



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May is here. We have survived March and April, and now we come to May. May is a month of milestones.

The dictionary defines milestone as: an action or event marking a significant change or stage in development.

May is traditionally the month of graduations. High schools in many places, and most colleges have graduation ceremonies during the month of May. Graduation marks a milestone in most people's lives.

Traditionally after Graduation the graduate would start their adult life and enter the workforce, or go off to college, or enter the armed forces. This is a milestone for many young adults as they face adulthood straight on.

For college grads it is even more so as they are usually looking at their first foray into the job market.

Traditionally there were job fairs or applications sent out before they graduated, and they had their career or first job lined up. However today many graduates from college are still looking for their first job even months after graduation. Another milestone, academia into the workforce.

Milestones are important in the development of all of us. Take a look at the first disciples. They followed Jesus for three years and gathered after His death to be told that they would face even more milestones. Sure enough on Pentecost the Holy Spirit came down on them and they reached another milestone. They went from Disciples to Apostles. We often overlook this distinction in their description.

Disciple means a student, a learner, and a follower. Apostle means a teacher, a leader, or one who sets the direction to go.

The Apostles in the book of Acts set off at a blistering pace, and spread the Gospel message from Jerusalem, to Judea, to Samaria, and beyond.

There are all sorts of milestones we face, Confirmation, Graduation, Marriage, Parenthood and many more. We have personal milestones and family milestones that we all celebrate. At each of these milestones, the Lord is with us, helping us, and guiding us as we face these milestones.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of May

- 1 Barbara Proctor
- 3 Oliver Floyd
- 7 Jon Marshall
- 8 Isla Burrus
- 8 J.P. Dunger
- 10 Amanda Dunger
- 13 Cade Mizell
- 18 Cadyn Mizell
- 20 Donna Marshall
- 21 Bill Witt
- 22 Kathy Sodd
- 30 Jason Lochmann

If we forgot you, we apologize, it means we most likely don't have it. Please see that the office receives it. Thanks



Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of May

- Sarah Brinkerhoff
- Ben Bradley
- David Bryce Howard
- Stephanie Thompson
- Jaxyn Howard
- Mark Raddle
- Mattie Raddle
- Andrew Raddle



Sunday Average Attendance for April— 45

Sunday Average Attendance online for April— 8

Views — 13

April Offerings — \$14,605.89



Perfect Attendance!

Sunday School Attendance for the month of April

Adults:

- Bill Witt
- Pat Baughman
- Margaret & John Alexander
- Harold & Tricia Jacobs
- Waymond Meins
- Susan Marshall
- Sharon Calabretta
- Pastor & Donna Marshall
- Steve Shorts
- Cathy Webb
- Gene Forrest

Be prepared for upcoming weddings, graduations, and other occasions when you support our group **Trinity Lutheran Church**, through this Rada Cutlery fundraiser! Click this link <https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=5544767.dbcf>



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Offer ends Tuesday, April 30th at midnight CST!

LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD

The April meeting of Mary Guild was called to order by Kaye Meins. Phyllis Dunger gave the opening devotion from Ephesians 4:32, "A Lesson in Compassion." One example of Christ's compassion was on the day He was crucified. He guaranteed His mother, Mary, would be taken care of by making John "a son" to her so that he could watch over her. Jesus told us to love others as we do ourselves, and that is true compassion.

Twelve members answered roll call. Officers' reports were presented, including an update from Julie Shorts on our readiness for the Spring Fling on April 20, 2024.

The group discussed whether or not to move our May meeting date because it is scheduled for the same date as the Pine Bluff Business Expo. We voted to hold our Mary Guild meeting as planned on May 2, 2024. At that time, Julie Shorts has the opening devotion, Karen Witt will give the topic and Pat Baughman is hostess. Our mission project is a monetary gift for Lutheran Heritage, "Set Free by Jesus."

Phyllis Dunger was hostess. Arleen Parsley presented the topic. Our birthday girl was Karen Witt.

Submitted by
Kaye Meins

Esther Guild Mailbox Member Program

Esther Guild has been a mailbox member program for the last year. There are about 10 members. The mailbox member program is an easy way to get involved with LWML Lutheran Women in Mission.

Every month an email is sent out with devotions and projects that can be done as an individual. There are also news items attached and we collect and remit our annual dues and mite that go to the Midsouth District LWML. If you are not on this mailing list and would like to be, please let Erin Foster know and she will add you to





**INTERESTING
FACTS ABOUT URUGUAY**

- + Uruguay is the smallest Spanish speaking country in South America.
- + Uruguay means "River of Painted Birds."
- + Uruguay is the biggest consumer of beef in the world.
- + 100% of Uruguay's electricity comes from renewable resources.
- + There is no salt in the restaurants in Uruguay.
- + Uruguay is the South American country with the oldest population.
- + Uruguay has the longest national anthem in the world.

He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

Greetings in the name of the Risen Lord. The victory of the Lord over death and the devil empowers us as we face the many challenges in our daily lives. The Lord promises: "And whoever lives by believing in me will never die." (John 11:26) As Christ's church we proclaim this truth to the entire world that all may have life in His name.

The seminarians had a break from their studies during Holy Week. At the same time they were very busy as they helped in the worship services and other Holy Week activities. We thank them for the great assistance that they provided. Everything got back to normal at the seminary on the Tuesday after Easter Sunday..

The members of Iglesia Luterana El Buen Pastor held a procession with palms around the neighborhood on Palm Sunday. This procession proclaimed the victory of the King of Kings to the neighbors.

We give thanks to God that we will be welcoming three new missionary families to the Dominican Republic in June. Two of the missionaries will be serving as professors in the seminary and one will serve as the financial manager of the region. Please pray for these new missionaries as they make their preparations to serve in the Dominican Republic. The missionaries of the Latin American region extend their greetings and welcome to these new missionaries.



Pastor Idjon who serves Iglesia Luterana in the Dominican Republic.



We Pray For

- + The setting up of our house in the Dominican Republic
- + Our transition to our new missionary assignment.
- + The new missionary families who will be arriving to the Dominican Republic.
- + The seminarians who will be graduating in May.
- + Peace in the country of Haiti.

We Give Thanks For

- + Our safe arrival to the Dominican Republic.
- + The prayers and financial support of our donors that make the mission in Latin America possible.
- + The new missionary families.



Personal Notes

During this week Dan and I will be traveling to the city of Santo Domingo to finish up our residency visas. It has been a long process but the process is finally reaching its final stages. Santo Domingo is the largest city in in the Dominican Republic and has a population of 4 million.

We thank God for the mission in Latin America. Your support provides Biblical training for national pastors, deacons, and deaconesses. Prayerfully consider how the Lord may be leading you to support this vital mission. The Lord provides the funding for his mission efforts through the donations of His local churches and its individual members. Through your financial donations national pastors and deaconess will be formed and mentored that they may spread the Gospel throughout Latin America. Together we partner with God to take the Gospel to the far ends of the earth. We thank you for supporting the mission in Latin America. God's richest blessings! May the Lord bless your Easter Season!



I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:3)

Soli Deo Gloria
Daniel and Kathy



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UNFADING BEAUTY

Peter says beauty shouldn't come from outward adornment.
How does a godly woman adorn herself on the inside?

*Directions: From each list, write the word that doesn't belong.
Then insert the circled letters in order below to complete 1 Peter 3:4, NIV.*

flower, stem, bee, leaf

—○—

pink, red, yellow, blue

—○—

mother, sister, brother, aunt

—○—

purple, dress, skirt, blouse

—○—

necklace, ring, bracelet, braid

—○—

diamond, emerald, heart, ruby

—○—

orange, cherry, potato, kiwi

—○—

my, our, she, your

—○—

faith, family, love, hope

—○—

sunny, rainy, snowy, temperature

—○—

cookie, cake, pie, sandwich

—○—

silver, white, gold, bronze

—○—

"Rather, it should be that of your inner self,
the unfading beauty of a g _____
and qu _____ p _____, which is
of great worth in God's sight." 1 Peter 3:4, NIV

Craft Day in the Fellowship Hall

Are you the creative type? Do you like to make things and share them with others? This is the day for you! If you like to make things, no matter what your craft specialty or skill level is come to the fellowship hall on Saturday, May 4th, at 1 pm. We are gathering for the opportunity to enjoy one another's company and create things of worth through our handicraft. Bring something to drink and a snack to share if you like and enjoy the afternoon visiting and creating with other like-minded people. This includes men too. There will be a small sewing machine there if anyone needs one. Just bring your projects, supplies, and creativity and enjoy yourselves. Remember, the Lord was the original creator. Contact Erin Foster with questions.



DONORS CAN GO FOR GOLD!

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Trinity Lutheran Church Blood Drive

Sunday, May 26
Noon - 3 p.m.

Look for the Bloodmobile!



Scan to schedule your appointment!

Donors will receive this front and back design Team Donor T-shirt, PLUS one ticket to Magic Springs!*



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Cadyn Mizell



We will have a Memorial Day weekend cookout on Sunday May 26. Thrivent will provide meats and such for cooking. We hope to have a great turn out on this day.

MAY 2024

	Elder	Ushers	Lector	Flowers by...	Counters
SUN 5	Phillip Dunger Bill Witt	Harold Jacobs	Cherrie Bradley	Pastor & Donna "In celebration of all our family May birthdays"	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta
SUN 12	Steve Lochmann Phillip Dunger	Bill Witt	Steve Lochmann	Kaye & Waymond Meins "For Rose Meins & Wilma Troxel in honor of their mothers"	Phillip & Amanda Dunger
SUN 19	Waymond Meins Steve Lochmann	Robert Floyd	Robert Floyd	Joye Anne Green "In celebration of Jim's birthday and their wedding anniversary"	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell
SUN 26	Steve Shorts	Bill Witt Phillip Dunger	Erin Foster	Amy Kalkbrenner "In celebration of Caleb's birthday"	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants

Altar Care: Kaye Meins & Phyllis Dunger

May 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 7-3 Business Expo 1:00 Mary Guild	3	4 1:00 Craft Day in the Fellowship hall
5 Cinco De Mayo 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Elders Meeting 5:00 Worship for Crossett 6 th Sunday of Easter		7	8	9 Ascension Day 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study	10	11
12 Mother's Day 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 7 th Sunday of Easter	13 West Pastor's Conference DeGray Lake Resort	14 West Pastor's Conference DeGray Lake Resort	15 West Pastor's Conference DeGray Lake Resort Newsletter Deadline	16 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study	17	18 Armed Forces Day
19 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Council Meeting 5:00 Worship for Crossett Day of Pentecost	20	21	22 10:00 Newsletter Committee	23 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study	24	25
26 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Memorial Day Cookout 12-3:00 Blood Drive The Holy Trinity	27 Memorial Day MEMORIAL DAY 	28	29	30 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study	31	

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