00pm

Preschool Hours:
Monday - Friday
9:00am - 1:00pm

Service Schedule:
7:45am Quiet Communion
855 Alive!
11:00am Heritage Worship



Reconciliation Report

January 2019

Susan and I would like to thank everyone for their cards, wishes and prayers.

Pastor Bill

All Committee Chairpersons

Annual Reports for 2018 need to be dropped off at the office or e-mailed to Jean at jeanm@mylcor.com no later than Friday, February 8th.

We need to prepare the consolidated LCOR Annual Report prior to the semi-annual congregational meeting, which will be held Sunday, February 24th.



Women's Bible Study

Have you ever thought you weren't loving enough... or not godly enough...or too busy to serve Jesus the way you yearn to? Jesus comes into our busy lives and he issues an invitation to us to be part of the "living room discussions" as well as the "kitchen service work". Join us as we study the sisters Mary and Martha of the Bible in "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World", by Joanna Weaver. We women struggle with resentment, weariness, and feelings of inadequacy just as Mary and Martha did. This study will help us overcome these feelings as we journey towards a closer walk with Jesus.

This is a twelve- week study but we can discuss condensing it into a six week study if the group decides. We will start on Wednesday, January 16, 2018, at 10:00 AM in Perry Hall. Please come prepared, having read the first chapter. Books can be ordered through Amazon.com-or at Lifeway Christian Bookstore. The cost is approximately \$13.99.

If you need assistance in obtaining the book, please contact Jean Jones, 270-5088, or jeanmjones@bellsouth.net.

This study is open to all women, not just LCOR women, so ask your friends to join us in this wonderful bible study. Please contact Zann Larson or Jean Jones if you are interested in joining us.



IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'S BIRTHDAY, THE LCOR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JANUARY 21ST.

January 2019 Worship Servant Schedule

7:45am Assisting Ministers - Please see the signup sheet on the bulletin board.
 Training will provided if requested.

Altar Guild

	8:55am	11:00am
January 6	Susan Milholland	Leslie Aschemeier
January 13	Carolyn Brock	Penny Riggs
January 20	Anne Brau	Barbara Knudsen
January 27	Barbara Knudsen	LuRae Spaulding

8:55am

	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Communion Assistant	Reader	Greeters	Ushers
January 6	Helen Schussler	Becky Hayes	Susan Milholland	Betty Gross	Sam & Marie Barber	Tom & Karin Atkins
January 13	Guy Beale	Susie Beale	Zann Larson	Lois Manning	Charles & Lois Manning	Ronnie Burns & Lilian Winte
January 20	Anne Brau	Jean Jones	Ann Erb	Pete Grant	Pete & Nancy Grant	Tom & Karin Atkins
January 27	Helen Schussler	Jackie McKean	Audrey Surak	Judy Nelson	Hank Gudrian & Elsie Koehler	Clem Surak & A.J. Sherrill

11:00am

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January 6	Anne Brau	Clayton Gsell	Barbara Knudsen	Lois von Kampen	Laurie Wierse & Roberta Hardy	Jim Meyers & Bob Timms
January 13	Andrea Kelly	Earl Scofield	Dale Lear	Susan Baehmann	Dave & Penny Riggs	Dale & Susan Baehmann
January 20	Clayton Gsell	Jan Maser	Barbara Knudsen	Jim Meyers	Jim & Loretta Meyers	Bill Jensen & Earl Scofield
January 27	Andrea Kelly	Anne Brau	Dale Lear	Pat Myers	Bruce Myers & Jan Shomo	Barbara Knudsen & Jim Meyers

LCOR Member and licensed instructor Shirley Melito leads a Zumba class on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Ministry Center. Please wear light weight clothes and comfortable tennis shoes. You will also need to bring a water bottle and towel. There is no charge for the class, but donations will be accepted.



Coffee Hour is held before the 8:55am and 11:00am worship services in the Ministry Center. We need "goodies" to share. If you can provide cookies, pastries or snacks (i.e. cheese/crackers) it would be very much appreciated! You may bring them on Sunday's or during the week. We will never have too many, as we can always freeze items for the next week.

There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board if you would like to host a Sunday Coffee Hour. If you have questions, contact Jim Gulczynski, (910) 599-4040.

All LCOR Men



Join us for prayer and Bible study on Thursday mornings at 7:30am in the Ministry Center for **Bible & Biscuit**. Bring a dollar for the biscuit, and your Bible. We'll meet for about an hour.



Don't forget to link your Harris Teeter VIC card to LCOR Preschool. Just tell the cashier when you checkout to link your Harris Teeter VIC card to LCOR Preschool, number 7103. Or, if you prefer, you can email your name and VIC card number to Joanne Saxon, Preschool Director, at preschool@mylcor.org and she can link your card for you.

NOVEMBER 2018 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

November Operating Income	\$ 33,563.51
November Operating Expenses	<u>30,821.74</u>
November Net Income	<u>\$ 2,741.77</u>
YTD Operating Income	\$ 335,933.88
YTD Operating Expenses	\$ <u>358,641.68</u>
YTD Net Deficit	<u>\$ (22,6707.80)</u>

Best Wishes for a Happy and Healthy 2019!





Reminders for the New Year...

Committee Chairs - Please provide copies of your meeting minutes to the office for filing.

Calendar - If your group will not be meeting on a recurring scheduled date, please let the office know so the calendar will be correct. In addition, **please check with the office BEFORE** you schedule your meeting or event to ensure there are no conflicts.

Publication Deadlines --

- **Weekly e-mail articles** are due by Monday at 12:00pm. Articles may be dropped off or e-mailed to Jean at the church office (jeanm@mylcor.org).
- **Weekly bulletin announcements and/or inserts** are due by 12:00pm on Tuesday.
- **Monthly newsletter articles** are due by the 25th of the month.

Kitchen - If you cook in it, ***please wash it.***

If you wash it, ***please put it away.***

If you use the microwave, ***please clean it out.***

If you have trash, ***please put it in the black trash container outside the Ministry Center kitchen door.***

Please do not leave your cleanup for others. We appreciate your help in keeping a clean & tidy kitchen.

Where do I find it?.....

Weekly e-mail update - sent out via e-mail. Hard copies are also available in the wall boxes in the narthex and Ministry Center.

Monthly newsletter - sent out via e-mail. Hard copies are also available in the wall boxes in the narthex and Ministry Center. The newsletter is also available on our website, reconciliationchurch.com, under the "News" tab.

Convenient "Simply Giving" direct deposit. You may have your contribution directly deposited from your bank account or credit card through Simply Giving. The sign up forms are in the wall boxes in the narthex and Ministry Center. Completed forms should be given to Jean in the church office and she will set up your confidential direct deposit.

Donation boxes for Mother Hubbard's Cupboard - Boxes are located in Perry Hall.

Mailboxes for Council Members and Committee Chairs - Mailboxes are located in the cabinet to the left of the main doors.

Congregational directory - Hard copies are available in the tray under the cabinet in the narthex, next to the main doors. The printed directory and photo directories are also available on our website, reconciliationchurch.com, under the "Our Congregation" tab. The directories are password protected. If you need the password, please contact the office.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

If your anniversary is not listed, please contact the office so we may update our records

- 01/01 - Randy & Donna Bradshaw
- 01/08 - Phil & Cheryl Poenisch
Charlie & Debbie Ward
- 01/10 - John & Janice Dailey
- 01/25 - Dean & Jeanette Carpenter

If your birthday is not listed, please contact the office so we may update our records

- 01/01 - Jaimee Miles
Jonathan Miles
- 01/06 - Jacob Motsinger
- 01/07 - Anne Brau
Ashley Stadler
- 01/10 - John Dailey
Michael Lombardo
- 01/11 - Debbie Hackett
- 01/13 - Tom Atkins
Art Davis
- 01/14 - Elaine Addy
- 01/16 - Helen Schussler
Carl Zick
- 01/17 - Pete Purrington
- 01/19 - Linda Reynolds
- 01/26 - Logan Stull
- 01/28 - Bruce Myers
- 01/30 - Karen Coppedge

Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

We are always collecting donations of food and money for Mother Hubbard's Cupboard.

We appreciate donations of canned goods in small cans, rather than large, family-size cans, as many families walk home with their bags, and large cans are difficult to carry.

Lutheran Church of Reconciliation works the 3rd & 5th Monday of each month* from 12:30pm-3pm at Mother Hubbard's Cupboard, 315 Red Cross Street.

There is a box in Perry Hall for your food donations. Monetary donations should be made payable to MHC and mailed in care of Grace United Methodist Church, 401 Grace Street, Wilmington 28401.

We can always use paper bags with handles. They are easier for families receiving food to carry.



****We will not work at the Cupboard in January, as January 21st is the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday and the Cupboard is closed.***



LCOR



**The LCOR Lunch Bunch meets
on the 2nd Thursday of the month
at 12:00pm.**

The LCOR Lunch Bunch will meet
Thursday, January 10th at Applebee's,
5120 New Centre Drive.

For more information contact
Joyce Rahe at (910) 319-3119.

No reservation required!

Reconciliation Against Hunger - RAH!

Reconciliation Against Hunger (RAH!) is part of our ministry to our community. All items collected will be taken to Mother Hubbard's Cupboard. Our **RAH** items for **January** are canned black eyed peas, canned collards, spaghetti, white rice, cranberry sauce (whole or jellied), canned gravy, stuffing mixes, packaged mashed potatoes, canned yams and canned diced potatoes. We always can use razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes (adults and children sized) and toilet paper.

A list of suggested non-food items that MHC can use is attached to the collection bins in Perry Hall. **MHC requests canned goods be in small sizes, as the large family size are difficult for their clients to carry and too large for the homeless. Thank you!!**



Beer & Hymns – January 27th at 6:00pm, Waterman's Brewing Company, 1610 Pavilion Place (in the old Fibber's) near Wrightsville Beach.

JOY

The third Sunday in Advent is often called the Sunday of JOY. This year, on December 16, we did indeed share in an expression of Joy as the musicians and readers led the full congregation in the Christmas Music Worship event.

For me, it is a very personal experience of Joy when I have the privilege to share in the music and arts ministry here at LCOR. Thanks to the many people who share their time and talents to help create beautiful and meaningful worship each week.

I invite you to consider making one of your New Year's Resolutions to engage in the music and worship ministry for 2019. *You are always welcome.*

John Francis

Director of Worship Ministry





LCOR PRESCHOOL NEWS

Happy New Year!! I hope everyone had a wonderful and well rested holiday. I can't believe we are starting a new year already. It seems like yesterday we were welcoming all our friends back to school.

With the new year we are beginning our process for the 2019-2020 school year. In house registration for the 2019 - 2020 school year begins on Monday February 4. This is for all Church members as well as preschool families. Open (public) registration begins Feb.11 @ 9:00 am in the Narthex.

The LCOR Preschool Committee is looking for additional members. If you are interested, please contact the Preschool at 681-0422.

Thank you for all your continued support,
Joanne Saxon
Preschool Director



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

We plan once again to prepare a booklet of Lenten devotions written by you, the members of Reconciliation. The list of daily Bible readings during Lent are posted on the bulletin board. Volunteers are sought to choose one (or more) of the days and write a devotion based on that day's Bible passages. Once all the devotions are received, we will assemble them into a booklet and make them available to the entire congregation. The devotion and prayer for each day during Lent also will be emailed to the congregation as was done last year. The deadline for submission of the devotions will be Friday, March 1.

If you volunteer to participate in this, please review the scripture passages listed for your appointed day. You may choose to reflect on one of them, a combination of them, or on all of them. A common theme or message may emerge, or you may find one of them speaks to you more clearly than the others. Write a brief reflection/devotion (half a page typed) on what those passages mean to you, and also write a short prayer at the end of the devotion. Once you have completed your devotion, please submit it no later than **Friday, March 1**, preferably in electronic form. You may email your devotion to the church office or to Guy Beale at gbeale@ec.rr.com. If you cannot send it electronically, please bring your devotion to the church office so it can be included in the booklet. Please prayerfully consider writing a devotion for one of the days of Lent to help make this a special season as we approach Easter. This year, Ash Wednesday is March 6. Any questions about the devotions can be referred to Pastor Bill or to Guy Beale at 910-508-7808 or at the email address shown above. Thank you for your participation.