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Making peace by the blood of his cross — Colossians 1:15-20

Grace, peace, and mercy to you from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

Not every time for sure, but sometimes, I like to sit through the credits of a movie and take in just how many people it takes to produce two hours of entertainment. It's over 500 people working together to make the films we see in the theater. Sometimes these credits surprise you, when you find a big name actor put in a bit part for a friend. Did you know the original *Toy Story* had seven writers credited, including Joss Whedon, better known for making superhero movies, and Joel Cohen, better known for independent head spinners like *Fargo*?

We often forget that the Bible also has many different authors. We believe God inspired the prophets and apostles (2 Timothy 3:16), so in an important way, God is the author of the all Scripture. It is also important that He chose to work through many different kinds of people in many different times. It's one thing to get 500 paid workers to pull together to make one story in a movie. It's another to take men from across a millennium and a half, many of whom were living in hard circumstances because of their faith, and get a united story from them in the Bible.

And yet, that is precisely what we have. From Genesis to Revelation, cover to cover, we read a picture of fallen human beings rescued from sin, death, and the devil by a Messiah who humbled Himself out of love.

It's not just getting the big picture right. Prophets foresaw wonderful and varied details about the Messiah's life. Lee Strobel, in his book *The Case for Christ*, talked to mathematicians about the odds of getting these details right over these long spans of time. The odds of just eight of these prophecies being fulfilled accidentally is one in one hundred million billion (1×10^{17}). This number balloons further when you consider just how many passages Jesus fulfilled. We're going to cover 46 of them for Lent and we're not covering all of them!

It's also not just details. We have images like Abraham being asked to sacrifice his son, Moses saving his people through water, the conqueror of the holy land being named Yeshua, that flesh out the picture of Jesus' life. It's hard to mathematically quantify those kinds of prophecies, but the more you read Scripture, the more you sense the orchestral quality of the Bible's message.

The last Gospel reading we hear before Lent ends, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him." Throughout Lent, we'll find that listening to Him includes hearing His voice stretched through this vast span of time, through many different voices, all singing in Spirit-inspired harmony. I pray that through our Lenten devotion we will grow in wonder and awe and faith.

Join us for Lenten vespers on Wednesday nights at 7 pm and in reading the daily devotions, available on our website or on the church credenza printed in booklet form.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Daniel Guagenti



VICTORIOUS IN THE LORD

Clayton Michael Paul Bono, son of Peter and Vicki Bono, Jr, received his crown on February 27, 2019.

May our risen Lord comfort those who mourn.

"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live."

-John 11:25



Celebrations in March

BIRTHDAYS

6- Pastor Henry Loppnow
 6- Jennifer Harrod
 7- Patrick Carnes
 11- Ian Feole
 12- Meagan Chapman Knuckles
 16- Joni Skellie
 19- Courtney Chesher
 22- Cindy Winchester- Howard
 24- Barbara Eaton
 26- Jax Yaroma
 27- Barbara Dobring
 28- Nathaniel Semeniuk
 28- Zachary Semeniuk

ANNIVERSARIES

7- Patrick & Mary Carnes (2003)

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

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LENT & HOLY WEEK 2019

MARCH 6

5:30– 6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Meal
 7pm Ash Wednesday Service

MARCH 13

7pm Lenten Service

MARCH 20

7pm Lenten Service

MARCH 27

7pm Lenten Service

APRIL 3

7pm Lenten Service

APRIL 10

7pm Lenten Service

APRIL 14

11am Palm Sunday Service

APRIL 18

7pm Maundy Thursday Service

APRIL 19

7pm Good Friday Service

APRIL 21

11am Easter Day Service

PLEASE JOIN US!

ASH WEDNESDAY MEAL: MARCH 6

Ash Wednesday is March 6. A meal has been planned for that evening from 5:30 to 6:30PM. A sign up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. If you have any questions please see Rita Whitehouse.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAYS 9:45AM

Join us for the Sunday morning Bible class on Kings. This book is always looking ahead to Christ and His kingdom, while showing with blunt honesty both the heroics and foibles of Israel's kings. How did they seek first the kingdom of God? How will we?



**MONDAY, MAY 6,
2019**

Weissinger Hills Golf Course
2240 Mt. Eden Road, Shelbyville, KY

Registration & Lunch 11:30am

Shotgun Start 1:00pm

Register online at

tinyurl.com/alcgolf

For more information

contact: info@alcshelbyville.org

Phone: 502.647.0300

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Starting at \$300

*Sponsoring a team

\$400 for a team

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SHROVE TUESDAY SERVICE: MARCH 5

Shrove Tuesday Service will be held on Tuesday, March 5 at Risen Lord in Taylorsville. Refreshments are at 1pm with service at 1:30pm.

SENIORS GROUP: MARCH 5

Seniors will be Tuesday, March 5. It will be a game day so if you have a favorite board game or card game bring it. Also, if you have a favorite snack bring it to share. They will not be having a lunch.

LADIES NIGHT OUT: MARCH 12

Ladies Night out will be on Tuesday March 12 at Cattleman's in Shelbyville. They will meet there at 6:30pm Please let Rita Whitehouse know if you will be attending.

MEN'S TIME OUT: MARCH 16

Men's Time Out will meet at noon on Saturday, March 16 at Cattleman's Restaurant in Shelbyville. Please let Rod Shreve know if you will be attending.

VOTERS' MEETING: MARCH 17

There will be a Voters' Meeting on Sunday March 17. All members are asked to attend.

THREADS OF GRACE CLASS: MARCH 19

Threads of Grace will meet on March 19 at 7pm. Whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, needle-point or just want to socialize - all are welcome. Please see Anita Themer for more information.

HOLY CROSS 2019 DIRECTORY

The 2019 Directory has been completed. You may pick one up from the credenza at the front entrance of the church.

HOUSE NUMBER PEDESTALS

Charlie Schufer says he will make anyone a house number pedestal if they give an extra \$20 donation to church.

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LAKEVIEW
MINISTRIES

invites you to
Visit the Camp Cedarbrook Lake,
one final time...

Open House

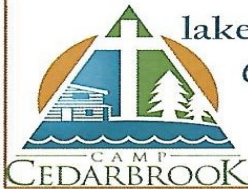
Saturday, March 2nd
10:00 am – 6:00 pm



Lakeview Ministries has finalized the Strategic Plan for Camp Cedarbrook! Its implementation will begin this spring as we look to develop the property for further ministry opportunities.

The first item to be addressed is the lake and its failing dam. Lakeview acquired the property aware of the dam's structural issues. After extensive evaluations from the engineering community, it was determined that repairs to the current structure are not feasible. Through numerous meetings, conversations, and much prayer during the strategic planning process, it has been determined that the best path forward is to drain the lake and remove the dam in order to facilitate the construction of a new water feature on the property. We are still working out the details for this feature, but we know it will include a system of natural swimming pools connected by a winding stream and continually fed by the springs on the property. These changes are positive and exciting, yet significant and sentimental.

You are welcome to join us at an open house on March 2nd for a final look at the lake, as well as for refreshments and some family-friendly activities. Representatives from Lakeview Ministries will be available from 10:00 am — 6:00 pm to answer any questions and give tours of the property. For more details on the draining process, the strategic plan, or ways to reserve camping space or property use, please visit the website listed below. We welcome your questions, comments, or concerns regarding the development of this wonderful camp and the future ministry here. We look forward to seeing you at camp!

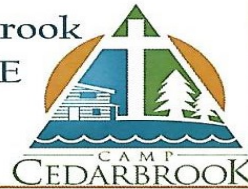


lakeviewministries.camp/cedarbrook

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Lanesville, IN 47136

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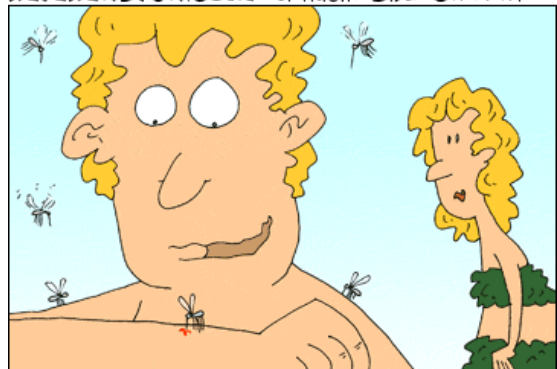


You Might Be a Lutheran If...

- You consider lottery tickets a serious investment.
- All of your casserole dishes have your name on the bottom.
- You count coffee among the sacraments.



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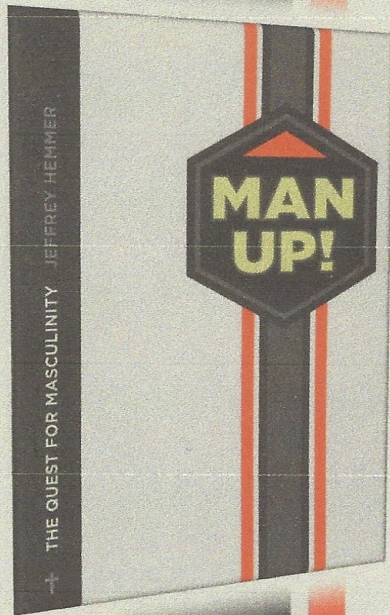


Thanks to Vicki Oberski (See Genesis 3)

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WE WERE EVICTED FROM EDEN, BUT GOD
MUST STILL LOVE US SINCE HE SENT US
THESE NEW FRIENDS TO GIVE US TINY
KISSES

2019 MEN'S GATHERING



BE A *REAL* MAN.

*No Free Weights or
Cologne Required.*

Join us on **APRIL 5-7** at Lakeview Villages to hear
Rev. Jeffrey Hemmer talk about his book:
"MAN UP! THE QUEST FOR MASCULINITY."

Fellowship with over 100 Christian Men

Get away and enjoy God's great creation

Eat like a king at our Hog Roast and Special Saturday Dinner

Join in the Medieval Challenge, Archery Tag, and much more

**VISIT WWW.MENSGATHERING.US
FOR INFO AND REGISTRATION.**



LIFE QUOTES

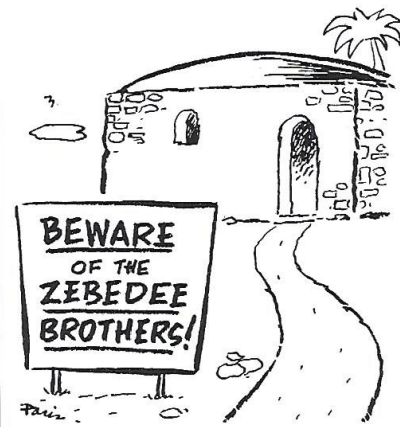
"People with disabilities and their families have much to offer the Body of Christ, but often the Church sees them as needy—as a mercy ministry—not as valued contributing members. Look for ways for each of them to serve, including the person with disability."

Mona Fuerstenau, Bethesda Lutheran Communities –

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KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Disciples' Nickname

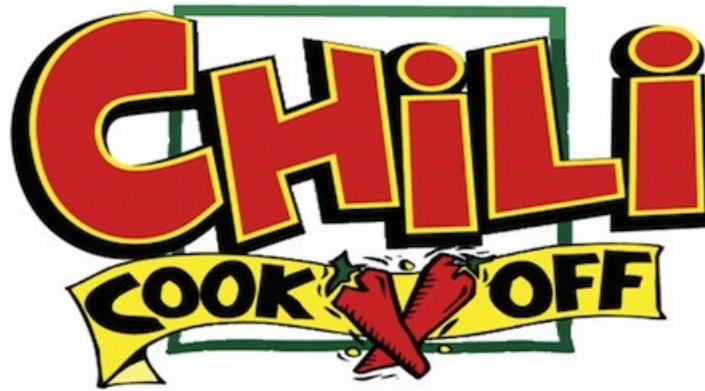
The disciples James and John were called by what nickname?

Look for the answer in the April Newsletter
February's Answer:

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	ACOLYTE	READER	USHER	USHER	CLEAN	NURSERY
March 2	Eden Guagenti	Charlie Moody	Harlan Joseph	Aaron Franke	Harlan Joseph	Jennie Shreve
March 10	Elijah Smith	David Themer	Charlie Moody	Rita Whitehouse	Sandy Runner	Alena Guagenti
March 17	Max Semeniuk	Nancy Kovach	Don Williams	Bob Myers	Botkins family	Kathy Vetter
March 24	Brenyn Botkins	David Franke	Alex VanPelt	Charlie Adams	Franke family	Josh Botkins
March 31	Isaac Guagenti	Jeff Wilson	Harlan Joseph	Joel Franke	Kathy Vetter	Shelah Shreve
April 7	Gabriel Guagenti	Charlie Moody	Rod Shreve	John Feole	Harlan Joseph	Jennie Shreve
April 14	Zoe Shreve	Nancy Kovach	Harlan Joseph	Aaron Franke	Sandy Runner	Alena Guagenti

If you cannot serve on the appointed day, please call someone to serve in your place.



THE EVER-POPULAR HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendars! Our ever-popular event is scheduled for
March 2; 6:00PM

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 181 Old Seven Mile Pike, Shelbyville.

- Awards for 'Best in show' and runner-up in 'Red', 'White', 'Spicy', 'Most Unique' and 'Hot' chili.
- Please bring a ladle, warming dish and any extra-ordinary utensils you may need to serve your chili. Holy Cross will provide all other standard kitchen items.
- As always, we will provide some other menu item for those who do not wish to eat chili.
- Note: A signup list will be posted in the rear of the church for volunteers to help set-up and clean-up and for items needed for the chili cook-off.

Thanks in advance for your support. See you there!!

For more information, please call or see Dave and / or Anita Themer.



The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
LCMS Stewardship Ministry
Newsletter Article – March 2019

Everything we have and everything we are is a gift of God's providential care. We understand that we're not islands unto ourselves. We could not exist without those who have gone before us and those who walk alongside us. God has given us forefathers in family, country, and faith. We are recipients of what God worked through them. We know God provides for our well-being through these means.

He gives us farmers and ranchers so we can eat. But more than that, God created and gave us all the things those farmers and ranchers cultivate. He gave us the corn, the beans, the wheat, the cows for milking, the steers for grilling. He gave each of those things for our nourishment and sustenance. Without God creating and instilling in those things their taste, their nutritional value, etc., we would not exist.

God gives us doctors, surgeons, nurses, and hospitals. He gives us medicine and medical instruments, and, of course, He gave us everything to make those medicines and medical instruments. He instilled in those things the properties to be utilized for those purposes. Without God creating and instilling healing properties into those things – and without God creating the ability within man to learn this and implement it to serve our medical needs – we would not enjoy the health we do now.

But there's more. He gives us gainful employment through our employers and provides for the necessities of life through the labor of our hands:

"Then Moses said to the people of Israel, 'See, the Lord has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, with intelligence, with knowledge, and with all craftsmanship, to devise artistic designs, to work in gold and silver and bronze, in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, for work in every skilled craft. And he has inspired him to teach, both him and Oholiab the son of Ahisamach of the tribe of Dan.' " (Exodus 35:30–34)

And one step back from that, He has created and given us hands, and attached to hands are arms with strength. He created us with minds to make those arms and hands move and accomplish the work set before us. And with that mind, He has given us reason and senses. That mind, because of the reason God has instilled in it, is able to work through difficult problems before we press those arms and hands into labor. It allows us to grapple with concepts and run through scenarios instead of having to experience every situation personally. It allows us to learn from the mistakes, as well as from the accomplishments, of ourselves and others. This can be done for our entire body, all our skills and talents, everything that makes us ... us.

So, everything we have and everything we are is a gift from Him. This is what we confess in the First Article of the Creed when we say that we "believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth." But that is just the First Article of the Creed. We confess two more articles that deal with God's provision for our spiritual well-being. He sent his Son to die and be raised on the third day for our justification. He delivers that justification through the means of grace (baptism, preaching and the Word of God, and the Lord's Supper). And to give you those means of grace, He gives pastors and teachers, etc. Literally everything we have and everything we are in this life – and the next – is an inexpressible gift from God.

And it is for this, all of this, that we give thanks. And that is what stewardship is all about — giving thanks for God's provision for us. To give thanks is more than having an attitude of gratitude, more than just a feeling in our hearts.

It is an action. It begins in the heart, but it doesn't stay there. It works its way out through the mouth in praise for God's gifts and in love and charity through the hands to our neighbors in family, country, and church.

"For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey him" (*The Small Catechism*, 16).

So give thanks to God for His inexpressible gifts — for everything we have and everything we are. Do this not only in word but also in deed.

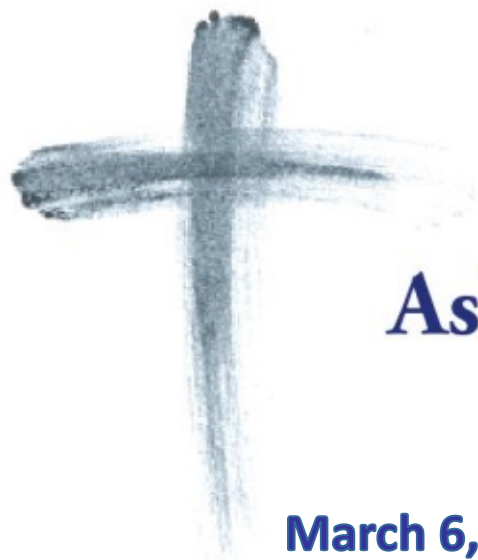


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EVERY SUNDAY
BIBLE STUDY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:45AM
DIVINE SERVICE-11:00AM

MARCH NEWSLETTER 2019



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

March 6, 2019; 7:00PM
Ash Wednesday Meal 5:30 to 6:30 PM