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Combined Greetings from Pastor & President Harrison

Dear Church Families of Mount Hope & The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour

Without Easter, the Christian faith is a waste of time.

That's what the apostle Paul says: "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins" (1 Corinthians 15:17)

The reason for this is that Christ's Resurrection not only gives us sure and certain hope for eternal life, but it also confirms that what Jesus said in His earthly life was true. Jesus said he would rise from the dead. If He hadn't, who would have taken His teachings seriously thereafter?

"But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead," Paul says (1 Corinthians 15:20). The resurrection was God's stamp of authenticity on Jesus, proclaiming, "Yes, Jesus is my Son. Yes, He has overcome death. Yes, what he told you is true. Trust Him! Follow Him!"

CHRIST IS RISEN!!! HE IS RISEN INDEED!!!

Let those words ring out as we celebrate the Lord's resurrection this year on Easter Let those words ring out as we welcome this Spring and coming Summer with that certain and sure hope. Let those words ring out as you speak to each other with songs and hymns and spiritual songs (Col. 3:16). Let those words ring out as you give thanks in all circumstances (I Thess. 5:18).

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"Because I live, you also will live" (John 14:19). These words of Jesus change everything. Jesus spoke these words to His disciples on the night before His crucifixion. He had given them His Holy Supper. He had washed their feet. He taught them. But they had no idea what lie ahead in the next 24 hours.

Yet Jesus did not remain on the cross and He did not remain dead. He rose. And now He says to each of us and to all who believe, "Because I live, you also will live."

CHRIST IS RISEN!!! HE IS RISEN INDEED!!! There is nothing more sure and certain in this life than the life of God's own Son. There is nothing more solid for us to build our lives on than the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Because He lives, we will live. Absolutely certain

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Encouragement for Graduates

The late singer John Denver once gave a commencement speech at his old high school. "The best thing you have to offer the world is yourself," he said. "You don't have to copy anyone else. If you do, you're second best." He recalled how, after high school, he went to Texas Tech intending to become an architect. "But I quit to become a singer," he said. "Not one person said I was doing the right thing. But I knew, deep down inside, I was born to sing to people. Singing is the most joyful thing in the world for me. It's what's inside you that counts. And if it's not what you want to do, don't do it. Listen to yourself. You'll always know what's right. Listen to that voice. That's how you'll find success as a human being. Don't be afraid to be who you are."

-Adapted from The SourceBook of Wit & Wisdom



We have a new website. WWW.MTHOPELUTHERANCHURCH.COM

We have Recorded Services, Bulletins, Prayer request form, Newsletters, Kidz Corner.

Mt. Hope Preschool News

Thank you for all the prayers and support during this pandemic.

Here are a few reminders:

Week of Apr. 19: Registration begins for returning families.

Week of Apr. 26: Open House Begins by appointment only.







Rainbow of Mount Hope





Apr/May/Jun Birthdays

April

- 04 Jillian Ladach
- 05 Kristen Skilliter
- 06 Patty McNeil
- 21 Bob Nolan

May

- 05 Gary Yowler
- 06 Bill Switter
- 08 Doreen Crowford
- 08 Janet Witte
- 09 Linda Hurst
- 12 Jon Corona
- 15 Laurie Pignanelli
- 18 Shirley Ripke
- 25 Kim Kosmalski
- 26 Frances Ladach
- 28 Michael Domine

June

- 02 Karen Bumgarner
- 13 Sherm Trout
- 20 Eric Brown
- 24 Michelle Yowler
- 28 Kathleen Schellman
- 30 Maria Zowie

Apr/May/Jun Anniversaries

April

20 - Karen & Jim Bumgarner

May

- 02 Lucy & Shawn Stamp
- 11 Kelley & Jon Corona
- 20 France & Ronald Ladach

June

- 02 Sis & Dave Hamilton
- 14 Sandy & Glenn Cairns
- 20 Kathleen & Bob Schellman
- 20 Julie & Brook Trout
- 23 Mary & Louis Bigliardi

Quilting Group

By: Bev Kero & Ruth Pollatz

1st & 3rd Saturday from 9am to 2pm

In the fall of 2020, Jim, Karen, Bev, Ruth & Pastor delivered 35 quilts to the Detroit Rescue Mission.

Since then, we have about 30 more quilts being made or completed.

We have a lot of fun, fellowship and food. You don't have to know "how to quilt". Just come and fellowship.

Children's Bible Banner

Various ladies of the church are putting together a "Stories of the Bible" banner for Pastor to use in teaching children and adults. (See sample hanging on the mailboxes.)

We still need more volunteers to put together the squares in the comfort of your own home. All the material, patterns & glue will be provided. Please join us in this endeavor.

It is really rather simple, yet beautiful. Call the church office, Pastor or Ruth Pollatz for further details.

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Official Acts

No Official Acts

What more can you do?

- I will do more than belong I will participate. I will do more than care — I will help. I will do more than believe — I will trust. I will do more than dream — I will work. I will do more than teach — I will inspire. I will do more than earn — I will enrich. I will do more than give — I will serve. I will do more than live — I will serve. I will do more than be friendly — I will be a friend.
- I will do more than talk I will listen.
- I will do more.

Author: Unknown

Preparing for Dad's day

Sunday June 20th

Here are some things you can do for your father on Father's Day:

- How about taking him out for breakfast before worship or for lunch after the service? Or both!
- Consider starting a Memory Book for him. Collect papers such as his birth and baptism certificates, photos of him as a child, a student, a graduate, a groom, a father, at his job and so on. If your mother has any special letters from your father she would be willing to share with the family, put them in the scrapbook.
- Some time during Father's Day, ask him to tell stories about his most exciting adventures, meaningful religious experiences, his greatest joys, etc. Record these wonderful memories and then share them again on future occasions such as his birthday, anniversaries, family gatherings, Thanksgiving, etc.

SPECIAL DATES

APRIL

- Easter Egg Hunt, April 3, 2021
- The Resurrection of Our Lord, April 4, 2021

MAY

- National Day of Prayer, May 5, 2021
- Ascension Day, May 13, 2021
- Mother's Day, May 9, 2021
- Armed Forces Day, May 15, 2021
- Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021
- Trinity Sunday, May 30, 2021
- Memorial Day, May 31, 2021

JUNE

- Flag Day, June 14, 2021
- Father's Day, June 20, 2021
- First day of summer, June 20, 2021

Memorial Day



Memorial Day emerged from the grim shadows of the American Civil War. Before the close of the war, women began decorating the graves of soldiers who had died in that war. The practice quickly spread, and a few years later May 30, 1868, was designated as Decoration Day — a day for placing flowers on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers throughout the United States.

In 1882, Decoration Day became known as Memorial Day, and soldiers who died in other wars were also honored. Over the years, it has become a day when all loved ones who have died — in war and otherwise — are remembered. In 1971, the United States Congress declared Memorial Day a national holiday to be observed annually on the last Monday in May.

On this Memorial Day, remember those who gave their lives for our country. But also pray for those who continue serving to keep America free, especially those who are in harm's way.

The changing image of Mother

4-year-old: "My mommy can do anything!"

- 8-year-old: "My mom knows a lot! A whole lot!"
- **12-year-old**: "My mother doesn't really know quite everything."
- **14-year-old**: "Naturally, mom doesn't know that, either."
- **16-year-old**: "Mom? She's hopelessly oldfashioned."
- **18-year-old**: "That old woman? She's way out of date!"
- **25-year-old**: "Well, she might know a little bit about it."
- **30-year-old**: "She's smarter than she used to be."
- **35-year-old**: "Before we decide, let's get Mom's opinion."
- **50-year-old:** "Wonder what Mom would have thought about it?"
- **65-year-old:** "Wish I could talk it over with Mom."

Whoever you are, wherever you are, on Mother's Day, remember your mother. Without her and your father, you would only have been a dream and a hope, never a reality. No wonder God gave us the commandment: **"Honor your father and your mother ..."** (Exodus 20:12) God gave us life through them. —Charles Ferrell

Bible quiz



On Pentecost Sunday, many altars and pulpits will have red cloths on them, many pastors will wear red stoles around their necks, and many members will wear red clothing. The second chapter of Acts 2 hints at the reason for using the color red. That verse tells of a meeting at which something was resting on each person present. What was it?

- A. red birds
- B. something like fire
- C. red pieces of cloth

The answer may be found in Acts 2:3. Answer can be found under reminders on last page.

Out of the mouths of babes



HOW ABOUT THIS IDEA?!!

A church in Tempe, Arizona, bought a moving van and converted the inside to use as a stage. Each week several members take the truck to parks or lots where they perform brief dramas, conduct Bible lessons, teach Christian songs and crafts, lead the children in games, etc. Children are also given an opportunity to request prayers to be offered by the sponsoring church.

At Sunday worship services the children's prayer requests are passed out to worshipers, who pray for the children and present their petitions to God during private devotions. Here are a few prayer requests asked on one occasion:

- Dee Dee: Grandma Barbara has lung and bone cancer. Ask for God's comfort.
- Jessica: Thank God for the miracle he gave me last night. There was a shooting near my house, but I stayed safe.
- Tyler: Pray that I may have some friends.
- Isabel: Pray that my dad will stop having headaches.
- Kristian: Pray that we don't get evicted.
- Jeriel: Pray for Mrs. Hamm. She can't pay her rent.
- Anonymous: Pray that I'll be able to see my dad again.
- Anonymous: Thank God for letting my grandma out of jail. Bless all the soldiers. Thanks for air to breathe.

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> <u>Service Times</u> Sunday 9:30 am Sunday Bible Study -10:45 am

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Reminders

Quilting: The first & third Saturday of the month at 9:00 am

Council Meeting: The second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Elder's Meeting: The second Tuesday of the month at 6:15 pm

Answer to Bible Quiz: B

Newsletter Deadline for Jul/Aug/Sep is May 24 at noon

