



ST. BARTHOLOMEW NEWSLETTER

MAY 2017



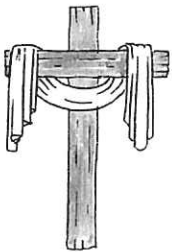
"To God be the Glory!" (1 Peter 4:11)

GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF OUR LIVING LORD AND SAVIOR!

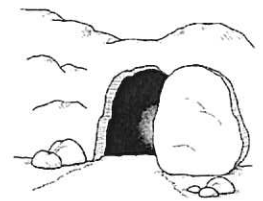
Jesus taught a powerful lesson about servanthood, recorded in the 13th chapter of John's Gospel. He taught that lesson on the night of the final meal He would eat with His disciples. We're told all twelve were gathered in an upper room with Jesus in their midst. Off to the side, nearly forgotten, was a basin. In the basin was water. No one was standing behind the basin. No one had it in his grasp. It stood unattended, unnoticed. You see, that basin was meant for the washing of feet. In ancient times, the mode of transportation was a little messier on the road than it is today. The person who was traveling would not only come into your home with a little dust and dirt, but his feet would be dung-stained as well. Washing feet was the job of the least servant. To put it in our terms, the servant with the lowest amount of seniority got the basin as the guests came into the home. He would kneel down and wash their feet.

On that night, when the twelve were gathered with Jesus in their midst, the basin was unattended. There were no men pushing and shoving to see who could be first in line. "No, no, my turn, you got to do it last time. I get to be first. Get behind me. I get to serve. Who do you think you are, pushing in front of me? It's my turn." The basin stood alone - until Jesus got up and took the basin and knelt down and began washing the feet of each disciple. It was a very awkward moment. You see, they recognized the One with the basin. They knew where He came from. He was the Son of God, from the right hand of the Father. Finally Peter, speaking up as if to voice the concern, the awkwardness, and the embarrassment of the whole group, said, "Lord, You can't do this. Of all the people in the room, You shouldn't be doing this!"

The Lord was teaching them about a newer, grander, more blessed way of life. He was getting them ready for what was going to happen less than 24 hours later. As He hung on that cross, and they watched Him bleed and groan and gasp, that same thought must have washed over them that should come to us as you and I picture that scene. It's supposed to be the same feeling the disciples had when Jesus took the basin. "Lord, this isn't right. You're not supposed to be doing this. I'm the one who should be there. I'm the one who should be suffering, not You." But the Lord makes it clear that, through that cross, He gives more than an example; He gives us new life. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, we receive a new life as we look to Him and recognize the blessings of His service, of His ransom, of His deliverance. We come to rejoice and hold onto and remember that great beginning. That beginning, our salvation through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, is what enables us to live lives in service for Jesus.



In the month of May, we consider and celebrate many who live their lives in service or have given their lives in service – our one confirmand who commits himself to serving the Lord, our mothers who sacrifice for their children, our high school graduates who will live lives of service in college or the workforce, our Sunday school youth as they share their God-given talents with us and interact with their family and friends, and those who have their lives in service to God and country. Join us as remember and celebrate those who serve especially our living Lord and Savior!



Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

Together in Christ,
Pastor Kueger

FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

March 2017

Year-to-date Income: \$ 44,194.81
Year-to-date Expenses: \$ 51,931.75
Year-to-date Budget: \$ 39,960.00

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SPECIAL FUNDS CONTRIBUTORS

Organ Fund

Janet Kalies in memory of Nathan Krepline
Pastor & Kris Krueger in memory of Nathan Krepline
Gary & Linda Streck in memory of Nathan Krepline
Judy & Don Baer in memory of Pat Eichhorst
Judy & Don Baer in memory of Ken Eichhorst
Pastor & Kris Krueger in memory of Ken Eichhorst
Janet Kalies in memory of Ken Eichhorst
Gary & Linda Streck in memory of Ken Eichhorst

Landscaping Fund

Ron & Sue Detert

Memorial – Norman Krahn in memory of Ken Eichhorst

BAPTISM

Sebastian Gray Gifford 3/26/2017

KINGDOM WORKERS - MAY

The following members are listed as Kingdom workers for May in the following areas:

Ushers (Wednesdays): Ron Zeuske, Mike Irish
(Sundays): Jeff Schlender, Tanner Schlender

Altar Guild: Janet Kalies, Sue Graf, Kris Krueger

Greeters: May (No one signed up)

Acolytes: May 7 - Meghan (light Paschal candle)
14 - Ashley (light Paschal candle)
21 - Spencer (light Paschal candle)
28 - Amber (light Paschal candle)

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MISSION STATEMENT

Sharing the Good News of salvation with others
(Matt. 28:19)

Believing in Jesus as our Savior (John 3:16)

Living our faith in what we say and do (James 2:18)

Caring for those in need (1 Peter 3:15; Mark 10:45;
Eph. 4:28; 1 John 3:17)

SHARING, BELIEVING LIVING AND CARING



If you would like to have a prayer sent on the Prayer Chain, please contact any one of the Prayer Chain members:

Judy Baer	756-2696
Renee Bonick	(920) 296-9164
Sue Detert	756-3439
Ralph & Sandy Haberland	(920) 524-2016
Kris Krueger	756-3912
Jean Peter	(920) 875-0164
Faith Sonnabend	756-2779
Joan Zutz	756-2501

All requests will remain strictly confidential!

Sunday school (all grades) will sing in the worship service on Sunday, May 14!

ELDER GROUPS

(Baer-Geiger)	Gary Koerth	864-7714
(Giese-Krahn)	Rick Riemer	(920) 841-7346
(Kremer-Reinke)	Gary Lemke	853-3846
(Riemer-Zutz)	Deacon Bonick	(920) 366-2766

Welcome



Sebastian Gifford
March 26, 2017

Living Generously

The purpose of this newsletter is to share God's Word so that our members will better understand who we are to be and what we are to do in the light of the Scriptures. It is our hope that this monthly publication will help you grow in your relationship with the Lord and as a Christian steward.

Changing Your Heart

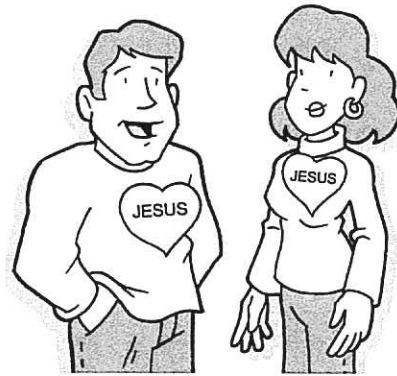
A teacher had decided to let her class play a game. The teacher told each child in the class to bring to school a plastic bag containing a few potatoes. Each potato would be given a name of a person that the child did not like. The number of potatoes that a child put in his/her plastic bag would depend on the number of people he/she did not like.

When the day came, every child brought some potatoes with the name of the people he/she did not like. Some had 2 potatoes, some 3 while some up to 5 potatoes. The teacher then told the children to carry the potatoes in the plastic bag with them wherever they went for one week. Day after day passed, and the children started to complain due to the unpleasant smell let out by the rotten potatoes. Besides, those children having 5 potatoes also had to carry heavier bags. After one week, the children were relieved because the game had finally ended.

The teacher asked: "How did you feel while carrying the potatoes with you for the week?" The children let out their frustrations and started complaining about the trouble they had to go through having to carry the

heavy and smelly potatoes wherever they went.

Then the teacher told them the hidden meaning behind the game. The teacher said: "This is exactly the situation when you carry your hatred for somebody inside your heart. The stench of hatred will contaminate your heart because you carry it with you wherever you go. If you cannot tolerate the smell of rotten potatoes for just one week, can you imagine what is it like to have the stench of hatred in your heart for your lifetime?" God does not want us to carry such burdens so He tells us to "[forgive] one another as God in Christ forgave [us]" (Ephesians 4:32).



Using Time Wisely

Today is a very important day to make our lives meaningful. Yesterday is history, and tomorrow may never come. At some point in life, we start asking, "Where did the months and the years go?" Time is an irreplaceable commodity God grants us, a precious period of opportunity for fulfilling the purposes for which He has created us (Ephesians 2:10). Wise use of time starts by

living a life for Christ. If our time, energy, and focus are only on material wealth or other worldly successes, our time is wasted.

While we must spend time providing for our needs, our life's purpose must be to do the Lord's work. We were born to serve our Creator. Jesus, Who "*did not come to be served, but to serve*" (Matthew 20:28), is our model. We are called to bring people to Christ and serve others based on gifts given to us by God. Ignoring God's plan for our lives will result in anguish and despair.



As God's stewards, we are called to be good managers of God's gifts, especially time, which is one of the most important, since it is irreplaceable. God, Who has given us time, will also guide us in using it wisely. When we go about the work of the Lord, God will enrich us with His supply of time and everything else we need to accomplish His purposes.

What if, for one day, Jesus became each of us? What if, for twenty-four hours, Jesus would wake up in our beds, walk in our shoes, live in our houses, and assume our schedules? Would Jesus follow the plans we had made (or not made) for the next twenty-four hours? With Jesus taking over our hearts, would anything change?

If the answer is "yes," we will want to re-

evaluate our goals and aspirations and how we use our time. We will want each step we take to lead us toward building a character more like Christ's that will help us express our love for God and His Word.

Tipping the Waitress

A church council took their pastor to dinner at a fine restaurant. The food was tasty, the waitress efficient and courteous.

During the meal they discussed church finances. The giving level was low. A few members gave the tithe or 10%, but most gave about 2%.

When the restaurant bill came, the treasurer carefully figured a 20% tip. Automatically, all the members reached in their pockets to give the same. Seeing the tip, the waitress was more courteous than ever.

As they rose to go, one of the officers remarked, "We tip the waitress, who we don't even know, 20%. Otherwise she'll think we're cheap or ungrateful. Her opinion must matter more to us than God's, because we leave Him about 2%! Yet, He gives us our life now and eternal life to come."

Thinking Long-Term

Peter tells us that we are "*aliens and strangers in the world*" (1 Peter 2:11). As Christians, we learn to see ourselves as just passing through this earthly life. We train ourselves to think long-term. Satan wants us to think short-term and seek immediate gratification. All Satan has to offer is for the here and now. As long-term thinkers, we understand the consequences of present actions. As we grow in our faith, we learn to say no to the lure of immediate gratification if it will hurt other people and affect our relationship with the Lord.

Blessings as you Live Generously!



Thank you to the following individuals who helped with our Lenten services. Your help was greatly appreciated!

Bonnie Zeamer
Faith Sonnabend
Dave Sonnabend
Tim Pope

Terry Zeamer
Kris Krueger
Rick Riemer

Thank you to those who attended the Lenten meals and those who helped in any way. Thrivent sponsored the meals with an Action Team. All extra money was donated to various projects – the parking lot, organ, and youth group.

Thank you to Brigette Sonnabend for coordinating the Easter breakfast as well as all those who helped and donated food items.



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN IN APPLETON

is looking to hire 2 part-time Receptionists/Administrative Assistants. One would work 20 hrs./week. The other position would work 16 hrs./week. Responsibilities include creating and publishing weekly bulletins and church mailings, maintaining the website, FB and other social media sites, coordinating volunteer schedules, maintaining membership, contribution and attendance records, other office duties as needed. Qualified individuals must have strong computer skills, including Microsoft office, excellent communication and interpersonal skills and strong attention to detail. A 2-year technical degree is preferred. If you are interested in this position and have the skills required, please send your resume to Debbie Koeller at dkoeller@gschurch.net or mail to:

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,
Attn: Debbie Koeller
2220 E. College Avenue
Appleton, WI 54915



Youth group meeting will be on Sunday, May 21st at 6:30pm. We will be discussing Summer activities, fundraising for the youth gathering in Minneapolis. There will also be a Surprise FUN ACTIVITY!!!!!!

Thank you to all who helped at the Good Friday fish fry as well as those who attended. We really appreciate it!



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March 31, 2017

Reverend Mark Krueger
St. Bartholomew Lutheran Church
105 Horn Street
Brillion, WI 54110

RE: Gideon Talk

Dear Reverend Krueger:

I just thought I would send a note thanking you on behalf of the Gideon's for allowing me to speak at your Church on March 26. That was the second time I spoke at St. Bartholomew's, and both times have been wonderful. Everybody was welcoming, and obviously they are very receptive to our message. You have a very generous and welcoming Church, and your contributions on behalf of the Gideon's are always appreciated.

Again, thank you for allowing me to speak.

Sincerely,
SCZYGELSKI & PANGBURN LAW FIRM, LLC.

Ralph J. Sczygelski
RJS/eaw



ATTENTION PARENTS of Youth current 6th graders & up: We will be holding a Service Lock-in Thursday, June 8th from 3:00 p.m.-7:30 a.m. Friday morning June 9th. Please sign up with Holly &

Melissa so we can plan accordingly.

ATTENTION CONGREGATION: The youth will be doing a service lock-in Thursday, June 8th. If you have a need for things such as raking, cleaning, washing, etc. we can help. Please call the church office at 756-3031 to sign up. We will have a 2 hour time span. First come, first serve!



As God's stewards, our sporadic acts of service become part of our daily lives. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come" (2 Cor. 5:17)

Importance of Strength Training

Your body loses about one percent of your muscle mass every year after the age of 40. As you lose muscle, you lose the ability to stand tall and you may start to hunch over. More importantly, you lose your sense of stability. Lack of stability is a major health concern as you age, because one in three adults over the age of 65 experiences a serious fall each year. If you're a woman and you experience a fall, your health situation can deteriorate more quickly: 20 percent of women who fracture a hip become permanently disabled, and another 20 percent die within a year of suffering a broken hip.

Maintaining a sense of stability doesn't just protect you from future falls. You also gain benefits right now such as improved mobility, fewer injuries and greater endurance.

Here are some ways to strengthen muscles to keep you steady on your feet:

- **Stand on one leg.** Once you are able to hold that pose for 30 seconds on each side, stand on a less stable surface, such as a piece of foam or a soft mat.
- **Walk heel to toe.** Take 20 steps forward, heel to toe. Then walk backward, with toe to heel, in a straight line.
- **Do squats.** With your feet hip-width apart, bend your knees and hips slowly lowering yourself as if sitting in a chair. Keep your arms straight out in front, back straight and knees above your shoelaces. Stop when your thighs are parallel to the floor (or as close as possible), then stand. Try to do this for three sets of 10, with a one-minute break after each set.

One more suggestion: Get a good night's rest. A study by the California Pacific Medical Center shows that a lack of sleep is directly related to falls. Researchers tracked nearly 3,000 older women and found that those who typically slept less than seven hours each night were 40 percent more likely to fall than those who slept longer.

Source: Prevention.com and National Academy of Sports Medicine

Reasons to Avoid Energy Drinks

Energy drinks have become a staple item in stores and gas stations often conveniently located next to the register. You may be tempted to try one, especially during a day when your energy is lacking, but before you buy, consider these reasons *not* to consume:

Added Caffeine

Many of the energy drinks are loaded with excessive caffeine. Too much caffeine in your system may cause muscle tremors, irritability, a rapid or abnormal heart beat and it can raise your blood pressure. The FDA recommends that a 12-ounce serving of soda contains no more than 71 milligrams of caffeine. Energy drinks, however, are not as regulated. For example, a 2-ounce container of Five-hour Energy contains 200 milligrams of caffeine. For comparison sake, a 12-ounce can of Mt. Dew contains 54 mg and a Diet Coke contains 46 mg of caffeine.

Added Sugar

Many energy drinks can contain more sugar than you should have in a day. For example, Rockstar contains 78 grams of sugar—that's nearly 20 teaspoons of sugar. An 8.4-ounce Red Bull contains 27 grams of sugar (seven teaspoons of sugar). Due to the added sugar, your body will react with a blood sugar spike that can eventually leave you feeling sluggish. The extra sugar also can cause your body to store more fat.

Teeth Damage

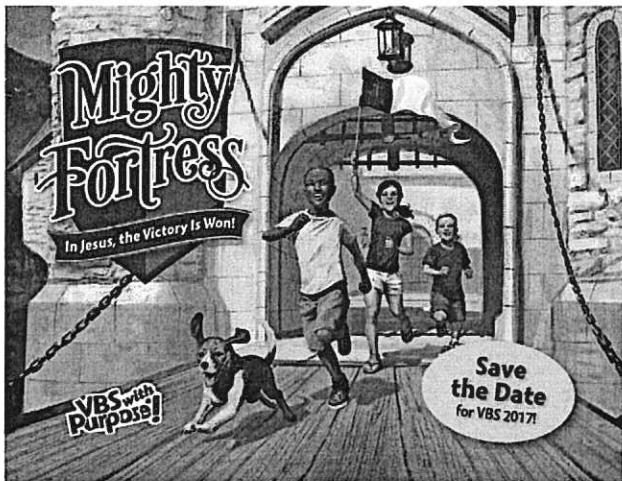
Scientists immersed samples of human teeth enamel in nine different kinds of energy drinks for 15 minutes at a time for five days. They found signs of serious enamel damage due to the acid content. Acids such as carbonic, citric and phosphoric found in energy drinks may also raise the risk of stomach damage and ulcers, cause bone breakdown, osteoporosis and bone fractures, and can upset the acid-alkaline balance in your body.

Added weight

The calories in energy drinks (168 calories in a 12-ounce Red Bull can) are mostly due to the sugar content and can lead to weight gain if consumed regularly. Energy drinks that have artificial sweeteners also can contribute to weight gain: because you're missing the effects of sugar and the calories, the hunger mechanism in your body that normally would "turn off" from increased calories keeps running, and you may end up eating/drinking more.

You can increase your energy without expensive and potentially dangerous energy drinks. Eat a banana, apple, nuts or some Greek yogurt instead. In general, eating well-balanced meals that include fruits, vegetables and protein, drinking plenty of water and exercising regularly are all great ways to help you to feel energized throughout the day.

Sources: mayoclinic.org and healthusnews.com



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 7-9

9-11:30 a.m.

3-year-olds (who were in Sunday school) –
5th grade

In *Mighty Fortress* VBS, your children learn that in Jesus, the victory is won! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts about God, our Mighty Fortress, and the victory Jesus has won for us.

Registration is open. Come along with us as we sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, eat yummy snacks, play awesome games, and more. Plus, you'll learn in Jesus, the victory is won! Can't wait to see you there!

Register your children by using the link on the church website (www.stbartbrillion.org) or going to www.vbsmate.com/stbartholomewbrillionwi. Register early so proper materials can be ordered.

Volunteers are also needed to help with crafts, games, snacks, teaching, and giving rides to children. Use the same website to sign up.

Call (756-3031) or email (sblcpastor@gmail.com) Pastor Krueger with any questions.

Register today!



Spring Retreat for 55 & Up, Weds, May 17:



Join us once again—or for the very first time—for a day of spiritual enrichment, a delightful lunch and fellowship at Cedar Valley Retreat Center. Rich Bimler will share with you why “Aging is the only way to live!” in the morning, and David and Mary Wiedenkiller will play the roles of President George and Martha Washington in the afternoon. Registration is only \$62 for the day that includes a light breakfast and lunch! There will also be an optional Tuesday evening (May 16) dinner and a history of “The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald” with Rochelle Pennington for an additional charge. For complete information and registration, go to swd.lcms.org or call Peg at the District office, 414-292-0744. *Deadline for registration is May 8, 2017*

We have been blessed with an opportunity to extend our Food Pantry hours to include Monday afternoons. The Food Pantry is now open on Monday afternoons from 3:00-6:00 p.m. as well as Tuesday-Thursday mornings from 8:30-11:30 a.m.



BENCHWARMER



St. Bart's Bench Warmers Bracket Challenge

1 Terry Zeamer	1560	17 Dave Kamps	750
2 Terri Delvaux	1470	18* Olivia Riemer	710
3 Bonnie Zeamer	1260	18* Susan Wittmann	710
4 Michelle Krueger	1250	18* Rick Riemer	710
5 Tim Pope	1170	21 Kris Krueger	700
6 Terri Riemer	1130	22 Lori Horn	650
7 Andrew Wittmann	1070	23 Hank Horn	630
8 Alice Koerth	1060	24* Jim Wendling	610
9 Zach Bonick	990	24* Zach Zoellner	610
10 Debbie Kamps	870	24* Caleb Delvaux	610
11 Gary Koerth	840	24* Dylan Wendling	610
12* Parker Sonnabend	800	28* Mike Delvaux	600
12* Renee Bonick	800	28* Harlen Krahn	600
14 Bob Behnke	790	28* Jessica Krueger	600
15 Joel Koerth	770	31 Connie Koerth	510
16 Pastor Krueger	760	32 Tony Wittmann	490

Everyone had a great time being involved in the bracket challenge with some friendly rivalry. Congratulations to Terry Zeamer who won the challenge! Terry donated his winnings back to the Hearing Loop Fund. We look forward to next year's bracket challenge.

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT MOTHERS....

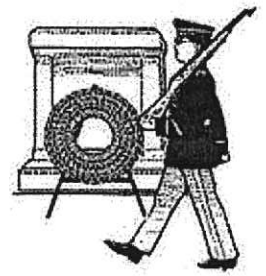


- † Gen. 3:20 – Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.
- † Exo. 20:12 - Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- † Lev. 19:3 – Each of you must respect his mother and father, and you must observe my Sabbaths. I am the LORD your God.
- † Deu. 5:16 – Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land of the LORD your God is giving you.
- † 2 Ki 4:30 – But the child's mother said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So he got up and followed her.
- † Prov. 10:1 – The proverbs of Solomon: A wise son brings joy to his father, but a foolish son grief to his mother.
- † Isa. 66:13 – As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem.
- † Ezek. 16:44 – Everyone who quotes proverbs will quote this proverb about you: Like mother, like daughter."
- † Luke 1:43 – But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
- † Luke 2:51 – Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart.
- † John 19:26-27 – When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

- via *Jewel* newsletter

TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER ...FACTS WE SHOULD KNOW!

1. How many steps does the guard take during his walk across the tomb of the Unknowns and why? 21 steps. It alludes to the twenty-one gun salute, which is the highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary.
2. How long does he hesitate after his about face to begin his return walk and why? 21 seconds for the same reason as above answer.
3. Why are his gloves wet? His gloves are moistened to prevent his losing his grip on the rifle.
4. Does he carry his rifle on the same shoulder all the time and if not, why not? He carries the rifle on the shoulder away from the tomb. After his march across the path, he executes an about face and moves the rifle to the outside shoulder.
5. How often are the guards changed? Guards are changed every thirty minutes, twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year.
6. What are the physical traits of the guard limited to? For a person to apply for guard duty at the tomb, he must be between 5'10" and 6'2" tall and his waist size cannot exceed 30". Other requirements of the Guard: They must commit 2 years of life to guard the tomb, live in a barracks under the tomb, and cannot drink any alcohol on or off duty for the rest of their lives. They cannot swear in public for the rest of their lives and cannot disgrace the uniform (fighting) or the tomb in any way. After two years, the guard is given a wreath pin that is worn on their lapel signifying they served as guard of the tomb. There are only 400 presently worn. The guard must obey these rules for the rest of their lives or give up the wreath pin. The shoes are specially made with very thick soles to keep the heat and cold from their feet. There are metal heel plates that extend to the top of the shoe in order to make the loud click as they come to a halt. There are no wrinkles, folds or lint on the uniform. Guards dress for duty in front of a full-length mirror. The first six months of duty a guard cannot talk to anyone, nor watch TV. All off duty time is spent studying the 175 notable people laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery. A guard must memorize who they are and where they are interred. Among the notables are: President Taft, Joe E. Lewis (the boxer) and Medal of Honor winner Audie Murphy, (the most decorated soldier of WW11) of Hollywood fame. Every guard spends five hours a day getting his uniforms ready.





Mother's Day Rose sale will again take place on Sunday, May 14th. Roses are \$2/ea. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to purchase a rose for Right to Life. You can pick up the rose after service on Mother's Day. Proceeds go to Mother & Unborn Baby at Appleton, and the Pro-Life exhibit at the Calumet County Fair. Deadline to order is Wednesday, May 3rd.

*Dear members of St. Bart's,
Our family wants to say thank you for your thoughts, prayers and kindness that you graciously bestowed to us in the passing of our dad John Kuh. St. Bart's has been such a blessing to Dad throughout many years. You have stood by him through many changes in his life and given him and our family the support we need in times of difficulty. You are a special group of people. Again our hearts thank you.
The family of John Kuh*

YOUTH GROUP

THANK YOU to Amy Krahn for serving as our Youth Group leader for 12+ years. She has decided to step down from that position. Thank you for your time and energy in working with our youth.



DAVE HORN

Singing the Cross and the Empty Tomb

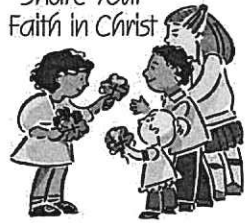
Dave Horn is a Lutheran pastor, performing singer/songwriter and fingerstyle guitarist who proclaims the forgiveness of sins in Jesus Christ through music, story and lighthearted humor. Dave will be leading our worship June 11.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

St. Bartholomew is in need of a part-time Sunday school teacher for next school year. Please prayerfully consider volunteering in this capacity. Notify Holly Schlender or Melissa Pope if you are interested.

Share Your Faith in Christ



Reminder that Sunday, May 21 will be Youth Sunday. This is also the last day of Sunday school. The youth will be ushering and greeting as well as participating in other aspects of the worship service.

Band students will need their instruments and music for Youth Sunday. Parents, please have them at church by 7:30 am to practice.

GRADUATE SUNDAY

St. Bartholomew will honor our high school graduates at the May 21st service. If you and your son/daughter received a letter from the church office regarding Graduate Sunday, please contact us right away and let us know if your young adult will be attending as well as their plans for after high school. Thank you.



MARCH SCRIP TOTALS

CARD NAME	TOTAL	PROFIT
Barnes & Noble	50	4.50
BP	100	1.50
Buffalo Wild Wings	50	4.00
Coldtstone	40	3.20
Dairy Queen	25	5.00
Deer Run	75	7.50
Econo	2125	63.75
Exxon	200	20.00
Festival	200	6.00
Fleet Farm	100	5.00
Gordmans	150	10.50
Kwik Trip	800	32.00
McDonalds	25	1.00
Piggly Wiggly	150	4.50
Shell	300	30.00
Shell (Presto)	200	4.00
Shopko	225	11.25
WalMart	1175	29.38
Woodmans	150	7.50
TOTALS	6390	260.58

PAVER UPDATE



The cost of the pavers has increased to \$35/each. The previous supplier is no longer in business and unfortunately, the new company's cost is higher.

If you would like to place a paver in our Memorial Garden, pick up a form in the church office or literature rack. You can purchase a paver in memory of or in honor of someone or some event.

We only place one order during the year so be sure to order now. Deadline for 2017 orders is June 2

WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST

We will celebrate Pentecost Wednesday, May 31 and Sunday, June 4. The liturgical color of the day is red which is symbolic of the Holy Spirit. You are encouraged to wear red. Pentecost marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles. It occurs 50 days after Easter and comes 10 days after the ascension of Jesus Christ.

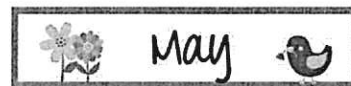


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"I want this to be a good day, Mommy. Is this the right side of the bed for me to get up on?"

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BIRTHDAYS

1st Benjamin Krahn	11 th Cheyanne Schleis
1 st Nicholas Krahn	14 th Carolyn Bladow
1 st Gary Streck	14 th Kenney Curtis
4 th Allison Gade	14 th Zach Zoellner
4 th Hunter Gade	15 th Pyper Nenahlo
4 th Jerome Kremer	15 th Drake Propson
4 th Lori Krueger	16 th Spencer Gilbertson
4 th Elaine Zeamer	17 th Mariana Vargas
5 th Tanner Behnke	18 th Dana Irish
7 th Samantha Bonick	19 th Dyllan Eichhorst
7 th Norma Drumm	20 th Jim Wendling
8 th Paula Kalies	21 st Howard Heimke
9 th Cassandra Bonick	21 st Joshua Krahn
9 th Steve Juno	24 th Jacob Wendling
9 th Karly Woldt	28 th Sara Greil
10 th Ben Michael	29 th Denise Scharbarth
11 th Matt Denor	30 th Kay Koffarnus

ANNIVERSARIES

2 nd	Gary & Linda Streck
5 th	Brandan & Jennifer Bowe
8 th	Jim & Florence Behnke
19 th	Don & Judy Baer
19 th	Todd & Jody Lau
25 th	Matt & Jody Denor
25 th	Pastor & Kris Krueger
26 th	Derek & Faviola Emmer
29 th	Bob & Sandi Koffarnus



Please forgive us and politely notify us if an anniversary or birthday is missing from the list. Thank you.