

# CHURCH CONNECTIONS

*Messages for God's People*

Morgan United Methodist | St. John's Lutheran | St. Luke's Lutheran

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## Worship Times

Worship times for May, June and July will be:

8:15 MUMC  
9:30 St. Luke's  
11:00 St. John's

## Parish Picnic Coming in June

On June 25 our entire parish will gather at Zeb Gray Shelter in Ramsey Park Redwood Falls for worship and fellowship. Worship will begin at 10:30 followed by a potluck lunch. Please plan to bring a chair and a dish to pass.

## Colors on the Altar

The Church continues to celebrate Easter for almost the entire month of May. White covers our altars during this feast season as we celebrate Christ's resurrection and the new life God brings us through him. May 28th the last Sunday of the month is the third festival day in the Church calendar as we celebrate Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit. For this one Sunday our altars are festooned with red, the color of the fire burning on the heads of the disciples and in our hearts with the promised Holy Spirit.

## Dates for Communion

St. Luke's and St. John's will celebrate the Communion on May 7th and 21st.

## Council Meetings

St. Luke's Council is scheduled to meet Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 PM.

St. John's Council is scheduled to meet Thursday, May 11 at 7:00 PM.

## Ushers for May

**Morgan United Methodist Church:**

Paige Rose and Drew Dallenbach

**St. Luke's:**

Ushers are still needed for each Sunday in May

## Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study will be May 2 in the basement of St. John's beginning at 7:30. All men are welcome!

We will have Bible Study at Gil-Mor Haven beginning at 1:45 on the following Thursdays: May 4, 11, 18, and 25. Please contact Pr. Lowell for the latest details.

## Prayer Concerns

Please continue to pray for the members of our parish and those we know that are in need. Jeri Forbrook, Sandy Schroeder Long, Pam Shefland, Brent Sandmann, Butch Zempel, Raynette Hansen, Todd Sherman, Landen Grejtek, Alice Wood, Irene Landgraff, Jamie Sander, Marlys Carpenter, Kathy Potter, Sandy Stokesbury, Sue Ziegenhagen, Curt Carpenter, Glenn Eckart, Sandy Seehausen and Burdell Symens.

## Bible Camps Ready for Campers of All Ages!

The calendar just turned to Spring but Summer is fast approaching! What are your plans for the Summer for you and your family?

Consider getting to a Bible camp this year for learning and fun in an atmosphere of love and nature.

Registration is easy! Just go online and you will find all that you need!

For a Lutheran Bible Camp head to:

[Gllm.org](http://Gllm.org) for all the information needed for Green Lake Lutheran Ministries.

For the Methodist Bible Camps you can go to: [Campminnesota.org](http://Campminnesota.org) to find the schedule and registration information.

There are many other Bible camps out there and most of them offer many ways for everyone to get involved. Camp is not just for kids any more!

If you or someone you love is interested in going to camp but are worried about the finances, don't! Talk to your church about what they offer to help everyone and every camp has camperships available too! We want everyone to be able to experience Christ in a loving community in the great outdoors!

## Morgan Community Vacation Bible School is Set and Ready

The Morgan Community Vacation Bible School will be having a week of fun for everyone July 24-27 each evening at the Morgan United Methodist Church with the closing celebration Sunday Morning July 30th. Clear your calendars so you can bring your loved ones and join in the fun yourself!

## St. Luke's Needs Gravel

St. Luke's is planning on making improvements to the parking lot. To support this project, we are asking for pledges and contributions to the building fund. Any and all donations will be appreciated. The amount of improvement will depend on funds available.

## Parish Birthdays & Anniversaries

Please wish these people a happy birthday and anniversary as they celebrate another year of living and loving in God's world.

### St. John's:

Alisyn Danielson 2; Hailey Bigger 4; Elliana Dittbenner 5; Tim Hultquist 8; Grant and Drew Christensen 9; Luke Christensen; 14; Torie and Heather Lemcke 15; Keagan Schiller 16; Brooke Hoffbeck 27; and Ron Christenson 30.

### St. Luke's:

Darris Dehncke 3; Shirley Lund 4; Matthew Tonak 5; Jeff Larson 5; Ron Degner 5; Cassandra Robertson 9; Nicole Forsyth 9; Justin Okins 11; Helen Johnson 12; Deb Munsell 15; Jared Lund 19; Linda Rieke 20; Jan Rodvik 24; Riley Joehnck 25; Seth Bethke 26; Jake Reel 29; Janice Pederson 29; Landon Grejtak 29; Alexis Prescott 29 and Colin Nestande 29.

### MUMC:

Zachary Janke 2; Josh Sell 3; Keith Adams 19; Scott Potter 20; Karen Rose 21 and Evelyn Van Nurden 21.

## From the Pastor's Desk

In the little bit of space that I have this month I thought I would tell you about a podcast I listen to. It is not a religious show in any way. It is a show that claims to be about anything and everything and I have gained insight into many things that I would have never thought of without listening to it.

But the thing I like about the show best is how the host ends each show. He says, "**Take care of yourself. And if you can, someone else too.**" Isn't this exactly what Jesus calls us to do? We are called to see that we are valued by God and to see that everyone else has that same value in God's eyes. And shouldn't we care for things of such precious value?

God's Peace, Pr. Lowell

# May

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
		7:30 Men's Bible Study at St. John's		1:45 Bible Study at Gil-Haven	Pastor's Sabbath	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<u>Worship</u> 8:15 MUMC 9:30 St. Luke's 11:00 St. John's		7:00 St. Luke's Council Meeting		1:45 Bible Study at Gil-Haven 7:00 St. John's Council Meeting	Pastor's Sabbath	
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