

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church 60th Anniversary 1962-2022 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

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60th Anniversary Theme Verse:

“Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. ¹ Psalm 90:1”

Word, Worship, Witness, Fellowship, Service

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.²

1 Corinthians 3:6-7

Offerings of Love come in various kinds. One assignment that Pastor Ben and I took on for ourselves was to develop an Anniversary Hymn dedicated to the Lord's work through His congregation here. We wanted the hymn to be joyfully singable. We wanted it to build on the Anniversary theme, “Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith”. We wanted it to show scriptural foundations for the congregation's mission emphases carried forward from our 50th Anniversary: Word, Worship, Witness, Fellowship, and Service.

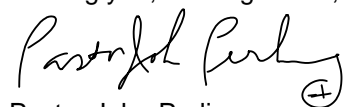
The lyrics are provided on the following page. The first verse identifies Jesus as the Word of God, the Seed of Eve, of Abraham, or David, or Mary, the Son of God who is planted (See John 12). Jesus described His purpose for the crowds that gathered around him in the days after he had raised Lazarus. They were going to watch him die and be buried. He wanted them to know that His death and burial was the work of God planting a New Garden of Eden. Jesus' resurrection was going to bear much fruit. But just like a seed going into the ground, Jesus the Seed also needed to be buried and die in order to Rise from the dead and bear much fruit. He multiplies and we are the result of His multiplication.

In Worship, Jesus speaks. His Word and Song takes our out of tune lives and tunes them to His melody.

The parable of the Sower and the Seed demonstrates the reckless love of God as the Sower casts the seed – His Word – on every type of soil, not just the soil carefully prepared. Then reminds us of the mustard seed which not only grows, but is able to provide shelter and hospitality for the birds of all types representing people of all nations.

The final stanzas develop the themes of service and the final vision of the Tree of Life and its leaves providing healing to the nations. Having been barred from the Tree at the time of our Fall, we look forward to enjoying free access to it once again with resurrection flesh in the New Creation once sin is no more.

Serving you, Serving Jesus,


Pastor John Perling

Other Anniversary Passages:
Eph. 6:10-20 Eph. 4:12

March 2022

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¹ [The Holy Bible: English Standard Version](#). (2016). (Ps 90:1). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

² [The Holy Bible: English Standard Version](#) (1 Co 3:6-7). (2016). Crossway Bibles.

Word

1 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

The Word is sown to grow in fertile soil

The Seed here dies, yet multiplies

Lord Jesus Christ with You, we rise

(refrain) We thank you, Lord, for all that you have done

We praise you, Lord, Our victory is won!

Worship

2 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

Christ Jesus speaks His gospel promise sure

He tunes each ear in joyful melody

Declares His holy family pure

(refrain)

Witness

3 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

The Sower casts His seed with reckless love

The mustard seed, the smallest of them all

Grows branches tall, the nations to call

(refrain)

Fellowship

4 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

Brought here together by our Lord's own call

Our home with Him and sheltered from the storm

Love's canopy to cover us all

(refrain)

Service

5 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

More soil to cultivate, more vines to tend

Life giving Tree, your servants here are free

In faith and love, for service we bend

(refrain)

Victory and Doxology

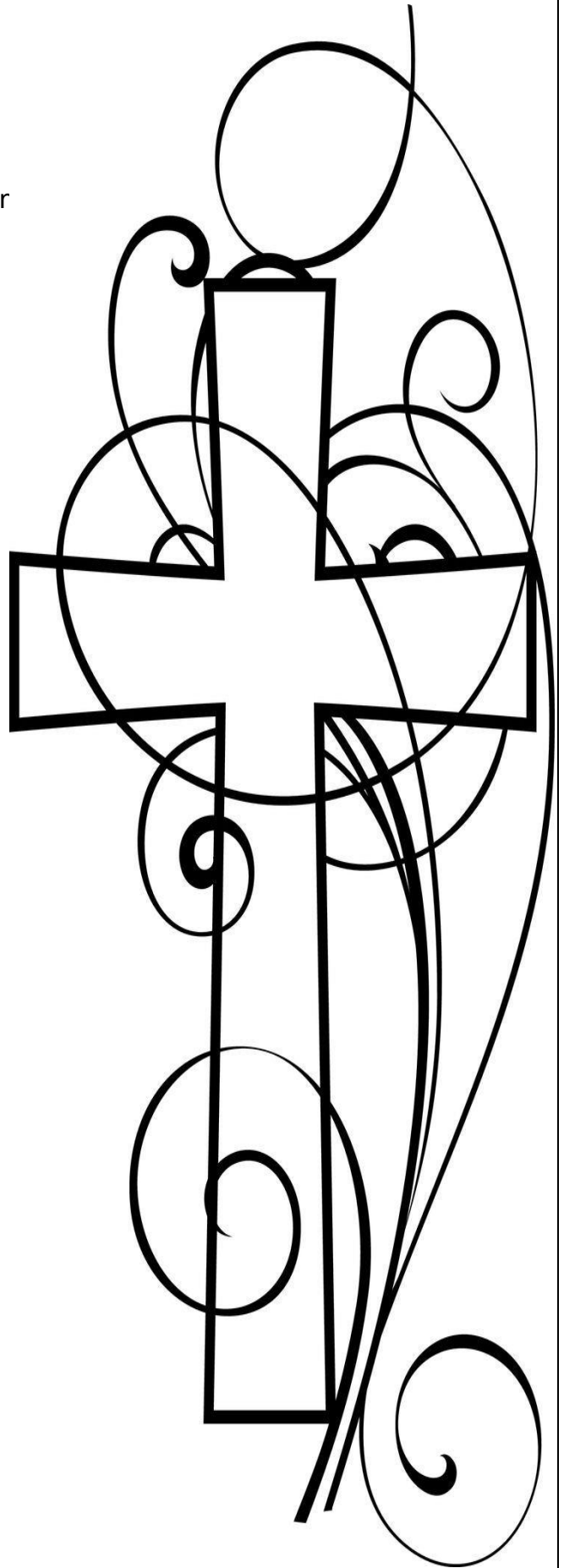
6 Rooted in Christ, Growing in Faith

A joyful host is gathered in Christ's name

O Tree of Life, with healing branches green

God, Father, Son, and Spirit we sing

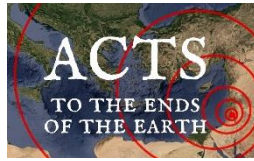
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Adult Christian Education Opportunities

Sunday: The Acts of the Apostles

The Acts of the Apostles declares the ongoing work of Jesus Christ. At His Ascension, the work of Jesus did not stop, it moved to fill all creation both visible and invisible.



He promised to work with and through his disciples for the salvation of the world.

- How is the Lord working now?
- What are the Lord's priorities?
- Suffering and Success
- Starting/planting new ministries
- Learning from the Apostles how to describe Jesus in your own words together with the OT



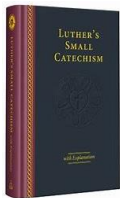
A New Song: I Have Set My King on Zion Tuesday Evenings 6:00pm

A New Song: I Have Set My King on Zion will encourage and uplift you as you reflect on the time and place of God's fulfillment of the Messiah and the wonderful, incredible, eternal reign of our Savior-King.

This Bible study provides six weeks of stories—faith narratives—based on biblical psalms. Following each day's reading are questions that will facilitate your own reflection on the Bible. And at the end of each week are discussion starters for fruitful, meaningful conversation in the comfort and security of your small group.

Each faith narrative was written by a real woman facing real-life issues. Just like you. Each author found help, encouragement, and direction for her life from God's Word and shares her stories in her words. These stories, new songs if you will, help you weave His Word into the unique melody of your life.

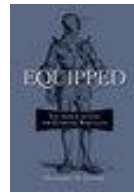
Luther's Small Catechism - Wednesday 9am



This new edition recognizes the need for adults to learn about Jesus and lead family devotions. Our Wednesday morning Bible Study is reading, marking, learning, and taking it to heart. Martin Luther provides a brief, clear summary of God's Word on the essentials of the Christian faith. In question-and-answer format. It explores the Six Chief Parts of Christian Doctrine and includes daily prayers, a table of duties for Christians in their various callings, and a guide for Christians as they prepare to receive Holy Communion.

Men's Club –

Equipped: The Armor of God for Everyday Struggles



The devil is working daily to make you turn away from your faith. Sometimes though, it's not in grand efforts, but in the small ones you encounter every day. The devil can work through exhaustion, anxiety, temptation, and frustration, all common daily occurrences. But God provides strength to battle the devil's ways by giving you His armor. Follow along in Ephesians 6 to see the armor God equips you with to defend yourself against Satan.

Thursday Evening 7pm Crossways!

The Crossways course surveys all 66 books of the Old & New Testaments. The focus of each book is Christ and His Salvation. Enrolling in the course will give you the tools to describe how each book of the bible contributes to its overall message. Members will gain a working framework for understanding any scriptural text in light of the whole. All of the promises of God find their "Yes!" in Christ. More information may be found on page 5 of this newsletter.



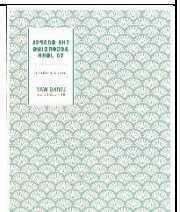
Thursday Morning Bible Class 9am



We will be walking through **God's Word for Today: Deuteronomy**. Israel's forty-year wait is over. Out of a generation that rebelled against God, only three men remained: Moses, Joshua, and Caleb. While one generation has passed away, Moses leads another to the east side of the Jordan River. By His grace, God will affirm His Law and ratify His gracious covenant with this new generation. This class meets on Zoom. For more information, Contact Susan Rostad (573) 433-5372.

The Gospel of John Tuesday 1:00 pm

We will together explore the Good News of Jesus as the Apostle John was inspired to write. We will see through the eyes of Scripture, the wondrous works of Jesus, the Son of God. We will look for and find the "nuggets of truth" spoken by Jesus during His visible, public ministry on earth.



Preparing for the Divine Service

ASH WEDNESDAY

(2 March 2022)



Joel 2:12–19
2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10
Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

Return to the Lord Your God with All Your Heart

On Ash Wednesday, we come down from the mountain with Jesus and set our face with His toward the cross in Jerusalem. We make our pilgrimage with Him by the way of repentance, and thus return to the dying and rising of Holy Baptism. For Christ Jesus, “*who knew no sin,*” became our sin, so that by His death we are released from sin, and in His resurrection we “*become the righteousness of God*” (2 Cor. 5:21). Since God has thereby reconciled the world to Himself in Christ, “*now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation*” (2 Cor. 6:2). He summons you to return to Him with all your heart because He is “*gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love*” (Joel 2:13). Do so in faith and confidence before Him, and pray to Him as your Father. Give to the needy from a heart of love, and fast for the sake of repentance (Matt. 6:3–4, 6, 17–18).

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

(6 March 2022)



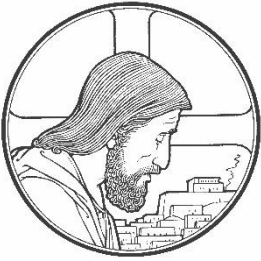
Deuteronomy 26:1–11
Romans 10:8b–13
Luke 4:1–13

Jesus Christ Is Our Champion Against the Devil

Jesus Christ, our champion against the devil, endures and overcomes “*every temptation*” (Luke 4:13) on our behalf. He worships the Lord, His God, and serves Him only by trusting the Word of His Father: “*You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased*” (Luke 3:22). Jesus’ victory is now ours through His gracious Word, which is not far away but near us — in our mouth and in our heart, in the proclamation of repentance and faith. For “*with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved*” (Rom. 10:10). Our confession of Christ includes the prayer of faith, which is not disappointed, “*for ‘everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved’*” (Rom. 10:13). The Lord is not oblivious to “*our affliction, our toil, and our oppression*” (Deut. 26:7), but has mercy upon us. He has brought us out of bondage through the “*signs and wonders*” of Holy Baptism, “*with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm*” (Deut. 26:8), and now He leads us by His Spirit even in the wilderness.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

(13 March 2022)



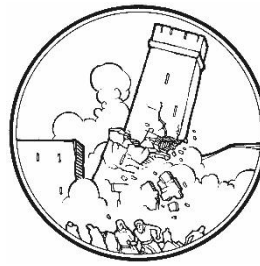
Jeremiah 26:8–15
Philippians 3:17–4:1
Luke 13:31–35

Jesus Rescues Us from Death and Brings Us into Heaven

The prophet Jeremiah faithfully preached *“all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people”* (Jer. 26:8). He called the people to repentance, lest the Lord’s judgment come upon them. The violence that Jeremiah suffered for this preaching foreshadowed the cross and Passion of Christ Jesus, who suffered the judgment of God for the redemption of all people. For Jesus *“comes in the name of the Lord”* (Luke 13:35) in order to lay down His life for the sins of the world. Earthly Jerusalem was blind to His gracious visitation, and it put Him to death like the prophets before Him. Yet, His sacrifice upon the cross became the cornerstone of the new Jerusalem, His Church. He visits us today in mercy with His preaching of forgiveness, to gather us to Himself within that holy city, *“as a hen gathers her brood under her wings”* (Luke 13:34), for *“our citizenship is in heaven”* (Phil. 3:20).

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

(20 March 2022)



Ezekiel 33:7–20
1 Corinthians 10:1–13
Luke 13:1–9

Jesus Calls You to Repentance

“Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish” (Luke 13:3, 5). By this warning, the Lord would turn us away from wickedness and bring us to life in Himself. For He is patient with us, that we would not be cut down in our sin but live and bear fruit in Him. As He lives, the Lord has *“no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live”* (Ezek. 33:11). So the Scriptures have been *“written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come”* (1 Cor. 10:11), that we should not desire evil but trust in Christ. He alone is faithful, the Rock who feeds us with His *“spiritual food”* and pours out His *“spiritual drink”* (1 Cor. 10:3–4).

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(27 March 2022)



Isaiah 12:1–6
2 Corinthians 5:16–21
Luke 15:1–3, 11–32

Jesus Christ Has Reconciled Us to the Father

God the Father has opened His heart to us in love. While we were *“still a long way off,”* He saw us and *“felt compassion”* (Luke 15:20). Therefore, He gave His only begotten Son for us, making *“him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God”* (2 Cor. 5:21). By the ministry of reconciliation, He runs to us, embraces us in mercy and clothes us with His glory as beloved sons in Christ Jesus. And so we give thanks unto the Lord our God, who has taken away our sins and turned His anger from us (Is. 12:1). Because He has become our salvation, our strength and our song, we *“will trust, and will not be afraid”* (Is. 12:2).

BEN’S PEN

Dear Members of Faith,

Jesus said to Paul,
“My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”
(2Cor 12:9 ESV)

So, also it seems that our Lord is saying the same to me. He has allowed me to contract Parkinson Disease which in turn affects my balance. Not long ago, while getting dressed, I lost my balance and fell down on my hip. My spine has a compression fracture with serious pain. I am waiting in line for medical treatment. Until then I need to “lay low.” THEN, I will again serve you with JOY as I deeply, prayerfully desire.

My response to this is as Paul said,
“Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. (2Cor 12:9 ESV)”

You and I can each remember this fact within ourselves:

JESUS CHRIST LOVES ME VERY MUCH!

With Joy in Jesus and His LOVE for you!

Pastor Ben

Ben Schumacher, Assistant Pastor

LADIES AID

MONTHLY MEETING

Our regular monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, March 3rd beginning at 12:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be provided by Bev, Flori and Mary Jones.

Karen Boorum will provide the Bible Study and Linda Keener will lead our Business Meeting. We will continue with our plans for the 60th Anniversary celebration with the Spring/Tea Brunch being held on April 30th.

WORKDAY AND BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Ladies Aid Workday will be held on Thursday, March 17th, (St. Patrick's Day) beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. We will be working on Christmas Cards for the local Nursing Homes. There will be some members sewing that day. After our workday, we will going to Hopper's – Waynesville, at 1:00 p.m. Let's help celebrate Marian K., Kim, and Flori's March birthdays. Others with a March birthday are more than welcome to join us and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship. Please let LuAnn Clark (573-842-5120) know if you plan to attend the birthday luncheon.

PRAYER SERVICE

Saturday, March 5th, Immanuel Lutheran, Rolla, will have their Prayer Service.

- Registration: 11:15 a.m.
- Luncheon 11:30 a.m.
- Prayer Service 12:30 a.m.

There will be a sign-up sheet. Immanuel will have an in-gathering for the 80th anniversary of LWML. They want to collect 80 pairs of socks for the Russell House in Rolla and 80 diapers for the Pregnancy Center in Rolla.

LWML CONVENTION

The LWML District Convention will be held in St. Louis at the Sheraton Convention Westport the weekend of June 3 thru June 5th. Please let Flori Scheuermann (573-836-6886) if you can assist with any task. Registration opens on March 1st. It can be done on-line at missourilwml.org.

At our meeting on March 3rd, we can have a Registration Party and go on-line at church and register.

Please call Karen Boorum at 573-736-5250 or 573-774-0465 or Flori Scheuermann at 573-836-6886 if you have any questions.

BEST CHOICE LABELS, STAMPS FOR MISSIONS, ETC.

Please save all your Best Choice Labels and give them to Marion Munson. Any question, please call Marion at 573-736-5196.

We collect "Stamps for Missions." Please save all your postage stamps (No flags) and bring them to our meeting or give them to Flori Scheuermann or leave them in her church mailbox E-4.

We also collect toiletries for school backpacks, which you may place in the basket in the Ladies Aid Closet downstairs or give them to Flori Scheuermann E-4. Thank you for your items which help our LWML Society.

May God Bless everyone as we prepare for the many 2022 upcoming events – our 60th Anniversary, The Spring/Tea Brunch, the LWML Convention and other events throughout the year.

Thank you, Lord, for your guidance and help as we continue the year 2022.



FWC BANQUET TIME!!

The Free Women's Center (FWC) of Pulaski County is our own locally supported Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC). The FWC has saved many, many babies from abortion during the past 11 years, most often because of the use of the ultrasound machine, which was donated by the Knights of Columbus. In these many years thousands and thousands of diapers have been given to mothers with babies. During Advent and Epiphany, we at Faith Lutheran gathered over 1400 diapers and probably that many wipes within 60 packages.

It's almost that time of year again for FWC's biggest fundraiser!

Our **12th Annual Banquet for Life** will be held on **April 21st at the Ark Community & Sports Center from 6:00 – 8:30 pm.**



We had such great feedback about our keynote speaker last year that we decided to host another Pro-life comedian; Mr. Gordon Douglas.

Our theme this year is
"It is not just a life, it is a LEGACY!"

What greater way to acknowledge April as the Pro-Life month & support your local resource center, than to gather together and celebrate the lives we have not only changed but SAVED!

By the time you are reading this newsletter the FWC will have received **\$19,600** from the LWML Missouri District MITES that have been gathered over the past 2 years. There were 13 other grants that were disbursed to places needing funding. That **\$19,600** will be used to furnish and to train the caretakers of the recently built Nativity House. The Nativity House is a large house built to house 10 pregnant women and their babies until the baby is one year old.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

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LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION

JUNE 3-5, 2022 are the dates for the LWML Missouri District Convention. So many different things are happening during those 2 ½ days. The Ingathering is one of the most impressive highlights. It is so amazing to see the items pile up as things come for the charities chosen by the Board of Directors. Three St. Louis area entities are receiving thousands of items.

Christian Friends of New Americans have distributed so much to help those who have fled countries and taken refuge in America. Please see the flyer in this newsletter or on the bulletin board.

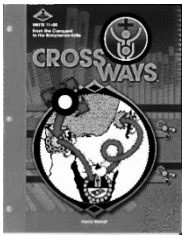
The second organization is *Lutheran Family & Children's Services* who are in need of baby items. The third group is the *Lutheran Senior Services* which is in need of toiletries of all kinds, such as Depends and Bladder Control pads in addition to denture supplies and all other soaps and lotions.



The Widows of Faith will meet on March 9th at 1:00 PM @ Flo's.

Please RSVP with Liz Joyce at 573-336-7331.
(Please do not call or text her cell number)

Many restaurants have new procedures concerning occupancy limits and only seating a party once everyone has arrived, so **it is important** that Liz knows exactly how many plan to attend. Thank you!



Crossways Bible Study Thursdays @ 7PM

We will be finishing
Section 5 in March:
The Gospels and Acts

Topics covered in March will be Luke, John, and Acts.

Those who study Crossways learn what it means to walk through life in the presence of Jesus the Messiah as their forgiving Savior and Servant-Lord. Many experience what the two disciples experienced on the way to Emmaus, Luke 24.32. Their hearts are set on fire, and their lives are transformed!

The course equips people to grapple with the mind, manner, ministry, and mission of Jesus the Messiah, and to reflect Him in all they think, say and do. After all, Jesus does not call us to put Him *first* – but only. Christianity is not the most important *part* of life. It has to do with *all* of life.

Above all else, the goal is to help people understand the *grand finale* of the biblical narrative: the final rescue of God's people from the Real Enemy – the demonic – through the ministry of Jesus the Messiah. Throughout, the desire is not merely to provide students with *information*; it is to seek their *transformation*.

Materials are available here:

[Crossways Series - solapublishing.com](https://www.solapublishing.com/crossways-series)

Opportunities to Serve at Faith

Are you looking for a way to serve, connect, and have fun at the same time? There are many opportunities to pitch in here at Faith:

- **Altar Guild**
- **Greeters**
- **Join one of our Church Boards**
- **Workdays and projects**
- **Sunday School substitute teacher**

Check the bulletin board for sign-up sheets or check with the office for more information!



Choir Practice Saturdays at 4:30 pm.

The choir is beginning to practice
new pieces for Lent.

Now is a GREAT TIME to join us!

We welcome everyone: young, old, all skill levels! It's never too late to join, we are always ready to welcome new voices!

There are also wonderful resources for hymn studies provided by the Synod at:

<https://www.lcms.org/worship/hymn-of-the-day-studies>

In the meantime, stay tuned and stay in tune! 🎵

--Heidi Perling



FELC 60th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

THE LATEST FROM THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

At the latest meeting reports were given that gave an uplifting spirit that the time is drawing so close to celebrate. There will be lots of last minute details for which the committee will need a lot of help from all of you. First of all, in the second mailing you will be asked to tell us if you will be participating in all the events: Golf, the Tea/Brunch, BBQ, dinner on Sunday. Please respond ASAP. Whether you received the letter via email or snail mail please respond via email to office@felclcms.org

Second, the store is closed for now. When it opens again on March 15 it will remain open until Mother's Day. All the remaining orders will be filled after Mother's Day and shipped to the appropriate places. So if you didn't get an order placed before Feb 28 please do so March 15 and after. In addition to the store items, Elaine Schumacher is making patches that she will sew on baseball caps and other items of clothing. Please check out the patch on the bulletin board.

"ROOTED IN CHRIST – GROWING IN FAITH"

APRIL 29 – REUNION GREETING TIME

APRIL 30 –

- **GOLF TIME 9:00am**
- **TEA TIME – 10:00am**
- **BBQ – 3:30pm ish**
- **DEMONSTRATION AND DEDICATION TIME: 5:30pm ish**

MAY 1 –

- **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR 9:15**
- **WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30**
- **DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. ROBERT COMMUNITY CENTER**

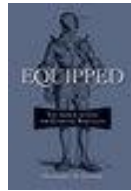


GREETERS

The Greeter's Ministry is committed to dynamically greeting, reaching out and receiving people to worship, entering the Sanctuary. Assisting Worshipers in a hospitable manner entering church to hear the Word of God. Fostering fellowship with men, women and children and giving the best initial worship experience entering. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Men's Club

The Men's Club Bible Prayer Breakfast will meet on March 5th & 19th.



They are going through the book:
**Equipped: The Armor of God
for Everyday Struggles**

The Men's Club provides a venue for men to deeply consider the many hats they wear in the world and their desire to fulfill Christ's calling to lead in love through those vocations.



Liz Joyce is offering handmade cards for sale at church. Her beautiful cards are a great way to send love and well wishes to your friends

and family as they celebrate important milestones and occasions.

Some upcoming events/seasons to keep in mind for cards:

❖ Easter

She will be donating half of the proceeds to LWML Mites in support of their ongoing Mission Grants in MO, the US, and all around the globe. The other half of the proceeds will go to the supplies for making the cards.

Prices will be marked. Please take the card and envelope you wish to purchase and return the clear plastic sleeve with payment to Liz or put it in the marked envelope in her mailbox (C-10).

Public Relations

The Public Relations board is looking for help. We have 40 places we can hang flyers, so when we have flyers, we would love your help. If you are interested talk to Susan Rostad.

This is your opportunity to spread the Good News in an easy way.

Evangelism

**When Prayer
becomes
your habit,
miracles
become your
lifestyle.
Never give up
on Prayer,
no matter
what comes
your way.**



--FELC Evangelism Ministry

Board of Education



Our scholarship fund is very low at this time. We are requesting your prayers and donations to this fund. We are currently sponsoring two students.

Thank you for considering a donation.



Board of Young People

The youth and Board of Young People showed their gratitude and appreciation for Faith's seniors with a spaghetti lunch.



The youth served nearly 50 salad, spaghetti, garlic bread, and apple crisp ala mode. Martha Strong led the group in song, while Heidi Perling played the piano. A few lucky seniors won prizes.

The youth plan to participate in more service projects this year.

Church Properties



Major projects ahead:

- Freshening up the sanctuary – paint ideas appreciated.
- Stained glass window/frame repair in sanctuary
- Parking lot repairs
- Lights for exterior stairwell off Fellowship Hall
- Playground Upgrades

The Board of Church Properties would welcome any and all ideas for other church projects you would like to see done.

Thank you!

Board of Stewardship

Thank you to everyone who shared their chili recipes for the Chili Cook Off. Congratulations to Bill Rostad for bringing in the most votes!

In total we raised \$508 which will go to the Anniversary Committee to help cover the costs for the many events coming up to celebrate our 60th Anniversary!



Offering Envelopes

The Offering Envelopes for the new year are in your boxes. If you do not have offering envelopes but would like them, please let the office know.

Lutheran Witness



Anyone that wishes to pay for **Lutheran Witness** (\$16.00) for one year, please use the 'Lutheran Witness' envelope in your offering box.

Stewardship minute

Making Financial Decisions Spiritual Decisions

We live in a consumer-driven culture that promotes and encourages the accumulation of more and more stuff. As part of that allure, we, as Christians, are not immune to the pressure to acquire to prove that we are successful. Combine this motivation with the inborn nature of greed and covetousness, and we can see we have big problems. We are in danger of becoming self-centered and self-sufficient people who no longer are dependent upon God.

Through faith, God gives us the ability to see the foolishness and the danger of believing that money and material possessions should be the focus of our lives. God's Word is clear: "But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content" (1 Timothy 6:6-8).



God is telling us through Paul that with the necessities of life, food and clothing, we will be content with what God provides. Piling up stuff has never brought anyone lasting contentment.

Finding our contentment in Jesus takes us away from the unending pursuit of stuff. When we become content and depend on the Lord, we make financial decisions spiritual decisions.

Epicurus, a Greek philosopher in the third century BC said, "If you want to make a man happy, add not to his riches but take away from his desires." When we desire less, we are more content with what we do have. Coveting puts us in a state of discontentment but focusing on what we have and being grateful for God's gifts leads to "great gain in godliness with contentment." With God's strength, we can be content in every circumstance in which God places us. We are content because we are satisfied with whatever God gives us.

Most discontented people believe they can correct their problems through some external changes. If only we owned a larger home, if only we had more money, or if only we lived in a different neighborhood. Until we find our rest in Christ we are going to continue searching for contentment. The theologian Augustine said, "Thou hast made us for Thyself, O God, and the heart of man is restless until it finds its rest in Thee." More money or things will never fill us. Only God's presence will bring us contentment. May God grant us the ability to be content and enable us to make our financial decisions spiritual decisions.

Cook's Corner



Breakfast Bread Pudding

Ingredients

- 5 extra-large whole eggs
- 2 extra-large egg yolks
- 2 1/2 cups half-and-half
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 1/2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 2 teaspoons orange zest (2 oranges)
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- Brioche loaf
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- Maple syrup, to serve

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. In a medium bowl, whisk together the whole eggs, egg yolks, half-and-half, honey, vanilla, orange zest, and salt. Set aside.
3. Slice the brioche loaf into 6 (1-inch) thick pieces. Lay half brioche slices flat in a 9 by 14 by 2-inch oval baking dish. Spread the raisins on top of the brioche slices, and place the remaining slices on top. Make sure that the raisins are between the layers of brioche or they will burn while baking. Pour the egg mixture over the bread and allow to soak for 15 minutes, pressing down gently.
4. Bake for 55 to 60 minutes or until the pudding puffs up and the custard is set. Remove from the oven and cool slightly before serving.

Recipe courtesy of: [Breakfast Bread Pudding Recipe | Ina Garten | Food Network](#)

If you would like to include a recipe to be printed in the PUMP, please place it in The Pump mailbox or email the church office at office@felclcms.org





Good Samaritan offers monthly food boxes to Seniors and others in the community in need.

In order to receive a food box, you will need

to sign up at the building next to the Good Samaritan Thrift Store.

They are open M, W, F from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. You will need to bring your social security card (for every member of the family receiving goods), a recent utility bill with your name and address, and proof of income. Along with the monthly food boxes you may qualify to shop in their food pantry 4 times a year. If you have questions, you can call 573-774-5011. A schedule for Senior boxes and Commodities is posted on the bulletin board.

There will also be a free food distribution through **Ozark Food Harvest Returns** on **March 15, 2022**, at 10:00 am in the parking lot of the Crocker Presbyterian Church. These events can sometimes be crowded with cars lining up as early as 6:30 AM, so it is a good idea to get there early. You can call Debbie Fraski @ 573-736-5415 with any questions.

Crocker Senior Center Meals



The Crocker Senior Center serves meals Monday-Friday from 11am-12:30pm.

60 and older may donate what they wish for their meal (suggested is \$4.00)

Under 60 has a set meal price of \$6.50

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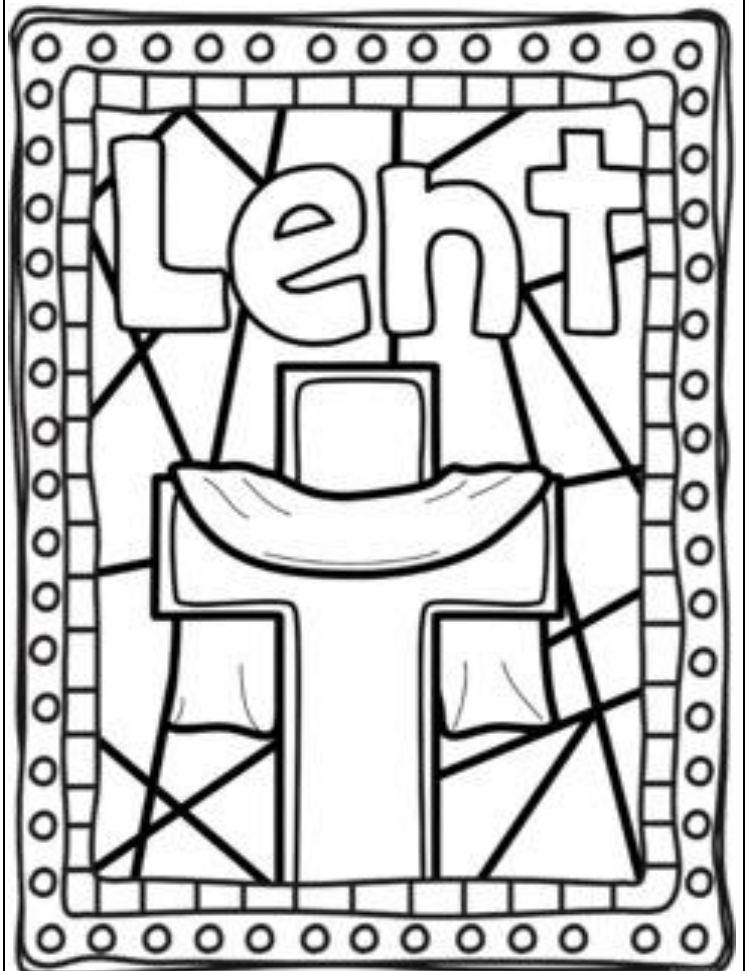
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Monday to Friday Schedule

- 7:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer
- 7:15 a.m. – Oratio {AM850 Sign On}**
- 8:00 a.m. – Sharper Iron
- 9:00 a.m. – The Coffee Hour {New Program!}
- 9:30 a.m. – Law and Gospel
- 10:00 a.m. – Daily Chapel from the LCMS International Center
- 10:30 a.m. – Sacred Music
- 11:00 a.m. – Thy Strong Word
- 12:00 p.m. – Midday Moments
- 12:30 -12:40 p.m.:
 - Monday: A Moment on the Lighter Side
 - Tuesday: A Moment in Creation
 - Wednesday: A Moment for the Family
 - Thursday: A Moment of Faith
 - Friday: A Moment in Scripture
- 1:00 p.m. – Sacred Music
- 3:00 p.m. – Issues, Etc.
- 5:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer
- 6:00 p.m. – Sacred Music through the night *{AM850 Sign Off}***

Saturday Schedule

- 7:00 a.m. – Sacred Music
- 8:00 a.m. – St. Paul's Des Peres Bible Study *(rebroadcast from previous Sunday)*
- 9:00 a.m. – Wrestling with the Basics®
- 9:30 a.m. – Sing for Joy®
- 10:00 a.m. – Concord Matters
- 11:00 a.m. – Lamplighter Theatre®
- 11:30 a.m. – White Horse Inn®
- 12:00 p.m. – Sacred Music
- 4:00 p.m. – **Worship Service**
- 5:00 p.m. – Sacred Music

Sunday Schedule

- 7:00 a.m. – Sacred Music
- 8:00* a.m. – **Worship Service**
- 9:30 a.m. – St. Paul's Des Peres Bible Study
- 10:30* a.m. – **Worship Service**
- 12:00 p.m. – Sing for Joy®
- 12:30 p.m. – The Lutheran Hour®
- 1:00 p.m. – Sacred Music
- 4:00 p.m. – **Worship Service**
- 5:00 p.m. – The Lutheran Hour®
- 5:30 p.m. – Sacred Music

Birthdays

05 Chris Myers
11 Dex Boorum
12 Ian Hinchman
13 Johnna Boerner
14 Clarence Colby
15 Frank Luczak
Anita Matthews
17 Marian Kubinski
18 Skyler Julian
19 Jim Matthews
21 Herbert Houser
Yolanda LaLonde
28 Flori Scheuermann
29 Kim Bradford
30 David LaLonde
31 Jamie Littlepage

Members & Friends



Baptisms

01 Mason Boorum
Michelle Jones
David Rostad
Stephanie Miller
Mitzi Sparks
03 Mike Jones
08 Gisela Sundell
10 Irene Leitgeb
11 Elizabeth Jones
13 Trent Boerner
22 Angela Anderson
25 Anthony Cortesini
26 Ethan Holsten
Zebulon Pike
27 Johnna Boerner
28 Dex Boorum



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Around the Synod

After connecting with your Faith family for worship and Bible Studies check out these other LCMS churches and pastors offering online options for worship and study of God's Word:

- Missouri District LCMS Churches offering Facebook and/or YouTube livestreams can be found here: <https://mo.lcms.org/facebook-and-youtube-streaming/>
- St. Paul Lutheran Church in Austin, Texas is posting virtual worship services on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVvwWXmDRGogt5nJXwdfyhA/featured>
- Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller from Saint Paul Lutheran Church hosts a "Worldwide Bible Class" Wednesdays at 10am (CST) on Zoom. The current topic is 'The Life of Jacob with Martin Luther'. <https://wolfmueller.co/bible/>



Work: Created by God before the Fall

And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." Genesis 1:28

Work is literally a four-letter word. Most have experienced times where their work has been difficult or frustrating. From sick co-workers to supply chain shortages, there can be many things that disrupt our work. However, work itself was a responsibility given by God before humanity's fall into sin, like marriage. Before the fall, work was a good thing like all of God's creation. Once the fall took place, sin tainted all of God's creation, including work and caused the ground to be cursed, labor to be done with sweat and pain, thorns and thistles to sprout up, and will the worker of the ground will eventually return to the ground.

God charged Adam and Eve to care for God's creation by subduing the earth and working the ground. As Christians who view all things as good gifts of God, we see how one's work within one's calling is part of God's charge to humanity and also part of our worship of God. Though sin frustrates our work, Christians can find joy in their work as a blessing and gift from God. This teaching provides rich applications for the people of God as they consider how their unique callings and gifts are used for the sake of God's service to the world.

This means that work is not evil, but tainted by sin, yet something created and blessed by God. Work may happen within the home or in a place of business, but always within our God-given vocations. Therefore, we can work and serve in our daily lives where the Lord has placed us and with the gifts given to us so that we might be His chosen instruments in our homes and communities. May we then find joy in our daily service to "work heartily, as for the Lord" in whatever callings God has given to us!

Prayer – Heavenly Father, grant Your mercy and grace to Your people in their many and various callings. Give them patience, and strengthen them in their Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to their neighbor in Christ's name, through Jesus, Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Fraternally in Christ,

President Lee Hagan



E2 CONFERENCE: EQUIP & ENCOURAGE

The purpose of the conference is to encourage, equip, and connect volunteers in our congregations through practical presentations, partnerships, and networking. Participants will take a journey through breakout sessions of their own choosing. These sessions cover the areas of ministry needs for churches throughout the District.

Session A 9:15–10:15 a.m.

Session A	Who should attend?
A1: Teaching the Faith in the Home The Missouri District has trained a team of coaches to assist congregations in equipping families for teaching the faith in the home. This session will help your congregation learn how they can take steps to assist their families in faith formation in the home.	Elders, Sunday School teachers, youth counselors and anyone who is passionate about the church assisting families.
A2: Caring for One Another President Hagan will lead this presentation on the opportunities and challenges on the church's care for members through a pandemic. The presentation will touch on care for those absent from worship and those who are dealing with anxiety.	Elders, church leaders, pastors and those involved in caring for active and inactive members.
A3: Reconciliation Come and learn the process of reconciliation and conflict resolution, which starts to answer the question, "How do I make this problem just go away?" Hosted by Rev. Marty Hasz, PLPC	Anyone dealing with conflict in their congregation.
A4: Witness Basics This session will be an introduction to how congregations can help prepare members to witness in their daily lives. Plus One coaches will be serving as presenters for this sectional.	Elders, evangelism and mission team members and anyone who wants to help their congregation members witness in their communities.
A5: Shared Ministry Rev. Bill Geis will lead this presentation on Seven Models of Shared Ministry. This sectional helps church leaders from congregations of all sizes and in all settings consider how to work with other congregations for the sake of enhancing ministry to children, youth and families and outreach to our communities.	Elders, church leaders, pastors and anyone interested in learning how congregations can work together more.

Faith, Springfield

March 12, 2022

8:30am

1517 E Valley Water Mill Rd, Springfield, MO 65803

There is no cost to attend, but please register so that we know we will have enough resources for those in attendance.

Register at:
<https://modistrictlclms.regfox.com/2022-e2-conference>

Session B 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Session B	Who should attend?
B1: Church and Culture It is always difficult for the Church to navigate the waters of the culture. President Hagan will lead this presentation that will be focused on the Church's relationship with the culture and how it presents opportunities for faithfully confessing the Gospel and showing mercy to those around us.	Elders, church leaders, pastors, youth leaders and those who want encouragement for faithfully confessing the truth to a hostile world.
B2: Won't You Be My Neighbor? Lessons Learned from SHINE! on Community Outreach Hear about how the statewide servant event engaged congregations and their communities in new ways. Get ideas from local churches and schools. Presenter: Leah Sieveking serves as Assistant to the President for Mission Advancement for the Missouri District. She feels blessed to have played a role in organizing SHINE! as it only solidified her conviction that the state of Missouri is the finest mission field there is.	Everyone who wants to know their neighbors a little bit better
B3: Strengthening Marriages This presentation will provide practical suggestions to congregations how to support and strengthen couples in their relationships. Our guest presenter will set the stage for the conversation and lead to a sharing of ideas for the participants.	Elders, church leaders, pastors, and anyone involved in family ministry.
B4: Anxiety Does it seem like parts of your or other people's lives are coming unglued? Ministry & congregational life during anxious times? Let's talk about how to cope. Presenter: Rev. Marty Hasz	
B5: Living in Two Worlds How does the church minister to people in person while using the virtual tools as a way of drawing people into our congregations? Rev. Bill Geis will lead this practical presentation on how the technology can lead to greater in-person engagement.	Elders, church leaders, tech leaders, pastors and those involved in the congregation's outreach efforts.



FELC FAMILY PRAYER PAGE



Virus: Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)

Disease: Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

A Prayer For Such A Time As This

We pray for those in any need: those who suffer; the sick; the poor; the distressed; the lonely; the unloved; the persecuted; the imprisoned; the unemployed; those who grieve; and those who care for them. Comfort and heal, merciful Lord, all for whom we pray. Give them a firm trust in your goodness; and bring us all into the joy of Your salvation. Father, hear my prayer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Members of the Armed Forces and Missionaries we support

Please remember to pray for our members, family, and friends on active duty:

- † Franklin LaLonde
- † Chris MacMurray (Camp Casey, South Korea)
- † Jacob Gan Home from Afghanistan and assigned to Fort Rucker
- † Anthony Isaac Holloman AFB NM
- † Geoffrey Gronewald, Chaplain US Army
- † All new military visitors and families

LCMS Missionaries: Rev. Dr. David Preus and his family (Dominican Republic)
Nathaniel & Emma Jensen (Kaiserslauten)

Current Events

- † Pray that we and the nations would put away false gods, but know, trust, love, and follow Jesus
- † Natural disasters recovery and restoration efforts – Weather Channel Petition
- † Prayers for Peace and Justice
- † Prayer for Nation's Leaders and illness; prayer for the Lord to do His will through our local, state, and national elections

Thanksgivings

- † Jeff Malam – *update* Surgery went well, and Jeff is recovering at home – 11-21-2021* Awaiting triple bypass surgery on October 26th. His health situation is urgent, and he is not feeling very well. – Submitted by Kim Bradford 10/8/21
- † Thanksgiving for Kaison Laroi Boorum (7lbs. 14oz., 21in.)
born to Brian and Madison Boorum on 1/9/22
- † Al Isaac - He has had successful quadruple bypass surgery 10/20/2021. Al is Doug Isaac's (Karen's son-in-law) father. Submitted by Karen B. 10-20-2021
- † Todd Meyer - He has recovered from pneumonia, COVID and C-Diff. Had 5 to 8 feet of his lower GI system removed. Is beginning to recover.
- † Flori Scheuermann – Ankle arthritis responding well to treatment
- † Free Women's Center of Pulaski County

COVID-19 Thanksgivings

- † Thankfulness for Vaccine
- † Ollie Schneider – Recovered from COVID

COVID-19 Concerns

- † Scott Bryan – Has COVID Pneumonia. Hospitalized @ Mercy in Springfield. Submitted by Judy Keeth 11-28-2021
- † Maria Candler - Has COVID Pneumonia. Home after being hospitalized @ Mercy in Lebanon.
- † Tom Candler – Positive for COVID, hospitalized
- † Jaroslav Candler - Positive for COVID and caring for his parents
- † SFC Mike Heib – Still hospitalized and recovering from serious complications and long term effects of COVID-19. He has been close to death more than once. Mike is the Sr. Religious Affairs Specialist on Fort Leonard Wood. -Submitted by Martha Strong 7-25-2021
- † John Vaughan

Immediate Needs

- † Rachel Benton – 23 years old. Ongoing seizures/strokes. Seeing neurologist to find out what is happening. – Submitted by Joelle Jones (Rachel is her niece) 3/23
- † Ken and Cheryl Bohannon - their only child Christopher Bohannon committed suicide while they were in the house. Submitted by Susan Rostad 11-10-2021
- † Ralph Bush – Pending Surgery. Ralph is Denise Bush's husband. Submitted 7-4-21
- † Don Colby – Surgery soon 5-26
- † Lexi Crider – Heartland Home in Nevada, MO for troubled young people - Submitted by Karen Boorum
- † Rodney Drees – Recovering from a stroke and beginning to return to some normal activities
- † Ethel Duke (Marcia Euren's Mother) – Had a stroke
- † Joe Duke – has cancer
- † Marcia Euren – Stress fractures in her feet – Heidi Perling 10-28-21
- † Jamie Ann Gan – *update 7-1* Had 3rd surgery that went well. She is home recouping with her baby.
- † Jana Goddard – Has returned home, requires 24/7 observation, family is looking to obtain live in help, but it is hard to come by
- † Darrel Hinrichs – Heart Function down to 20%, scheduled for heart surgery on Feb. 1
- † Herb and Joan Houser – Ongoing health issues for Herb, have secured their new house, getting resettled.
- † Joelle Jones – *Update* Joelle is home as of Feb 22nd and feeling a bit better. She is taking things slow and trying to get back to normal activities. Joelle had a perforated lung on Christmas Eve. Managing her COPD, afib, and arthritis from stem to stern
- † Michelle Jones – Healing from knee surgery on Thursday, June 17, additional fracture in the knee – Phelps Health, Rolla
- † Irene Leitgeb
- † JD Mattison – Struggling with very low blood sugar and other health issues that puts him under high stress- Submitted by Kim Bradford 4-14-2021
- † Clark Mullins – Parkinson's Diagnosis and lung cancer
- † Marion Munson
- † Ingrid Ozee – Had Surgery on November 30 recovering well
- † Renate Phillips – Stage 4 liver failure and fatty liver, cancer also diagnosed in the Liver as well – Submitted by Elfriede Stoffregen
- † Bill Rostad – Osteopathic Surger(ies) – from the ground up over the next year
- † Pastor Ben Schumacher – managing the symptoms of Parkinsons and looks forward to growing opportunities of ministry
- † Mike Statton – Suffered a heart attack on 3/22. Had 2 blockages repaired. -Submitted by Joelle Jones (Mike is her nephew) 3/23

- † Mr. Robin Stillwell – Diagnosed with lung cancer 7-19-2021 – Dona Jo's husband – Submitted by Joelle Jones 7-19-2021
- † Roberta Thornsberry – Most recent Cancer removal from her foot needs to heal, deep but had not spread, now looking to identify the cause of lost red blood cells
- † John Vaughan

Long Term Needs/Chronic Needs

- † Marolyn Baxter - Cancer
- † Ann Marie Boerner (Capps) – Has been suffering with severe abdominal pain for over a year and hasn't found a diagnosis. Submitted by Johnna Boerner 7-4-2021
- † The Boettger Family – Joann and Tim are separated
- † Barb BonGiovanni – Prayer for a healthy spiritual life in Christ, prayer for Barb's children that they bring her to church to hear the Word
- † Dan Boorum – Hematological Oncology, working with Drs. Gabine and Ali
- † Kassy Boorum – Diagnosed with Hashimoto's
- † Ray Crosby – Health issues
- † Fulton Dobbs
- † Sharon & Duane Green – Sharon on Oxygen due Cancer – Submitted 12/10/2017 by Cheryl Teague
- † Mary Heimsoth – Family Issues, prayer for peace in Christ – Joelle Jones
- † Finnigan Heine – 4 years old and struggling to gain weight and hit growth milestones – Great-Grandson of Elfriede Stroffregen
- † Fayette Hunter – struggling with Fibromyalgia – Submitted by Kim Bradford 1-27-22
- † Doug Isaac – Pain management – Submitted by Karen Boorum
- † Mary Jones – backpain, Kidney treatment continues
- † Liz Joyce – *update 8/24* a trip to the ER confirmed a slipped disc. She is in a back brace for the next couple of weeks along with meds for pain management. Ongoing back and hip pain
- † Linda Keener – The back has been repaired, Hip and Right Hand is next
- † Marge Kohl – Marge also has stage 6 Alzheimer's – Submitted by Susan Rostad (Marge is her mom) 11-2-2020
- † Marian Kubinski
- † Don Major – Had a liver transplant. Has returned home. (Linda Keener/Cheryl Hinchman)
- † Ken Merrill – illness – Submitted 11/2013 by Mitzi Sparks
- † Sydney Merrill – illness – Submitted 10/17/2013 by Mitzi Sparks
- † Jenny Miessler – Personal problems – Submitted 4/20/2016 by Bev Richard
- † Stephanie Mitchell – Initial diagnosis of autoimmune thyroid disorder and fibromyalgia
- † Velda Myers – Complications from Congestive Heart Failure sent her to the Hospital on Wednesday 12/30 (Chris Myers'-Mother)
- † Anthony Nolting – Diagnosed with ALS – submitted by Joelle Jones (he is a cousin to her children on the Holsten side)
- † Ed Pyatt – Had a stroke on 7/6, will be hospitalized for the foreseeable future
- † Dwayne Richard – Parkinson's diagnosis (3-16) – Submitted by Bev Richard
- † Jane Robinson – *update from Joan 2-15* Jane is now in hospice. Kidney and congestive heart failure. Although she is stable the outlook is not good. (Houser family)
- † Susan Rostad
- † Melvin and Joan Rust
- † Ben Paul Schumacher – MS affecting his right arm & hand, no longer able to write

- † Mary Smith – Neurology doctor restricted Mary from driving due to Alzheimer's
- † Donna Thomas – Chronic Lung ailments – had back surgery for pain relief
- † Becky Vogel – Systemic Osteoarthritis
- † Ron Weaver – Accident, broke his neck and is paralyzed. At home (update from Joelle Jones 11/4/20)
- † Jerome Welliver – Submitted by Ron Hinchman
- † Lisa Weinhold – Systemic Rheumatoid Arthritis
- † Mike Wilson – Rheumatoid Arthritis/Sciatica/Carpal Tunnel
- † Donna Wogan
- † Kathy Wortham (& Joanne)– *update 2-22-2022 – Kathy is now in hospital.
 Update (11-30-2021) Kim Bradford has provided housing in her Cabin for Kathy and her sister while they continue to look for other options. Kathy and her sister are in need of a new apartment. Their lease is not being renewed this year after 16 years of living there. This transition will be very difficult on Kathy for many reasons. (11-21-2021) *Update* Kathy had knee surgery on 4-30-21. Lives alone and struggling with several health issues plus she is unable to walk. She is hoping knee replacements will help. – Submitted by Kim Bradford 4-6-21
- † Samantha – diagnosed with rare form of cancer and undergoing chemotherapy – Submitted by Heidi Perling 2-10-21

Prayer for those near death and grieving the loss of loved ones

- † The Family of Doris Schneider – Passed away in December 2021 - Cousin to Vernetia Evans
- † The Family of Carol Mitchell – Carol is Judy Keeth's sister.

Pray for:

- † All members of the medical field
- † Teachers, Students, and Parents at home during this time
- † School Students, especially their bus rides to and from school
- † Christian Education: Teachers and Students that all grow in faith and thankfulness

Please contact the office with prayer requests to be added and updates to existing requests.
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