



The Shepherd's Voice

May, 2019

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA), 439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy., Hernando, FL

Pastor's Page

In the weeks after Easter, what do we do? The flowers have faded. The seasonal members have returned to their homes. The excitement and music of Easter have become a memory. Well, I have a very easy answer. We continue the mission and be the people of God!

In worship for the next month we will be surrounded by the stories of Jesus' resurrection appearances, or words that Jesus spoke before his arrest, that are to be understood in a new way because of the resurrection. Also, we will be remembering the saints in the month of May whose lives were changed because of Jesus, the crucified and risen Lord. Some of them were faithful to the end in spite of criticism, hardship, and opposition.

Here are several examples we might use in our own lives. May 1 is set aside to remember the apostles, James and Philip. Philip was the first of Jesus' disciples and he invited his brother, Nathaniel, to "Come and see" and thus began evangelism in the church. The apostle, Philip, spent his life preaching what he had seen and heard. We are told that Philip met an Ethiopian eunuch, an official in the court of Candace, queen of Ethiopia, on a deserted road between Jerusalem and Gaza. The eunuch was baptized when Philip explained to him that the "Sheep who was led to the slaughter" in Isaiah 53 was Jesus of Nazareth, the son of God.



On May 2 we remember Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria. Athanasius was bishop of Alexandria at a time when it was dangerous to be bishop. He began his work in the church as the secretary to the then Bishop of Alexandria at the Council of Nicaea - as in the Nicene Creed. Later, he became Bishop of Alexandria himself. Athanasius was known for his defense of the full divinity of Christ against other contrary teachings supported by high ranking theologians and government officials including the emperor and the imperial family. Because of his support of what later is known as orthodoxy, he was banished from Alexandria 5 times. Eventually he was elected Bishop in his own rite. He is credited with one of the three great ecumenical creeds of the Church known as the Athanasian Creed. At a time when the New Testament was taking form, Athanasius, while he was Bishop, sent letters to the surrounding bishops suggesting which books to include in the New Testament. His list contained the 27 New Testament books which we use to this day.

On May 4 we remember Monica. You may not know the name Monica as she is not nearly as famous as her famous son, Augustine, known to history as St. Augustine (hence the city named St. Augustine). Augustine's faith, contributions and dedication to the mission of the Church were heavily influenced by Monica. Monica had married a pagan from a very pagan family. Her husband was ill-tempered and very unfaithful. But, talking about being the people of God, Monica led her husband and his mother to Jesus and they were baptized. Monica's son, Augustine, started out life very much like his father, but through the influence of his mother, he became a Christian, and a very dedicated and a very influential Christian at that. He became a bishop of the

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church. His faith and his theology have influenced centuries of Christian thought and teaching. In fact, Martin Luther was an Augustinian monk, and as such, was heavily influenced by St. Augustine.

I am sorry. El Cinco de Mayo does not make the ecumenical calendar. I could go on with stories of Julian of Norwich, or Nicolas Ludwig von Zinzendorf, but the point is after Easter the mission doesn't end, it only begins. The question is, what is your mission?

Pastor Dennis



The following are highlights from the April Council meeting:

- **Special Congregational Meeting** will be held **MAY 26th** in between church services to discuss and vote on spending funds for renovation/repair project.
- MAY 19th – Both services will hear from a representative of the Gideon Society who will explain their mission.
- New Chimes will be purchased for the Bell Choir.
- Council voted to approve naming an “emergency treasurer” in the event our treasurer is unable to perform duties. This person shall be vice president of council. Bill Mehnert, present VP, was appointed.
- Finance Committee reports that we are in compliance with ELCA “Best Practices.”

Next Council meeting is May 9, 2019 at 7p.m.



Please mark your calendars for **May 26th** (the Memorial Day weekend) as we will be holding a **Special Congregational Meeting** between the two services. This will be a short meeting with a single agenda item – to approve obtaining a line of credit in order to do some major structural repairs and much needed improvements.

The Property, Fellowship, and Worship and Music Committees have numerous projects in mind that have been approved by the Council. The Finance Committee has reviewed these requests and has come up with a plan in which all can be accomplished.

I am asking for your prayers to guide us as we go forth in our quest to further enhance and improve our church home.

Dan Cashman, Council President



Worship and Music



The Worship & Music Committee met on Tuesday, April 2nd. Several items were discussed:

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- The ushers are now wearing “usher” badges.
- Youth Sundays have been warmly received. The youth leaders would like to get more youth involved. Renate Williams and Sue Fowler will work together in getting the word out to the parents on what the children will be doing 5th Sundays and at which service they will be participating.
- I would like to personally thank EVERYONE who was in any way involved in making everything run smoothly during the Easter season.....there are so many to thank (*from church staff, choirs, kitchen help and oh so many more*). YOU all made for a very successful Easter season!!!

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 7th, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

Roger Johnson, Chairman



W/ELCA NEWS

On March 23, 50 women from the ELCA churches in the Pinelands Conference met at Good Shepherd for our annual Spring Gathering. Six of the women were recognized as first-time attendees. Pr. Joanie Holden from St. Timothy in Crystal River led the Bible study based on our theme verse, Romans 15:7: *Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.* She gave us a printout of the verse from multiple versions and translations to deepen our understanding.

Sister Michelle Collins, Director of Discipleship and Communications in the Synod office, brought greetings from Bishop Suarez. Sister Michelle personalized the concept of welcome by sharing personal anecdotes that showed us that welcome isn't just a cup of coffee at fellowship, but an ongoing acceptance and accompaniment.

Mae Haines, representing the Synodical Women Organization, brought greetings from President Tracy Moffatt. She then invited everyone to “Come to the Table” at the Fall Gathering, November 9-11, 2019.

An election was held to elect the new officers for the Pinelands Conference. In addition to the reelection of Sallie Haley as president and Leone Goding as secretary-treasurer, our own Shelly Fortin was elected vice-president. Congratulations to Shelly! Mae Haines installed the new officers.

After lunch, Pastor Lynn Bechdolt led the worship and communion service.

Thank you to everyone at Good Shepherd for hosting this beautiful day of fellowship and worship.

Come to the party to share memories of your school days. The “Graduation Party” will be held on Saturday, May 4, at 1:00 pm. Can you remember what life was like in your school days? Bring pictures and mementoes of your families, friends, pets, activities, or anything else you've dragged around for 40, 50, or 60 years. Bring a food to share: dessert, appetizer, or snack that you would have eaten during your school days. Don't miss out on this special chance to get to know your sisters at Good Shepherd better. We can create new bonds of understanding and caring. Sign up in the narthex by April 28.

Rachel's Day will be observed on May 5, 2019. Traditionally, churches of the ELCA observe Rachel's Day on the first Sunday in May. The day takes its name from Jeremiah 31:15-17, in which the matriarch Rachel mourns the loss of her children. A designated offering will be taken on that day to be given to The Path. The Path is a gospel rescue mission providing food and shelter to help men and women overcome addiction, strengthen family relationships, develop a productive work ethic, and rebuild their lives.

The May board meeting will be May 6 at 9:30 am.



“Your children will become what you are, so be what you want them to be.”

—David Bly

Fellowship

The last of the soup suppers were held and those who came enjoyed the delicious soups and the opportunity to be with church family prior to the Lenten service. Thank you again to all who brought soup, helped set up and clean up.

Housekeeping reminders. We are having a problem once again with food items being placed in the refrigerator and freezer without identifying the date and for what they will be used for, i.e. coffee hour, WELCA, Bible study, etc. or to whom it belongs. **All items should have a date, function or person's name.** If a function is held that has food served, leftovers should not be put in the refrigerator unless it is marked for coffee hours or you have checked with someone in the Fellowship Committee.

Birthdays... We have heard many positive comments about the monthly birthdays. It was suggested that we reserve a table(s) for those celebrating so they can celebrate together. Just look for the reserve sign. Plus, those with birthdays get to go first!!

The next Fellowship Meeting will be May 13, 2019, at 1:30 PM. We will be cleaning the tables in the Fellowship Hall, and if time permits, some cleaning in the kitchen. Feel free to join us.

Betty Sanger
Fellowship Chair



Social Ministry

Pregnancy and Life Care Center

The Pregnancy and Family Life Center supports client families, mothers and young women in our community. Medical services, health screenings for mothers without insurance, counseling, clothing, food and supplies for babies, toddlers and young children are provided.

All throughout the month of June, the members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will have an opportunity to support this very worthy organization, which is located in our community. We will have a box available in the fellowship hall where diapers, bottles of bottle wash and wipes can be donated.

Please call Vera K. Swade at (352) 4786-9072 or by email at vswade5016@aol.com if you have questions. This is a service that benefits many families and helps our community to prosper.



Evangelism

When the Evangelism Committee restarted, Pastor Felice introduced the CATCH Program. The number one finding was Good Shepherd should become so friendly that people will flock (sic) to join us. Thus we are starting a NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR (NTN) program.

When I worked up a map showing where every member of the congregation lived, I saw we naturally clump in subdivisions and neighborhoods. I was SO surprised to see how many members that I didn't realize lived in my subdivision. I bet you will be surprised at how many members live near you too.

The NTN program is going to take advantage of this by letting everyone know which members live near them. We would hope that people will get in touch with their GSLC neighbors. I suggest giving them a call (but I know most people no longer answer calls from numbers they don't recognize). Better to try to reach them at church by asking around to find them and introduce yourself. Or take a walk and ring their bell.

In fall, we may schedule some potlucks to reach out a bit farther into the neighborhoods and maybe even have you invite some non-GSLC people who would see how friendly we are and want to join us.

We need to keep this congregation growing. Maybe this can help. I hope you'll give it a try. We

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welcome anyone who wants to join our committee. Of if anyone has any suggestions, call Pat Wolff at 560-7386.



Update from the Winter Music Series 2018-2019

Greetings, members of Good Shepherd! We have something to celebrate! The Winter Music Series has completed its Fourth Year. In January 2015, we completed the “Looking Forward” Visioning Process. Members of our Congregation wanted to start the Winter Music Series as a “project reaching out to our community”. During the four years we have held four or five concerts each year, bringing in award-winning musicians and performers and entertaining (conservatively) 2,000 guests. The Winter Music Series is very proud to let you know we are definitely a real part of our church calendar.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the concerts this year:

- The Dunnellon Concert Singers: “Songs of the Big Band Era”
- Good Shepherd Children’s Christmas Program
- Good Shepherd Chancel Choir Christmas Offering
- The Churchmen: Gospel Bluegrass Band
- Larry Stephenson Band: Bluegrass
- Johnny Carlsson & the Florida Dixie Kings: “A Swingin’ Mardi Gras”
- Castlebay: Music from Maine and the Celtic Lands

Thank you to our Sponsors this year:

- Tom and Barb Laing
- One anonymous donor in our congregation
- The Citrus County Chronicle
- HDG Hotel Developers, owners of the Quality Inn Conference Center across the street from GSLC and

- The Holiday Inn Express on Highway 44.

In the process of developing the Winter Music Series, we discovered: **We have a team!**

Thank you to everyone who worked with us in the parking lots helping people.

Thank you to all of the greeters inside and outside the doors who welcomed our guests.

Thank you to everyone who worked in the kitchen providing treats and drinks for the guests.

Thank you to the sound booth operators who have always been available.

Thank you to the property committee, especially for all the sign changes, plus everything you do.

Thank you to Pastor, Shirley, Kathy and the Church Council for your support and encouragement.

And a special **Thank you** to everyone who attended and for your generous donations!

Speaking of donations, we are seeking financial donations to the Winter Music Series. Our donations help us to maintain a “break-even” budget.

Additionally, we are assembling the 2019-2020 Winter Music Series. If you have any suggestions, please contact a member of the committee very soon! We have already started conversations and bookings.

Thank you for everything you do and for making this possible!

The Winter Music Series Committee:

Angela Busler

Sandy Jernberg

Gerri Fallanca

Cindy Gaertner

Pastor Dave Bradford



*“If at first you don’t succeed,
do it like your mother told
you.”*

—Author unknown

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Words cannot adequately express my appreciation for all who took time to participate in many ways during our Lenten journey leading up to Easter Sunday. From those who attended the services, to those who worked and the altar guild, to the choirs, to the greeters, ushers and assistants, to those who made soup, helped in the kitchen, or attended the fish fry, and so much more, thank you from the bottom of my heart for your support as we journeyed to the cross together. And, join me in thanking Shirley, Roger, and Renate for their extra work in making our worship experiences so meaningful.

Pastor Dennis



Pinelands Conference Spring Gathering

Vitality: Envisioning Fully Engaged & Effective Congregations

Presented by:

Pastor Rob Carlson – DEM &
Assistant to our Bishop

May 4, 2019

9:00am – Refreshments/Fellowship

9:30am – Business Meeting

10:00am to Noon – Program

Hope Lutheran Church – Citrus Springs
9425 N. Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs

For directions to Hope Lutheran visit their website

www.hopeelca.com

For More Information Contact:

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Pineland Conference Chair
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Pastor Terrance Jacob
Pinelands Conference Dean
pastor@ulcgainesville.com

Thrivent Choice Dollars

The following Thrivent Financial for Lutherans members have directed this month's Choice Dollars be given to Good Shepherd:

Rev. Dennis W. Koch
Linda C. Koch
Arthur C. Kraft
Shirley Patterson

Thank you for your gift.



Thrivent News

Thrivent Financial **Faith Day with the Rays** will be Saturday, June 15, at 1:10PM. This year's game will have the Tampa Bay Rays taking on the Los Angeles Angels. The Rays players will speak about their faith after the game. Excellent seats have been reserved in the Baseline Box section, and each ticket includes a Rays hat of your choice. Group tickets cost \$33.00 (up to a \$60.00 value).

A portion of the ticket proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity of Hillsborough County. Thrivent is partnering with Habitat Hillsborough and local churches on a faith build project this year to build a new home for a deserving family.

Tickets need to be ordered as part of a group to be seated together. Sign up in the Narthex before June 2. Be sure to indicate the number of people in your group.





POAMN
Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network
2019 REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Engaging Aging in Today's World

May 22, 2019
Sponsored by POAMN
In Collaboration with ALOA
At St. Leo Abbey
33601 State Road 52
St. Leo, Florida 33574



Can you spare an hour?

Each Sunday dedicated members of Good Shepherd volunteer to deliver altar flowers to the homes of members who are not able to be in worship; sometimes they may have to take them to one of the area hospitals or to a rehabilitation facility, if they are recuperating there.

We are in need of helpers for the months of July and December. If you would like to be a blessing to those who are unable to attend, won't you consider signing up for one of the vacant months? Just look for the clipboard in the rack in the Narthex.

If you have any questions, contact Ann Possinger at 637-0653.

Thank you!



Intense love does not measure, it just gives.
—Mother Teresa

ROUND ROBIN – DO OVER

Well, that didn't work too well, so we're changing it. The purpose is still the same – to get to know other members of our church family better by meeting outside of church once a month for three or more months.

However, based on comments, we've revised the whole program. The major change is that now only six people will be in a group. Some people can't seat eight if they meet in people's homes. And it's easier to get a table for six if the group decides to eat out. And maybe most important, everyone is in the conversation, instead of two conversations going on at a larger table.

So . . . there is now a single sheet to sign up on. When enough people for a group have signed up, we will call you to arrange to meet at coffee hour to decide what you want to do each month. The groups will be formed by only two factors: 1) Whether you are from first or second service. (The idea is to get to know the people YOU SEE better.) 2) Whether you want to meet at lunchtime or dinnertime.

If you signed the sheets the first time, please re-sign the new sheet. Maybe the program will work better this time. Our name is at the top, so we only need four more people to get this program started. Hopefully we won't need another revision.

Pat Wolff



Church Shirts Fundraiser

Good Shepherd shirts will be available soon!

Make plans:

- Shirts for you
- Shirts for gifts

Sizes S – XL – Color choices



THANK YOU!

Art & Sandy Jernberg



for repairing and painting the Good Shepherd sign at the entrance to the courtyard.

The Property Team



LETTERS OF THANKS



I want to thank all of my sisters and brothers of Good Shepherd Church for their prayers and get well cards and phone calls after my fall and surgery. Your love was felt in my heart.

God Bless each of you.

In Christ's Love,
Gerry Kauth

To my Good Shepherd family,

Thank your from the bottom of my heart for the outpouring of love shown to me and my family following Ed's death. Your prayers, cards, phone calls and hugs have sustained me and given me strength to face each new day.

A memorial service for Ed will be held at a later date to allow for our out of state family members to be able to attend. Do keep us in your prayers and we will make sure information is made available as soon as we have finalized our plans.

In Christ's love,
Janet Burfeindt and Family

To our Good Shepherd family,

Linda and I would like to thank the congregation for its expressions of sympathy upon the passing of Linda's mother in Pittsburg on April 8. Our hope is the promise of the resurrection and we are thankful for the kind support, words and prayers offered.

Pastor Dennis & Linda Koch



"Needs"

If our needs for food are met in life, then we should be willing to help people of Citrus County who are in need. As always I ask for the help of volunteers to pick up bread from Publix on Saturday nights or deliver it on Monday mornings to the Resource Center or CUB who then distribute it to fill those needs. Take the time to consider one hour a week to help others. Also, consider volunteering as a greeter on Sunday mornings at 8:30 or 11 to welcome people with a smile, hug, or handshake. Sign up on clipboards located on the wall outside of the office or call me at 352-637-2663.

Yours in Christ,
Gerri Fallanca



Memorial and Special Gifts

The following memorial and special gifts were given during the month of April:

- To the Enduring Gifts Fund by Frank & Elfrieda Romanelli in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the General Fund by Gladys Kean in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the General Fund by an anonymous donor in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.

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- To the General Fund by Betty Sanger in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Eric Hahn in memory of **Jack Motts**.
- To the General Fund by Lisbeth Goetter in memory of **Jack Motts**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Barbara Robertson and family in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Nancy Cavanaugh, Patricia Reighley and all the Reighley family in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Mr. & Mrs. Roger Stillman in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Sheryl Wagner Bennett in memory of **Richard Wagner**.
- To the Memorial Fund by June Dreger-Parsons in memory of **Arlyn Hedin** and **Jack Motts**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Margot Berger in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.
- To the General Fund by Margaret Roach in memory of **Ed Burfeindt**.



Memorial Day

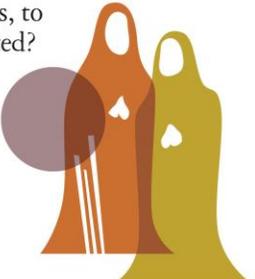
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Bible Quiz

In Matthew's genealogy of Jesus, to what two women is Boaz connected?

- A. Rahab and Ruth
- B. Tamar and Rahab
- C. Ruth and Bathsheba
- D. Bathsheba and Mary



Answer: (See Matthew 1:5)

**Publix
Saturday Night
Pick-Up**

Dan & Linda Cashman

**Food Share
Monday Delivery**

Dave & Peg Bocker



VBS Helpers

It is that time of year again where I am looking for volunteers to help our Vacation Bible School to be a success. We are once again joining Hope Lutheran for this wonderful endeavor. From June 10th through June 14th, we will be celebrating FROG...Fully Rely On God. We need volunteers to help with crafts, games, puppet shows, decorating, snacks, prepping, music, and just having fun being with the kids. Please consider coming out between 9am and 12 pm, June 10th through 14th. I promise you will be rewarded beyond your imagination! Please contact me if you are interested.

Sue Fowler



Hilltoppers

The Hilltoppers enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of good food, good friends and good fellowship at Grumbles House restaurant in Dunnellon last month.

Our next outing will be Friday, May 17. See the Sunday bulletin for the next location.

If you would like to join us, we will carpool from

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Hilltoppers continued...

the church at 12:30pm. Don't forget to call Louise Olson at 344-4479 with your reservation.



The Quilting Group

On March 20th we had eleven quilters and made eleven quilts. Peggy Huber and Nancy Johnson brought in sheets and Anita DeClue and Winnie Biddleman brought in finished tops and some bottoms to match.

Judy Teague and Peggy Huber finished fourteen baby quilts to give to the Citrus County World's Greatest Baby Shower and the OB department at CMH.

On April 14th we had sixteen quilters and made seven quilts. We also had to cut batting and pack up quilts to be taken to the hospital and to Citrus County World's Greatest Baby Shower.

Linda, Colleen, Anita and Esther Page-Wood brought in a total of eighteen tops. Judy Teague, Wendy Wolbur, and Peg Huber brought in eighteen completed baby quilts and Peg brought in seven crocheted baby afghans.

We delivered ninety-eight to CMH OB department and Citrus County World's Greatest Baby Shower.

In May we will be meeting on the 1st and 15th. Please come and join us and bring your lunch; dessert and coffee are provided.

We were all so happy to have Gerry back with us on the 17th. She is continuing with therapy and making good progress!

Questions call Judy 344-4944.



"If you have a mom, there is nowhere you are likely to go where a prayer has not already been."
—Robert Brault

Craft 'N Share

Come join us on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or as your time allows. Bring your lunch; beverages and dessert will be provided

In March four of us met and 8 more bears were stitched plus Sandra brought in 17 finished bears and 25 were delivered by Cindy to CMH. She reported the hospital would like a stuffed cat for "cat scans." We will work on that soon.

At the April 24 meeting we finished up a craft item for our shut-ins and for those in hospital around this Easter time. We also cut more blue ribbons for Rachel's Day on May 5. We had 148 done and needed at least 250. Each person attending church on May 5 will receive a blue ribbon as they enter the church as a reminder of a child in crisis. This year donations will go to PATH.

We also cut and sewed adult clothing protectors which are provided to members who need one or for those in nursing homes.

In May we hope to start on a simple cat for the young patients who undergo a cat scan. It will be an easy cutting job. Bring good fabric scissors if you have them. We also have some ideas for using previously donated ties.

We are running low on prayer shawls; we do have patterns to knit or crochet them for anyone who would like to help. Thank you to all our home crafters. They make lap robes, prayer shawls, baby blankets and knit or crochet baby hats for CMH. We also have patterns for baby items and easy instructions for flannel blankets

Thanks to the many donations of pillowcases, we now have several assembled as kits ready to sew. We also have patterns for home sewers of pillowcase dresses.

Please note if you need a lap robe to deliver to someone who is ill, in rehab, hospital or grieving do pick one up. The bins for SHAWLS and LAP ROBES are in the left side of the right hand closet in the rear of fellowship hall, making it easier for you to access them. Please sign the clip board with the

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name of the individual to whom you are delivering or gifting the item.

JOIN US WEDNESDAY, May 22, from 10 to 2 for a chat while we work.

Questions?? Call Maggie at 860-2215.



Sunday, May 12, 2019



Special dates

- National Day of Prayer, *May 2, 2019*
- Mother's Day, *May 12, 2019*
- Armed Forces Day, *May 18, 2019*
- Victoria Day (Canada), *May 20, 2019*
- Memorial Day, *May 27, 2019*
- Ascension, *May 30, 2019*



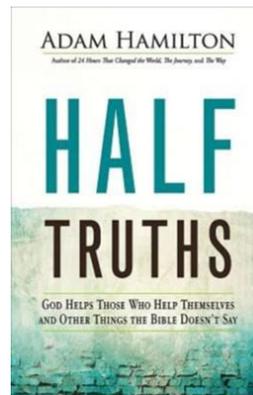
Adult Education

BIBLE/BOOK STUDY

When: Mondays (April 29 – May 27)

Time: 11:00AM

Led by: Pastor Koch and
Pastor Barrett



The book is about those simple phrases, they sound Christian – like something you might find in the Bible – but are they really found in the Bible? We've all heard these words. Maybe we've said them. They capture some element of truth, yet they miss the point in important ways.

NO sign up required. Just show up and join the conversation.



Ascension Day

Forty days after each Easter, many Christians around the world celebrate the Ascension. It's the day when the resurrected Jesus was raised up from the earth into heaven. The Ascension is the prelude to Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon a gathering of people, including the apostles, in Jerusalem.

The Ascension is more important than many Christians realize. In his human body, Christ could be in only one place at a time. The risen Christ, however, can be spiritually present in any place at any time.



May 30, 2019



MAY 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  | | | 1 8:00A-SOS 10:00A – Quilters 6:30 P - Choir | 2 8:30A – SOS  9:30A – Executive Council 12:00P – Pizza | 3 8:00A – Workday on Grounds  | 4 1:00P – W/ELCA Board |
| 5 Rachel's Day 9:45A – Christian Ed 9:45A – Bible Study May Birthdays  | 6 11:00A – Adult Ed Class | 7 8:00A – Breakfast 10:00A – Worship & Music 11:30A – AA 6:00P – Bells 7:00P – Scouts | 8 8:00A-SOS 1:00P – Ruth Naomi 6:30P –Choir | 9 8:30A – SOS  7:00P - Council | 10 8:00A – Workday on Grounds  | 11 |
| 12 8:30A & 11:00A Evangelism Talk 9:45A – Bible Study W/ELCA Coffee, Tea & Cocoa Sale Mother's Day | 13 9:30A – Mary Martha 11:00A – Adult Ed Class 1:30P – Fellowship | 14 8:00A-Breakfast 11:00A - Evangelism 11:30A – AA 6:00P - Bells 7:00P – Scouts | 15 8:00A-SOS 10:00A- Quilters 11:00A – Christian Ed 6:30P - Choir | 16 8:30A- SOS  1:00P - Priscilla | 17 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 1:00P – Hilltoppers | 18 |
| 19 8:30A & 11:00A Gideon's Speaker 3:00P – Piano Recital  | 20 11:00A – Adult Ed Class 1:30P – Social Ministry 7:00P - Cards | 21 8:00A-Breakfast 11:30A – AA 6:00P – Bells 7:00P - Scouts | 22 8:00A-SOS 10:00A – Craft 'N Share 6:30P –Choir | 23 8:30A- SOS  | 24 8:00A – Workday on Grounds  | 25 |
| 26 9:45A-10:45A Special Congregational Meeting 2:30P – Life Care Center | 27 Memorial Day  | 28 8:00A-Breakfast 11:30A – AA 6:00P – Bells | 29 8:00A-SOS 6:30P –Choir | 30 8:30A- SOS  Ascension Day | 31 8:00A – Workday on Grounds  | |

Sunday worship is at 8:30am & 11:00am unless otherwise noted.

Each service is followed by coffee hour in the fellowship hall.

MAY ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



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| Roger & Carol Lee Johnson | 05/01/65 |
| Jeremy & Esther Page-Wood | 05/02/70 |
| John & Linda Lepore | 05/09/70 |
| Ralph & Eloise Mongardi | 05/09/70 |
| Rick & Ann Serafin | 05/14/83 |
| Greg & Sandra Kampschroer | 05/16/87 |
| Pat & Susie Bentley | 05/20/06 |
| Bob & Ann Neville | 05/23/75 |
| David & Gail Sotrines | 05/23/98 |
| Russ & Janet Haight | 05/25/75 |
| David & Linda Flynn | 05/29/71 |
| Owen & Debbie McLaughlin | 05/30/87 |



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| 1– Steve Schenk | 16 – Frank Bienwald | 27 – David Flynn Bob Neville Bob Norman |
| 5 – Bill Graham | 22 – Hans Kott | |
| 8 – Catherine Richardson | 23 – Wilma Moll | 28 – Mary Krol |
| 9 – Ivalee Lawrence | 24- Ann Possinger | 30 – Karen Benefiel |
| 11 – Nancy Gomes | 26 – Gerri Fallanca | 31 – Todd Gaertner |
| 15 – Dawn Clark Rosie Davis | | |

MONTHLY COMMITTEE DUTIES

MAY 5, 12, 19, 26

ALTAR & COMMUNION

Debbie McLaughlin
Joann Frost
Faye Lowe

FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

Randy & Carole Wagner

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sue Fowler
Melissa Gifford
Liz Busler – Aide
Samuel Heinz – Aide
Rebecca Donahue – Aide
Sunday School Wrap Up is May 5, 2019

MONEY COUNTERS

Diane Spengler, Lead
Len Martin
Kay Martin

GREETERS

| | 8:30AM | & | 11:00AM | |
|----------|--------|---|-------------|--|
| May 5 – | TBD | | Norma Engle | |
| May 12 - | TBD | | TBD | |
| May 19 - | TBD | | Norma Engle | |
| May 26 - | TBD | | Gerry Kauth | |

ASSISTING MINISTER

| 8:30AM | | 11:00AM |
|---------------|--------|-------------------|
| | May 5 | |
| Walt Seefeld | | Vera Swade |
| | May 12 | |
| Margot Berger | | Lisbeth Goetter |
| | May 19 | |
| Bob Bonomo | | Kathy Hildebrandt |
| | May 26 | |
| Ann Neville | | Sharon Maxwell |

CRUCIFER

| 8:30AM | | 11:00AM |
|---------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Art Kraft | | Sharon Maxwell Sub for 5/26 - TBD |

USHERS

| 8:30AM | | 11:00AM |
|-------------------|--|---------------------|
| Dan Cashman, Lead | | Ken Swade, Lead |
| Dan Roth | | Vera Swade |
| Jenna Roth | | Jack Wolff |
| Macy Roth | | Doris Harp |
| | | (Sub for 5/5 - TBD) |

NURSERY

| 8:30AM | | 11:00AM |
|---------------|--|----------------|
| Susan Fowler | | |



KEEP THEM
IN YOUR PRAYERS



*(Please let the church office know if a name has been removed
that should remain on this list, or if a name should be added.)*

Let us remember:

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Benefiel, Larry | Hartsfield, Sylvia | Neville, Bob |
| Blass, Yvonne | Hester, Marty | Nelson, John |
| Britt-Busler, Elizabeth | Hoell, Lucille | Orndorff, Wayne |
| Brockschmidt, Fred | Johnson, Barb | Page-Wood, Jeremy & Esther |
| Burfeindt, Janet | Johnson, Brad | Pawelko, Diane |
| Deck, Lenore | Kauth, Gerry | Pease, Donna |
| Dreger-Parsons, June | Lackner, Barbara | Peterson, Gloria |
| Durr, John | Maidhof, Helen & Walter | Richardson, Janet |
| Fosse, Barbara | Mehnert, Bill & family | Wagner, Mary |
| Garvin, Colleen | Moll, Bob & Wilma | Williams, Sauny & Nate |
| Gingrich, Ed & Lillian | Motts, Louann | |
| Hahn, Eric | | |

Those who are shut-in or residing in assisted living homes:

| | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Creager, Ray & Carolyn | Madelyn Hickey | Makuch, Elsie |
| Gramolini, Katherine | Lowe, Frances | Mandell, Sheila |
| Halstead, Deborah | Maksymicz, Mike & Shirley | McGauran, Marion |
| Hehn, Margaret | Maidhof, Walter & Helen | Moll, Bob & Wilma |

All who serve our country in the military:

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Burba, Jake | Jackson, Brad | Radloff, Steven |
| Ceballos, Jason | Johnston-Garcia, Christian | Radosevitch, Eric |
| Cwicklinski, C.J. | Luchay, Alan | Seefeld, Jessica |
| Day, Kenneth | Martin, Aaron | Springer, Jr., Dennis |
| Fosse, Jr., Paul | McCann, Jim | Stroble, Jeramy |
| Gaertner, Jerrod | Moore, John | Swain, Jr., Terry |
| Harrington, Bryan | Muchow, Jason | Thomas, Peter Chris |
| Heikkinen, Jacob | Osborn-Herdman, Christopher | Thompson, David |
| Hickman, Richard | Piott, Trenton | Timpe, Chris |
| Holman, Evan | Posa, Codymichael | Walton, Leslie |

Relatives and Friends:

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ailor, Earle | Goodloe, Ernestine | Oehl, Lita |
| Balastieri, Casey | Graves, Janice & Declan | Orr, Gail |
| Beck, Bryan | Green, William | Pastor Joanie |
| Bell, Ian | Hatcher, Anita | Pelnar, Barb |
| Blyth, Ruby | Hohl, Wayne | Peterson, Chris |
| Bonomo, Brendan & Alyssa | Hunt, Jim | Powell, Bill |
| Boucher, Phyllis | Kamm, Mike & Nancy | Priselac, Lorrie |
| Brockschmidt, Donna | Kelly, Nancy | Pulice, Sal |
| Brugger, Tristan | Koch, Shirley | Rajotte, Keith |
| Burkhardt, Faith | Kraft, Burt | Rambaldini, Jim |
| Campano, Thomas | Kraft, Carter | Romond, Ed |
| Cato, Cecelia | Lavaja, Jim | Schapers, Brant |
| Cipollone, Elaine | Lepley, Joann | Scheetz, Cathy & family |
| Clarke, Father Peter | Lewellen, Emily Anne | Scheltens, Lynn |
| Clarke, Charlotte | Lewis, Keith | Small, Brenda & Steven |
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| Crawford, Cleola | Loftin, Tracy | Taylor, Barbara |
| Crocker, Adler & Erin | Loger, Dennis | Thompson, Lori |
| De Gina, Frances | Longworth, Kathy | Thurmon, Mary & Chris |
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| DuBose, Theresa | Maidhof, Jeremiah | Van Bennekom, Neyda |
| Fratto, Joseph | Mainster, Roger & Arlene | Van Wyk family |
| Fowler family | McHugh, Mark | Wilder, Gayle |
| Gaertner, Kent | McPhee, John | Williams, Dorothy |
| Garling, John | Mehnert, Edward | Wittmann family |
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| Gibson, Jeanné | Meslow, Sandra | Wolf, Nick |
| Glymph, Diane | Mock, Beth & Nelson | Woolley, Carol & family |
| Goetter, Tom, Whitney | Molina, Michael | Wright, Matthew |
| Goforth, Jeffrey | O'Berry, Darlene | Wyzard, Joe & Dana |

Please take this prayer list, and use it in your private or family devotions in the coming month. You can see that our congregation has a great many people who are in need of our prayers. We will continue to pray for those folks for as long as they need our prayers. However, please call the church office by the third Sunday of the month to ask that your loved one or friend remain on the prayer list – otherwise we will joyfully assume that they are well once more, and with thanks to God, remove their names from this list. May, 2019



HEART-SHAPED breakfast



Treat Mom with this yummy, beautiful yogurt parfait.



What you need:

- Large heart-shaped cookie cutter
- Greek yogurt (any flavor)
- Toppings (mini chocolate chips, granola, shredded coconut, chia seeds, oats, slivered almonds, blueberries, sliced strawberries, raspberries, bananas)
- 2 teaspoons maple syrup

What you do:

1. Place cookie cutter on a plate. Spoon in yogurt, spreading it to the edges of the cookie cutter.
2. Add toppings, making a nice design. Remove cookie cutter.
3. Drizzle syrup around the edge of the plate.
4. Serve to your mom on Mother's Day!



A blessed woman

The last chapter of Proverbs describes a woman who loves God and strives to be a good wife and mother.

Directions: Use the picture clues to complete Proverbs 31:15, 28.

She gets _____ while it is still _____ ;



she provides _____ for her _____



Her _____ rise _____ and



_____ her blessed.



PROVERBS 31:15, 28 (NIV)

Answer: up, night, food, family, children, up, call



"Can you say 'try the patience of a saint' in a public school?"

Campbell



God's work. Our hands.

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