From the Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Month of June brings the start of Summer, but it also is the season of Hurricanes and Tornados. One of the realities of living in the south is the inevitability of a tornado hitting somewhere near where you live. My northern relatives asked just the other week, how can you folks go to bed knowing weather is coming?

Why do I bring this up? Just the other day I saw a report where this year the prediction is a higher-than-normal hurricane activity year. (What again?)

So what do we do? Pray, pray, and pray.

The reasons we do this is because of what Jesus said. "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. (Mat 24:36-37) This is part of his speech about the coming of the Son of Man, but it speaks to us about this also. We do not know when the end will come. My father did not know when he was going to die, but he had made some preparations for my mom just in case. My mother did the same thing. My wife has been after me to do the same thing, it is something we love to put off, because we hate to admit we are mortal. At some point we will die.

Jesus also said, "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. (Mat 6:34)

Preparation and planning help us realize that we do not need to worry about tomorrow. For Jesus is with us, He will guide us and lead us to do His will, and He will provide for us where needed. With Jesus we know that we are taken care of. But do not let that lull you into a false belief. We still need to be prepared.

Now I do want to warn you here. We prepare not knowing what is coming.

Preparing and praying does not mean we will be spared. Preparing and planning does not mean that nothing will happen. What it does do is gets us in the mind set that no matter what transpires, God will be with us.

God will be with us. No matter what happens, no matter what takes place God is always by our side. A Poem that has always touched my heart is Footsteps. I could not find who to attribute it to:

One night I dreamed a dream.
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.

After the last scene of my life flashed before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that at many times along the path of my life, especially at the very lowest and saddest times, there was only one set of footprints.

This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,
You'd walk with me all the way.
But I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome times of my life,
there was only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why, when I needed You the most, You would leave me."

He whispered, "My precious child, I love you and will never leave you Never, ever, during your trials and testings. When you saw only one set of footprints, It was then that I carried you."

Enjoy your summer and take care of yourself. "Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. (Mat 6:34)

Yours in Christ,

Fastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of June

- 5 Bailey Crook
- 7 Max Bergeron
- 7 Sydney Bergeron
- 7 Zack Bergeron
- 8 Amanda Marshall
- 9 Christa Burrus
- 11 Waymond Meins
- 27 John Reed

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 June

Tricia Jacobs
Bill Witt
Gretchen Brinkerhoff
Donna Marshall
Oliver Floyd
Baleigh Crook
Kaleigh Frye
Ayda Jo Edgerly



Sunday Average Attendance for May— 37

Sunday Average Attendance online for May— 6

Views - 9

May Offerings - \$13,806.67



Cadyn Mizell William Young

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime
And departing, leave behind us

Totprints on the same of time.

Let us, then, be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.

- Henry Wadsworth, Longfellow
"A Psalm of Life"



Sunday School Attendance for the month of May

Adults:

Don Richter
Karen Witt
Bill Witt
Pat Baughman
Tricia Jacobs
Harold Jacobs
Waymond Meins
Susan Marshall
Phyllis Dunger
Donna Marshall
Phillip Dunger
Cathy Webb
Pastor Marshall

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LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD

Mary Guild met on May 2, 2024 with twelve members and Pastor Marshall answering roll call. Julie Shorts reported on the Spring Fling which was held on April 20. It was well-attended by Lutheran Women in Mission throughout the circuit. The speaker, Ollie Merritt, a representative from CASA--Court Appointed Special Advocate--spoke about the organization. Some of the facts were (1) the Judge determines if a child is to be removed from their home (2) every child is appointed a special advocate (3) the advocate makes sure the child's needs are being met (4) CASA is not anti-parent but is pro-child. At the conclusion of the presentation, Mrs. Merritt was given the 300 items from the LWML ladies. She was most appreciative of them and assured the group that all the items would be put to good use.

Cherrie Bradley, in her role as Leadership Development Chairman, reminded us to take God at His word. He says that He will be with us when problems arise in our life. He will not let us carry the burden alone.

Mary Guild members donated \$300.00 for our mission project--Lutheran Heritage Foundation. LHF is working in almost 100 countries around the world to translate, publish and distribute Bible-based and Christ -centered books.

Donna Marshall and Kathy Sodd had May birthdays. Pat Baughman served as hostess. Karen Witt presented a topic on the history of several hymns, including the story of how "Silent Night" came to be written.

In June, Tricia Jacobs will open our meeting with a devotion and serve as hostess. Kaye Meins will have the topic. Our mission project for June is a monetary gift for Trinity Hope in Haiti.

We closed with the League Pledge.

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





News from the Conrad family; serving in Latin America

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INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT PERU

- + Lima is the capital and the largest city in Peru.
- + There are 43 native languages spoken in Peru.
- + People still mine salt in the way of the Incas.
- + The Amazon River begins in Peru.
- + The Andean Flying Concor of Peru is the is the largest flying bird on earth.
- + It can take up to 600 hours to create a traditional Peruvian Poncho.
- + Peru is the third largest country in South America, after Brazil and Argentina.
- + Peru is one of the world's top producers of silver. copper, lead, and zinc.

EASTER GREETINGS!

Greetings in the name of the Risen Lord. We continue to rejoice in the victory of our Risen Lord. Moreover we proclaim this victory to all creation that they may have life in His name.

The southern region of Brasil has undergone extensive flooding, that has left many people homeless. The staff and seminarians of our sister Lutheran Seminary in Brasil are working very diligently to help the people who have suffered from this crisis.

The academic year has drawn to a close. Two of our seminarians: Freddy Navarro of Bolivia, and Demetrio Perez of Panama will formally graduate on the 24th of this month. Freddy and Demetrio have been a great blessing to us here at the seminary. We pray that the Lord will bless their ministires abundantly when they return to their respective countries.

The seminarians have finished their academic semester. At the same time they continue to help with visitation, Bible studies, and they assist in the Sunday worship services. In addition they are setting up the seminary facilities for the upcoming graduation service. We thank the Lord for their faithful service.

Mother's Day will be celebrated on the 12th of May in the United States. The people of the Dominican Republic however, will celebrate Mother's Day on the 26th of May. We give thanks to our mothers and we pray that they have a joyful celebration. A thank you to all the mothers for all that they do!





We Pray For

- + The setting up of our house in the Dominican Republic.
- + Those who are affected by the flooding in Brazil.
- + Our seminarians who are graduating.
- + The upcoming graduation festivities.
- + Peace in the country of Haiti.

We Give Thanks For

- + Our acclimation to the Dominican Republic.
- + The prayers and financial support of our donors that make the mission in Latin America possible.
- + The new missionary families, who will be arriving soon.



Personal Notes

Yesterday, Dan and I celebrate 46 years of marriage. We were married on May 13, 1978 at Our Saviour Lutheran Church, in Detroit, Michigan. We give thanks to God for his presence in our marriage. He has imparted many blessings over the years.

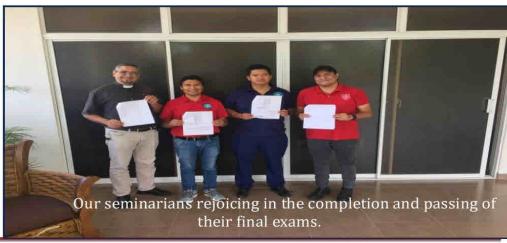
We thank God for the mission in Latin America. Your support provides Biblical training for national pastors, deacons, and deaconesses.

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! A blessed Mother's day to all of the mothers!

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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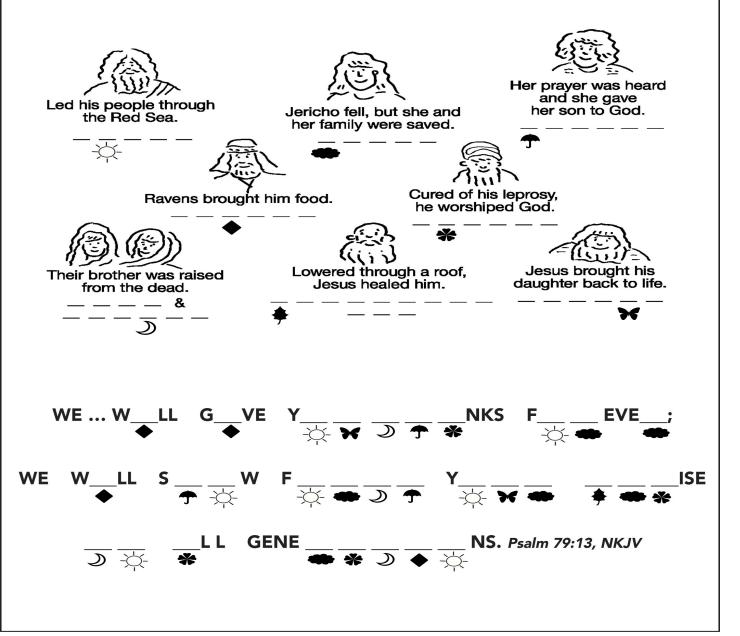
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Puzze!

Use the list of names to identify each thankful Bible character. Then use the symbol code to complete Psalm 79:13, NKJV.

NAMES: Elijah, Naaman, Mary & Martha, paralyzed man, Jairus, Moses, Rahab, Hannah



Another Craft Day in the Fellowship Hall

The craft day that was held May 4th in the Fellowship Hall was such a success we decided to keep it going. The next craft day will be **June 1** in the Fellowship Hall at 1 pm. We are talking about making it a regular monthly gathering on the first Saturday of each month. It is similar to an old time sewing bee. No matter what your craft or your skill level, come join us. You can work on anything from journaling, needlework, painting, drawing, or anything else you would like to do. This past time we had counted cross stitch, needlepoint, cookbook writing, Christmas ornaments, and slow stitching. We gather to talk about our creativity or anything else that comes to mind. This past afternoon was about 2 hours. We all brought our projects, a snack, and something to sip on and enjoyed each other's company. Anyone is invited. Bring a friend if you like. If you don't have a craft but want to come visit, we encourage that too.

An ode to dads

God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea.

The generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight.

The joy of a morning in spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity, the depth of a family need.

Then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add, He knew his masterpiece was complete, and so, he called it ... Dad.

-Author unknown





JUNE 2024

	SUN Waymond Meins 23 Steve Lochmann	SUN Steve Lochmann 16 Phillip Dunger	SUN Phillip Dunger 9 Bill Witt	SUN Bill Witt 2 Steve Shorts	Elder
John Alexander Harold Jacob	Bill Witt Phillip Dunger	Robert Floyd	Steve Lochmann	Harold Jacobs	Ushers
Steve Shorts	Erin Foster	Robert Floyd	Steve Lochmann	Cherrie Bradley	Lector
Lura Campbell "In memory of Tommy Campbell's Birthday"	Bill & Karen Witt "God's Blessings"	Pastor & Donna "In celebration of their 43rd wedding anniversary"	Lura Campbell "In celebration of Max, Sydney and Zack Bergeron's 16th Birthday"	Judy & Rachel Clinton "In Loving memory of Ray"	Flowers by
Phillip & Amanda Dunger	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell	Phillip & Amanda Dunger	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta	Counters

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants Altar Care: Kaye Meins & Phyllis Dunger



Sat	1 1:00 Craft Day		15	22	29	
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Thu		6 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study 1:00 Mary Guild	13 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study	20 Summer Solstice (Summer Begins) 10:00 Thursday moming Bible Study	27 10:00 Thursday morning Bible Study	
Wed		2	12 Newsletter Deadline	19 Juneteenth 10:00 Newsletter Committee	26	
Tue		4		18	25	
Mon	THANKYOU	3	10	17	24	
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