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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!

We are averaging about one major superhero movie per month this year. Last year's superhero movies made literal billions of dollars. From mutant genes to symbiotic aliens to vibranium armor to incredibikes, we watch in awe as human beings who are just like us in some ways do things only modern special effects (or good old-fashioned imagination) make credible.

These are not new stories. Homer sang of an Achilles who could only be hurt in the ankle by which he was held when dipped in a magic fountain. One of the first English poems tells of Beowulf's great fights with monsters high and low. Stan Lee and Jack Kirby revolutionized comics over fifty years ago. Movie magic has finally met the technological threshold to tell onscreen the kind of stories human beings have long loved to hear.

The recipe Stan Lee and Jack Kirby perfected was making their heroes both fantastic and flawed. Readers could relate even as they wondered. It's not just raw spectacle that sells these tales. They are connecting to a desire deep in our souls.

Jesus is the archetype, the original, for what the best of these stories are reaching toward. Hebrews 4 describes Jesus in superheroic terms as a high priest who has "passed through the heavens" (4:14) but has also been "tempted as we are" (4:15), though he didn't fall to temptation. We want to see humanity capable of more without losing our grounding. Jesus walks on water and weeps at Lazarus' tomb. He is fully God and fully man.

When He rose from the dead, Jesus' body cast off the limitations He had lived under to save us on the cross. He passed through locked doors. He appeared and disappeared. And yet He still stopped to break bread and eat fish with His friends.

In Paul's great chapter on the resurrection, 1 Corinthians 15, Jesus' apostle builds to the promise that we, too, shall be changed. "For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality" (15:53).

We long to see the mortal become immortal, to watch bullets bounce off a shining hero. We long to see it because it is the hope the Holy Spirit writes deep into our hearts. There is more to us than anyone has yet seen. "Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2).

This is not a tale movie magic can yet or ever tell. For the changes will not just be wind-blown capes, flashing energy patterns, or glowing gems. Our hearts will be supercharged with love, our consciences left unperturbed, our spirits uplifted with true praise.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Daniel Guagenti



CELEBRATIONS IN MAY

Birthdays

- 4- Erica Flanery
- 7- John Cromeans
- 10- Kameron McKinley
- 10- Gracie McKinley
- 11- Max Semeniuk
- 11- Carly Dejarnette
- 12- Melissa Hardin
- 13- Chase Ragland
- 14- Ken Shreve
- 15- Jamie Lee
- 15- Walter Dobring
- 15- Olivia Botkins
- 19- Doug Boardman
- 19- Nancy Kovach
- 23- Danielle Themer
- 23- Peter O'Neil
- 25- Rebecca Spreitzer
- 25- Samuel Themer

Anniversaries

- 25- Charlie & Brenda Moody (1979)
- 25- Scott & Monica Yaroma (2001)

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?

BOOK CLUB: MAY 5

The Book Club will meet on Sunday, April 5 following the Divine Service. They are currently reading Kate McCord's *In the Land of the Blue Burqas* and will be having a Cinco de Mayo feast. For their next book they will be reading Lars Walker's *The Year of the Warrior* an historical-fantasy series of novels based on the real-life Erling Sjalgsson, Norway's first Christian lord. Date of next meeting to be determined. For more information please see Shelah Shreve.



MEN'S TIME OUT: MAY 11

The men will be going to Cattlemen's on Saturday, May 11. They will meet at the restaurant at 11:30am. Please let Rod Shreve know if you will be attending.

SENIORS' MEETING: MAY 14

The Seniors will meet on Tuesday, May 14th at 12pm. Pastor Andy Guagenti will do a Bible study. A lite lunch will be provided.

LADIES NIGHT OUT: MAY 14

Ladies Night Out will be on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30pm. They will be going to Old Stone Inn in Simpsonville. Please let Rita Whitehouse know if you will be attending.

DEEP ROOTS: MAY 16

At the last Deep Roots, we discussed how Christians often answer the question, "How can a God who is all good and all powerful allow evil?" We introduced then that Martin Luther answers this question differently. This Deep Roots we dig in deep to Luther's Scripture-focused perspective. Isaiah 45:15 says, "Truly you are a God who hides Himself!" This verse inspired Luther to see where God can be found, even in the midst of pain and darkness. We will meet on Thursday, May 16 at 7pm.



THREADS OF GRACE: MAY 21

All are welcome to attend the Threads of Grace class on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm. Whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, needlepoint or just want to socialize - all are welcome. They will meet again on Tuesday, May 21.

YARD SALE: JUNE 1

Save the Date! We are looking at planning a yard sale on June 1, 8am to 12pm, with the proceeds going towards a much needed storage shed! However, we will need volunteers. Help will be needed the week prior for setting up and pricing, working the day of the yard sale, and afterwards with cleaning and boxing up the unsold items. A sign up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board at the back of the church. If we do not get enough volunteers the yard sale will be canceled. We appreciate any donations for the sale! For more information please see Merrie Feole.



SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS: FRIDAYS

The Sign Language Class meets on Fridays, at 10am. For more information please see Nancy Guagenti.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS: SATURDAYS

The New Members Class meets on Saturdays at 10am. For more information please see Pastor Guagenti.

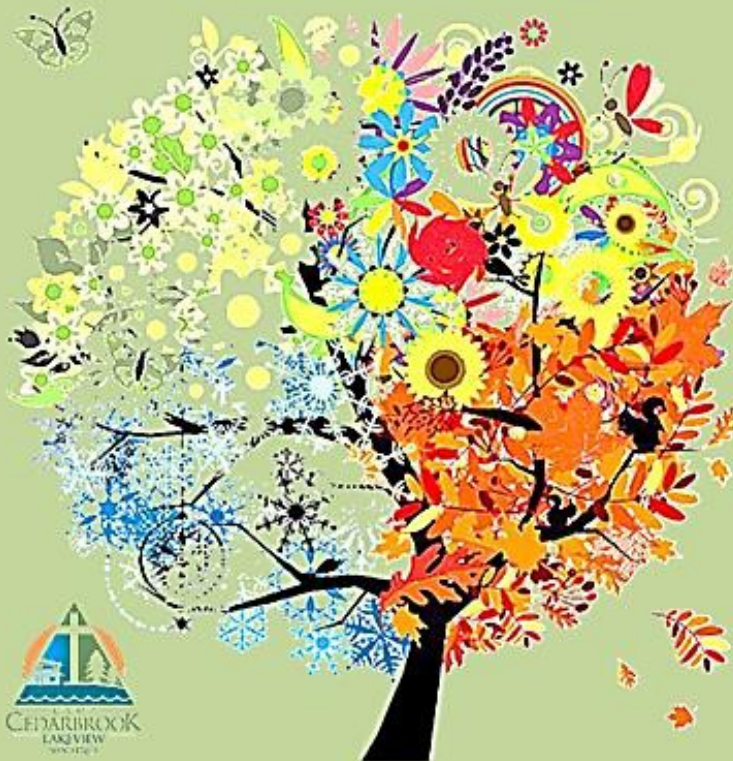
Nature Days at Camp Cedarbrook

Sunday, May 5 - 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Bring your family and your neighbor's kids and come ready to learn to identify a few trees that grow at camp! There will be plenty of time to explore nature together as a family.

All ages welcome!

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Life Quotes

"[I]t does not say that the honoring, serving, and obeying one's parents is conditional or in response to their earning or deserving it. No, one is to love and cherish them as well as honoring, serving, and obeying them as if they were God Himself. The good news is that where we have obviously failed, Jesus did not. He not only honored His step-father Joseph and his mother Mary, but also His heavenly Father. He offers you His payment for your sin and a place in God's family, now and forever."

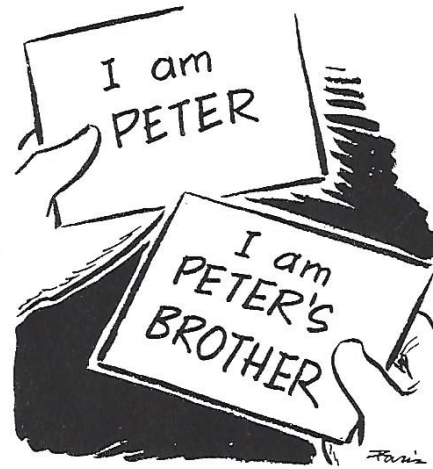
Pastor Ricky Jacob, Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Church and preschool, Winnebago
"A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life-
www.lutheransforlife.org



Volunteer Schedule

SUNDAY	ACOLYTE	READER	USHER	USHER	CLEAN	NURSERY	MOWING
May 5	Max Semeniuk	Jeff Wilson	Alex VanPelt	Charlie Adams	Kathy Vetter	Shelah Shreve	John Feole Steve Rusch May 8-11
May 12	Brenyn Botkins	Charlie Moody	Joel Franke	Harlan Joseph	Harlan Joseph	Jennie Shreve	Dave Themer Brian Gehrman May 15-28
May 19	Isaac Guagenti	David Themer	Rod Shreve	John Feole	Botkins family	Alena Guagenti	Chris Phoebus Charlie Schufer May 22-25
May 26	Gabriel Guagenti	Nancy Kovach	Harlan Joseph	Aaron Franke	Franke family	Josh Botkins	Greg Rutledge Pastor Guagenti May 29- Jun 1
June 2	Zoe Shreve	David Franke	Charlie Moody	Rita Whitehouse	Kathy Vetter	Kathy Vetter	Dave Franke Max Themer June 5-8
June 9	Eden Guagenti	Jeff Wilson	Don Williams	Bob Myers	Harlan Joseph	Shelah Shreve	Josh Botkins Jeremy Botkins June 12-15

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Peter's Brother

Which one of the disciples was the brother of Simon Peter?

Look for the answer in the June/July Newsletter
 April's Answer: Aaron (see Lev. 8:1-12)

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

Baby Bottle Boomerang

The ALC Pregnancy Resource Center, Inc. in Shelbyville will start their annual Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraising campaign beginning on Mother's Day May 12, 2019 and will conclude on Father's Day, June 16, 2019.



During this campaign baby bottles will be available in our church for members / friends of our congregation. Please consider taking one or more bottles and filling them with loose change (cash or checks if you prefer).

Monies raised will fund the ministry of ALC which is a 501c3 nonprofit offering services free of charge to anyone experiencing an unplanned pregnancy and / or who needs peer counseling, pregnancy tests, baby clothing and items, food and formula, diapers, classes in Parenting, Bible Study and Homemaking, Abstinence information., Adoption referrals, Male Mentoring or Post Abortion Recovery.

Please take as many bottles as you like, fill them, and return them to the church on Father's Day, June 16. You may also drop them off at ALC if you'd prefer. They are located at: 7121 Henry Clay Street in the back of the same building as Operation Care. Their hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9am to 5pm or you may call them at (502) 647-0300. Your donation assists them in saving the lives of unborn children and ministering to their parents. Last year, Holy Cross requested 35 bottles and returned 29 with a total of \$182.79 donated!

Happy Mother's Day

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a Christian outreach ministry supporting churches worldwide in its mission of *Bringing Christ to the Nation—and the Nations to Church*. Lutheran Hour Ministries produces Christian radio and TV programming for broadcast, as well as Internet and print communications, dramas, music, and outreach materials, to reach the unchurched in more than 30 countries. LHM's flagship program **The Lutheran Hour**, is the world's longest-running Christian outreach radio program. It airs Sundays at 9am on 102.7FM. For more information, visit www.lhm.org or call 1-800-876-9880.

YOU KNOW YOU MIGHT BE A LUTHERAN IF...

- During communion you hum the hymns so you can see who's at church that Sunday.
- Rather than introducing yourself to a visitor at church, you check their name out in the guestbook.
- You have your wedding reception in the fellowship hall and feel guilty about not staying to help clean up.

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Easter Lilies
Given to the glory and praise of God by...

Peter & Vicki Bono – 1 lily in memory of Clayton Michael Paul Bono.

Dave & Anita Themer– 1 lily in honor of our granddaughter Eleanor Grace.

Chris & Brenda Phoebus– 1 lily in memory of Stella and Marvin Kuhn.

Charlie & Brenda Moody– 2 lilies in memory of loved ones and in honor of our risen Lord.

Rutledge Family– 3 lilies in memory of Mother Rutledge and in honor of our children and Christ our Lord.

Nancy Kovach– 1 lily in honor of my family.

Kathy Adams– 3 lilies in memory of loved ones and in honor of my sons and my church family.

Barb Eaton– 1 lily in honor of my family.

Rod & Jenny Shreve– 2 lilies in memory of our parents.

Annette & Mike Semeniuk– 2 lilies in memory of our grandparents and Allan Tomnitz and in honor of our sons.

Robert Chesher– 1 lily in memory of Linda Bramblett

Callie Hite– 1 lily in memory of Robert Warner Hite III.

Delia Carnes– 1 lily in memory of Lois Cardalino.

Julie Dillard– 2 lilies in memory of family.

Don & Donna Saltzman– 3 lilies in memory of Sherry Saltzman, Saltzman family, and Colston family.

MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 15; Ps. 116; James 1:19-27 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 16; Ps. 117; James 2:1-13 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 17; Ps. 118; James 2:14-26 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 18; Ps. 119:1-8; James 3:1-18 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 19; Ps. 119:9-16; James 4:1-13 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 20; Ps. 119:17-24; James 5:1-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 21; Ps. 119:25-32; 1 Peter 1:1-12
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 22; Ps. 119:33-40; 1 Peter 1:13-25 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 23; Ps. 119:41-48; 1 Peter 2:1-12 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 24:1-22; Ps. 119:49-56; 1 Peter 2:13-25 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 25; Ps. 119:65-72; 1 Peter 3:8-22 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 26; Ps. 119:73-80; 1 Peter 4:1-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 27; Ps. 119:81-88; 1 Peter 5:1-14 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 28; Ps. 119:89-96; 2 Peter 1:1-15
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 28; Ps. 119:89-96; 2 Peter 1:1-15 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 29; Ps. 119:97-104; 2 Peter 1:16-21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 30; Ps. 119:105-112; 2 Peter 2:1-10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prov. 31; Ps. 119:113-120; 2 Peter 2:10-22 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 1:1-31; Ps. 119:121-128; 2 Peter 3:1-13 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 1:32-53; Ps. 119:129-136; 2 Peter 3:14-18 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 2:1-25; Ps. 119:137-144; 1 John 1:1-10
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 2:26-46; Ps. 119:145-152; 1 John 2:1-14 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 3; Ps. 119:153-160; 1 John 2:15-27 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 4; Ps. 119:161-168; 1 John 2:28-3:10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Kings 5; Ps. 119:169-176; 1 John 3:11-24 	ASCENSION DAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acts 1:1-11; Ps. 47; Eph. 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53 		
26	27	28	29	30	31	



March 13, 2019

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My dear fellow redeemed:

I have been blessed to know people who experience profound, life-changing JOY when they tell others about Jesus through their sacrificial giving. I pray you are one of them. There is something intensely personal and full of meaning in a gift like the one you have joyfully given. Thank you.

St. Paul said it best: *"I thank God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And 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."* (Philippians 1:3-6, ESV)

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to serve you better.

In service to our Lord, Jesus Christ,

Pastor Matthew C. Harrison
President, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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*National Day of Prayer
Thursday, May 2*