



ST. BARTHOLOMEW NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2021



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

CHRIST, THE LIFE OF ALL THE LIVING

- 1 Christ, the life of all the living, Christ, the death of death, our foe,
Who, Thyself for me once giving To the darkest depths of woe:
Through Thy sufferings, death, and merit I eternal life inherit.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee, O Thou sinless Son of God!
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver From the bonds of sin forever.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 3 Thou hast borne the smiting only That my wounds might all be whole;
Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely, Rest to give my weary soul;
Yea, the curse of God enduring, Blessing unto me securing.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 4 Heartless scoffers did surround Thee, Treating Thee with shameful scorn
And with piercing thorns they crowned Thee. All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,
That as Thine Thou mightest own me And with heav'nly glory crown me.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee, That from pain I might be free;
Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee: Thence I gain security;
Comfortless Thy soul did languish Me to comfort in my anguish.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction And hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me;
Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon, For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
For Thine anguish in the Garden, I will thank Thee evermore,
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing, For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

(LSB 420)

FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

January 2021

Year-to-date Income:	\$10,961.25
Year-to-date Expenses:	\$12,634.47
Year-to-date Budget:	\$14,164.00

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NEW MEMBERS

James Campbell-Nenahlo & Owen Nenahlo by
Affirmation of Baptism

REMOVAL

Whitney & Jensyn Kees due to joining another
denomination

KINGDOM WORKERS - MARCH

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

Altar Guild: Norma Drumm, Janet Kalies

Acolytes: Mar. 3 – (Wed.) Emma
7 – Kelvin
10 – (Wed.) Simon
14 – Natalie
17 – (Wed.) Ava
21 – Alandra
24 – (Wed.) Addison
28 – Emma

SIGN UP FOR EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

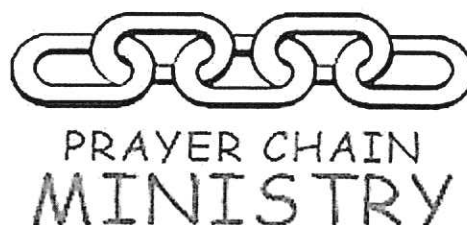
Once again, due to limited seating with
social distancing, if you plan to attend
in-person worship on Easter Sunday, you
will need to sign up using Sign-Up Genius.
When you sign up, you will be asked how
many will be in your group. You are also
asked to note in the comment section if you
prefer to sit to the front, middle, or back
and pulpit (west) side or lectern (east) side.
Here is the link to sign up:
[https://www.signupgenius.com/
go/409054BA9AE28A7FF2-easter](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054BA9AE28A7FF2-easter)



Prayer Chain

A prayer request may be made to any member of
the prayer chain. If you are requesting a prayer for
someone, let the person know so that they are
aware and respect their wishes if they do not want
the request given to the prayer chain.

Judy Baer	756-2696
Florence Behnke	(920) 418-4315
Renee Bonick	(920) 296-9164
Sue Detert	756-3439
Lori Fels	(920) 639-3792
Rhonda Geiger	(920) 371-7375
Sandy Haberland	(920) 524-2016
Kris Krueger	756-3912
Faith Sonnabend	756-2779
Diane Zickert	(920) 841-8951
Joan Zutz	756-2501



"This is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he
hears us" (1 John 5:14)

ELDER GROUPS

(A-G) Tanner Behnke	(920) 427-6201
(H-M) Ron Detert	756-3439
(N-Z) Gary Lemke	853-3846

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

Our Lenten series continues through Holy Week. Join us as we continue our journey to the
PLACES *of the* PASSION



The Mount of Olives

The disciples sing a hymn with Jesus before they head out to this place of prayer.

Matthew 26:30-35

Wednesday, March 3 @ 7 p.m.



Gethsemane

Jesus is betrayed and arrested in this garden under cover of darkness.

Matthew 26:47-56

Wednesday, March 10 @ 7 p.m.



The Courtyard

While Jesus is put on trial before the high priest, Peter denies Jesus in this place.

Matthew 26:57-69

Wednesday, March 17 @ 7 p.m.



Pilate's Judgment Hall

Pilate is positioned here to set Jesus free, but turns Him over to be crucified instead.

Matthew 27:11-23

Wednesday, March 24 @ 7 p.m.



Bethphage

This is the place where Jesus begins His ride on a donkey into Jerusalem.

Matthew 21:1-11

Palm Sunday, March 28 @ 9 a.m.



The Upper Room

The disciples gather in the upper room with Jesus to celebrate the Passover, during which Jesus establishes a new covenant.

Matthew 26:17-29

Maundy Thursday, April 1 @ 7 p.m.



Golgatha

The crucified Jesus breathes His last for our sake at the place also known as the Place of the Skull.

Matthew 27:45-56

Good Friday, April 2 @ 1 p.m.



The Garden Tomb

The women come here only to find it empty and hear the good news that Jesus is risen.

Matthew 28:1-11

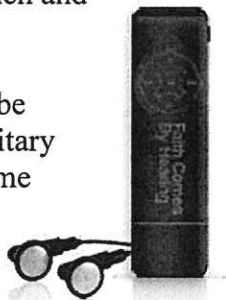
Easter Sunday, April 4 @ 7 a.m. & 9 a.m.

Military BibleSticks

Lenten Mission Project

Just \$25 provides God's Word on a Military BibleStick to 1 family. Together we can get God's Word to our servicemen and women!

February 17— April 4, we will be receiving funds to purchase Military BibleSticks for our troops at home and abroad. \$25 sponsors one service member and his/her family.



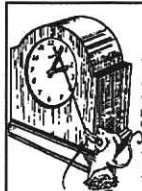
The challenge is on again: The challenge is between St. Bartholomew, Brillion and St. Peter, Hilbert as to which church can beat their respective goal by a greater percentage. The goal is 55 BibleSticks for each church. Both congregations have gone over these goals before. The winner gets bragging rights!

Your gift of \$5, \$25, \$100, or more can be put in an envelope marked "BibleStick" and placed in the offering plate or dropped off in the church office. Please make checks payable to the church.

The challenge is on! Share the Good News of salvation with our troops!

The Best Things to Give

To a friend: loyalty
To an enemy: forgiveness
To your boss: service
To a child: good example
To your father: respect
To your mother: gratitude and devotion
To your mate: love and faithfulness
To all men: charity
To God: your life



**Daylight
Saving
Time
Begins**

Daylight Savings Time:
Don't forget to set your
clocks ahead one hour
before you go to bed on
Saturday, March 13th.

Decorating Help Needed



We are in need of some volunteers to help decorate for Easter on Saturday April 3 at 1:00 p.m. If interested, please contact **Alice Koerth** at:
920-676-5159 (text or call)

PENNIES FOR LIFE



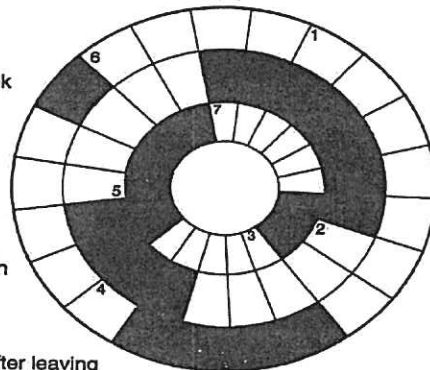
We collected \$73.33 for Lutherans for Life during January. Thank you to everyone who donated their pennies.

59. WHEELS OF KNOWLEDGE

FILL in the spaces according to the clues. The last letter or letters of answer no. 1 are the same as the first letter or letters of answer no. 2, and so on. Each new word starts a new circle.

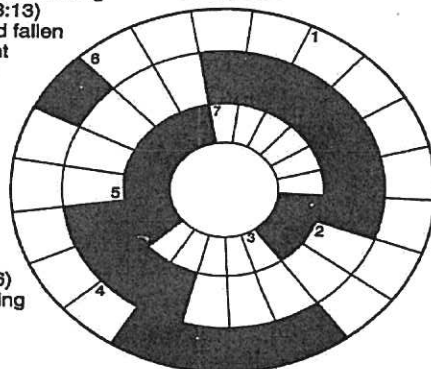
A.

1. Its walls fell down (Josh. 6:2)
2. Old Testament book
3. Seven in the Revelation (5:1)
4. Jewish priest with seven sons (Acts 19:14)
5. A testimony must be
6. False god
7. Jerusalem mountain (Matt. 21:1)



B.

1. Paul arrived here after leaving Rhegium (Acts 28:13)
2. David said they had fallen for him in pleasant places (Ps. 16:6)
3. Homes of birds
4. Imprisoned with Paul in Philippi (Acts 16:22)
5. Associated with repentance and sackcloth (Matt. 11:21)
6. Twin brother of Jacob (Gen. 25:26)
7. Time of rain according to Joel (2:23)



Answers on page 7 of newsletter

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.

Receiving God's Unconditional Love

Almost daily we use the word "love." If you have a spouse or children, you tell them that you love them. When you enjoy a meal, you may say, "I loved my dinner." We often say that we loved a movie. The word love has different meanings, among them are affection and desire. We often go beyond just telling our loved ones of our love. We express that love by spending billions of dollars each year on birthdays, anniversaries, or Valentine's Days buying cards, flowers, and chocolates.

God's love is evident throughout the Old and New Testaments. The 13th chapter of First Corinthians is referred to as the Bible's love chapter. This passage is not talking about loving a meal or a TV program; it is talking about Christian love. The Apostle Paul, who wrote the letter to the Corinthians, exalts love as the supreme gift. In the beginning verses, he tells the Corinthians (and us) that love is more important than prophesying, knowledge, faith, and generosity. In verses four through eight, he presents Christian love in a personal way: *"Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not*

irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends."

As mentioned above, the word love is used to mean different things. For us as Christians the inspirational meaning of love is found in what is perhaps the most widely known Scripture verse, John 3:16. *"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."* Love in this sense is sacrificial. It expresses a commitment of love so profound that God was willing to let His Son suffer and die on the cross because of His unconditional love for us.

God
love
for us
is



special and unique because we are undeserving of His love. Paul tells us, *"For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly...God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us"* (Romans 5:6-8). When the time was right, God rescued us from our sins and death.

A Noble Task

This third chapter of 1 Timothy is full of instructions to God's people about the qualifications necessary for overseers and deacons. While you may not hold such a title, as a leader in your congregation you would do well to study these instructions and ask God's help in attaining the standards He sets for church leaders.

All of God's people should be "*above reproach*" (1 Timothy 3:2). The Apostle Peter writes that we should "*[have] a good conscience, so that, when [we] are slandered, those who revile [our] good behavior in Christ may be put to shame*" (1 Peter 3:16). This is even more true for church leaders, for your brothers and sisters in Christ are watching your behavior and are encouraged or discouraged by it. "*And [Jesus] said to His disciples, 'Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come!'*" (Luke 17:1).

You are a steward of the life that God has given you. He asks you to live it according to His purpose for His glory and for the edification of His Body, the Church. How important it is to be strengthened in faith through Word and Sacrament in order that we might take up the work God has left for us to do until His Son's return! May each of us avail ourselves of the gifts He so graciously gives that we might be equipped for His service.

Faithful Stewards

God, Who created us, calls us to be faithful stewards of our lives and the gifts He entrusts to us. Through faith, we understand that who we are and what we have belong to Him. We are managers, not owners. As God's stewards, we live our lives in ways

that express our gratitude for who He is and what He has done for us.

We say a thank-you to God when we faithfully manage our time, our abilities, and our money. Our faithful stewardship is seen in our deeds and actions. Through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, we become faithful stewards who respond willingly and joyfully to God's love for us, actually living out the definition of stewardship: the free and joyous activity of managing all that we have for the Lord. Our thankfulness and devotion to Him are illustrated by the lifestyles that we lead as we practice faithful stewardship through our faithful service to Him.



Devotion can be expressed at every level and in every activity of life. As Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "*So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God*" (1 Corinthians 10:31). As God's stewards, we can rejoice in knowing that even our most mundane tasks can be dedicated to Him.

In the Parable of the Talents, the master commended two of the servants for the wise management of the gifts given to them. In the same way, our heavenly Father will tell us "*Well done, good and faithful servant*" (Matthew 25:23) when we faithfully manage our lives and gifts for Him.

Blessings as you Live Generously!

Your "Field" is HUGE"

Who can you invite
to your church?
Who can you share
your Jesus with?
Your field is huge.



- **Think of family members**, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles.
- **Think of neighbors** - next door neighbors, elderly persons, and new families in the neighborhood.
- **Think of persons you know** through sports or hobbies - people with whom you bowl, golf, or play tennis with.
- **Think of people at work** - supervisors, employees, secretaries, clients, and colleagues you see once in a while.
- **Think of friends** with whom you dine out - single friends, parents of your child's friends, old friends from school.
- **Think of casual associates** - your dentist, your doctor, your child's teacher, persons who belong to clubs and professional groups you attend, sales representatives who call on you frequently, and persons who graduated from the same school as you.
- **Think especially of persons** who are undergoing personal life stresses of some kind.



Easter Flower order forms may be picked up from your church mailbox if they haven't done so already. If you would like to donate your flower in memory of someone there is a place on the order form to note that.

Deadline to order is Wednesday, March 21.

Answers to Wheels of Knowledge

A.

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| 1. Jericho | 3. Seals | 5. Valid | 7. Olives |
| 2. Hosea | 4. Sceva | 6. Idol | |

B.

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| 1. Puteoli | 3. Nests | 5. Ashes | 7. Autumn |
| 2. Lines | 4. Silas | 6. Esau | |

THE MARKS OF LOVE

Lenten Devotions



In *The Marks of Love*, we meet a Savior who endured life's hardships, suffered our pain, and bore the weight of our sins. Each left its mark on Him as He pressed on to the cross, giving His life for ours, appeasing God's wrath against sin, and rising victorious over sin, death, and the devil.

You can find the devotions at lhm.org/lent. Have them delivered right to your inbox, podcast the

audio devotional, access them on your mobile device through the FREE app, or listen with Spotify, iHeart Radio, Alexa, or Google Home.

Las marcas del amor, a Spanish version is also available. Go to <https://www.paraelcamino.com/cuaresma/>

SIX HOURS ONE FRIDAY

To the casual observer the six hour are mundane. A shepherd with his sheep, a housewife with her thoughts, a doctor with his patients. But to the handful of awestruck witnesses the most maddening of miracles is occurring.

God is on a cross. The creator of the universe is being executed.

Spit and blood are caked to his cheeks and his lips are cracked and swollen. Thorns rip his scalp. His lungs scream with pain. His legs knot with cramps. Taut nerves threaten to snap as pain twangs her morbid melody. Yet, death is not ready. And there is no one to save him, for he is sacrificing himself . . .

Six hours on one Friday. Six hours that jut up on the plain of human history like Mount Everest in a desert. Six hours that have been deciphered, directed, and debated for two thousand years.

What does that Friday mean?

For the life blackened with failure, that Friday means forgiveness. For the heart scarred with futility, that Friday means purpose.

And for the soul looking into this side of the tunnel of death, that Friday means deliverance.

Six hours. One Friday.

(Concordia Pulpit Resources, vol. 7, part 1)



Birthdays

2nd	Kayla Woldt	18th	Josh Delvaux
2nd	Hilary Sonnabend	18th	Harper Horn
3rd	Sue Detert	18th	Faith Sonnabend
5th	Erin Zutz	19th	Russ Boldt
6th	Gary Koerth	19th	Lindsey Vechart
6th	Mitchell Krahn	20th	John Levash
6th	Ron Zueske	21st	Jr. Doughty
7th	Emma Krahn	21st	Olivia Riemer
7th	Rick Riemer	22nd	Melissa Day
7th	Haley Graef	22nd	Kenzie Schneider
8th	Mike Delvaux	25th	Brigette Sonnabend
8th	Micah Horn	26th	Parker Sonnabend
10th	Meghan Propson	27th	Scott Eickert
11th	Pete Zarnoth	27th	Ben Kalies
12th	Jon Mignon	28th	Addison Grenzer
14th	Cole Reinke	28th	Renee Maeder
17th	Bob Koffarnus		

ANNIVERSARIES



11th	Erin & Ken Zutz
18th	Dave & Debbie Kamps
28th	Scott & Mary Eickert

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

PHILLIP'S FLOCK By Doc Goodwin



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Decorating Committee Fund

The decorating committee is looking for monetary donations which would be used for banners, flowers, and other seasonal decorations to beautify the church. You can put money in the offering plate and specify Decorating Fund or bring your donations to the church office. *Thank you!*



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JANUARY SCRIP TOTALS

CARD NAME	TOTAL	PROFIT
Amazon	140	3.50
BP	600	9.00
Econo	1,175	35.25
Exxon	200	10.00
Festival	300	9.00
Kohls	250	10.00
Kwik Trip	275	11.00
Piggly Wiggly	300	9.00
Roundy's	50	2.00
Subway	40	4.00
Walmart	250	6.25
TOTALS	\$3,580.00	\$109.00