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"After He had said this, He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight." Acts 1:9

The Christian Church celebrates the Ascension of our Lord on May 13, 2021. Perhaps, like others you are asking. What does it mean, "The Ascension of our Lord?"

Christ ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives. While He ascended into heaven His disciples watched. Christ promised to be with them unto the end of the world (Matt. 28:2). His human nature, therefore, is not confined somewhere to a definite enclosed place, for He "ascended up far above the heavens, that He might fill all things" (Eph. 4:10). Hence, in both, His divine and His human nature, Christ is still with us, and present everywhere. Having finished His work on earth, He triumphantly returned as the victor over sin and hell (Eph. 4:8). This heaven is not a limited space in, or part of, this created physical world; it is the Father's house in which there are many mansions, where Christ has gone to prepare a place for us, and where we shall be with him. (John 14:2).

Jesus ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of God" (Mark 16:19). The right hand of God is not a set locality in a spatial heaven, but the infinite power and majesty of God, filling all in all and ruling all things. To sit at the right hand of God, therefore means to occupy a position of supreme power and dominion.

It is a great comfort for us Christians to know that He, who has all power in heaven and on earth, is our dear Savior. He, who is the Lord overall, is also the Head of the Church, which is His spiritual body. His Christians are closer to Him than anything else; hence, He uses His sovereign power over all things in the interest and for the benefit of his friends. As Joseph in Egypt used his royal power for the benefit of his brothers, so Christ governs the universe for the well-being of His Christians. As the head makes everything subservient to the welfare of the body, so Christ, the Head of the Church, lovingly governs and mightily protects His church, and manages the affairs of the world so that all things work together for the good of His Christians (Rom. 8:28).

Christ's reign of power is not simply that He exercises His authority as omnipotent creator, but rather that He controls, for the benefit of His cause in the church, those satanic forces which have opposed God and His saints since the foundation of the world. The Christian struggles against the rulers and authorities (Eph. 6:12) who have learned of their fate by His descent into hell (Eph 4:9). At the right hand of God Jesus exercises His effective control over the evil forces for the protection and benefit of the church for which he prays (Rom. 8:34-39).

"So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by signs that attended it" (Mark 16:19-20).

Like the disciples who first stood and watched Jesus go up into heaven and then went and preached the Good News, we too must realize our mission is to be about Christ, to preach the message so that others might know of Christ the crucified who has risen and ascended. He has gone to prepare a glorious place for us. Oh, that we were there!

Pastor K. Finke

Ladies Tuesday Bible

The woman's Bible study group will meet in the church again on May 4th @ 12:45. We will continue our Bible Study on Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah. It's only the second month, it's not too late to join the study! Hope to see you there. Please let Shirley Holtzen know if you will be joining and she will get you a copy of the study. Ph. 531-289-0396



Sunday Morning Bible Class: Resumed on Sunday, April 25th with Pastor Holtzen
Monday Evening Zoom Bible study will take a break once the current study is done.

Sunday School Activities in April



Palm Sunday

Easter egg hunt!



We need two new Sunday School teachers to start in the fall! Please prayerfully consider these positions.

Our Mission Dollars at Work

Our \$500 Mission Dollars for May goes to: **LCMS World Relief and Human Care**

The Church is no stranger to suffering, but she also doesn't shy away from it.

In a variety of timely yet timeless essays, Lutheran theologians look at Christ's mercy and the way in which He showers healing, compassion and forgiveness on His people.

Additionally, within these essays, Christians will also be encouraged to engage in active, joyful lives of mercy in their own homes, workplaces, congregations and communities.

From LCMS President Matthew C. Harrison to the sainted Rev. Wilhelm Löhe, readers will learn about mercy's roots in the Old Testament, how to make the case for showing mercy in the world, the vocation of Christians as it pertains to showing care to the neighbor and even what it means to be a Lutheran engaging in acts of mercy in today's social ministries circles.

Here is the link to read the essays: <https://reporter.lcms.org/2018/mercy-essays-feature-lutheran-theologians-from-reformation-to-today/>



Mary & Martha League: Will meet in person, May 20th, 1:30 pm.

We were picked at the "Best Choice Organization of the month. Here is a copy of the article! Thank you for your help in saving the labels!

The Mary and Martha League is the Best Choice Save-A-Label Organization of the Month. This charity society within Trinity Lutheran Church of Walton is located approximately seven miles from the Lincoln, Nebraska city limits.

Members of the League shop at various Russes and Super Saver locations. While a record of when they started collecting labels doesn't exist, they have been collecting Best Choice product labels since at least 2010.

The society was formed in 1917 when the "new" church was built. At that time 22 women gathered to form the first society. Over the years, the membership has dwindled, but the society donates to approximately seven different charities on a yearly basis. The money collected from participation in the Save-A-Label program is donated to Lutheran Family Services. Each year they add an extra \$10 as they try to send \$100 to each of their charities.

The members of the church's congregation save Best Choice labels and when they feel they have a certain amount to donate they put them in the Mary and Martha League church mail box.

In the fall of 2020, the society asked Trinity Lutheran Church of Lincoln if they would help collect the labels. An agreement was reached that is beneficial to both churches. The Lincoln church is collecting barcodes for the Mary & Martha League and the Mary & Martha League members are collecting Russes and Supersaver receipts for the Trinity Lutheran Church of Lincoln's school Apple program.



PARADES

2021 Parades

Eagle Days Parade: June 26, 2021. 2:00 p.m.

“Superheroes” is the theme. More details about how you can be involved will be forthcoming!

If you learn that Palmyra Old Settlers, Bennet 4th of July will hold parades in 2021 please let Pastor Kohnke know.

Sunday Circle:

The Sunday Circle met for the first time since Covid on the 11th of April. We are going to continue to make banners for the church. On April 21st, we met at JoAnn fabric to select material for a new Epiphany banner.

The Book Bags of Bennet School are coming along nicely. At this, time we do not need additional denim jeans. We will let you know if that changes. We thank you all for your help with this project by supplying so many jeans!

Dinner Out: Still on hold...As more and more people are vaccinated, would there be any interest in having “bring your own” picnic at the church? Send your thoughts regarding this to Laura Hametis

May Birthdays

5/1 Rosemary Luebke
5/5 Amanda Bremer
5/6 Delbert Eickhoff
5/10 Bobby Lemke
5/15 Ruby Oetjen
5/16 Albert Francke
5/18 Jeff Bruss, Mary Jo Colbert
5/19 Deb Pavey
5/23 Tanner Maahs
5/25 Chase Peterson
5/26 Gilbert Luebke
5/27 Jeremy Bruss, Mervin Meyer,
Dennis McClarnon
5/28 Curtis Peterson
5/31 Megan Rosecrans



May Anniversaries

5/9 John & Lori Bruss 1981
5/9 Zach & Shelby Brennan 2015
5/12 Mark & Lisa Kemper 1990
5/16 Ivan & Sue Bruss 1986
5/24 Kirk & Becky Nisley 1974
5/31 Roger & Deborah Krahrmer 2019



Update on the new sound system:

The new sound system is installed and with a bit of fine tuning yet, will be a great addition to the church. An iPad was bought and can be used to control the new system from the pews. Training for this will take place soon. Thanks again to everyone who donated towards the new system!

Alberts Joke of the month!

From your Secretary!

A German Shepherd, a Doberman, and a cat died.

In heaven, all three faced God, who wanted to know what they believed in.

The German Shepherd said, "I believe in discipline, training, and loyalty to my master."

"Good!" said God. "Sit at my right side."

"Doberman, what do you believe in?" asked God.

The doberman answered, "I believe in the love, care, and protection of my master."

"Aha," said God. You may sit to my left."

Then God looked at the cat and asked, "And what do you believe in?"

The cat replied, "I believe you are sitting in my seat."



A little girl asked her mother, "How did the human race begin?"

The mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children, and so all mankind was made."

The next day, the little girl asked her dad the same question, "How did the human race begin?"

The father answered, "Many years ago, there were monkeys from which the human race evolved."

The confused girl returned to her mother and said, "Mom, how is it possible that you told me the human race was created by God, and dad said they developed from monkeys?"

The mother answered, "Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his."

Trinity Lutheran Vacation Bible School

June 7th -11th

Ages 3-6th Grade

5:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

Go to our website to sign-up students

www.tlcwalton.360unite.com

Volunteers Needed

More Information to Follow

Or Contact Erin Singh

402-560-7845



May Word Search

M	A	H	L	G	E	H	G	U	W	A
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May
Spring
Mother's (Day)
Memorial (Day)

Flag
Garden
Warm
Sunshine

May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service	3 Zoom Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4 Woman's Bible Study 12:45 Fellowship Hall	5	6	7	8 Elder's Meeting 7:00 am
9 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service	10 Zoom Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	11	12	13	14	15
16 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service	17 Newsletter deadline	18	19	20 1:30 p.m. Mary & Martha League	21	22
23/30 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service Mite Box Sunday 5/23	24/31 Memorial Day	25	26	27 Newsletter Print Date	28	29

Those serving in May, 2021 Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Elders

2nd Hank Oetjen
9th Roger Pearson
16th Tracy Refior
23rd Alan Retzlaff
30th Hank Oetjen

Altar Guild

2nd Deb Pavey
9th Laura Hametis
16th Kristi Refior
23rd Shirley Retzlaff
30th Deb Pavey

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