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NEWSLETTER

2022

Treasure the Treasures of Heaven Pastor Cockran

On the one hand, prayer comes rather naturally to the one who has been given new life in Christ. When we consider that He who created us also sent His Son to be our salvation and so desires to care for every need of body and soul, it's quite natural to then see our needs on this earth and simply ask God to provide.

But on the other hand, prayer is a lifelong learned skill, with the Scriptures (especially the Psalms!) as our everyday teacher. We hear the Word and speak back that Word to the Lord in prayer according to how that Word interacts with our lives. In the same way that a young child learns how to talk foremost from repeating sounds that comes from his mother's tongue, so also the child of God learns the paths of prayer by repeating the inspired Word.

In addition, we also learn lessons of prayer from our spiritual mother, the church. That is, we learn from the treasury of prayers and lessons that our forefathers in the church have handed down to us. One such lesson worth our attention is noticing how there are two categories of blessings for which we pray: (1) temporal and (2) eternal. It is truly good, right, and salutary to pray for the temporal blessings of life. That is, to petition God for health, prosperity, food, help from trouble, support in suffering, etc. These blessings are certainly promised in the Bible and God desires us to pray for them.

But since we live in this world with these temporal blessings, we easily remember to pray for these. However, it takes extra intention to remember to pray for the second category of blessings as well. We seek to pray for the eternal (or spiritual) blessings of God. Here we do well to add to our prayer list things like the help of the Holy Spirit, a godly heart, and the kingdom of God. We should pray for enlightenment, growth in godliness, sanctification, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:22-23). Looking to the hope of our Easter victory, we also pray for a joyful departure from this world, to behold the face of God, to be robed in white garments, and to rejoice forever in His presence. We also remember to pray for the salvation of specific people in our lives, remembering that you yourself have had those who have prayed for your own salvation. While all these blessings may "feel" less tangible in our day-to-day experience, they are nevertheless more valuable than any other treasure we could obtain on this side of eternity and are promised for you by His Word for you to ask and so obtain.

Ultimately, our comfort and boldness in prayer comes in knowing that we pray in and through and with our Lord Jesus Christ, who leads us in our prayers and gives us such joy to pray.

Let us pray. Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for your eternal treasures through your Son Jesus Christ, which you give to us by your grace out of your loving kindness. Give to us even more of these treasures of heaven, so that we may store them as a good foundation for the future, that we may take hold of that which is truly life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Ascension Day Thursday May 26

Divine Service 7:00 pm

Trivia Night 7:50 pm

Following the Service we will once again enjoy a night of Trivia with refreshments, desserts, prizes. Prizes! Children may play in the gym.

Key Events

May 15

Congregation
Potluck &
Quarterly Voter's
Assembly

May 26

Ascension Day

May 28

Highway Clean-up

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Our way of life. Scripture knows no other. And pray!

Pastor Weinkauf

Christianity is a way of life - it is liturgical by nature and not simply about what is moral but what rescues us from our immorality. It is a way of life -practiced foremost, foremost, foremost in the Divine Service and lived out daily in prayer, in our daily vocations where God places us. It is a way of life and lived out under the cross and not to impress Him who died on that cross. How easy it is for us to forget this, that God should be please enough if we do good!

The care of the souls, the focus and responsibility of the Pastoral Office which our Lord established to care for His sheep -you who our Lord would pity without a shepherd/pastor, thus it has everything to do with the means of grace and the Word of God. Everything flows from the Divine Service where Christ Himself, as in no way on earth -that can't be done at home -must be done in His House where He has declared it and calls us to gather to receive from Him.

Consider prayer begins with an answer. The discipline of prayer is a difficult one. Nearly every Christian feels guilty about not praying enough or not praying rightly. Nearly every Christian admits that prayer does not come easily. So nearly every Christian has lived with the guilt and the frustration of knowing prayer is good but not knowing how to pray and knowing he or she should be praying more but does not really want to. What then shall we do?

Perhaps one answer is that we do not know what prayer is. Do we presume that we pray to God to inform Him of things, make Him better aware of what we need and want? Is that what prayer is? The disciples who asked Jesus to teach them to pray were being more honest than we are. We assume we know how to pray but just cannot find the time. The disciples were at least forthright enough to admit that they did not know what it means to pray -and this coming from a tradition in which prayer played a pretty big role!

Scripture tells us the Spirit intercedes when we do not know what to pray for or how to pray -interpreting even groans and sighs into the phrases of a prayer comprehensible to God even when it is not to us. Scripture tells us that the Spirit prompts our prayers when our hearts are weary and our minds preoccupied -certainly most of the time! Jesus' answer to the request to be taught to pray? When you pray. . .say. . . Our Father, who art in heaven. . . *That must not be enough nor must it be all that important because we quickly tire of the Our Father and think that the best prayers are the unscripted ones that flow immediately from our hearts.* Pray the Our Father! Pray Scriptures. Pray the Psalms.

What Jesus was teaching us is something that ought to be obvious to us. All prayer begins with the answer -not with what I need or want or even with our thank you, thank you, thank you. Jesus is God's answer. And the prayer prays for faith to believe God's answer. When we pray in Jesus' name we are not giving a coupon code to get God to loosen up the strings on His purse of grace. God is not stingy or reluctant, He is just the opposite. He is lavish and generous, so much so that we should be scandalized by His generosity and indiscriminate giving. Trusting in His works and love, what confidence to pray. We pray what we know; and none of us really knows what is best for us, in spite of our feelings and desires, but we know God does.

God sees, works in our past, present, and future. Prayer is not some what if, wishful hopes, but a confession of faith! If we begin our prayers in this way, it would not only be easier for us to pray and perhaps! we would pray more. Our way of life: Divine Service, means of grace, prayer, and living in our vocations and doing our duties as His dear child.



Sunday School

3 yr. old - 8th grade
Amanda Harbord, Education

**Sunday School children will be singing:
May 8, 10:30 Service,
practicing now!**

**Save the Date –
VBS June 23-25**

**VBS Planning May 21, 10 am
for any who wish to help.**



Youth Group

High School
Pastor Cockran

**May 1
6:00-8:00 pm
Invite any friends.**

**Higher Things Youth Trip
July 25-July 30!
Talk to Pastor Weinkauf with
questions.**

higherthings.org



Table Talk

19-39 year old

Social setting of young adults, single or married, engaging issues & culture in light of God's Word.

On hold right now....

Confirmation 2022



Keagan Murry, Collin Ford, Jonathan Shaw, Dalton Johnson Aubrey Johnson

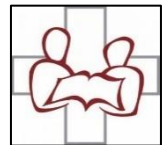
Weekly Bible Classes

Sunday 9:15
Hebrews

Wednesday 8:30 Matins, 9:30 Class
2 Corinthians



Upcoming Divine Services



May 1 3rd Sunday of Easter / Sts. James & Philip, Apostles

The Good Shepherd Feeds His Lambs Acts 9:1–22; Revelation 5:8–14; John 21:1–14
Hymns: 709-864-641-666-725-671

May 8 4th Sunday of Easter The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

Acts 20:17–35; Revelation 7:9–17; John 10:22–30 Hymns: 709-864-641-672-725-671

May 15 5th Sunday of Easter Jesus Turns Sorrow into Joy

Acts 11:1–18; Revelation 21:1–7; John 16:12–22 Hymns: 818-633-597-677-566-473

May 22 6th Sunday of Easter We Pray to the Father in Jesus' Name

Acts 16:9–15; Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27; John 16:23–33 Hymns: 556-556-467-458-772-490

May 26 Ascension Day Christ Ascended Is with You Always

Acts 1:1–11; Ephesians 1:15–23; Luke 24:44–53 Hymns: 491-492-534-493

March 29 7th Sunday of Easter Jesus Is with Us in His Holy Christian Church

Acts 1:12–26; Revelation 22:1–6, 12–20; John 17:20–26 Hymns: 491-534-564-650-772-539

Risen Savior **Classical Academy**

We finish our 4th school year May 16. Plans are underway for 2022-23. We will have some new Instructors and many more students!

There is a need for an Instructor for our Beta Class (6-8 year old, 1-2 grade level). It would not need to be all day. Please see Pastor Weinkauff to inquire.



Katie's Sisters Ladies Night Out, sisters of Katie Luther

Katlyn Selbe, Coordinator

We are going to the gun range, again and again!! We will meet at Frontier Justice (located at Legends) **May 19, 6-8 pm**. The total cost is **\$30** a person and that covers the cost of gun rental, eye and ear protection, private instructors, ammo, and the simulator.

We are limited to **20 people** for this event. We will split up in groups of 10 and rotate between the gun range and the simulator. You can bring your own firearm and 9mm ammo will be provided.

Spots are limited so **please RSVP and pay Katlyn Selbe in advance to secure your spot. 913-617-3844**

If you do not want to participate in the gun range, you are still welcome to come and watch. They have a large window looking into the gun range and a cute boutique and gift shop to walk around.



May 19
6:00 pm
Frontier Justice



FRONTIER JUSTICE
FAITH • FAMILY • FREEDOM

Risen Savior Moms Katlyn Selbe, Coordinator

Mom's Club will meet on May 20 at 10:30am.

We are going: **Little Mill Creek North Park**
W 79th St & Cottonwood St, Lenexa, KS

Pack a lunch if you wish.

Welcome to all parents, grandparents with children to gather at various parks and venues around the metro area for children to play and moms, grandmas to connect.



May 20
10:30 am
Little Mill Park

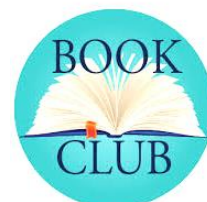
Book Club Amanda Uhlmansiek, Coordinator

We may need a bigger room! Thank you for all who come. 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!) 1st Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm.

Order now for upcoming gatherings...

May 5: Tarzan of the Apes by Edgar Burroughs (Tarzan? It will not be what you expect.)

June 2: The Last Bookshop in London: A Novel of WWII by Madeline Martin



May 5
6:30 pm



Voter's Assembly/Potluck

Congregation Potluck & Quarterly Voter's Assembly, after the 10:30 Service. Agenda available 5/8. For the meeting, thanks to one of our Trustees Nick Bretz that our microphone will be working.

May 15

11:45

Potluck meal

12:20

Meeting

For our potluck, members last name:

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

N-Z: bring a main dish.



K-7 Highway Clean-up

Board of Outreach, Susan Eubanks

Join us in service to the community to clean-up our adopted portion of the highway. Meet at the church at 8 am for instructions then we'll head do to the highway. Only 2 hours! Great exercise too. You must be at least 16 years old.

May 28

8-10 am



Men's GameNight

Usually 4th Friday of the month

Next gathering **May 27, 7 pm**. All men of the congregation (& friends), over 18, are welcome to come to our monthly Men's GameNight. This is a collegial time for men of the congregation to gather, enjoy a time of gregarious, godly behavior.

May 27

7 pm



Women in Mission

Chyleen Pausick, President

Many thanks to all who supported us for the Lenten dinners. The funds will be used for mission projects, to be decided on.

May 12

6:00 pm

Please keep saving us the Best Choice bar codes. They can be put in the LWML mailbox in the office, in Cookie Doebele's mailbox, or the little plastic box on the bulletin board. Thanks to all who donated eye glasses.

Our next event is May 12, 6:00 p.m., in Wittenberg Hall. Steve Mariano is scheduled to talk to us about his bees. If you have any interest in how the bees are kept and the honey harvested, you need to "bee" here.



1st Friday Trustees

Board of Trustees, Richard Uhlmansiek

All are invited as we will gather at the first Friday of the month to address various little projects, maintenance, or enhancements inside and outside the church. We will grab some coffee, and work until 9-9:30 am.

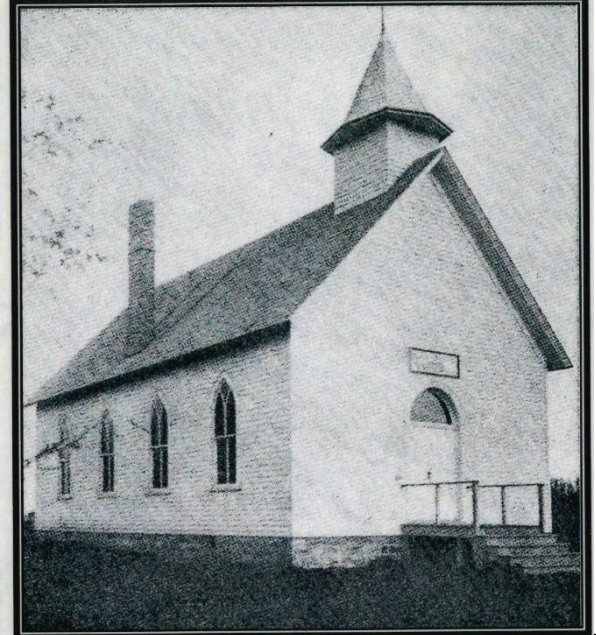
May 6

8:00 am

**OUR ORIGINAL CHURCH WINDOWS!
114 year old windows that survived a tornado.**

After spending 60 years in a Leavenworth county barn, we now have 4 surviving widows of our original church building in 1908! The 1908 church building was damaged, pushed off its foundation by a F4 tornado in 1961 and had to be torn down. Nothing else is believed to exist from that building and its furnishings. Steve Mariano is heading up a project that we will have some display after some expert historical restoration is done.

Our new church window design intentionally followed the pattern of these original windows.



St. Martin Lutheran Church, 1908-1962.

1974 St. Martin votes to leave the LCMS. The minority St. Martin-LCMS members continued, building the church on Fairmont Road, that continued then with the merger of St. Martin-Basehor and Emmaus-Bonner Springs that becomes Risen Savior in 2008.

So we are 14 years old (10 years at present location) and 114 years old as a congregation.



New floral arrangements that hang where our Christmas wreaths hang, first displayed at Easter. They will be used during Easter and if desired, for weddings.



Baptismal Banners are now being made for all present and many past Baptisms -even some done at other churches.

If you want one, please see Pastor Weinkauf.



Easter Breakfast. Thanks to our Board of Elders and their wives and all who came out for the Easter Breakfast. Over 250 served!



Our Academy had a booth at a homeschool convention at KCI Convention Center.



Thanks to all who helped with the spring cleaning

Katie's Sisters.

March was Craft night as 20 ladies were guided through a painting class led by an artist.

April we are doing an Escape Room.

May is back at Frontier Justice gun range.



Annual Confirmation Retreat. 20 youth involved in 2 worship services, 3 classes, gym time, organized games. Time also spent at the firepit and several young people showed their piano talents during free time.



May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 3rd Sun. of Easter <i>Sts. James, Phillip, apostles</i> 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 5:00 p Adult Catechism class 6:00 p Youth Group	2 8:30a-3:30p RSCA	3	4 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all 6:30 p Evening Prayer 7:00 p Vocal Choir 7:30 p Bell Choir	5 8:30a-3:30p RSCA 6:30 p Book Club	6 8-9:30 a 1st Friday Trustee work	7 9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution
8 4th Sun. of Easter 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service <i>Mother's Day</i>	9 8:30a-3:30p RSCA Noon Lunch with pastor 6:30 p Board of Elders	10 10:00 p Bible Study @ Advocacy First	11 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all 6:30 p Evening Prayer 7:00 p Vocal Choir 7:30 p Bell Choir	12 8:30a-3:30p RSCA 6:00 p LWML mtg 6:30 p Trail Life		14
15 5th Sun. of Easter 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 11:40 a Potluck/Voter's Assembly 5:00 p Adult Catechism class	16 8:30a-3:30p RSCA (Last day of school year)	17	18 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all 6:30 p Evening Prayer 7:00 p Vocal Choir 7:30 p Bell Choir	19 10:00 a Newsletter due 6:00 p Katie's Sisters @ Frontier Justice	20 10:00 a Mom's Group @ Little Mill Park, Lenexa	21 9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution 10:00 a VBS planning
22 6th Sun. of Easter 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 11:45 a RSCA planning mtg. 5:00 p Adult Catechism class	23	24	25 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all 6:30 p Evening Prayer 7:00 p Vocal Choir 7:30 p Bell Choir	26 Ascension 7:00 p Divine Service 7:50 p Trivia Night	27 7:00 p Men's Gamenight	28 8:00 a K-7 Adopt a Highway clean-up
29 7th Sun. of Easter 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 5:00 p Adult Catechism class	30 <i>Memorial Day</i>	31	1 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	2 6:30 p Book Club	3 8-9:30 a 1st Friday Trustee work	4 9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 19 Billie Brush
20 Andy & Kim Ziegler
21 Gene Davidson
22 Michelle Mortensen
23 Scott & Amber Johnson
24 Clayton & Jo Zumbrunn
25 Aaron Kerst
26 Janise Selbe
27 Lanette Carder
28 Cookie Doebele
29 Steve Albright
30 Tate & Amy Kerst
31 Tate Kerst | 12 Sandra Smith
13 Ron Smith
14 Kevin Gleason
15 Aelfric Pettijohn
16 Pastor Cockran
17 Barbara Herndon
18 Norma Barger
19 Samuel Uhlmansiek
20 Les Grau
21 Kay Minda
22 Ron Smith
23 Kevin Gleason
24 Aelfric Pettijohn
25 Pastor Cockran
26 Barbara Herndon
27 Norma Barger
28 Samuel Uhlmansiek
29 Ada Lohrke | 7 Scott & Amy Maurer
8 Sam & Michaela Turntine
9 Mike Hillier
10 Jim Brush
11 Collin Ford
12 Dallas Kasunic
13 Brad & Dayle Reynolds
14 Sarah Peters
15 Amanda Ford
16 Darrel Hofstetter
17 Chyleen Pausick
18 LeRoy Scharnhorst
19 Paul & Chyleen Pausick
20 Teresa Miller
21 Jacob Hall
22 Katie Hawk
23 Chris & Sherry Stevens
24 Mike & Annabelle Hillier
25 Amber Johnson
26 Amanda Ford
27 Darrel Hofstetter
28 Chyleen Pausick
29 LeRoy Scharnhorst |
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6:00 p Book of Concord study
5:00 p Adult Catechism class
10:30 a Divine Service
9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class
8:00 a Divine Service

Thank You

To those families cleaning in April:

Freidman, Cordes, Woelk, Harbord

To who provided Sunday breakfast snacks in April:

Cockran, Selbe

To the 35 people who turned out for our annual Spring Cleaning before Holy Week!

To all who helped with the Spring Planting!

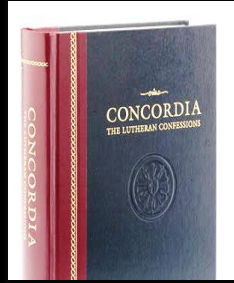
The Board of Fellowship for hosting the Confirmation Reception.

To our amazing Altar Guild for all their work during Holy Week.

2023 Financial

Full report posted in Church Office.
Less Dedicated Gifts/Expenses,

Through end of March:	
Budget	\$104,625
Offerings	\$109,450
Expenses	\$112,094



Book of Concord Study

Sunday, May 29, 6 pm

Join us any time. Extra books always available. All welcome to come for an evening of enrichment in our Lutheran doctrine and Scriptural engagements, food, & refreshments. Childcare provided.

Usually last Sunday evening of the month.



Trail Life™

Christian scouting, ages 5-17
2nd & 4th Thursday, 6:30 pm
Patrick Budy 913-634-5410



LutheransForLife.org

“Every child is created by God, in His image, on purpose—for His purpose! This is the wonderful thing about human babies: ALL of us share this exact same thing in common—each of us is planned!”

“Christians are called to proclaim the truth, and that truth is clear: All life is valuable. Each member of the human race is vital. All lives are indispensable because of Christ.”

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