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The Messenger

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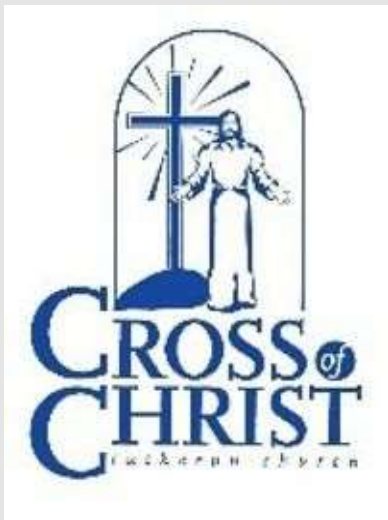
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Worship Services

Sunday: 10:00 am

Communion

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays

Bible Classes

Sunday: 9:00 am

Tuesday: 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

Wednesday: 11:00 am

Thursday: 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm

Men's Bible Class

Second Saturday: 9:30 am

Sunday School

Sunday: 9:00 am

Message from Pastor

A REAL LEADER

What was feared, is now reality. On February 24TH, the world watched as Russia invaded neighboring Ukraine. As we debate what can or can't be done to help, leaders throughout the world exhibit all manner of leadership skills, or lack thereof.

Vladimir Putin looks petty, isolated, haughty and downright Hitler-esq. He wants to be a big man—when all he does makes himself look small.

Volodymyr Zelenskyy, the Ukrainian president, is just the opposite. He is being hailed by the world as an amazing leader. He loves his people and country. He shows amazing courage. He is undaunted in the face of overwhelming odds. An example of that was the conversation he had with President Biden. When asked if he would like American help to leave the capital city of Kiev, he replied, "Mr. President, I need ammunition, not a ride." Contrast that with the many leaders who've taken the money and run—poor excuses for leadership.

It's not surprising that the Ukrainian people love their great leader, President Z. Before the war started, with Russian troops amassing on his border, President Z not only visited his troops in the region to boost their spirits and to encourage them. But he also ate with them. He slept in the same barracks. He wore the same army fatigues. In short, he became one of them. That idea of becoming one of them, is what real leadership looks like.

For you and I as Christians, we can't overlook the best example of real leadership that the world has ever seen – our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Among all the positive attributes of a leader we could ascribe to Jesus, the one which may mean the most to us, is that he became one of us too! **Heb. 2:14 *Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death – that is, the devil.***

As we know through the pages of the Bible, Jesus became fully human. Jesus never even had to come to earth, yet he was born by human birth (in a stable, no less). He grew through boyhood into manhood. He ate. He slept. He got tired. He wept. He loved. He was tempted. He suffered. He died for us. He could have averted the “world’s dirtiest job” —but didn’t!

Thankfully, he chose to carry out the Father’s plan. Without it, we would still be lost in our terminal condition – condemned to the Devil’s domain. Why would anybody do that? Because of another characteristic of real leaders Jesus had – love for their people. Jesus couldn’t bear the thought of being separated from you and me for eternity. Even though it meant becoming a lowly human being, suffering, and dying, he loved us that much, by taking our place. He then rose from the dead to conquer death, sin and Satan; to give us a mansion in Heaven through faith in Him.



Please pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for their heroic leader. Pray for the courageous men and women who are willing to die for their freedom. Pray for the spiritual well-being of everyone involved. Pray for Peace. Last, and most of all, thank Jesus for being a real leader of his people! President Z hasn’t died for his people. Even if he had, it would be a mere tragedy. Jesus did die for us—that’s salvation. What a leader!

Something to Think About **Pray with Both Feet**

Do you sometimes feel you are too busy to pray? Are the hours of your day consumed with moving from one activity to the next with hardly a time-out? There is always time for prayer when you pray on-the-move! Here are some ideas to help us all stay “constant in prayer.”

- As your feet touch the floor in the morning, thank God that you can walk. Pray for those who are limited in their mobility.
- When you stand in the shower, praise God for washing away your sins. Thank him for the unlimited supply of running water. Pray for us in drought situations.
- On a walk through your neighborhood, pray for your neighbors, even those you don’t know and pray for peace there and in the world.
- In your commute to work, thank God for the ease of transportation we enjoy. Ask his blessings of safety for construction workers, diligence for highway patrol and attentiveness for all drivers.
- Watch the faces of coworkers. Pray for those who seem distracted or discouraged as well as those who bring joy and encouragement to the day.
- In dropping your kids at school, pray for your kids, their teachers, and other students.
- As you make dinner, thank God for the availability of food and the equipment to prepare it. Pray for those who struggle to make ends meet. Ask him to give you ways to help the needy.
- At the end of day, give thanks for the joy/satisfaction of work. Pray for those with no home. Pray for those with no eternal home. Thank God for Jesus, who made your home in heaven possible.



**CURRENT
BIBLE
CLASSES**

SUNDAY 9:00 AM.....	1 & 2 Samuel
TUESDAY 11:00 AM	Daniel (video)
TUESDAY 6:00 PM.....	Foundations of Faith
WEDNESDAY 11:00 AM	Foundations of Faith
THURSDAY 1:30 PM	Daniel
THURSDAY 7:00 PM	Genesis

Position Wanted

- I would like a job as tutor, teacher and advisor to your family.
- I have no vices or bad habits and will never take a vacation.
- I won't borrow your clothes or raid your refrigerator.
- I will be up in the morning as early as anyone in the household and will stay up as late as anyone wishes.
- I will give you the knowledge so that you can answer any moral question your children might ask.
- For that matter, I will answer any of your own questions on subjects from "How did we get here?" to "Where are we headed?"
- I will give you information that will help you with your job, your family and your other interests.
- Most of all, I can point you to the one who gives you eternal life by faith in him, Jesus.

In short, I will give you the knowledge that will insure the continuous blessing of your family.
I AM YOUR BIBLE Do I get the job?

What are we?

An extension of the WELS Boy Pioneer Program for young men high school-age and older



What do we do?

Conduct a 5-day backpacking trip every other year



Where do we go?

We alternate between Paria Canyon on the Arizona/Utah border and the San Juan Mountains in SW Colorado



What's next?

San Juan
July 20-24, 2022!



Donations are gratefully accepted to keep this program running for our youth in years to come.

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DUDE, THAT'S NOT MANNA

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The Bridge

A man walking along a California beach was deep in prayer. All of a sudden, he said out loud, "Lord, grant me one wish." Suddenly the sky clouded above his head, and in a booming voice the Lord said, "Because you have TRIED to be faithful to me in all ways, I will grant you one wish." The man said, "Build a bridge to Hawaii so I can drive over anytime I want to."

The Lord said, "Your request is very materialistic. Think of the logistics of that kind of undertaking. The supports required to reach the bottom of the Pacific! The concrete and steel it would take! I can do it, but it is hard for me to justify your desire for worldly things. Take a little more time and think of another wish, a wish you think would honor and glorify me."

The man thought about it for a long time. Finally, he said, "Lord, I wish that I could understand women. I want to know how they feel inside, what they are thinking when they give me the silent treatment, why they cry, what they mean when they say 'nothing,' and how I can make a woman truly happy."

After a few minutes God said, "You want two or four lanes on that bridge?"

DANIEL BIBLE CLASS

THINK YOU KNOW DANIEL? MOST JUST THINK OF HIM IN THE LION'S DEN. BUT THERE IS SO MUCH MORE. PLEASE JOIN US (TIMES LISTED ON PREVIOUS PAGE) TO WATCH THE VIDEO OF DANIEL AND THEN SEE WHAT GOD WANTS US TO LEARN AND HOW WE CAN PUT HIS LESSONS IN PRACTICE IN OUR DAILY LIVES.

Happy Birthday

A mother took her three-year-old daughter to church for the first time. The church lights were lowered, and then the choir came down the aisle, carrying lighted candles. All was quiet until the little one started to sing in a loud voice, "Happy Birthday to you, happy birthday to you...."

Ushers

Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

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EVEN PASTOR EVENTUALLY CONCEDED THAT THIS PARTICULAR SERMON RAN ON MUCH TOO LONG

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THE LADIES CIRCLE

MAY NEWS



APRIL MEETING - HIGHLIGHTS

*--It was decided to postpone this year's annual tea party.
 -An annual donation of \$75 will be mailed to the Lutheran Girl Pioneers; 1 of the 6 missions we support throughout the year.
 -The annual "Baby Bottle Campaign" will start on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8th and will run through Father's Day, Sunday, June 19th. The collected donations will be divided between the Advice and Aid Pregnancy Center here in Kingman and the WELS Christian Resource Center.*



MAY MEETING

*Saturday, April 14th, at 9:30 am (monthly meetings are on the 2nd Saturday of each month)
 Devotion Series - Women of the Bible and Their Gifts
May - Hannah (a praying woman)
*(1 Samuel 1: thru 1 Samuel 2:11)**

All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend and join in the fellowship, devotion topics, planning future activities, and the WELS Missions supported as a Ladies Circle group. By getting involved your time, talent and treasures will help continue God's work.



KITCHEN

The Sunday fellowship menu schedule is available in the Fellowship Hall. *If you would like to help out in the kitchen, contact Christine Hanson or Trish Gename, President.*

FELLOWSHIP MEAL SCHEDULE	
DAY	MAIN DISH
1 st	Favorite Recipes
8 th Mother's Day	International
15 th	Salads
22 nd	Casseroles
29 th	Sandwiches



MAY USHERS

**Mike Coffin
 Gene Bishop
 Leo Galvan
 Mark McCoy**



MAY BIRTHDAYS

7th Nicole Wolfe
 8th Bob Thone
 10th John Henning
 11th Sasha Mangelsdorf
 17th Richard Blazer
 25th Duley Nelson
 26th Joey Kyzer
 27th Rhonda Hutchins
 29th James Brotsch



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

11th Zeke & Laura Jarcik
 31st Bob & Lynda Boyd

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