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Bible Studies

Sunday Adult Bible Study Adult Faith Information Class Wednesday Noon Wednesday Women's 7pm Thursday 7pm for more information, contact the office.

Women's Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays 7:30pm, meeting upstairs at Martin's Supermarket led by Kellee Skaggs. "Present Over Perfect" by Shauna Niequist. Leaving behind busyness and frantic living and rediscovering the person you were made to be. Present Over Perfect is a hand reaching out, pulling you free from the constant pressure to perform faster, push harder, and produce more, all while maintaining an exhausting image of perfection.

Sunday Morning & Thursday Night Bible Study

We are utilizing LCMS Pastor Jonathan Fisk's book *Echo:Unbroken Truth Worth Repeating Again.*A study in which we will learn "the distilled, unbreakable Christian Echo, the very thing that has radically changed humanity in every nation and tongue where it has been repeated."

Wednesday Noon Bible Study

We have begun a new Bible based study. Please join us!

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Pastor Mike has started a new Sunday morning bible study on the book of Genesis. "The Beginning" will be held in the Narthex.

Youth Group Bible Study

Cultural issues that don't line up with God's design.

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers for 2019.
Please let us know which dates you would like to dedicate. Fill out the form in the bulletin and place in Janet Essig's mail box.

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Mail Boxes

Periodicaly-please check your mail box in the Fellowship Hall. If you do not have a box, please notify Liz in the office and she will make a spot for you! Thank you.

Tissues for Lincoln Elementary

The Missions Bd is collecting boxes of Kleenex for Lincoln Elementary. When you are shopping, pick up an extra box and bring to church! **Thank you!** The pile of tissue boxes collected so far makes we want to cry. *Yes*, pun intended.

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Church Improvements Building Fund

Thank you to those that have given to the debt reduction fund. After your weekly tithing, please consider dropping a little extra into an envelope and putting it in the plate. It all adds up! Amount needed is approx. \$165,000.00. Amount collected to date is \$66,293.83.

Debt Reduction Envelopes are available at the welcome center

Volunteering

There are so many opportunities, here are just a few. Redeemer Little Steps Daycare-reading to a class or helping serve lunch. Lincoln Elementary-lunch buddie, homework help or Boomerrang Backpack, You can volunteer everyday or once a month. The choice is yours. Interested in learning more? Stop by the office or talk with Tami Beery. Let's be His hands and feet. He created us to love and to serve those in need.

Garage Sale

Garage Sale to benefit the National Youth Gathering in July. If you want to add to the sale, please bring in your items and place them at the Welcome Center.

May 17 & 18

Redeemer Volunteering & Events Sign up sheet

(Please place sign-ups in the Office mailbox)

Name:		
\square I'd like to donate to the Altar Flowers (\$25) in honor of:		
on this date:		
I'd like to join an ☐ Sunday Morning Bible S ☐ Wednesday Bible Study	Study	Bible Study! attend as many as you like! Wednesday Women's Bible Study Thursday Evening Bible Study
☐ I would like assistance from the Youth Group (yard work, cleaning, a visit)		
\square I would like to help with Sunday School, IMPACT, nursery		
☐ Lincoln School & Little Steps Daycare. I am interested in learning about the many opportunities on how to implement our Vision Statement. Stay tuned-it is going to be epic!		
☐ I would like to help with Vacation Bible School		



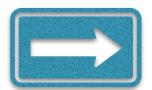
Help Fill A Need

The daycare is in need of a radio/cd player for the nursery.

VBS Committee

We need you! A 2019 VBS Committee is being organized. Please contact the office with any questions or to say YES! count me in.





Where there are no good works, there is no faith. If works and love do not blossom forth, it is not genuine faith, the Gospel has not gained a foothold, and Christ is not yet rightly known. Marin Luther, 1483-1546

Never say that you have no time. On the whole it is those who are busiest who can make time for yet more, and those who have more leisure time who refuse to do something when asked. What we lack is not time, but heart. Henri Boulad, Egyptian Jesuit



What a friend we have in Jesus all our sins and grieves to bear What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer Oh what peace we often forfeit of what needless pain we bear All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer Have we trials and temptations is there trouble anywhere If we have don't be discouraged take it to the Jord in prayer

Sara

Sarah was the wife (and half-sister) of the Hebrew patriarch Abraham (Gen. 11:29; 20:12). In obedience to divine command (Gen. 12:1), she made the long and arduous journey west, along with her husband and his relatives, from Ur of the Chaldees to Haran and then finally to the land of Canaan. She remained childless until old age. Then, in keeping with God's long-standing promise, she gave birth to a son and heir of the covenant (Gen. 21: 1-3). She is remembered and honored as the wife of Abraham and the mother of Isaac, the second of the three patriarchs. She is also favorably noted for her hospitality to strangers (Gen. 18:1-8). Following her death at the age of 127, she was laid to rest in the Cave of Machpelah (Gen. 49:13), where her husband was later buried.

Perpetua and Felicitas, Martyrs

At the beginning of the third century, the Roman emperor Septimus Severus forbade conversions to Christianity. Among those disobeying that edict were Perpetua, a young noblewoman, and her maidservant Felicitas. Both were jailed at Carthage in North Africa along with three fellow Christians. During their imprisonment, Perpetua and Felicitas witnessed to their faith with such conviction that the officer in charge became a follower of Jesus. After making arrangements for the well-being of their children, Perpetua and Felicitas were executed on March 7, 203. Tradition holds that Perpetua showed mercy to her captors by falling on a sword because they could not bear to put her to death. The story of this martyrdom has been told ever since as an encouragement to persecuted Christians.

Esther

Esther is the heroine of the biblical book that bears her name. Her Jewish name was Hadassah, which means "myrtle." Her beauty, charm, and courage served her well as queen to King Ahasuerus. In that role she was able to save her people from the mass extermination that Haman, the king's chief advisor, had planned (2:19 - 4:17). Esther's efforts to uncover the plot resulted in the hanging of Haman on the very same gallows that he had built for Mordecai, her uncle and guardian. Then the king named Mordecai minister of state in Haman's place. This story is an example of how God intervenes on behalf of his people to deliver them from evil, as here through Esther he preserved the Old Testament people through whom the Messiah would come.