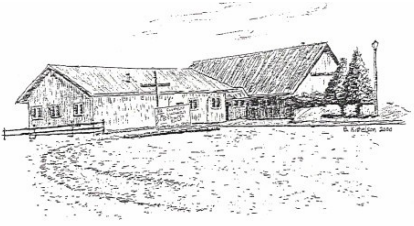


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Often enough, when we think about Jonah's story, we think about him being swallowed up to keep him from running away from Nineveh. We like Jonah, and we identify with Jonah. Though sometimes, we ought to remember the Ninevites. When Jonah got to the city of Nineveh he proclaimed the coming destruction of the town and the response was immediate. Everyone, from the King to the animals, wore sackcloth and sat in ashes to show their repentance. And God did not destroy Nineveh.

The ashes that the people wore were an outward sign of their inward repentance. And so it is with us, on Ash Wednesday, that we wear ashes on our foreheads as a sign of our repentance. For the season of Lent, we are called to turn back from the habits and systems that keep us from God, and we are called to turn ourselves towards the things that bring us closer to God. Often, this takes the shape of "giving something up", though I would also encourage you to replace bad habits with good ones.

This year, if you do choose to "give up something" for Lent, remember that it should be something that keeps you from God and God's community. And if you do give something up, replace it with something that draws you closer to God and God's community. Traditionally, the disciplines of Lent are Prayer, Fasting, and Giving of Alms, because in prayer and fasting you focus on God, and in sharing your belongings you become closer to your community.

I invite you to join in the disciplines of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday.

Pastor Joshua

**COVENANT LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
January 14, 2014**

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at

Devotions:

Devotions were led by

Roll Call:

Pastor Joshua, Jim Lockwood, Beth Morris, Shelley Sterling, Sarah Jesse, Nancy Lubeck, Terry Lubeck, Connie Thomas, CA Thomas, Reno Taylor, Jennifer Bruns, Marge Scholten.

Absent: Reed Elmquist, Dawn McKee, Rich Bohm, Lloyd Koerwitz, and Melissa Garcia

Additions to Agenda: Columbarium under old business and 2016 budget under new business.

Thrift Store:

	Receipts	Assistance	Ending Ck Bal	Ending Sav Bal
Thrift Store	\$8,203.39	\$688.49	\$1,951.94	\$7,035.62
Grandma's Attic	\$1,031.33	NA	\$8,003.22	NA

Correspondence: 2016 Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly

Reports:

Secretary: Beth made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Reno 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Financial Secretary: Nancy gave two reports for the months of November and December. Reno made a motion to accept the report and Connie 2nd. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Nancy made a motion to accept the report, CA 2nd it; motion passed.

President: No report.

Elders: Two people are needing to be replaced for council. The elders said this has been a good year. They all work together and blend well.

Trustees: Thank you Lee for plowing the parking lot.

Pastor: Report is posted on bulletin board.

Committee Reports:

Education: Sunday School is back in session after the break. The children went caroling and on a hayride with the Episcopal Church. Everyone had a good time and hoping to do it again next year.

Youth:

Stewardship: No report.

Worship: Connie and Arlene are working together in place of Mary for choir.

Women of ELCA: Reno reported that the Thank Offering amount was awesome. \$135 was collected and will go towards the ministries of the Women of the ELCA. She said our contribution will not go unnoticed.

Hospitality: No report.

Men of Covenant: At the last breakfast there were 6-7 in attendance. Shrove Tuesday is February 9th, 5:00 pm at the church. Easter is coming up at the end of March.

Outreach: They are looking a few to go visit others. Still making CD's.

Altar Guild: Gail Thompson joining the committee.

Landscape: No report.

Old Business: Connie reported on the columbarium. This is for the community not the church and we are reaching out to others in the community if interested and would like to go to the town council meeting March 14th. The next columbarium meeting will be Feb. 9th at 7 here at the church. All interested including the public are welcome to attend.

There was also a discussion about nominations for the 2016 Church Council. If anyone is interested in being on the council please see any of the member, Pastor Joshua, or Sarah as soon as possible. .

New Business: The budget was discussed for 2016. Connie made a motion to accept the budget and present it to the members at the Annual meeting on Sunday, January 24th.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next Council Meeting: February 11, 2016

Devotions for next Meeting:

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelley Sterling, Secretary

***Council will meet on Thursday, February 11th at 7:00 pm and will include both old and new council members. Please plan to attend!**



MISSION STATEMENT

We covenant ourselves to gather around Word and Sacrament for mutual support and strength in Christ, that by God's grace we:
Proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom
Nurture the community through Christian Education
Provide settings for Christian fellowship, and
Equip the membership to be Christ's servant people within God's world.

1 st	Raegan Ehde
3 rd	Suz Strom
6 th	Myron Mattern
9 th	Paige Bosch
10 th	Jack Hilderbrand
15 th	Melissa Garcia
16 th	Robert Catchpole
24 th	Eleni McKee
27 th	Joanne Harnish
28 th	Beth Morris

A **columbarium meeting** will be held at the church on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00 pm. Everyone (including community members who are not church members) are welcome to attend.

The Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly is scheduled for April 28th – 30th in Loveland, CO. Please speak to Pastor Joshua if you are interested in attending.

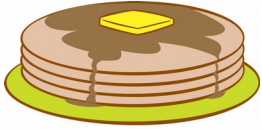


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Pastor Bruns—Mon - Thurs.: 9 am - 12 pm
Office: M - F: 9 am - 12: pm
Sunday Worship: 9:00 am Sunday
Sunday School: 10:00 am Sunday
Adult Bible Study: 4:00 pm Thursday
Adult Book Study: 10:30 am Sunday

LENT



**SHROVE
TUESDAY**

The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held at Covenant Lutheran Church on Tuesday, February 9, beginning at 5:00 pm. This is a free-will offering event.



We will have two Ash Wednesday services this year; one at 12:00 pm and one at 6:30 pm. We are in need of an elder, musician, ushers, and a reader for the 6:30 service. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Pastor Joshua.



The Lenten Soup & Services will be held on Wednesday evenings, February 17 and 24 and March 2, 9, and 16. We will begin with soup and fellowship at 5:30 followed by the service. A sign-up sheet for bringing soup is posted by the church mailboxes.



Maundy Thursday Service: March 24th 7:00 pm
Good Friday Service: March 25th 7:00 pm
Easter Vigil Service: March 26th 7:00 pm
Sunrise Service: March 27th 6:30 am
Easter Service: March 27th 9:00 am



FEBRUARY SERVERS

	ELDER		ASSISTANT		GREETERS
2-7	Reno Taylor	2-7	Woody Shore	2-7	Frank & Sarah Jesse
2-14	Joel McKee	2-14	Reno Taylor	2-14	Shelley Sterling
2-21	Jennifer Bruns	2-21	Joel McKee	2-21	Tatum Hudson
2-28	Woody Shore	2-28	Jennifer Bruns	2-28	Volunteers?
	ACOLYTE		READER		USHERS
2-7	Mekayla Garcia	2-7	Frank Jesse	2-7	Volunteers?
2-14	Raegan Ehde	2-14	Jennifer Bruns	2-14	Volunteers?
2-21	Peter Jesse	2-21	Sarah Miller	2-21	Slick Seidel
2-28	Eleni McKee	2-28	Slick Seidel	2-28	Sam Jesse & Slick Seidel
	MUSICIAN		ALTAR CARE		VISITATION
2-7	Nancy Schumann	2-7	Gail Mattern	2-7	Lloyd Koerwitz
2-14	Lisa Young	2-14	Marge Scholten	2-14	Stu Hammersmark
2-21	Gwen Seidel	2-21	Hollee Bosch	2-21	Rich Bohm
2-28	Gwen Seidel	2-28	Judy Windmeier	2-28	Rick Robbins
	FELLOWSHIP		SUNDAY SCHOOL		
2-7	Boschs	2-7	Group #1: Melissa Garcia Group #2: Beth Morris		
2-14	Volunteers?	2-14	Inter-generational Sunday School		
2-21	Seidels	2-21	Group #1: Beth Morris Group #2: Melissa Garcia		
2-28	Jesses	2-28	Group #1: Carolyn Walters Group #2: Sarah Jesse		



FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FR	SAT
	1 CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM	2 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	3 CHOIR PRACTICE 6:00 PM	4 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	5	6 MEN'S BREAKFAST AT TASTY TREATS 7:30 AM
7 SUNDAY SCHOOL TAIZE 7:00 PM	8 CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM	9 SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER 5:00 PM COLUMBARIUM MEETING 7:00 PM	10 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES 12:00 PM 6:30 PM CHOIR PRACTICE	11 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL 7:00 PM	12	13
14 INTER- GENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL TAIZE 7:00 PM	15 CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM	16 DIAPER DAY 9:00 AM WELCA B-DAY LUNCH @ 11:30 AM PRAISE BAND 5:30 PM WORSHIP COMMITTEE 6:30 PM	17 LENTEN SOUP & SERVICE 5:30 PM CHOIR PRACTICE	18 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	19	20
21 SUNDAY SCHOOL TAIZE 7:00 PM	22 CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM	23 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	24 LENTEN SOUP & SERVICE 5:30 PM CHOIR PRACTICE	25 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	26	27
28 SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSING HOME SERVICE 2:00 PM TAIZE 7:00 PM	29 CONFIRMATION 7:00 PM					

SHEPHERDING GROUPS

2016

Group I – April/September/February '17

Lockwood, James	241-0233
*Meier, Terry & Cheryl	322-3182
Bitterman, Del & Liz	262-3591
Elmquist, Reed	970-396- 9232
Garcia, Perry & Melissa	322-6066
Johnson, Ruth	331-3562
Lauck, Warren & Kathy	322-9562
Mattern, Myron & Gail	331-5969
Miller, Dave	331-4618
Morris, Shawn & Beth	640-0406
Prince, Jim & Lil	322-9474
Wilhelm, Bob & Susan	331-8485
Young, Lisa & Dave	717-940- 1722

Group II – May/October/March 2017

*Shore, Woody & Karen	322-3140
Bachmeier, Liz	322-4515
Bohm, Rich	322-9554
Hammersmark, Stu & Reva	322-5262
Hilderbrand, Jack & Verna	322-2362
Ingold, Floyd & Peggy	322-2467
Kahrs, Cindy	322-4239
Lauck, Wade & Laura	331-1639
Seim, Steve & Mary	331-4949
Snook, Linda	322-3562
Whipple, Sharon	322-4856
Windmeier, David & Amy	331-5766
Windmeier, Judy	322-3041

Group III – January/June/November

Taylor, Red & Reno	322-1707
*Stevenson, Dorothy	331-0140
Bremer, Ray & Helen	322-3345
Dingman, Richard & Nicole	322-3105
Harnish, Ben & Joanne	241-0300
Jeffords, Jon & Kim	331-4959
Koerwitz, Lloyd & Maxine	322-5141

Lauck, Bob & Lorretta	322-3059
Morrison, Lee & Tonya	331-8439
Preuit, Pat	331-1404
Robbins, Rick & Arlene	322-9250
Strom, Suz	331-5570
Wilhelm, Maryanne	322-2240

Group IV – February/July/December

Bruns, Joshua & Jennifer	322-2480
*Seidel, Slick & Gwen	322-9101
Bosch, Ron & Hollee	322-6030
Dingman, Don	322-4544
Ehde, Thad & Tifanie	331-3750
Evans, Dana & Justin	322-3714
Haeffelin, Deana & Tom	331-3797
Hudson, Tatum	303-518- 5598
Jenkins, Wade & Teresa	331-0730
Jesse, Frank & Sarah	331-3513
Kittelton, Rena	322-2537
Miller, Sarah	331-0661
Scholten, Bob & Marge	331-2724
Sterling, Shelley	331-1512

Group V – March/August/January '17

McKee, Joel & Dawn	331-0921
*McKee, Larry & Joan	322-4166
Anderson, Cindy	322-3432
Brown, Jeff & Shari	322-9304
Catchpole, Bob & Sharon	322-5226
Lubeck, Terry & Nancy	322-4173
Morris, Nadine	640-4942
Race, Don & Judy	331-2024
Schumann, Earl & Nancy	331-0863
Sluss, Kevin & Sue	322-3940
Thomas, CA & Connie	331-3269
Thompson, Gail	322-3610
Walters, Carolyn	331-9904