Bulletin Board

May 21, 2023

WELCOME! We praise God for giving us the ability to worship in fellowship today! Please remember that if you wish to social distance there is room, if you want or need to wear a mask we will support you. Please sign the registration books that are in the pews, please pass them to the next person. If you are worshipping from home and watching on Facebook please leave a comment (even if it is just Hi), it would be appreciated.

BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO YOUyou in the pew on the weeks it is served – **please** let the elder/ushers know prior to the service. We would not want to miss you!

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME Join us in the Hillmer Center this week at 10:15 a.m. Please join us this week for Adult Bible class, we are continuing our study on Galatians.

FLOWER CHART is now posted in the Narthex if you are wanting to bring fresh flowers to the sanctuary. There are some open spots for the summer services if you would like to celebrate an event. Please let me know if this is to celebrate a special occasion, remember someone, or if you just want it to God's Glory. The cost is \$37.

LUTHERAN CHURCH EXTENSION For a limited time, Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) is offering a 6-month fixed-rate term note at 4.5%. The minimum investment to open an account is \$500. This offer is for new money only. Check out the table outside of the office for more information and for your free flower seeds.

<u>PICTORIAL DIRECTORY</u> If you were unable to have your picture taken for the directory and would like one there are some extras in the office. The cost is \$15 and you can see the beautiful job that the PR Board did with these.

GRADUATION, AND FAMILY GET TOGETHERS ARE HERE Are you needing dessert for an event? The Pie Ladies have the freezers filled with delicious pies, the big pies are \$8.00 and the small pies are \$4.00. We have Apple, Rhubarb, Cherry, Peach and Blueberry ready for any event that you are going to have.

HONORING THE STUDENTS ON THE HONOR ROLLS If your student made the Honor Roll or a Dean's List please let the office know so we can celebrate them. We like to acknowledge their accomplishments.

A LIFE QUOTE "God has chosen each one of us from the beginning of creation. God has also chosen our body to be a temple. He gave us the beautiful gift of a body, and we are called to be stewards of that body, to take care of it and be aware of what we do with it. God also chooses each one of us to belong. We all have a spot and purpose in God's family—and not one of us is useless or random. God chose us with a purpose. Nothing He does is random." Kambria Steinhaus, Knights 4 Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. word-of-hope.org; 888.217.8679.

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You Know: Have you read up on your marriage manual lately? You may be thinking, "Wait...I never received an owner's manual when I got married!" God knew exactly the circumstances, trials, and joys you would experience as a married couple. Ecclesiastes 4:12 reminds us that as a married couple is a team. "Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." Each of the strands represents the husband, wife, and God. Draw closer to God, and you will draw closer to each other. Lutheran Family Service

www.LutheranFamilyService.org (515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE - This week the verse is:

Philippians 1:6

I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

<u>CATECHESIS – This week_for those using the Catechism Study Guide you should be on the following page number according to what year you are on.</u>

Year 1 is page 31; Year 2 is page 90; Year 3 is page 149;

GRACE FOOD PANTRY

Anyone wishing to donate to the Grace Food Pantry, these are the top items needed:

Cold Cereal, soups, hamburger / tuna helper, 32 oz juices, spaghetti sauce, crackers, soda crackers, rice, pastas, mac n cheese, canned meat, Peanut Butter, canned fruit, tooth paste Shampoo/Conditioner, Body wash, dish soap, cleaning liquids, laundry soap, razors, deodorant and lotions.

We can always use money too. The committee would like to thank all those who have given generously to the Grace Food Pantry!

Anyone needing assistance with the Grace Food Pantry please contact the church office Anyone interested in helping with the food pantry please contact the office or people listed.

VALLEY LUTHERAN

Valley Lutheran Enrolling--It's not too late to explore a transfer to Valley Lutheran School for the 2023-2024 school year! Tuition is just \$965 for the year after factoring in the Educational Savings Account funds granted to all incoming students by the State of Iowa. The window to apply for an ESA is May 31st through June 30th and your child has to be fully registered prior to applying. So, give us a call at 319-266-4565 to schedule your visit and take advantage of the first year of this new program!

Today is the last day of Sunday School for the Summer. We will start up in September. Have a good summer! A REMINDER: Members wishing to contribute to the recent loan for roofing and air conditioning may do so by marking the memo line on your check for the Properties Repair Loan and leaving your donation in the offering plate or office. All donations to the cause will be directly applied to the loan. Thank you for your generous heart.

Acts 1:11 – "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ is ascended, and Christ will come again. We live out our lives in this world in the sure confidence of the life to come. We live as people who know our Lord Jesus and who know that He is coming back. This knowledge makes all the difference in how we approach the things of this world.

The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

TODAY: Ascension Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Commun.

Sanctuary 10:15 a.m. Fellowship

Hillmer Center

10:30 a.m. Bible Class/Sunday School

Hillmer Center/Upper Level

MONDAY:

9:00 a.m. Greeting Stuffers

Kitchen

6:00 p.m. Exercise

Library
7:00 p.m. Hannah's

Hannah's *Kitchen*

WEDNESDAY:

8:30 a.m. Sewing Circle

Rm 17

THURSDAY:

6:00 p.m. Exercise

Library

NEXT SUNDAY:

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Holy Commun.

Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Fellowship

Hillmer Center

10:30 a.m. Bible Class
Hillmer Center

Youth News

Congratulations to our Honor Roll students at Valley Lutheran School. Junior Sofia Van Nice, Sophomore Levi Carolus, Freshman Cade Van Nice, and Seventh Grade Nolan Carolus. Great