



JULY

NEWSLETTER

2022

God Cares During Hard Times Pastor Cockran

With how much evil there is in the world, reading or watching the news can lead to much frustration. Thankfully we can often turn off the news and realize most of it does not impact our daily lives. But when we do hear in the news about the 8.6% inflation rate and then go to the grocery store and look at our budgets and bank accounts, we know that inflation does impact us and our daily lives. These times and circumstances can tempt us to despair and become afraid. Will I be able to afford my basic necessities? Will my bank account run out altogether? I know God promises to provide, but how will he do it?

Take heart, dear child of the heavenly Father. God is not unaware of how the economy works, and also quite aware of how world events affect your own daily finances. He works salvation even in the midst of a poor economy. He cares for His baptized beloved, even in the details. He knows how He will work all things together for good for those who love Him (Rom 8:28).

Consider one lesser-known story from 2 Kings 6:24-7:20. God's chosen servant and prophet, Elisha, is trapped in the capital city with the enemy Syrian army surrounding. Nothing gets in and nothing gets out, including food and water. Supply in the city plummets and demand skyrockets, and the Holy Spirit (writing through the narrator) tells us that "a donkey's head was sold for eighty shekels of silver, and the fourth part of a kab of dove's seedpods for five shekels of silver." Translation: times are bad. Inflation is at least 8000%. People are getting desperate. The unfaithful king of Israel decides he has had enough of this so-called Yahweh Lord God. After all, he wonders, if we are truly God's people, then why would he allow us to suffer in such a dire way? The king decides he must do something, so he sends a man to kill Elisha out of anger against God. Upon arriving to Elisha's locked door, the man ominously says, "This trouble is from the Lord! Why should I wait for the Lord any longer?"

How often are we tempted to say the same deep inside our weak and doubting hearts? When God says that none who wait for him shall be put to shame (Ps 25:3), how much instead are we tempted during hard times to say out of anger against God, "This trouble is from the Lord! Why should I wait for the Lord any longer?"

Elisha replies, "Hear the word of the Lord: thus says the Lord, Tomorrow about this time a seah of fine flour shall be sold for a shekel, and two seahs of barley for a shekel, at the gate of Samaria." Translation: Deliverance is coming! The usual free market and cost of goods shall be restored! Have patience on the Lord. That very evening, God miraculously chases away the enemy army, fulfilling the word of the Lord through the prophet. "So a seah of fine flour was sold for a shekel, and two seahs of barley for a shekel, according to the word of the Lord" (2 Kings 7:16). God delivered!

We are not given the specific promise of when our deliverance from our many afflictions will come, including when the economy would be restored. But in Jesus you are promised full and complete deliverance at just the right time. "You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich" (2 Cor 8:9). He knows how events will develop, and He knows how He will sustain and rescue you. "Be strong and let your heart take courage. Wait for the Lord!" (Ps 27:14). He will surely deliver you.

Key Events

July 17
Church Picnic

July 25-30
Higher Things
Youth trip

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Pray/Sing the Psalms of Ascents

Pastor Weinkauf

God's people for thousands of years have sung, prayed these Psalm of Ascents. Psalm 120-134. Jesus would sing these on the way to Jerusalem. These are the Psalms that the people would pray, sing on their pilgrimage to the Jerusalem Temple, especially for the major feast of Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles (Dt. 16).

They were also used daily at the Temple in the Old Testament Divine Service; sung by the Levite singers as they ascended the steps to minister at the Temple in Jerusalem. Levite Priests and choirs first sang the Ascents at the Dedication of Solomon's Temple 959 BC. They were common place in the homes of God's people; some recited at the dinner table and special festival events in keeping with its themes of joy and redemption. Even to this day, Pastors use Ps. 127 at childbirth; Ps. 121 may be heard at Christian graveside Services.

In our Setting 3 Invocation, upon coming to the Lord's House at the, we have: "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Psalm 124

All these 15 Psalm are short. Consider the first lines that set-up the theme of what follows:

Ps. 120: In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me.

Ps. 121: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

Ps. 122: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

Ps. 123: O you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

Ps. 124: If it had not been the LORD who was on our side...

Ps. 125: Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

Ps. 126: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Ps. 127: Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stay awake in vain.

Ps. 128: Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways!

Ps. 129: Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth -let Israel now say...

Ps. 130: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!

Ps. 131: O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high (in humbleness, as a sinner comes before a holy God)

Ps. 132 Remember, O LORD, in David's favor, all the hardships he endured,

Ps. 133 Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

Ps. 134 Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who stand by night in the house of the LORD!

The entire Psalter is a treasure for each of us to daily pray and read and sing. The Psalms of Ascents, 120-134, in these short Psalms you will see that amidst tears, enemies, hate, attacks - God's people come to Him, to a place of His Divine Service, to receive His gifts. God's people call upon the Lord and recount His works. He brings help, protection, peace, and care, foremost a Christ for us. And then we go back to our homes to live out all that is ours. The Psalms of Ascents, our songs; we too on a pilgrimage through life journeying to our Lord's House each Sunday and to the Heavenly Jerusalem.



Sunday School

3 yr. old - 8th grade

Amanda Harbord, Education

Thank you to our Sunday School teachers! Sunday School continues through the summer months. Thank you for bring

Day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7/22	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/23	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/24	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/25	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/26	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/27	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/28	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/29	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class
7/30	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class	8:00-9:00 AM Bible Class



Youth Group

High School
Pastor Cockran

July 3
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. Led by Kantor Schreiber.

July 8 6:30 pm
Courtyard

You may bring snacks or drinks to share but not necessary.

Sunday, July 17

5:00 – 6:30 pm

Invite family and friends! Come join the fun at the Congregation Picnic to celebration the 14th Anniversary of RSLC.



**Last name: A-M bring a side dish
N-Z bring a bread, salad, or dessert**

Smoked meats (brisket and pulled pork) provided by the Board of Fellowship.

ACTIVITY SIGN-UP SHEET will be in the Narthex. All ages are encourage to sign up for an activity (watermelon eating contest, water balloons, etc.).

LIVE MUSIC! We will also have live me music! "Old Enough to Know Better" (Steve Woelk and Jerry Long) will entertain us with their toe tapping tunes.

Music Lessons

Kantor Timothy Schreiber

Music survey cards were put into mailboxes. Lessons are getting underway. You may also just contact Kantor regarding a desire for music lessons, choirs, or instrumental works.



Kantor Schreiber: 402-715-0799 kantor@rslcms.church

From our Kantor... Table Talk

In addition to my responsibilities as Kantor here at church, I have also been tasked with re-starting up the Table Talk group. Our group currently consists of about 14-16 'regular' young adults from our parish who fall within the 19-39 age range. We have met three times by now, twice for the standard Friday evening get-together, and once for an optional group outing to the Nelson-Atkins Museum of art in Kansas City.

Our goal as a group is to gain faithful encouragement and motivation from one another. Our age range is unique in that it comes with a variety of early-adulthood experience. From those of us just out of high school or in college to those of us with two and three children, we all come together to learn and grow as young adults. Our Christian faith and Lutheran confession is at the forefront of all our conversations. Through these lenses, we discuss all sorts of topics on the minds of young people nowadays, anything from current events, politics, and moral issues to more lighthearted things such as how we found Risen Savior, discussions about hobbies, or discussions regarding beef futures! We are all concerned with living a moral, virtuous, God-fearing life, and each month learn new ways to help us with that goal.

Anyone within the age range is welcome to join us for our discussion (often over drinks and snacks). We have plenty of room for additional young people.

- If you are the parent of an 18+ year-old, let them know that this group is available for them.
- If you within 19-39 years-old, please join us!
- If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding Table Talk or are interested in joining us, feel free to reach out to me or catch me at church



Weekly Bible Classes

Sunday 9:15
Hebrews

Wednesday 8:30 Matins, 9:00 Class
Early Church



Risen Savior **Classical Academy**

There is a need for an Instructor for our Gamma & Delta Classes (3-4 grade level and 5-6 grade level grade level); and on Thursday afternoons for an Art Instructor.

Please see Amanda Uhlmansiek, our Director or Pastor Weinkauf

Key dates: Aug. 1 Parent Orientation & Open House
Aug. 22 Our 5th year begins



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

Katlyn Selbe, Coordinator

We will not have Katie's Sisters in the month of July.

On August 18, we will pick back up at 6:30 pm for a craft night. More details will come in the August newsletter.

Aug. 18
6:30 pm
Craft night



Risen Savior Moms

Katlyn Selbe, Coordinator

We will meet at the Basehor Library for story time. This month we will meet on **THURSDAY July 14th at 10:00 - 10:30 am** for an outdoor story time for all ages. The theme is ponds and rivers. Then we will head next door to Gray Hawk Elementary School to play on the nice, new playground. Bring plenty of water and a blanket to sit on for story time.

July 14
10:00 am
Basehor
Library &
playground

Usually 2nd Friday of the month. Welcome to all parents, grandparents with children to gather a various parks and venues around the metro area for children to play and moms, grandmas to connect.



Book Club Amanda Uhlmansiek, Coordinator

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.

July 7
6:30 pm

Order now for upcoming gatherings...

July 7: Socrates Meets Jesus: History's Greatest Questioner Confronts the Claims of Christ by Peter Kreeft

August 4: The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas (1st half only!)

Men's GameNight

Usually 4th Friday of the month

Not meeting in July due to scheduling conflicts. We will resume **August 26, 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 to gather, enjoy a time of gregarious, godly behavior.



**Aug. 26
7 pm**

Women in Mission

Chyleen Pauesick, President

Our next event is July 14, and we will meet at the church at 6:00 for a short meeting. We will then drive to the home of Steve and Kathy Woelk, 16401 Leavenworth Rd, Basehor. Steve will show us his workshop and how he does the beautiful wood crafting that is shown in many spots in our sanctuary. We did this a couple of years ago, but the ones who did not get to go have asked for us to schedule it again.

If you have not seen how Steve does this work, you must try and join us on July 14. We will be at his house at 7:00. Everyone is invited.

Our June event was our annual picnic. We had a beautiful evening on the patio of Risen Savior.

LWML will be collecting items in August for our mission this year. We are collecting items for the Orphan Grain Train operating out of Wichita. shipping items to Poland and nearby countries for relief for Ukrainian refugees.



**July 14
6:00 pm**

About Orphan Grain Train

Orphan Grain Train is a Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with needy people in America and around the world. Grain Train volunteers gather donations of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid to meet real needs. The Orphan Grain Train movement is a loving response to Jesus Christ's example as a servant and His love for us. Here are some items that they are accepting. New or used clothing in good condition. School supplies, children's toys, medical supplies and small household items. There is a more detailed list on their website. They do not accept used undergarments or used socks, but new is welcome. Clean out your closets and drawers to donation to this helpful cause. Don't throw them out, simply bring with you any Sunday in August. Watch the LWML bulletin board for more information.

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.



**July 1
8:00 am**

Upcoming Events Teresa Miller, Board of Fellowship



Dinner Theatre August 13

The stage will be set in Wittenberg Hall for an evening of entertainment.

6:00 pm Seating begins

Adults: \$10

6:15 pm Dinner served

Children: \$5

7:00 pm The Show begins

Under 6: Free

Risen Savior Dinner Theatre is an Italian themed dinner followed by a few (fun/silly) skits with congregation participation. I have several skits that need performers of all ages. Additionally, help is need for audio/lighting, stagehands for each skit along with help in the kitchen to serve the meal and Hall clean up after the show. This is a great way to get to know your church family. Make it a family fun night! – laughs will be had by all.

Please feel free to call or text me for your availability: (816) 536-0157.



Oktoberfest! Oktober 2

We are anticipating another large community turnout for RSLC Oktoberfest! We will need the help of the congregation in many areas of this event, from activities to food prep.

Next month's Newsletter will have the date for making bierochs, and apple strudel.

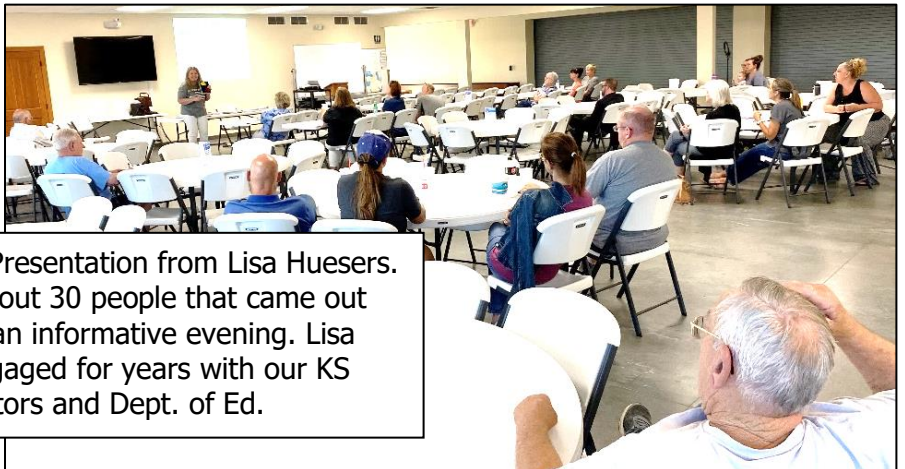
Our Oktoberfest will have bounce houses for all ages of children and live German music. Please plan to help support this church and community event.



June Katie's Sisters. 24 ladies made it out for the Shrimp Boil. Early feedback was that it was much better than the Men's Shrimp Boil in April. No July Katie's Sisters. August will be a Craft Night.



Educational Presentation from Lisa Huesers. Thanks to about 30 people that came out and Lisa for an informative evening. Lisa has been engaged for years with our KS State Legislators and Dept. of Ed.



July 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 3 rd Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 6:00 p Book of Concord study	27 1:30-6:00 p Blood Drive	28	29 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all <i>Sts. Peter, Paul, apostles</i>	30	1 8-9:30 a 1st Friday Trustee work	2 9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution
3 4 th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service	4 Independence Day	5	6 Activities canceled 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	7 6:30 p Book Club	8 6:30 p Table Talk for young adults (1 week later)	9
		PARKING LOT RESURFACING – PARK IN CEMETERY. COURTYARD DOOR OPEN				
10 5 th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 6:00 p Youth Group (1 week later)	11 Noon Lunch with pastor 6:30 p Board of Elders	12 10:00 a Bible Study @ Advocacy First	13 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	14 10:00 a Mom's Group @ Basehor Library 6:00 p LWML mtg.	15	16 9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution
17 6 th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 11:45 a Church Council 5:00 p Church Picnic	18	19	20 <i>Risen Savior est. 2008</i> 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	21 10:00 a Newsletter due 6:30 p Katie's Sisters	22	23
24 7 th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service	25 <i>St. James, apostle</i>	26	27 8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	28	29	30
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 Jeanine Bush	8 Chris Meyer	14 Kaitlin Reinhard	22 Ginger Douglas	28 Leslie Grimm
2 Brielle Durlinger	8 Mary Ann Theno	15 Dietrich Selbe	24 Steve & Becca Clary	29 Brian Mustapich
3 Gary Hobelmann	8 Teri Long	17 Jim Grimm	25 Kaleb Weinkauff	30 Leah Gary
5 Everett Ford	9 Lindsay Armintrout	17 Lauren Durlinger	26 Kelly Kasunic	31 David Armbrecht
5 John & Dianne Reinhard	9 Dayle Reynolds	18 Makenzy Curtis	27 Taran Kerst	31 Ron & Carol Swartz
6 Katherine Fisher	10 Allan & Sue Stork	18 Kooper Murry	27 Benton Durlinger	
6 Walt Mack	11 Marland & Michelle Mortensen	19 Evelyn Turney		
7 Emma Murphy	11 Maureen Stinson	20 Isaac Maurer		
7 Ken York	11 Garrett Ford	21 Ken France & Suzette Mack		
	14 Sherrv Stevens			

Thank You

To families cleaning in June:

Dedeke, S White, Byrd, Swartz,
Kasunic, Bremenkamp

For the Sunday breakfast snacks in June:

A Selbe, Miller, Scharnhorst

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the all prayers, cards, calls, and messages of support from our Risen Savior family both before and after my surgery. I deeply appreciate it!
Forrest Erickson

To all who helped with VBS!

To all those who donated to the June Diaper drive.

To all those who donated blood in June.

2022 Financial

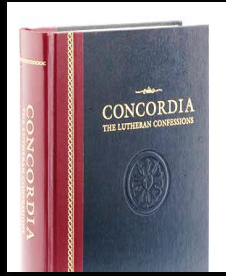
Full report posted in Church Office.
Less Dedicated Gifts/Expenses,

Through end of May:

Budget \$174,375

Offerings \$192,282

Expenses \$172,145



Book of Concord Study

Sunday, July 31, 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.



LutheransForLife.org

"Every time we speak up for the sanctity of life, whether for the unborn, the disabled, the elderly, or the marginalized, we speak for hope. Every time we personally care for someone or hug someone or talk to someone who is in a crisis pregnancy or is disabled or is elderly or is marginalized, we show them Christ. We show them the common ground that transcends all our differences. We show them that all our lives matter because God made us. He chose each of us to be His child, and He will never leave us or forsake us. Let us never give up on baby bottle drives and hugs and smiles. The world needs us!"

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