



About Being Lutheran

The Great Thanksgiving

What is the Great Thanksgiving in the Liturgy?

The Great Thanksgiving, as it is called in the *Lutheran Book of Worship*, is also known as the Eucharistic Prayer, the Canon of the Mass, and/or the Anaphora. It is the central prayer of the liturgy in which Thanksgiving is offered over bread and cup in obedience to Our Lord's command to "do *this*", the "this" including "giving thanks." In this Prayer of Thanksgiving (called "Eucharist" from the Greek) bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ through the power of God's Word in the Holy Spirit.

The Great Thanksgiving is based upon the outline of Jewish table blessings, giving thanks to God over the meal, a form which Our Lord used repeatedly, notably at the Last Supper. The early church's presiding ministers elaborated these prayers (berakoth) as best they could according to St. Justin Martyr (c. 155). Although a primitive text is believed to exist in the *Didache* (c.75-110?), the oldest full text is in the *Apostolic Tradition of Hippolytus* (c.215 in Rome), in which the whole history of salvation is remembered culminating in Christ. A nearly universal outline from that time to this has developed consisting of the following ten parts:

1. Dialog — A greeting between the presider and the people based on Ruth 2:4 and Jewish berakoth, representing the dialog between God and humanity.

2. Preface — Praise offered to the Father for what He has done in the Son; in the West this is variable and related to the seasonal reason for offering thanks. Proper Prefaces, as they are commonly called, exist for different seasons.

3. Sanctus — The threefold use of Isaiah 6:3's acclamation of God's presence as Holy, uniting the congregation's praise with that of the angels, during which a bow has been traditionally appropriate. To this has been added a "welcoming verse" from Matthew 21:9,

giving the immediate flavor of salvation ("Hosanna") and called the "Benedictus qui venit", witnessing to the real presence, and at which the sign of the cross has been customary since the 11th century.

4. Post-Sanctus — Praise for Christ, moving from Old to New Testaments, and from verbal to ritual thanksgiving, reminiscent of 1 Peter 2:5, Malachi 1:11, and *Didache* 14:3.

5. Institution Narrative — A liturgical conflation of the words of the New Testament from the Gospels and St. Paul, considered in the Western Church and specified as such in the *Formula of Concord* as the consecration, when bread and wine become Body and Blood.

6. Anamnesis — Greek for "Remembrance", which is much more than a "Thanks for the memory" idea. This is the remembrance commanded. It is the making present of Christ, past, present, and future, through bread and wine. The once-for-all sacrifice of Calvary is present, for Christ is present. An acclamation occurring within the remembrance is the congregation's affirmation of the presider's proclamation, "Yes, we do remember!"

7. Epiclesis — Greek for the prayer invoking the Holy Spirit, now called down upon both elements and people. All liturgy is in the power of the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:27), Who empowers the presence of Christ in fulfillment of the Words of Institution. This is the culmination of the consecration, and the gifts of the Spirit are asked for those who will commune.

8. Intercessions — In the presence of the Great Intercessor and High Priest (Hebrews 7:25), we participate in His intercessory work by remembering the Church throughout the world, extending His remembrance to us.

9. Doxology — Greek for "words of glory/praise" which concludes our thanksgiving to the Father through the Son in the Spirit. Elevation occurs during this time of praise as a conclusion to the whole prayer and acclamation of the certainty of Christ's presence.

10. Amen — Hebrew word ratifying by all present that which has been said beforehand; it indicates the assent of the gathered community to the thanksgiving. Ancient writings describe it as thunderously shouted; it is commonly sung in most Lutheran liturgies.



Dear Gloria Dei Family,
 Thank you for the goodies Kris Knuth and Zoe Hoyle delivered to us at Easter from the church. Thanks also for all the cards everyone sent for Easter and for our anniversary. God Bless - *Ray & Doris Richards*

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Our prayers and sympathy are extended to the family of Waltraud Bringmann who died April 24.

We also offer our sympathy and prayers to the family of Dorothy Asper, who passed away in December.

We extend condolences and the hope of the resurrection in Christ Jesus to Linda Timmons and her family on the death of Linda's brother, Shelby Bailey.

Prison Ministry Request

In the near future an inmate I have been working with will be released from the Topeka Correctional Facility. She has no clothes, except for what she walks out the door with. So my request is for clothing that women may not want to wear themselves to donate it for her. Shoes (not heels) size 7 1/2 or 8..jeans size 6-7, stretch material would be great and long. She is tall....leggings would also work. Shirts med. to large. If anyone can help, put my name on it and I will pick it up from Fellowship Hall. Thank you so much...she will be most grateful.
 -Laura Shriner



The **WELCA triennial** is July 13-16 2017 in Minneapolis, MN. Please see Callie Grater if you are interested in attending.

Pages and Sages will be reading **Brit-Marie was Here** by Fredrik Backman during May. Discussion will be at the Cafe at the Wichita Art Museum on June 3, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Please join us for book discussion and a great lunch.

The spring Women's Newsletter, **In the Spirit**, is being prepared. If you have not submitted your email to receive this newsletter but would like to be on the list, please let Cathy in the church office know.

Like Us and Share!

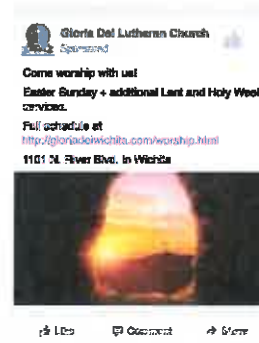
As part of an ongoing effort by the Outreach sub-committee, we are putting additional focus on the Gloria Dei Facebook page – facebook.com/gloriadeiwichita . The sub-committee recently met with our very own Vera Bothner to ask direction on how to reach more people with the good news about Gloria Dei. Vera said that Facebook was definitely the right vehicle. We then enlisted the help of Andrew Ledell, chief geek of Done for You Tech (and nephew of Tom Yingling).

If you are an active Facebook user, you have probably noticed increased activity on our page. If not, we ask that you check out our page. Then we ask that everyone follow, comment, like and share!



We are also running ads and boosting. Running a Facebook ad is basically the same concept as running an ad on t.v. or radio. We determine what we want to advertise, compose an ad, and then it appears on Facebook news feeds as "sponsored." We have targeted an area that includes Wichita and a 50-mile radius. We ran an ad for Easter services and the Easter egg hunt (see photos below of the actual ads). Currently, we are running an ad for Vacation Bible School.

Since the intent is to reach people and invite them to join us, if you see someone at church that you do not know – please make sure that you introduce yourself and welcome them. And if they're already members and you just don't know them, you've made a new friend! We will be evaluating this effort to see if it's effective. So if you have the opportunity, please also ask how visitors knew about us – what brought them to Gloria Dei.



Thanks for following, commenting, liking and sharing!



United Methodist Open Door Food Pantry needs your contributions! Nonperishable food, baby formula and diapers, paper goods, and personal hygiene products are especially welcome.

Clothes baskets for Klotches Kloset and men's clothes for St. Paul's are placed in Fellowship Hall A, always ready to accept your contributions of gently used clothing.

Music Ministries Schedule (Clip and Save)



- May 7, 11:00 Parish Choir
- May 14, 9:30 Parish Choir and harp
- May 21, 9:30 Gloria Dei Ringers and Parish Choir
- May 28, 9:30 instrumentalist
- June 4, 9:30 Pentecost, Parish Choir, Brass Quartet, timpani

The *Prime Chime Choir* rang for the first time on Sunday, April 23, at the Gospel Procession. The members of the choir have worked hard the past six weeks to master beginning music reading skills.

Choir members include: Campbell Schober (also in Jubilate Youth Bells), Niko Schober, William Parks, Katie Thorpe, Wesley Combs, Savannah Gering, Annamarie Masura, and Kristina Layman. Many parents have helped with the rehearsals—thank you to chimers and parents for a wonderful beginning!

Offertory gifts: Please sign up on the bulletin board if you or your family would like to bring the bread and wine forward at the time of the offertory. A new schedule is posted.

During the summer months, the music groups of Gloria Dei take a break from regular rehearsals. A schedule is posted on the music bulletin board if you would like to provide music at the time of the offertory on Sunday mornings.

The Parish Choir and Gloria Dei Ringers will gather at the Jacobson home on Wednesday, May 10, at 6:30 p.m. for a party. Bring a dish to share. Meat and drinks are provided.



Annette



Wednesday, May 3, 5:30 p.m.

“Almost Cinco de Mayo”
potluck and party.

Tacos will be provided.
Please sign up on the Music bulletin board and
bring a dish or taco “fixin”
to share.

We will celebrate all of the
musicians of Gloria Dei.

A = ATTIC, B = BASEMENT, C = CLOSET

Don't put up a fight
if your space is becoming a little too tight!
Gather the “too much” in boxes or bags
because we will gladly put on some tags!
Can't find anything, seems like it's hid?
It's time to declutter, it's time to rid!
Have some old chairs
in your Attic upstairs?
Any old items that no longer glow
buried way deep in your Basement below?
How about those Closets with things you can't wear?
But still in good shape with no holes or a tear?
Has there been a barrage
that hit your garage?
Maybe some junk
that you've stored in a trunk?
Donate items to the youth! You can't fail!
It's time for our annual ABC sale!
You'll feel better and even will grin!
Help us fund trips, it will be a win-win!
We're calling it our ABC Sale, isn't that neat?
And we'll have prices that can't be beat!
And guess what else? Here's a good part,
we'll pick up the big stuff, so you don't need to cart!
For your other items smaller in size,
you're going to feel like you won a prize!
You don't have to store them, they don't have to perch!
You can bring your items directly to church!
We've designated space and we've set a date,
so bring them on over, clear your plate!
You may start bringing items the 18th of June,
We'll all be singing a happy tune
You may continue that Monday and Tuesday to boot
Time to start gathering, so go, now scoot!
We want your donations, we're giving you time
June 22nd thru 24th are the dates we'll take the public's dime.
But because we love members of Gloria Dei,
we don't want you to get caught in the fray!
So you may shop early on the day before it begins.
That day is reserved for your family and friends!
Have any questions? Give me a call!
I always love to hear from you all! ☺

Where's Pastor Jacobson?

Are you wondering about Pastor Jacobson's upcoming sabbatical, starting May 7? Here are a few answers to questions you might have:

What is a sabbatical and why is it important?

Three years ago, Gloria Dei's church council approved a sabbatical for Pastor Jacobson, and needed funds have been set aside since then. If you're not familiar with a sabbatical, one helpful definition from Wheat Ridge Ministries describes it as "a period of time, usually three months, when ministry leaders and congregations set aside the leader's normal responsibilities for the purpose of rest and renewal toward sustained excellence in ministry." The word sabbatical is derived from the Hebrew word for Sabbath, which means to "rest" and recalls the 7th day of creation when God rested (Genesis 2:3).

Is a sabbatical only for the pastor?

"It is also a time for a congregation to rediscover its own resources for lay leadership within the congregation and to be itself renewed as a result of the sabbatical," said a former Director of Mission Support of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

According to Alban, a leadership program at Duke Divinity School: "When congregations see their pastor as a person with spiritual and physical needs of rest and renewal, they may recognize the need for Sabbath in their own lives and work. This is what sabbatical is all about: health, wholeness, and renewal."

What if I have need of pastoral care?

Pastors Tom Schaefer and Alan Lindal will be available to provide pastoral care and to offer Word and Sacrament ministry during the three months of Pastor Jacobson's sabbatical. During that time, only one Sunday service will be offered, at 9:30 a.m.; there will not be a Saturday service. The two pastors will alternate their times in the church office, usually morning hours, and their time presiding and preaching. Contact the church office if you need any pastoral assistance.

When will Pastor Jacobson return?

He will return August 7 to serve again the people of God at Gloria Dei.



Gloria Dei Library News & Notes

Have you ever wondered what a hippogriff is? Or a blast-ended skrewt? Not to mention dragons, unicorns, or pixies? Writing under the pseudonym Newt Scamander, author J.K. Rowling offers an alphabetically arranged listing, with descriptions and characteristics, of the wonderful creatures from our folklore that inhabit the Harry Potter universe in her book **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them**. Purporting to be the textbook used by Harry Potter himself in **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone**, this book is an interesting introduction to magizoology for aspiring wizards and curious muggles alike. It is a gift from library donations.

On a more serious note, we have **Devotion**, by Adam Makos, which tells the inspiring story of the U.S. Navy's most famous aviator duo, Lt. Tom Hudner and Ensign Jesse Brown, one a patrician white New Englander and the other a black share cropper's son from Mississippi. When the Korean War begins, they are called to defend the Marines fighting there, and when one of them is shot down behind enemy lines, the other faces an unthinkable choice: leave his friend to die or attempt a one-man rescue mission. How far would you go to save a friend? This book is a gift from an anonymous donor.

We also have **A Piece of the World**, by Christina Baker Kline, a novel about the life of the woman who became the subject of artist Andrew Wyeth's most famous painting, **Christina's World**. Born and raised on her family's remote farm in coastal Maine, and increasingly incapacitated by illness, she seemed destined for an inconsequential life. Instead, for more than twenty years she served as host and inspiration for artist Andrew Wyeth. Interweaving fact and fiction, the author tells a powerful story of a unique woman and her complicated relationship with her family, its past, and her bond with Wyeth. This book is a gift from the Irene Jacob memorial fund.

Arnold and Audrey Dilley took 4 bags of clothing to UM Open Door in April.

DUST OFF and LACE UP those old tennies in the closet to find a CURE FOR CF. It's time for the Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis. Mark your calendar – May 6, 2017 @ 9am. Walking the Cow Town area. To sign up for the walk or donate go to fightcf.cff.org/goto/gayleflorio2017. If you have any difficulties email me at gayle.florio1@gmail.com or call or text 316 210 4406.



Daily Prayer Together

One of the ways we live out our Christian faith is through a life of prayer. Sometimes, however, it's easy for us to neglect prayer—to let it get crowded out by all the other things that demand our attention at work, at school, or at home. To help us be more intentional in our lives of prayer, we encourage all members of Gloria Dei to pray the *Prayer of the Week together at 9:00 AM each day*. If you can't pray some day at 9:00 AM, you can choose an alternate time, or if you forget, you can still know that the rest of your brothers and sisters in Christ have been praying with you and for you.



This month we conclude our celebration of the great fifty days of Easter.

The following prayers will be used for the Sundays indicated and for the week following:

(May 7) Almighty God, open our lips to proclaim the power of Christ our risen Lord; and grant that we, who have received this pledge of his love, may at the last attain the riches that it promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(May 14) O God, you have made many nations, peoples, and races one in the confession of your Name: Grant that all who have been born again in the waters of Baptism may be united in faith and in holiness of life; in Jesus' name. Amen

(May 21) Almighty God, grant that we who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in our lives the faith we profess with our lips; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(May 28) Heavenly Father, your Son Jesus is the true Vine and your faithful people are the branches: Tend us with loving care, and prune away our sins, that abiding in Christ, we may bear abundant fruit to your glory. Amen

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, May 20, 8 a.m. at Golden Corral, 616 S. Ridge Road. All men of the church are invited!

49ers PLUS

Join us Monday, May 15, for the foot-tapping, sing-a-long music of the Lewis Street Singers. It is really quite fun. Bring a dish to share, table service, and a friend and join the fun!



Gloria Dei Library Team will be working with the Union Rescue Mission on a project to collect books. Look for a large barrel in the Fellowship Hall in mid-May. ANY donated books, CDs and DVDs will be accepted and appreciated.

We take donated books and turn them into **jobs** for the unemployed, **meals** for the hungry and life-altering **services** for the homeless. We'll take most any books, even tattered or water-damaged volumes. NewLeaf repurposes everything we can and recycles the rest. Nothing goes to the landfill. In addition to books, we also take new and used CDs and DVDs.



Congratulations to Kari Schmidt!!

Kari is being honored by the Wichita Bar Association on Law Day, May 9 with the Howard C. Kline Distinguished Service Award. It is one of the highest awards given by the Association.



Save the Dates!!

Youth A.B.C./Garage Sale

Drop off donation dates: Sunday, June 18, Monday, June 19 and Tuesday, June 20

Early sale for Gloria Dei family and friends:
Wednesday, June 21 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Open to the public: Thursday -- Saturday beginning each day at 6:30 a.m.



Kris Knuth - krisknuth3@gmail.com

Jerry Proffitt - jproffitt8488@gmail.com



BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Stan Chase	5/1
Joanna Short	5/1
Laura Lund	5/1
Hai Pheng	5/1
Ardis Ahre	5/4
Sean Ritter	5/10
Cameron Ritter	5/10
Muriel Slater	5/11
Susan Johnson	5/13
William McCandless	5/14
Andrew Koehler	5/14
Chris O'Hara	5/14
Pam Spears	5/14
Kaitlin Spears Campbell	5/14
Mike Honas	5/15
Tim Denk	5/15
Leah Combs	5/15
Ian York	5/17
Dan True	5/17
Una Hakenholz	5/22
Lori Parks	5/22
Kelly Shriner	5/23
Stephanie Baumfalk-Axtell	5/24
Bill McIntosh	5/25
Benjamin Sherwood	5/26
Jeremy Koehler	5/31



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Hai Pheng	5/1
Chris Krumm	5/3
Mark Jones	5/3
Caroline Gering	5/4
Abe Krumm	5/4
Alex Tolle	5/5
Cera Magana	5/6
Nancy Johnson	5/7
Helen York	5/7
Lori Parks	5/9
Tug Davis	5/9
Amy Timmons	5/9
Doris Ylander	5/10
Wrenley Peterson	5/11
Chris Carlson	5/11
Garry Tolle	5/11
Pat Smith	5/12
Deanna Schremmer	5/13
Judy Gisel	5/14
Jerry Layman	5/18
Liz Leimer	5/18
Kendra Brungardt	5/20
Shirley Meissner	5/23
Mary Schaefer	5/23
Pat True	5/23
Don Sundeen	5/24
Vera Bothner	5/24
Rod Feil	5/24
Tom Schaefer	5/25
Lois Garrelts	5/26
Deb Cook	5/26
Gayle Larson	5/26
Sam Griffitt	5/28
Bob Hoyle	5/29
Margaret Simmons	5/29
Richard Pleming	5/30
Kathleen Swenson	5/30
Erik Donham	5/31



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Larry & Rosanne Kelley	5/9
Bruce & Nancy Johnson	5/14
Steve & Muriel Slater	5/20
Dan & Jean Hogan	5/26
Randy & Susan Johnson	5/28
Conrad & Sharon Youngblom	5/28
Clint & Tara Davis	5/30

Year To Date Budget: \$ 99,693.97

Year To Date Actual: \$ 90,059.64

(As of March 31, 2017)



Present: Pastor Jacobson, Brandon Parks, Justin Carlson, Roy White, Mark Urbanek, John Axtell, Diane Ellis, Rachel Schober, Susan Vetter, and Victoria Griffitt.
Absent: Amy Timmons, Kelly Shriner, Jeff Combs, and Cathy Latta – staff.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by President Brandon Parks. Pastor Jacobson led devotions and the opening prayer. There were no items of **correspondence**. **Minutes** of the meeting held on March 27, 2017 were approved as presented. **Treasurer's report** was approved. **Income** for March fell short by \$5,600. Year to date income shortfall is approximately \$9,000. Disbursements for March were \$2,700 under budget. Some discussion as to attendance being down. This has not been compared with last year's attendance.

Pastor's Report – written report was approved. There was discussion about the incident with petitioners on Election Day. Brandon will look at the agreement we have with the county to better understand how renting our facility affects us.

Committee and Staff Reports

Finance Committee – Given the budget situation, Finance would like to work with Stewardship, as well as the Council, to send out a midyear “current financial situation” letter by mail. Information will also be published in the newsletter and the bulletin.

Property Committee – no written report. The Clean Up Day was successful, with about 25 people in attendance, including members of Cub Scout Pack 430.

Worship and Music Committee – written report was approved.

Christian Education Committee – written report was approved. Justin announced that he will once again provide a \$250 grant for VBS through Thrivent.

Youth Committee – written report was approved.

Social Ministry – written report was approved.

Stewardship – no written report.

Women's Ministry – written report was approved.

Staff Reports – written reports from Annette and Suzan were approved.

Executive Committee – no report.

Old Business

- There was no old business.

New Business

- The Council voted by e-mail to approve Annette's request that \$540 of memorial funds be used for the string quartet on Palm Sunday.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Schober



The Christian Education Committee would like to thank all of our teachers who contributed to the continuing education of our Gloria Dei members:

Michelle Linares & Morgan Gering for teaching our Preschool through Kindergarten classroom

Lori and Brandon Parks & Jennifer Thorpe for teaching our 1st & 2nd grade classroom

Windy York & Callie Grater for teaching our 3rd through 5th grade classroom

Rachel Schober for teaching our G.L.O.R.Y. Kids class

Joan Bowen for teaching middle school (6th – 8th grades)

Suzan and Steve Aker for teaching high school (9th -12th)

Jill Honas for teaching *My Bible* to our 3rd graders

Vickie Hennerberg, Windy York and Pastor Peter Jacobson for teaching the First Communion class, *Come to the Table*

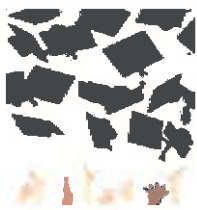
Rachel Schober for facilitating the *Friends and Followers* class

Kent Koehler for leading our *Coffee and Conversation* class

Pastor Peter Jacobson for teaching our adult Sunday school classes, as well as various books/topics at Thursday Morning Studies

Pastor Dave Fulton from St. Paul's & Pastor Tom Schaefer for teaching the two-year *Crossways Bible Study* class

YOUTH NEWS*YOUTH NEWS*YOUTH NEWS*YOUTH



My **CONGRATULATIONS** to all of the seniors!! Wuhoo! You did it! I am very proud of each and every one of you! Just remember, "What lies behind us, and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us." Ralph Waldo Emerson

I believe in you! You've got this!! May God Bless you all and keep you safe on your new journeys!! Go in Peace and Serve the Lord!!

May Calendar

May 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Friday, May 5 – F3 (Food, Fun, Fellowship) – Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Saturday, May 6 – Great Strides Cystic Fibrosis Walk @ Cowtown. Be there by 8:30 a.m. to help direct the walkers! Thank you!



Sunday, May 7 – Sunday school attendance awards will be given out at both services, and it is also... Graduation Sunday! Join us in FHA at 9:45 a.m. for a reception to celebrate all their achievements! ☺

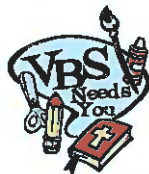
Sunday, May 14 – Mother's Day! Need I say more?!?



Last Day of School: Andale, May 18, Derby, May 25, Goddard, May 18, Maize, May 18, Wichita, May 17

Sunday, May 21 – We begin one service @ 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 21 – **Wednesday, May 24**, VBS – Youth helpers are still wanted and needed! Dinner is 5:30-6:00 p.m., then VBS 6:00-8:00 p.m. each evening.



Looking ahead to June... We begin accepting donations on Sunday, June 18 for our A.B.C. (Attic, Basement, Closet)/Garage Sale!! We will prep for the sale the 19th & 20th, and it will begin on Wednesday, June 21!! This is a huge fund-raiser for us & we need everyone to help and participate to make it successful! Thank you! ☺

God's Peace,
Suzan

A.B.C.
SALE

Christian Education News for

May, 2017

Please note the final day of Sunday school this year for Preschool through 5th grade will be Sunday, May 7. *All other classes will have concluded by April 30.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES for CHILDREN & YOUTH

(Preschool through 5th Grade)

May 7: *Mother's Day and Father's Day Special Lesson*

**** Please note that Sunday school attendance awards will be handed out during both services on Sunday, May 7.**

Middle School, High School & All Adult Education Classes

There will be a reception to honor all graduates on Sunday, May 7, in FHA at 9:45 a.m. CONGRATULATIONS to our High School Graduates Harrison Denk, Tyler Harrison, Cassie Linares, Mackenzie Lund and Brady Sherwood!! So proud of all of you!!



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES for ADULTS

Crossways – The final class for this two year Bible study will be held Sunday, May 7. There will be a “Social” beforehand beginning at 4:30 p.m.



The Christian Education Committee would like to thank all of our teachers: Michelle Linares, Morgan Gering, Lori and Brandon Parks, Jennifer Thorpe, Windy York, Callie Grater, Joan Bowen, Suzan and Steve Aker, Kent Koehler, Jill Honas, Vickie Hennerberg, Pastor Dave Fulton, Pastor Tom Schaefer and Pastor Peter Jacobson for an incredible year! Thank you!!

Suzan

IT'S TIME ONCE AGAIN FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!

The theme this year for our VBS is *Hero Central; Discover Your Strength in God!!*

- Sunday, May 21 through Wednesday, May 24
- Dinner will be provided each evening from 5:30-6:00 p.m. Sunday – Tuesday and there will be a “potluck” on Wednesday.
- VBS will be held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. each evening.

Volunteers are needed, wanted and greatly appreciated! If you are available to help in any capacity, even if it's not for each evening, please let Suzan Aker or Rachel Schober know! Thank you!



VBS, VBS, VBS, VBS, VBS, VBS

Fiddle dee dee

in FHA there's a tree

It doesn't have ornaments used for drapes
but it is laden with Super Hero capes

Each one with a “Yelp!”, because VBS needs your help!
Prayers are always needed for a safe and uneventful week

For all of our children, the ones who are meek
There are also supplies; because we do this and that
Everything from Science to great Arts and Crafts
So if you can supply even one or two
Then CE will owe you undying gratitude!!

THANK YOU!!!

Those Serving in



Assisting Ministers

May 7 8:30 Joan Pritchard, Steve Aker
 11:00 Judy Every, Dennis Kinkaid
 May 14 9:30 Judy Every, Dennis Kinkaid
 May 21 9:30 Judy Every, Rod Feil
 May 28 9:30 Judy Every, Mick Haugen

Communion Assistants

May 7 8:30 Arnold Dilley,
 Mike Florio, Gloria Masura
 11:00 Howard Johnson,
 Kristin Wells, Diane Ellis
 May 14 9:30 Vicki Hennerberg,
 Windy York, Helen York
 May 21 9:30 Kent Koehler,
 Sandy Haugen, Windy York
 May 28 9:30 Sandy Haugen,
 George Haynes, Arnold Dilley

Acolytes

May 7 8:30 Jesse Schober
 11:00 Anders Linares
 May 14 9:30 Ben Krumm
 May 21 9:30 Leah Combs
 May 28 9:30 Hunter Schrader

Sacristans:(E) Barb Fuller, (L) Jennifer Thorpe

Floral Arranger

May 7 Zoe Hoyle
 May 14 Deb West
 May 21 Joan Pritchard
 May 28 Kris Knuth

Flower Delivery

May 7 Diane Ellis
 May 14 Judy Gisel
 May 21 Dean & Marilyn Wasser
 May 28 Gene & Karen Weaver

Usher Team: Head Usher Dan True, Jim Bothner, Deb Cook, Arnold Dilley, Larry Hopp, Dan Hogan, John Person, Randy Swanson, Ross Tidemann, Andy Timmons, Mark Urbanek, Dale Wells, Kristin Wells, Jay York

Lay Readers

May 7 8:30 Arnold Dilley
 11:00 Cyndi Urbanek
 May 14 9:30 Mick Haugen
 May 21 9:30 Jeff Emerson
 May 28 9:30 Rod Feil

Assisting Cantor

May 7 8:30 Shirley Meissner
 11:00 Galen Shriner
 May 14 9:30 Chris Krumm
 May 21 9:30 Kari Schmidt
 May 28 9:30 Janet Janzen

Greeters






May 7 8:30 Kris Knuth
 Jan Knuth
 11:00 Roberta Witte
 Gene & Karen Weaver
 May 14 9:30 Dan & Pat True
 George & Karen Haynes
 May 21 9:30 Dan & Jean Hogan
 Eleanor Cork
 May 28 9:30 Linda Liebe
 Bill & Lois Garrelts

Lay Visitors

May 7 Bob Frahm
 May 14 Tom Yingling
 May 21 Dean & Marilyn Wasser
 May 28 Bill & Jeanette Bothner

Counting Team: Head Counter Marjorie Holloway, Vicki Vernon and Roberta Witte

MAY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>30</p>  <p>Noisy Offering 8:30 AM Eucharist 9:45 AM Christian Education 9:45 AM Youth/Parent Meeting 11:00 AM Eucharist 4:30 PM Vespers 5:00 PM Crossways</p>	<p>1</p> <p>True Usher Team 10:00 AM Waltraud Bringmann Funeral Eucharist 6:00 PM CE Comm Mtg. Committee 6:30 PM Women's Ministry</p>	<p>2</p> <p>12:10 PM NO EUCHARIST</p>	<p>3</p> <p>5:30 PM Cinco de Mayo Party 5:30 PM Eucharist 6:40 PM Gloria Dei Ringers 7:30 PM Parish Choir</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM Study Group 11:40 AM Eucharist 1:00 PM Quilters</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1:00 PM CWJ Fellowship Day</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:00 AM Great Strides 11:00 AM Pages & Sages Book Club 2:00 PM Ed Nutter Innumment</p>
<p>7</p> <p>CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!</p>  <p>Graduation Sunday Last day of Sunday School 8:30 AM Eucharist 9:45 AM Christian Education 9:45 AM Finance Committee 11:00 AM Eucharist 4:30 PM Crossways</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:30 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 6:00 PM Property Committee Mtg</p>	<p>9</p> <p>12:10 PM Eucharist 7:00 PM RCA Mtg</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 AM Ruth Guild 5:30 PM Eucharist</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM Study Group 11:40 AM Eucharist 1:00 PM Quilters</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Final Mission Trip Payment Due 6:00 PM Scandinavian Society</p>	<p>13</p> <p>1:00 PM Rebakah Guild</p>
<p>14</p>  <p>9:30 AM Eucharist</p>	<p>15</p> <p>12:00 PM 49ers PLUS 6:00 PM Church Council Mtg.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>1:00 PM Tabitha Guild</p>	<p>17</p> <p>5:30 PM Eucharist</p>	<p>18</p> <p>1:00 PM Quilters</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>8:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:30 AM Library Volunteer Team</p>
<p>21</p>  <p>9:30 AM Eucharist 5:30 PM VBS -Dinner 6:00 PM VBS-Program 6:00 PM VBS-Program</p>	<p>22</p> <p>5:30 PM VBS -Dinner 6:00 PM VBS-Program 7:00 PM Needlework Night</p>	<p>23</p> <p>5:30 PM VBS -Dinner 6:00 PM VBS-Program</p>	<p>24</p> <p>5:30 PM Eucharist 5:30 PM VBS -Potluck Dinner 6:00 PM VBS-Program</p>	<p>25</p> <p>1:00 PM Quilters</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p> <p>9:30 AM Eucharist</p>	<p>29</p>  <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>5:30 PM Eucharist</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Lann Usher Team 1:00 PM Quilters</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>11:00 AM Pages & Sages Book Club</p>

THE STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. Peter C. Jacobson, <i>STS</i>
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Cantor (Director of Music)	Annette Lindal
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