



Events

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Potluck &
Quarterly Voter's
Assembly

May 29

Feast of the
Ascension /
Trivia Night

Eastertide Musings Pr. Weinkauf

Pastor Burgdorf. 6 months in. I have found it nothing but a blessing to serve with him. I believe you have all found him (and his wife and 4 young boys) to be very engaging, and a wonderful joy to be part of the Risen Savior family. We have spent several trips together, many amazing times together as "iron sharpens iron" Prov. 27. Our families get together, as with this Easter Sunday meal. I am enriched by him and thank God for him. As he's 21 years my younger, what a tremendous blessing now and for the future here.

Summer Vicar? Summer Vicars have completed their 1st year of seminary, They spend June, July, August working at a congregation. There are not many as they are single men seeking work in a parish for the summer. We have secured a Summer Vicar for us. Due to his commitment in the US Army Reserves, he can't start until July 1. He will live in my basement. Pastor Burgdorf and I plan to take care of all his needs. We will create an office space for him in the front office. This could be an ongoing opportunity of summer seminarians to be nurtured at our congregation, without the significant cost of the 'normal' vicarage. Perhaps once our mortgage debt of \$650,000 is paid and if the Lord continues to grow the congregation needs, we may consider a return as a regular Vicarage parish. I have been told from several at Concordia Theological Seminary that they would love to have us again. Our congregation has quite a reputation in the LCMS and at our Seminary in Fort Wayne, IN.

St. Luke's Altar. This will come up at the Voter's Assembly. St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Kansas City, KS recently closed and we have opportunity to receive and preserve the historical altar used by the first Lutherans in the KC area. We can pick it up in early June, as the Sacred Art Committee recommends for it to be stained to match our wood décor and placed as a side Altar in the north transept (where the Christmas tree is put up).

District Convention, June 5-6. Every 3 years our District, which comprises of the state of KS and 160 congregations, gathers for a 2-day convention. Each congregation sends 1 Pastor and 1 lay delegate (Darrell Hall is our delegate). Both Pastor Burgdorf and I will cherish the time with other pastors as a large group of like-minded men gather in the hotel courtyard until late into the nights. Interesting to note, Risen Savior is the only congregation to have resolutions as we pastors submitted 2 overtures: to encourage more weekly services; and to encourage use of the historic Church Lectionary of Sunday readings. It's highly unusual no other KS congregation submitted business for the Convention. This year appears very uneventful for any elections or resolutions.

Saturday 6 pm Divine Service. It ends Memorial Day weekend, May 24, until September. We are looking at moving it. Instead of Saturday 6pm, it would be Sunday 5 pm. So we still have a weekend evening Divine Service, but it would help with pastor's time off and ease those Saturdays with weddings. Please give any feedback to myself, Pastor Burgdorf, or any Elders.

What's hard, what hurts. Both I and Pastor Burgdorf covet your ongoing prayers for strength and faithfulness in serving. I was recently asked "what is the most difficult part of your work, what hurts?" Certainly the difficulties people face that I help address or am aware of, of course the deaths, all weighs very heavy. But that is my vocation, why I am here. The reason the Lord sent me (and Pastor Burgdorf here) is to bear burdens for the people, eager to serve for any need, at any time. Having only a few days off in 2023 and 2024, rarely seeing Jodi was very hard; but those days have passed! But what hurts the most... people not here on Sunday. People I care deeply for, who I think of often, pray for each week, members and visitors --that do not come to receive our Lord's gifts in the Divine Service. It weighs heavy upon me those who are not regular in attendance. I note the Parable of the Sower, that only 1 in 4 takes root and continue in the Word and of course it is the work of the Holy Spirit alone to create and establish faith. I weekly mourn for those who I love, have served, sacrificed, to not be with us Sunday morning to receive what they need most in life, what our Lord commands them to do and desires to join Himself literally to Him, His life! It deeply hurts also as a few have left Lutheranism for the false teachings, errors of other denominations. Pray for those long-absent. Also to note: Thank you for showing friendly hospitality to our visitors! You do have an impact. I dearly thank you for reaching out to new faces -as it seems every week we have visitors!

Thank you for the privilege of serving you! The Lord Is Risen! Blessed Eastertide.

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Not What's Acceptable But What's Best

Pr. Burgdorf

We should not strive to do what is acceptable but what is best. This principle should drive the Christian's thinking for worship and daily life. We do not want to do the bare minimum or ask "What is the most I can get away with". But this is always our temptation. We are like a child who is told to stay in his room, but constantly creeps closer and closer to the door wondering just how much of their body can cross the threshold before Dad gets upset, because after all we are doing what he wants...at least technically.

So is the case with worship practice, our dress and decorum in the Lord's house. You do not see congregations cracking down across the country demanding ankle-length dresses for women, and full suits for men. No, the way of the world is a way of ease and a blurring of the sacred and the profane.

The world encourages you to dress how you want, live for self, do as you wish with your body, and give no thought to what message you are presenting as long as you are living your "authentic life". This thinking is contrary to Christianity. Our lives are not our own, but they have been purchased with a price, the very blood and body of God, and even our bodies are given to us by our Heavenly Father, we are not free to do with them whatever we like. How we use our bodies, and even how we dress them confesses what we believe that God has created man and woman for particular roles. The man is the head and the woman is his helper. Man is not given to authority to abuse his wife or not care for her, but is given headship so that he might love her as Christ cares for the Church giving himself to her.

To this end, St. Paul directs the Christians in the church of Corinth that the women should pray, that is participate in the divine service, with their heads covered, as a sign of the headship. They are to cover their heads to make a confession about what it is they believe not just for themselves but for those around them, and even for the angels! Our lives and our bodies are not our own but serve our neighbor.

If you look on Sunday mornings you will see several women following this admonition of St. Paul in our services. If you desire to participate in what the Church has practiced almost universally until the 1960s, there will be a display set up in the narthex with various veils and head coverings. Like the books for sale, please feel free to purchase one for your use, simply place the money in the offering plate with the memo "CPH books". Whatever your choice may be, I encourage you to always consider the confession you are making to the world, be it in your dress, actions, or words. Seek not merely what is acceptable but what is best. If you have any further questions about this ancient practice please contact Pastor Weinkauff or Pastor Burgdorf.



Sunday School

3 yr. old - 8th grade

Amanda Harbord, Board of Education
913.544.4133 mdy2404@gmail.com

Children will sing next at the 10:30 Service, May 4

SAVE THE DATE!

VBS June 19-21.

A planning meeting is May 17 for any who wish to help.

We can always use teachers and substitutes for the summer. Please contact Amanda to help. Thanks!



Youth Group

High School
Pastor Burgdorf

May 4

6:00-8:00 pm

Invite any friends.

**Higher Things, July 8-11,
Concordia, Seward, NE**

Sunday Class 9:15!



Table Talk

19-39 year old
Pastor Burgdorf

May 2 Friday

7:00 pm at Church

Invite any friends.

Bring any snacks or beverages if you wish.

Plan for the FIRST Fridays



Ascension Divine Service & Trivia Night

Thursday, May 29

Divine Service 7:00 pm

Trivia Night 7:50 pm Interactive Trivia game as people divide into teams and compete for highly coveted prizes. Kids can play in the gym. Variety of snacks and beverages provided.



Bible Classes

Sundays 9:15 am Luke

**Weds. 8:30 am Matins Service
9:00 am Ecclesiastes**



**May 3
8:00 am**

Spring Planting Marsha Albright, Church Gardner

All are welcome to come and get dirty. We will plant our annuals, do rock work and a few other outdoor plantings, and projects. We have some tools available but you are welcome to bring any from home.



**May 10
8-10 am**

Highway Clean-up Kevin Carder, Board of Outreach

Join us in service to the community to clean-up our adopted portions of the highway. Meet at the church at 8 am for instructions then we'll head do to the highway. Great exercise too.



**May 5
6:30 pm**

Book Club meets 1st Monday of the month

All are invited to come and listen to the lively discussion! (Even if you haven't finished the book or it hasn't come yet!) Order now for upcoming gatherings.

May 5: Confessions by St. Augustine

June 2: All the Pretty Horses by Cormac McCarthy



May 18

Potluck & Voter's Assembly

Congregation Potluck & Quarterly Voter's Assembly, after the 10:30 Service.

Agenda available 5/11. For our potluck, members last name:

A-M: bring a side dish, salad, dessert, or bread;

N-Z: bring a main dish.



**May 15
6:30 pm**

Katie's Sisters Joy Mustapich, coordinator; usually meet 3rd Thurs. **Ladies Night Out, sisters of Katie Luther**

It's Game Night! We will meet for some friendly competition. We will gather in May at the church for a night of Trivia and games. Also, please bring a snack or drink to share!



1st Friday Trustee Work Nick Bretz, Board of Trustees

May 2
9-10 am

We gather May 2, 9 am on the first Friday of the month; after Matins, grab a coffee; then address various projects inside and outside the church



May 30
7:00 pm

Men's GameNight Usually 4th Friday of the month



KC Bier outing! We will spend this month with an outing to KC Bier Company, 310 W 79th St. (Waldo area) Kansas City, MO.

Bring any friends. The first round and appetizers have been donated!



May 8
6:00 pm

Women In Mission Dayle Reynolds, President 913-680-5366

Our May meeting will be held on Thursday 5/8 at 6:00 pm. Our guest speaker will be Claire Burgdorf. All women of Risen Savior are welcome to join us.

This month we will begin our WE HAVE/YOU NEED. If you need something, maybe someone in the congregation can help. Check out the LWML bulletin board. Feel free to put a note up if you have something that someone might need or want with your contact information.



Available Help If you want to be added, send email to: weinkauf@rslcms.church

Babysitting Needs

Bridget Harbord, 14. Safe Sitter certified (1/2024) in First Aid/CPR, child care, and safety skills. Available most weekends (day or evening), watch toddler-age and above. Will keep kids busy with activities and play. Call 913.544.4133 (Amanda, mom) or mdy2404@gmail.com.

Pick-up Truck If you need to borrow a pickup truck, please contact Pastor Weinkauf.



Thank you to 20 people who helped with the Spring Cleaning.



Thank you to all who supported the Lent midweek meals and attended the Services.

Confirmation 2025



Paige Kerr, Daniel Shaw, Gretchen Bast

Special Thanks to: The Board of Fellowship for the Reception, especially Sarah Peters, Emily Newman, Faith Kerr; Jodi Weinkauff for the banners and materials the youth put together.



Immanuel Lutheran Church, Wichita, hosts an annual retreat the Sunday-Wednesday after the 4th Sunday in Lent. Prs. Weinkauff and Burgdorf, then picking up our former Vicar, Rev. Ian Kinney in Topeka, joined 14 other pastors for this time of study, worship, and collegial time of casuistry as we stay, sleep, eat, etc. at their facility. Late nights on the courtyard.





RISEN SAVIOR CLASSICAL ACADEMY

VERITAS AETERNA

- ❑ May 12 wraps up our 7th year. What an amazing year! Parent involvement has been great. The students have been wonderful with almost no issues!
- ❑ June 28 is our BBQ picnic and yearbook signing.
- ❑ We are already planning and preparing for the new school year August 25. We already have 52 students planning to come next year with several more families visiting us!
- ❑ NEW CLASS. We also will be opening up the 3-4 year old 1/2 day class and already anticipate it will fill to capacity, with Claire Burgdorf and Emily Newman instructing.
- ❑ If you wish to teach a subject or be on a substitute list, please contact our parent coordinator Katlyn Selbe or either Pastor. We could use a key Instruction for Literature, Rhetoric.
- ❑ If anyone is interested in homeschooling, invite them to come for a site visit.
- ❑ May 14-15 Katlyn Selbe and Claire Burgdorf will be attending a Lutheran Classical Homeschool Conference in Carlisle, IA hosted by Faith Lutheran Church.



Our fridge gets packed every Monday with lunches.

Gamma Class waiting to enter the gym for PE,



Kansas Day History, with Civil War presentation & 'Home on the Range' lesson from renowned expert Eldean Holthus





40 Days Life Vigil. Several members gathered for parts of our RSLC day. Many people drive by and honk in support, some will yell threats and profanities that we do not respond but pray; as we make a statement for life that God creates. We stand on the sidewalk outside the Abortion Clinic in Overland Park during Lent and again in the Fall.



Sunday morning breakfast snacks. Daylight Donuts, 155th & State, Basehor, provides us with 100-140 free donuts each week! Please show them your thanks as you have opportunity. Thank you to all who sign-up!

Men's Game Night Annual Shrimp Boil with NCAA tournament games on the TVs. Special thanks to Ronnie Miller, Forret Erickson, and LeRoy Scharnhorst. And the 28 men who came.



Book of Concord monthly study Following our study always a wonderful variety of food and fine beverages.



Monthly Youth Group. After chapel, food, study, 18 youth played kickball under the lights.



May 2025

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 27 2nd Sun. of Easter 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir 6:00 Book of Concord study | 28 8:30 Matins Service 8:30-3:30 RSCA | 29 8:30 Matins Service | 30 8:30 Matins Service 9:00 Bible study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Bell Choir | 1 <i>Sts Philip, James, Apostles</i> 8:30 Divine Service 6:30 Youth Chorale | 2 7:00 Leadership Breakfast 8:30 Matins Service 9:00 1st Friday Trustee work 7:00 TableTalk for young adults | 3 8:00 Spring Planting 6:00 Divine Service |
| 4 3rd Sun. of Easter 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir 6:00 Youth Group | 5 8:30 Matins Service 8:30-3:30 RSCA 6:30 Book Club | 6 8:30 Matins Service | 7 8:30 Matins Service 9:00 Bible study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Bell Choir | 8 8:30 Matins Service 6:00 LWML Meeting 6:30 Youth Chorale | 9 8:30 Matins Service | 10 8:00 Highway Clean-up 6:00 Divine Service |
| 11 4th Sun. of Easter 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Vocal Choir <i>Mother's Day</i> | 12 8:30 Matins Service 8:30-3:30 RSCA (Last Day) 6:30 Board of Elders | 13 8:30 Matins Service 10:00 Newsletter items due 10:00 Bible Study @ Advocacy First | 14 8:30 Matins Service 9:00 Bible study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Bell Choir | 15 8:30 Matins Service 6:30 Katie's Sisters 6:30 Youth Chorale | 16 8:30 Matins Service | 17 9-10 Private Confession & Absolution 10:00 VBS planning 6:00 Divine Service |
| 18 5th Sun. of Easter 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 Divine Service 11:45 Congregation Potluck/ Quarterly Voter's Assembly | 19 8:30 Matins Service 12:00 Lunch with Pastor (1 week later) | 20 8:30 Matins Service | 21 8:30 Matins Service 9:00 Bible study for all 6:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Bell Choir | 22 8:30 Matins Service 6:30 Youth Chorale | 23 8:30 Matins Service | 24 6:00 Divine Service (Last Saturday Service until Sept) |
| 25 6th Sun. of Easter 8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 Divine Service 6:00 Book of Concord study | 26 Memorial Day 8:30 Matins Service | 27 8:30 Matins Service | 28 8:30 Matins Service 9:00 Bible study for all 7:00 Bell Choir | 29 Ascension 8:30 Divine Service 7:00 Divine Service 7:50 Trivia Night | 30 8:30 Matins Service 7:00 Men's Gamenight at KC Bier Co. | 31 |

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Ed Mlodzik
- 1 Randy Tisdell
- 1 Paul & Chyleen Pausieck
- 1 Teresa Miller
- 3 Katie Hauk
- 3 Jacob Hall
- 4 Amanda Ford
- 4 Amber Johnson
- 4 Mike & Annabelle Hillyer
- 4 Chris & Sherry Stevens
- 5 Darrel Hofstetter
- 6 Chyleen Pausieck
- 6 Isla Shaw
- 6 Joan Nielsen
- 6 LeRoy Scharnhorst
- 7 Scott & Amy Maurer
- 8 Kelcie Arana
- 8 Summer Schubert
- 9 Collin Ford
- 9 Jim Brush
- 9 Mike Hillyer
- 10 Brad & Dayle Reynolds
- 10 Dallas Kasunic
- 11 Sarah Peters
- 12 Kay Minda
- 12 Les Grau
- 12 Sandra Smith
- 13 Ron Smith
- 14 Kevin Gleason
- 16 Barbara Herrndon
- 17 Clayton Oswald
- 17 Norma Barger
- 19 Billie Brush
- 20 Andy & Kim Ziegler
- 20 Jacob Glaum
- 21 Jonathan & Chelsea Shaw
- 22 Michelle Mortensen
- 22 Wake Hartenbower
- 23 Erick Bohndorf
- 23 Scott & Amber Johnson
- 24 Amy Kerst
- 24 Clayton & Jo Zumbrunn
- 25 Aaron Selbe
- 25 Tyler & Amanda Dowdall
- 26 David Adair
- 26 Janise Selbe
- 27 Gideon Burgdorf
- 27 Lanette Carder
- 27 Gene Davidson
- 28 Howard & Rebecca Harmon
- 28 Cookie Doebele
- 30 Tate & Amy Kerst
- 30 Tim & Janise Selbe
- 30 Steve Albright
- 31 Tate Kerst

Thank You !

- ☒ To Kim Dunn, organist, for Lent AM midweeks
- ☒ For the 20 people who helped with Spring Cleaning!
- ☒ To the Board of Fellowship for a great Confirmation Reception.
- ☒ To all who come and support the Midweek Lent meals.
- ☒ To all who gave blood at the recent Blood Drive!

2025 Financial

Full report posted in Church Office.

Through March:

Offerings \$121,845

Expenses \$121,429

Not included: Dedicated gifts & expenses

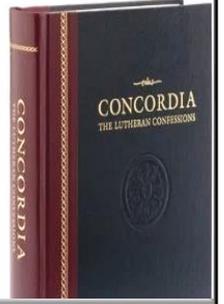
Book of Concord Study

May 25 6:00 pm

Join us any time for this continuous study.

All welcome to come for an evening of enrichment in our Lutheran doctrine and Scriptural engagements, food, & refreshments.

Last Sunday evening of the month.



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“You have a higher purpose than living for yourself. Your work is His. You live for the one who died and rose for you. You share the good news about Him. That’s how God grows His family, adding branches to His tree. You get to be part of this family—a family with a rich past and a glorious future. Let your life be so focused on the grace of God in Christ that your eyes are open to the people He is bringing into your life even now, ‘the least of these my brothers.’ Do not worry about whether the world considers them influencers or nobodies. Be attentive to those in your sphere of influence as Christ Himself is attentive to you.”

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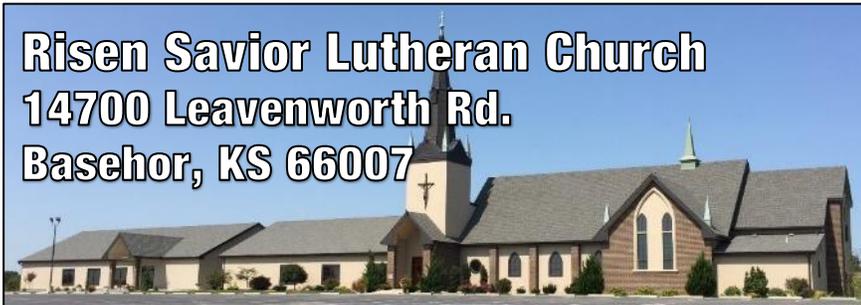


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