

Luther Memorial Church
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LMC Newsletter

May 2020



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Worship with us
Each Sunday @ 9am [Join us online](#)
On Facebook or Youtube

Sunday Morning Bible Study **@10am**

with Ed Blair will be held online using Zoom. We will share in an Easter season Bible Study entitled "Passion of Jesus". A PDF of the study is also available. [Learn more](#)

Tuesday's Community Bible Study Is now on Zoom! [Find out more](#)

Weekday Bible Study @ 4pm.

Pastor is leading us on A Walk Through the Bible. Find it on both Facebook and YouTube.

[Watch here](#)

Pray with Us

Let's all stop each day at noon and say a prayer. Bring your thoughts and petitions to our Heavenly Father knowing that we are all gathered together in prayer.

If you would like us to pray for you or someone you know please e-mail

officeLmc818@gmail.com

or call Pastor at 423-507-7189

To the Congregation of the Saints,

Those who know me well, know that I am an avid news junkie. I am always reading the news online and watching it on TV because it fascinates me, I guess. It's not that I am afraid that I am going to miss out on the latest current events or anything; to me, it's my reality TV like the Real Housewives of whatever. Then the pandemic happened and I tell you what- I have found myself not even tuning in because it's the same old nonsense day in and day out. I have found that no one agrees on anything, everyone has an opinion and that everyone blames everyone else for the pandemic. I mean, WOW, JUST WOW!! Not all is lost though, because something that I have not thought about in while just keeps popping up in my mind, and its Proverbs Chapter 1. It's not like I forgot about it or anything, it's just that it keeps coming to the forefront of my mind. For those who don't know this chapter, it's about knowledge and wisdom. In fact, Verse 7 sums it up quite clearly. It says:

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge;
fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

I could spend a great of time writing about this but I will do my best to keep it simple. The “fear” that is mentioned is not about being afraid but about having awe, respect and reverence for someone and that someone should be God. This fear then cannot be present if we do not know anything about the person. I know the power and authority our President wields and so I have a fear of the office. I am not afraid of the President but respect what he is capable of doing because of the office he holds. So true knowledge cannot be attained ever apart from knowing the author of knowledge, God. Without knowledge then there is no true wisdom that can be learned. The world has its version, but it is just an imperfect shadow and reflection of what there is to learn and gain. Proverbs Chapter 1 goes on say that Wisdom, who is being personified as a woman, is calling out to everyone and yet almost no one listens to her voice. The result is that we bring disaster upon ourselves and then cry out to a God we neither know or understand. His response is then quite succinct and simple, He does not listen to or answer the cries of those who ignore Him. Basically, you reap what you sow. So why do I bring this up? Simple! We know God! We know that He has revealed Himself in His Son our Savior Jesus Christ and we know what Jesus wants from us. To repent and believe in Him. We live as children of God now and then forever in His presence. I know it is easy to say do not be afraid about what's going on in our country, but it's the truth. We have nothing to be afraid of because we know who we are and what we have in the Risen LORD Jesus Christ. Tune out the noise around you and lay your cares, burdens, anxieties at your Lord's feet where they belong. Trust Him no matter what. He protects our faith, which means He protects our life with Him. When we trust Him, we will not stumble or walk around blind like the rest do. Now is the time to start working our trust/faith in Jesus. Remember, because we “fear” the Lord, He KNOWS our name and has made a place for us at His side.

In God,

Pastor Detrie

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!!

Making A Difference

Once upon a time, there was an old man who used to go to the ocean to do his writing. He had a habit of walking on the beach every morning before he began his work. Early one morning, he was walking along the shore after a big storm had passed and found the vast beach littered with starfish as far as the eye could see, stretching in both directions.

Off in the distance, the old man noticed a small boy approaching. As the boy walked, he paused every so often and as he grew closer, the man could see that he was occasionally bending down to pick up an object and throw it into the sea. The boy came closer still and the man called out, "Good morning! May I ask what it is that you are doing?"

The young boy paused, looked up, and replied "Throwing starfish into the ocean. The tide has washed them up onto the beach and they can't return to the sea by themselves," the youth replied. "When the sun gets high, they will die, unless I throw them back into the water."

The old man replied, "But there must be tens of thousands of starfish on this beach. I'm afraid you won't really be able to make much of a difference."

The boy bent down, picked up yet another starfish and threw it as far as he could into the ocean. Then he turned, smiled and said, "It made a difference to that one!"

The members of LMC, through Christ, have made a difference to many in our community! We have pulled together and shown His continued love for our neighbors.

Lunch Break - We have provided food and toiletries for the clients and face masks for the volunteers and of course countless prayers!!

Aslan Youth Ministries - The youth and their families have received Easter goody bags for the children, gift cards for Easter meals, a turkey along with face masks for the staff and of course countless prayers!!

These needs are continuing to grow and any help moving forward is greatly appreciated.

If anyone at high risk needs someone to go grocery shopping for them, I'd be more than happy to help you, just call or email me 732-531-7214 schoenberger908@aol.com for arrangements.

Blessings to you all for making a difference.

God's peace
Karolyn

Do not withhold good from those whom it is due, when it is in your power to act. Proverbs 3:27

A new commandment I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so must you love one another.

John 13:34

The Board of Trustees of Lunch Break want to thank the members of LMC for their recent donation of 75 pounds of food. With the unprecedented demand for services, they were able to meet the rising growth in need. They assist thousands of veterans, single parents and families which include elderly, the homeless, the employed, the unemployed and underemployed. May God continue to bless their efforts with these populations.

We recently sent lunch to the nursing staff at the Jersey Shore Medical Center NICU!

Debbie Padilla was kind enough to organize this effort, thank you so much to her! She made the connection through her neighbor. The lunch was purchased from the local, family owned, restaurant, Federico's Pizza on Broad Street in Shrewsbury.

If anyone has contacts with medical personnel, first responders, or others on the front lines, let us know. We would love to say thank you with some tasty food!



A heartfelt thank you to [Deborah Schindler-Padilla](#), her family, and the Luther Memorial Church in Tinton Falls for their generous donation to the Jersey Shore University Medical Center NICU. We are so grateful to have your support!!

Some ideas to try while we're staying at home:

Wave at your neighbors! With the Spring weather approaching, more people are spending time outdoors. Keeping 6ft between us doesn't stop a friendly greeting!

Call you friends or family (including our church family!) who might need a little reminder of God's love, share a silly joke over e-mail, stay connected.

Order take-out from your favorite local restaurant. Not only do you get a day off from cooking, you're also helping them stay open. Or you could buy gift cards to support local businesses.

Some members have begun sewing cloth masks- if there are people who would like to join in, we could apply for a Thrivent Action Team to purchase materials. E-mail Ellen at dan.rehberg@gmail.com if you would be interested.

Donate food, money, or gift cards to local charities.

Write thank you notes to first responders, medical professionals, and essential workers. Let's let them know how much we appreciate all that they do!

Take a deep breath and pray. We all have moments when life gets overwhelming; don't forget that God is with you and that you are loved.

If you any ideas how we can shine our light in our community, let us know! We have willing hands and generous hearts ready to help!



From Our Treasurer

Money is a difficult subject during normal times and gets even more troublesome during a pandemic. We have been blessed to have sufficient funds through continued offerings to maintain our bill payments to date. The church building may be closed but we are still paying for our staff, utilities, and benefits. We have applied for the Payroll Protection Program grant, but so have millions of other people throughout the country. We are in the queue with our bank and hope to hear good news soon so we can remain operational without having to borrow. Your continued support is very much appreciated!

Dan Rehberg

Some local organizations you can support:



Lunch Break in Red Bank
lunchbreak.org

Aslan Youth Ministries Red Bank
aslanyouth.org



Fulfill food bank in Neptune
fulfillnj.org

180 Turning Lives Around
180nj.org

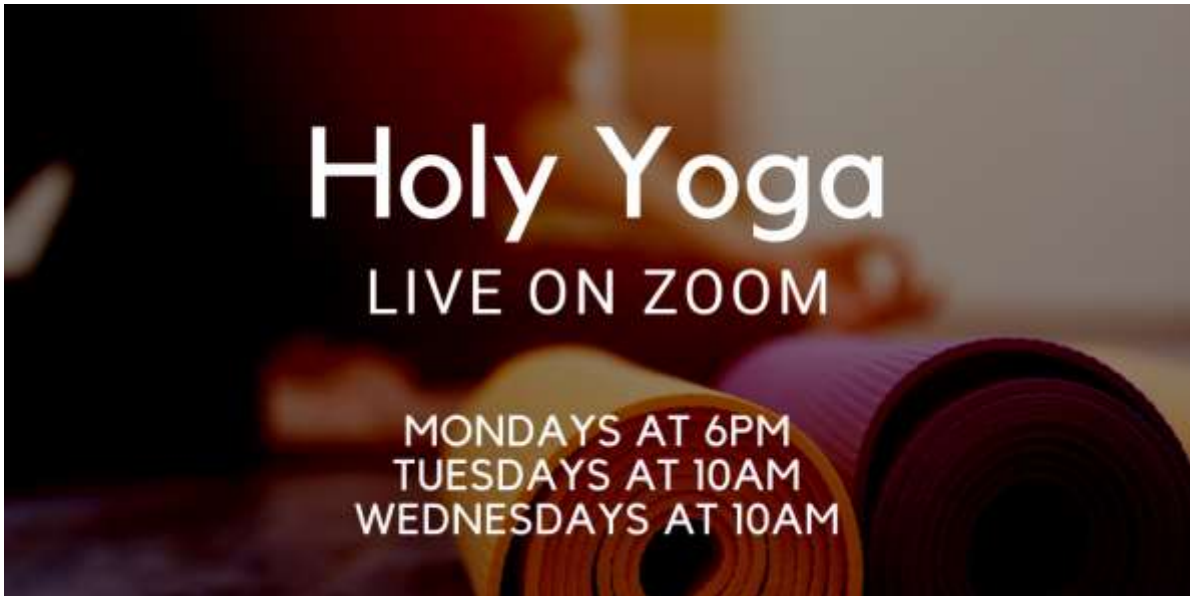


Interfaith Neighbors
(Meals on Wheels temporarily
through Lunch Break)
www.interfaithneighbors.org



The Center of Asbury (still has residents)
www.thecenterinap.org

Camino de Fe
caminodefe.church



Holy Yoga, which was originally hosted at Our Savior Lutheran Church is now hosted live on Zoom every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. They invite you to join them via the links listed below. You are asked to bring your bible, journal, and whatever you need to release to God. The Zoom links will stay the same each week.

MONDAY 6PM - ALL LEVELS

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/341038157>

Meeting ID: 341 038 157

One tap mobile

+19292056099,,341038157# US (New York)

+13126266799,,341038157# US (Chicago)

TUESDAYS 10AM - ALL LEVELS

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/723101318>

Meeting ID: 723 101 318

One tap mobile

+13126266799,,723101318# US (Chicago)

+19292056099,,723101318# US (New York)

WEDNESDAYS 10AM - CHAIR/GENTLE

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/757289329>

Meeting ID: 757 289 329

One tap mobile

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+13126266799,,757289329# US (Chicago)

Bible Readings for May's 9:00am Virtual Worship

5/3/2020: 4th Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 2:42-47

Epistle: Peter 2:19-25

Holy Gospel: John 10:1-10

5/10/2020: 5th Sunday Of Easter

First Reading: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Holy Gospel: John 14:1-14

5/17/2020: 6th Sunday Of Easter

First Reading: Acts 17:16-31

Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Holy Gospel: John 14:15-21

5/24/2020: The Ascension Of Our Lord

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Epistle: Ephesians 1:15-23

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:44-53

5/31/2020: The Day Of Pentecost

First Reading: Numbers 11:24-30

Epistle: Acts 2:1-2

Holy Gospel: John 7:37-39



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The LMC Office is preparing an updated Directory for 2020. We are still gathering family or individual photos and address changes. Please forward updates to the church office as soon as possible. If you are not sure we have your updated information or a picture, simply email the correct data and photos to the office at: officelmc818@gmail.com.

May Birthdays

2 nd	Harold Brown	14 th	Maureen Blair
4 th	Barbara Kastning		Dawn Schrankel
5 th	Ann Pegosh	15 th	Shannon Egan
	Dan Rehberg	19 th	Theresa Marko
7 th	Daniel Petrillo	21 st	Kathy Samaras
8 th	Carol Petrillo	24 th	Morgan Brockel
9 th	Katie Blair	26 th	Marjorie Cho
13 th	Alexandra Karcher	28 th	Pauline Costello
	Celeste Karcher	30 th	Heidi Magenheimer



Prayer Requests

Louis Russo	Sylvia Burton	Shirley Lang	Marcy Slachman
Joyce Siney	Lynn Gerhman	James D'Andrea	Gary & family
Jen Cho & family	Brian Donovan	Melvin Taylor	Keith Brown
Kayla Joseph	Colton Farrell	Harold Brown	Ulkika Weiss
Renee Connell	Ruta Colomb	Janis Luksis	Linda Moldoch
Jerry Kastning	Kathleen Samaras	Connie Wild	Joe Scelfo
Gina Tobia	Cynthia Mayer	Fran Curtis	Tim Bains
Anne-Lise Maida	Tom & Angela Mirandi	Carol Parkus	Gloria Gagliardi
Jan Bastone	Sandi Carter	Bob Hollenbeck	Gary duBois Sister-in-law
Vivian Skaar	Michelle Walker	Hitue	Liz Keitans-Hines
Beth McLaughlin	Joe Tetley	Sam & Bob Juliano	Deborah
Joanne R.	Ellen Klien	David Bartelt	Elfriede Gordon
The Lembeck Family	Collin	The Padilla Family	Zak Brown & Family
George	The DeNicola Family	T. Ball & Family	The Family of Joe Irons Jr.
Winny Leim	The Family of Tony Cittadino	Melanie Clift	

Please e-mail us any prayer requests; or join the weekly email prayer group by contacting the church office at officeLmc818@gmail.com

Share the News! The deadline for June's newsletter will be May 27th
If you have stories, questions, or ideas e-mail us @ ellen.illies@yahoo.com