Education Committee Report:
The Education Committee is still working hard on securing plans for our Palm Sunday Festival (3/14/19). We have several stations that will be fun for people of all ages, including live animals! We look forward to seeing you there!
Submitted by Abbey

Fellowship is working on the meal for when the boys choir comes April 28th. We will now ask for the food to be donated and have signup sheets for help set up, serving and clean up.
Submitted by Terri

Update from Calie
- Successful Lock-in for 7-12 graders on March 22nd- 30 kids.
- No Andes trip-not enough kids signed up.
- Continue working on Palm Sunday Breakfast preparation.
  - 4/14/19- 10:30am-12pm
  - All congregation can help. Free will donation. Money goes to youth.
- Started to prepare for Confirmation Sunday with 10 confirmands and 7 Senior’s for Senior Sunday.
- Meeting with Youth Committee on 4/10/19 at 4:30pm. Next meeting scheduled after that is 5/8/19 at 5:30pm.
- Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8-4:30. Usually 2-4 Sunday’s a month. 218-739-3348 or email calie@flcff.org
Project Name: First Lutheran Education Wing Renovation

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Brief Description of Proposed Project or your childcare resource contribution:
First Lutheran Church in Fergus Falls is considering renovating the ground level of its education wing to include space for a child care provider or providers. The space would most likely be designed to meet the needs of a licensed residential child care provider and there is a potential to provide space for more than one provider following the “pod” model. At this point, such providers have not been identified and the proposal is in an exploratory stage with no church funds yet committed to such a project.

Expected Start Time of your project: To be determined

Estimated # of slots created: Up to 12 per provider

Estimated cost of your project: To be determined

Major barriers/components to consider as part of your overall project?
Challenge: Relocating functions within the church to accommodate space needed for child care
Opportunity: Strong and influential advocates within the congregation

Possible funding sources?
Fundraising appeal within the congregation
ALTAR GUILD MEETING APRIL 2, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Judy, Deb, Carol, Mary, Marjean, Pastor Gretchen. Absent: Susan, Cathy, Sandy.

OPENING PRAYER: Judy

TREASURER'S REPORT: $47.30 + $700.00 available.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. We had a discussion about the pottery that Lori from the Potter Daughter is making for us. Pastor Gretchen suggested we use them more often than the brass because it does eliminate extra volunteers for the distribution. We would then use the brass for special occasions such as Easter, Christmas etc. I will follow up with Lori as to expected date of completion. A text message was sent to Lori after the meeting and she expects to have the pottery completed on Monday, April 8th. She will call.

2. REMINDERS:
   - Make sure all cupboards/cabinets are locked.
   - Do not put wine in refrigerator.
   - Treat wine stains on linens as you see them.
   - Remove communion ware from chapel after service.
   - Remember the Sunday you are scheduled to set up communion.

3. Regarding altar flowers. Occasionally, there are times throughout the year where altar flowers are not sponsored and we are scrambling to have flowers adorn the altar. In a discussion with Pastor Gretchen, the idea of silk arrangements was brought up. She has no objection to the use of silk arrangements. I spoke with The Flower Mill regarding this and their suggestion was to make two arrangements using just greens and white flowers. They would be made to fit the liners that we have. They would only be used as a backup when no flowers are sponsored. We will table a final decision until our September meeting. I would like input from any members regarding the use of silk arrangements. Cost about $30.00/liner.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The pottery is given by Mark and Susan Hermes in memory of Barbara Hermes. We will ask them if it is okay to acknowledge the gift perhaps in the bulletin.

2. Practice for stripping the altar will be April 16th at 1 o'clock. Six members will be Dick and Deb Felstul, Mark and Susan Hermes, Judy Mouritsen and Sandy Pearson.

3. We had a detailed discussion regarding a third station for communion. Pros and cons were brought up which included the waste of both wine and grape juice, actual time saved, and members of the congregation stating they preferred to receive communion at the altar. It was suggested that the ushers take a count of members receiving communion in the Narthex and
suggested that the ushers take a count of members receiving communion in the Narthex and we will address it at our meeting in September. For the summer months, we will only have 2 stations beginning May 26th. The last day to set up communion in the chapel will be May 19th.

4. It was brought to our attention about the appearance of the altar in the chapel with unsightly candles and wax drippings on the linen. The soiled linen was brought to the dry cleaners and a clean linen was placed on the altar along with two new candles.

**PARAMENT CHANGES** - Judy and Deb

**Tuesday, April 16th** - Change from purple to white - with stripping altar practice at 1 pm

**Thursday, April 18th** - Strip altar - 7 PM Maundy Thursday Service

**Saturday, April 20th** - Gold - 10 am

**Tuesday, April 23rd** - Change from gold to white

**Tuesday, May 7th** - Change from white to red - (Confirmation Sunday) Funeral at 1 pm.

**Tuesday, May 14th** - Change from red to white

**Tuesday, June 4th** - Change from white to red (Pentecost)

**Tuesday, June 11th** - Change from red to white (Holy Trinity)

**Tuesday, June 18th** - Change from white to green

**COMMUNION SET UP:** If the date does not work for you, please find your replacement. Carol Thompson has volunteered to be called as a backup. Thank you Carol.

**Sunday, April 7th**  9:30 am  Cathy and Paul

**Sunday, April 14th**  9:30 am  Deb and Dick  PALM SUNDAY

**Thursday, April 18th**  7:00 pm  Ruth and Denny  MAUNDY THURSDAY CUPS/BREAD

KNEELING PAD — COMMUNION

**Sunday, April 21**  9:30 am  Cathy and Paul  EASTER SUNDAY

11.00 am  Marjean

**Sunday, April 28th**  9:30 am  Susan and Mark
Sunday, May 5th  9:30 am  Carol

Sunday, May 12th  9:30 am  Ruth and Denny  CONFIRMATION

No communion at 11  11.00 am

Sunday, May 19th  9:30 am  Judy  Last day of Sunday School

Sunday, May 26th  9:30 am  Sandy

Sunday, June 2nd  9:30 am  Carol

Sunday, June 9th  9:30 am  Corrine and Jim

Sunday, June 16th  9:30 am  Corrine and Jim

Sunday, June 23rd  9:30 am  Sandy/Jeanette

Sunday, June 30th  9:30 am  Susan

Sunday, July 7th  9:30 am  Cathy and Paul

Sunday, July 14th  9:30 am  Corrine and Jim

Sunday, July 21st  9:30 am  Corrine and Jim

Sunday, July 28th  9:30 a  Cathy and Paul

Sunday, August 4th  9:30 am  Deb and Dick

Sunday, August 11th  9:30 am  Jacqueline

Sunday, August 18th  9:30 am  Deb and Dick

Sunday, August 25th  9:30 am  Sandy/Jeanette

Sunday, September 1st  9:30 am  Jeanette

**BAPTISM:** Mary.

There are five baptisms coming up:
April 14 Palm Sunday  Cash Johansen — Parents Chase and Katie Johansen
April 21 Easter Sunday — Theodore Jaenisch — Parent — LeAnne Jaenisch