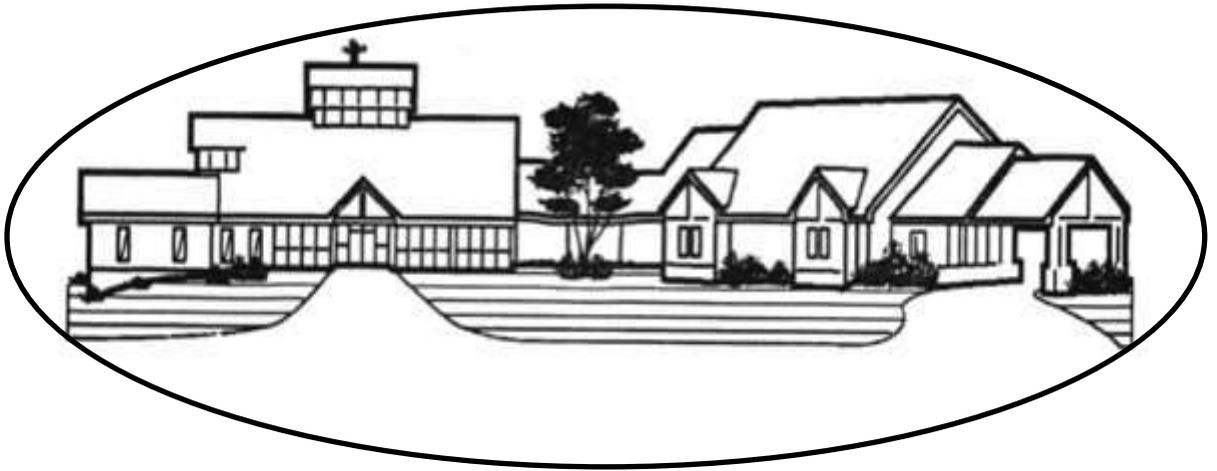


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# Agapegram

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## **The Bible, Part II: Inspired, Inerrant, and About Jesus**

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes...*  
Romans 1:16 EHV

We continue our journey through past LCMS President, Rev. Dr. A.L. Barry's What About pamphlet on The Bible:

### **Why is the Bible so important?**

Someone may say, "The Bible is important to me because it tells me what to do" and another person might say, "The old stories remind me of my childhood" or "The Bible is a guidebook for daily living." These answers all have a grain of truth, but they miss the real reason why the Bible is so important: It is the sure and certain source for knowing who Jesus Christ is and what He has done for us.

Jesus said, "The Scriptures testify about me" (John 5:39). The main message of the Bible is the good news of God's work to reconcile the world to Himself through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Throughout Old and New Testaments, the central message of the Scripture is the account of how God was in the world preparing it to receive His Son and then what His Son did when He was here. It also tells how the church received this glorious message of salvation, and how it grew and spread throughout the known world. Luther once compared the Bible to the swaddling clothes the baby Jesus was wrapped in. Thus, the Bible is Christ-centered.

Our Lord Jesus said, "If you remain in my Word, truly you are my disciples" (John 8:31). The divine authority and reliability of the Bible does not rest on the persons God used to write the Bible, nor on the endorsement of the Bible by the church, but rests entirely on the fact that it is the Word of the Lord. How do we know this? This confession of the Bible's complete authority is part of the certainty of the faith God gives to us as a gift.

Real human beings were given real words from God to write down. As our Lord Jesus Christ was both true God and true man, so the Bible is truly the Word of God and also the writing of human beings. Even as our Lord Jesus took on human flesh free from sin and error, so God used human beings to provide a written revelation of Himself that is free from error. Thus, we believe that the Bible is both incapable of error (infallible) and free from error (inerrant).

The Bible has a very important distinction one needs to keep in mind in order to understand the Bible correctly: the difference between Law and Gospel. The Bible reveals God's perfect holiness and righteousness, and His expectation of perfection.

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His Law, summarized best in the Ten Commandments, reveals our sinful rebellion and our inability to save ourselves. The Gospel is the joyful news that our Lord Jesus Christ has given us complete forgiveness from our sins through His life, death and resurrection for us. The proper distinction between Law and Gospel is the key to understanding the Bible correctly.

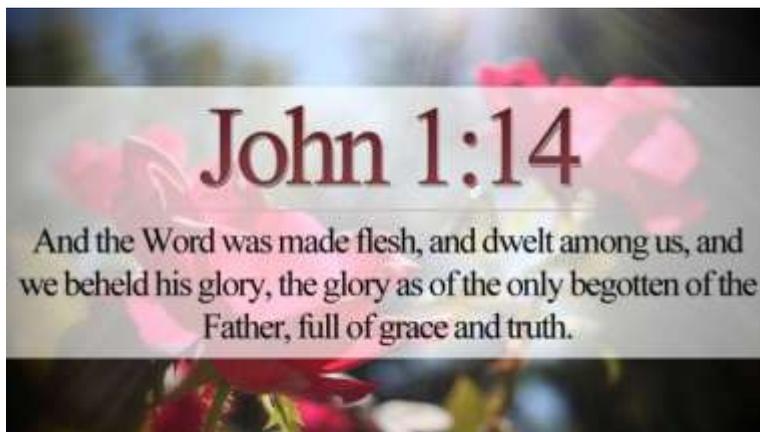
The most important message of the Bible is not the Law of God. The Bible is not merely a collection of principles for daily living. The Bible is not a textbook that answers every possible question we may have. Nor for that matter is the Bible a book that predicts every last detail about the future. The central and most important teaching in the Bible is the Gospel, the good news of God's gift of salvation through Jesus Christ. The Gospel is the message that predominates throughout the Bible, from Old Testament to New Testament. Thus the Bible is Gospel-centered. We know that the Bible was not given merely for the sake of itself. We are not saved because we own a Bible. We are saved by our Lord Jesus Christ, who is revealed in the Bible. We believe the Bible because it is the Lord's Word. We believe in Him, thus we believe His Word to be true. We receive what He has given. He has given us the Scriptures. Thus, the Bible is the foundation and touchstone for everything that the church believes, teaches, confesses, and practices. Why? Because the Bible is the inspired, Christ-centered and Gospel-centered Word of the Lord.

*Next Month: How Do We Use the Bible?*

Until then, read your bible to hear about Jesus and from Jesus.

*You examine the Scriptures... and it is those very Scriptures that testify about Me.* John 5:39 NASB

*Pastor David*





## *Deaconess' Musings*

*Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum*

“The Word of the Lord Endures Forever.”

With its anacronym (VDMA) imprinted into the front cover of my desk Bible, this Latin phrase is deceptively simple yet packs quite the punch. Daily am I confronted with the Law & my sins, yet I am comforted by the balm of the Word of forgiveness.

Originating from 1 Peter 1:24-25, “*All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures forever.*” *And this word is the good news that was preached to you.*

As the world continues its seemingly never-ending maelstrom of confusion and chaos, the bought and baptized Children of Christ have been given an anchor that does not move. The very Word of God, the person of Jesus Christ, in whom we have the forgiveness of sins for eternal life, does not change. He, that very Word, remains our refuge and strength.

When all others turn away and cannot provide that peace and relief we most cry out for, there again comes that *good news that was preached to you*; that although you have stumbled and failed, sinned grievously against your Creator, and have rightly acknowledged your sinful failings, He has redeemed you. Bought you out of that swirling, dark and wretched place at the price of His own blood. Into this world Christ Jesus came, perfect and holy as no other human could ever be, and won you back. Through His death and resurrection, you now have forgiveness.

*...but the word of the Lord endures forever.*

Perhaps with the limited understanding we have on this side of eternity, the scope of the forgiveness of sins and the breadth of the Father’s love for His forgiven children are simply too much to grasp. But there is a beautiful simplicity about the Gospel message that transcends time and ages. What was accomplished for us all those years ago, holds true for this current age, and will always ring clear through the end of time.

For us who still walk this earth, take courage. Know and trust that your Savior has redeemed you. Find relief in His Gospel. Rest in His unchanging and forever enduring Word.

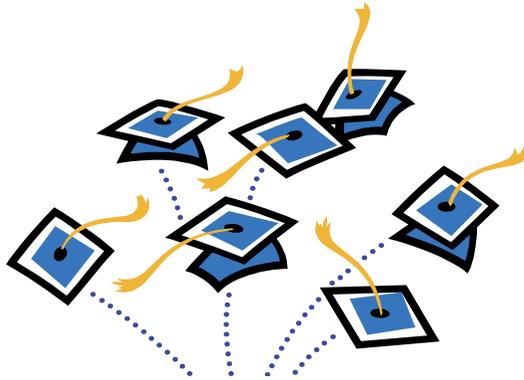
*Christ the unfading Light  
Of everlasting day,  
Our Morning Star in splendor bright,  
The Life, the Truth, the Way;  
That light of truth You give  
To servants as to friends,  
Your way to walk, Your life to live,  
Till earth's brief journey ends.  
(LSB 829:4)*



*~Deaconess Holly*

# Congratulations 2021 High School Graduates!

*Kayla Fireovid*



***Thank you for  
your support!***

The Little Lambs Take-Out Spaghetti supper fundraiser was a great success, serving even more dinners than we did last year! The preschool and preschool board is **incredibly grateful** to all who donated to keep this important mission of the church going strong. This year we raised approximately \$6,700. Donations will support the program with needed supplies, equipment, and scholarships funds.

*~Many thanks to the very generous members of ESLC.*

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Vacation Bible School 2021

Mon. June 14 - Fri. June 18

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

AGES 4 through graduated 5th graders.

You may register your children online at  
[vbsmate.com/ESLCvbs](http://vbsmate.com/ESLCvbs)

Or registration forms available upon request.

## God Loved Her First

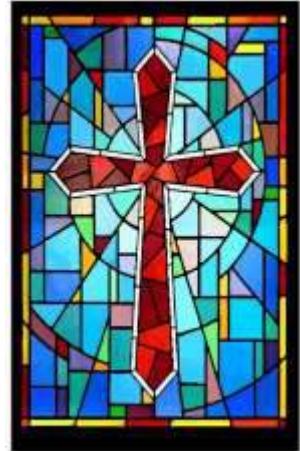
Inspiration comes from a multitude of sources, books we read, music, God's word, conversations with others. When I have an outdoor project to work on I often take my music with me. I listen to a variety of genres. One of those projects recently involved some work I wanted to complete on our dock. I have a country station set up on Pandora and as I listened a song came up by the band Heartland called "I loved Her First". It is about the relationship of a father and his daughter. I've heard the song before but it had special significance this time because my youngest daughter Carly is about to be married to Pete. In fact by the time you read this, Carly's last name will have changed from Arkfeld to Johns.

Some of the lyrics go like this:

I was enough for her not long ago  
I was her number one, she told me so  
And she still means the world to me, just so you know  
So be careful when you hold my girl  
Time changes everything, life must go on  
And I'm not going to stand in your way

But I loved her first, I held her first  
And a place in my heart will always be hers  
From the first breath she breathed  
When she first smiled at me

I knew the love of a father runs deep  
And I prayed that she'd find you someday  
But it's still hard to give her away  
I loved her first



I have been praying for Pete long before I knew him by name. When our girls were still quite young I already prayed they would one day find their soul mate. I prayed this man would be a Godly man who would love them with his whole being and that the two of them would dedicate their lives to one another and take care of each other no matter what obstacles life put in their path. Other than deciding to follow Jesus, the person we marry is the most important decision we make in life. God has blessed me with a wonderful partner and I thank Him for this gift. It is my hope and prayer that my daughters will also have this blessing.

As I reflected on the lyrics to this song it occurred to me that they are not only about Carly's earthly father but also about our Heavenly Father. It has been an honor to have the privilege of being Carly's father on earth. I couldn't be more proud of my little girl. As great as my love for her is, it pales in comparison to God's love for her. God the Father loved his son Jesus yet he was willing to sacrifice His son's life to save my daughter, and you, and me. In June we will celebrate Father's Day. For many of us our earthly fathers have gone on to be with the Lord but the memories remain. If your father still lives I hope you will be able to reach out and touch him either in person or by phone.

Our human fathers have their flaws and imperfections but our Heavenly Father is perfect in every way. His love for us is more than we can comprehend. He loves us just as we are with all of our imperfections and shortcomings. God desires that we love Him too. I'm sure you do love Him but God loved you first.

*Dan Arkfeld  
Head Elder*

## Dangerous Trees

Over the last month various members of our Church's Disaster Response Team have spent time removing dangerous trees from the woods and roadsides of Camp Rockfish. This Camp owned and operated by the United Methodist Church offers children an exhilarating outdoor experience in its forest of 450 acres located in the Low Country of North Carolina not far from Lumberton.

It is a great camp forced into vacancy for over a year because of the pandemic but now it is getting readied to reopen for the multitude of kids eager to work, play, pray and have fun at this place.

But before that opening day rush of children arrives the Camp must be cleared of the "dangerous trees" that threaten to fall on the roadways and trails, the specially designed obstacle courses, the paint ball field, the archery field, the Pavilion area, the beautiful lake shoreline and the many other places where the kids will gather. Many trees are dangerous because they are dead and could fall at any time; many have fallen but didn't make it to the ground because they are "leaners" against other trees; many especially pine trees have "widow makers" which are large dead branches that are dangling high up in the tree and could fall like spears on those passing below them. All these dangerous trees must be removed or made safe and that is what the chainsaw team has tried to do to some extent. The tree pictured was such a dangerous tree but it was taken down and transformed into a symbol of hope. How Biblical!



There was a tree in Eden of unparalleled danger. To eat of its fruit was to die. They ate its fruit and death became their destiny and that of all their descendants to this day.

There was another tree rough hewn in the shape of a cross. It was designed to bear the body of Jesus Christ the Son of God. It was a cursed tree and it carried our Lord to His death. Is this not the more dangerous tree - indeed the most deadly tree. To crucify the incarnate Son surely incurs the wrath of God who can cast one's body and soul into hell eternal where there is relentless dying without the relief of death. Yet the cross of Christ is for us repentant believers nothing less than the Tree of Life because by faith we have partaken of the fruit of this tree - the forgiveness of sins and where there is forgiveness of sins there is life and salvation.

There are dangerous trees – but not this One.

## Welcome our Newest Members

### Welcome to the Upcountry, Griffin Eslinger!

This 20 year old Clemson junior is from Summerville, SC ( Low Country). He is studying Mechanical Engineering. Having attended the Governor's School for Science & Math, a logical choice! He has worked at summer camps teaching kids about science. He finds craftsman-type work appealing (Att'n: Cars for God's Kids woodworkers) and would someday like to have a machining & woodworking shop. His spare time is spent hiking, trail running and just being outdoors in nature. Griffin, once settling into studies, would like to help the Disaster Response Team (He is experienced with a chainsaw). He's done Habitat for Humanity in HS. Griffin also has an aptitude for music so would be interested in helping out musically once he gets back in practice! Besides his studies, this busy young man starts a full-time paid internship at Bosch in August.! Griffin came to ES due to a personal situation that prompted him to turn to Christ. After a careful look around the area for a church best suited for him, he decided to join ES . Our interview ended with his statement "I am grateful every day for being with all of you, and I'm looking forward to giving back to the Community."



### Meet Joyce Ruohoniemi !

After serving as a Nurse in the beautiful Himilayan country of Nepal where she lived for many years, Joyce met a Finnish widower with four children. That, plus adding two more children to the mix, kept her busy with homemaking and caring for the family. This family now consists of 6 children, 22 grands ( two are in heaven) and 10 greats! Joyce often visited one of her sons & family in Clemson. On one of those visits she fell, broke her hip and ended up moving in with them. She credits Elizabeth Baker inviting her to visit Eternal Shepherd where she enjoyed the warm welcome & good fellowship of the Thursday Bible Study, the Adult Sunday School and the good teaching and discussions. She did mention the goodies & coffee a bonus indeed. She ended our interview by saying "It is a great privilege we enjoy of knowing Jesus Christ and being part of His body uniting us by His Holy Spirit." *Welcome, Joyce.*



### Meet Carl Wollenburg!

Father to two sons, ages 15 & 13, Carl has lived in Indiana, North Georgia and now SC. He was Director of Sales for several large meat processing plants. *We are happy that Carl has joined our church family (c:*





**Confirmation Sunday  
June 6th**

**Congratulations Confirmands 2021**

*Evie Hammer*

*Ben Madden*

*Laina Rebholz*

*Quin Toussaint*

*Train a child  
in the way  
he should go,  
and when he is  
old he will not  
turn from it.*

PROVERBS 22:6

*Happy Father's Day*



***Father's Day  
Sunday, June 20th***

***Thank you Dad's  
for all you do.***

***Happy Father's Day!***

## **Honduras Mission News:**

Although things are opening up here in the U.S. it seems as though our friends in Honduras are still locked down from the pandemic. We have supported the distribution of medicine and food through the local churches in Tegucigalpa that World Gospel Outreach is partnered with. This is delivered by the full-time missionaries and by the staff. Abel Pena, the President and CEO of World Gospel recently shared another opportunity for us to help the children of Honduras, and more specifically the children at Rancho Ebenezer. This is WGO's facility in the mountains outside of Tegucigalpa where approximately 50 once-marginalized boys and girls receive long-term, complete, faith-based care. Here they can learn the skills they need to break the cycle of poverty and the broken family that once consumed them. Not only do they receive care for emotional stress, a meaningful education, Bible study, and vocational training, but they also receive three nourishing meals a day. This care is made possible through gifts from people like you and me.

CEO Pena writes: *"I'm writing to you today because the heartbeat of this ministry is to provide spiritual and nutritional encouragement to every child within our reach. I think you will agree with me that we must do everything we can to continue providing comprehensive care for all of our children at Rancho Ebenezer."*

He continues: *"I'm thrilled to announce that one of our ministry partners, Rice Bowls, has generously offered a matching gift challenge of \$26,000 to help offset our \$52,000 food budget for the rest of the year. That means that every dollar given will be doubled, making an even bigger impact on the lives we are changing in Honduras. Giving toward this campaign will allow you to be a blessing to the children. I want to encourage you to pray about partnering with us to reach our goal and to give what the Lord puts on your heart."*

**If you would like to contribute through ESLC please mark the memo line of your check "WGO Kids". If you would like to contribute to the ongoing medical and food distribution in the city, please mark the memo line "WGO Care Pay". Or if you would like to contribute directly, please go to WGO's website, [wgoreach.org](http://wgoreach.org) and click on WGO Kids or WGO Care Pay.**

Thank you for helping WGO navigate through the difficult waters of this pandemic. Hopefully we will be able to return to hands-on ministry in 2022, to continue the serving begun by ESLC in 2014. Until then we thank you for helping keep the ministry viable.

*Que Dios te bendiga (May God Bless You),  
Pastor Ray & your Honduras Mission Team  
members*



## *Facebook Seth!*

Over the last year, Seth's team has been challenged to think of new ways to reach out to our community when the pandemic prevented us from visiting our dear friends at various facilities and homes. Although so many of those visits were temporarily suspended one area of his ministry actually grew - his Facebook page! I imagine his friends and followers were stuck at home and needed someone or something to engage with during those lonely hours of isolation. "Seth" tries very hard to think of something meaningful, scriptural or sometimes even clever with which to engage his Facebook friends. His Facebook administrator typically responds to every comment made and has gotten to know several of his friends across the country through this social media platform. Sometimes "he" even asks for prayer requests and his followers respond with many! Rudy and I make sure we pray for each one and their respective needs in our daily prayers.

Here are just a few encouraging comments from Seth's followers:

*"Seth you make me happy"* ~Cheryl

*"So thankful for what you and your handlers do for people. It's needed and necessary. To God be the Glory"*  
~ Katherine

*"You lift my spirit daily"* ~ Deborah

*"I'm grateful for you Seth and I look forward to your posts. Love you sweet boy."*  
~ Patricia

*"Seth you are a great comfort to see daily even in Michigan."* ~ Sandi

*"We are thankful for all you do both on Facebook and out in the field spreading love, comfort and peace!"* ~ Judi

If you are on Facebook, you can follow his page @SethComfortDog or his veteran page @Kare9Seth which typically involves veteran events he attends.

To God be the Glory,  
Kyra Carbone, Top Dog  
[topdogeslc@outlook.com](mailto:topdogeslc@outlook.com), 864-932-8308





## News from Trinity HOPE

*This is one of a series of articles which we make available each month to keep our supporters informed about our activities. Trinity HOPE, a not-for-profit charitable organization, raises funds and administers feeding programs that provide a noon meal for the hungry children who attend our schools in Haiti where the Good News of Jesus is shared daily.*

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### ***A Heart Led to Give***

*By Lars Helland,*

*Mission Chairman at Eternal Shepherd, Seneca, SC*

The churches and schools in Haiti continue to exceed our expectations for growth. Trinity HOPE recently reached a milestone of feeding over 42,000 children throughout Haiti, and it is a blessing to be a part of that. Through Eternal Shepherd in Seneca, SC, we sponsor two schools in Central Haiti – Rocky Road and Pas Bonbon. In those schools, we feed over 300 children daily physically while nurturing their spiritual growth. That is equivalent to 55,800 meals a year!



*Rocky Road*

Where does your help come from? Like many of you reading this, the first thing that comes to mind is Psalm 121:2, “*My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.*” Our Heavenly Father presents us with many opportunities to bless others and to share His work. I often share my experiences with those in my circle of influence. Recently, I was having lunch with a customer. Like most of my discussions, it turned to Missions and flowed right into the schools in Haiti and Trinity HOPE. As we finished our lunch, he (Robert) said he was interested in helping and wanted the contact information for Trinity HOPE.

I shared my contact, Keith Logan, with Robert, and quickly a contribution was made. At a cost of only twenty-five cents per meal, any donation has a significant impact in helping feed these children. I didn’t ask Robert for any financial support; I merely shared my experience. His heart led him to give! Ten Robert’s each donating \$1,500 would cover 300 students for the school year. To God be the Glory!



*Pas Bonbon*

*Thank you, Trinity HOPE. You are blessed to be a blessing!*

# Save the Date!

## RIPPLE RESALE

1st anniversary celebration  
& Community Service Expo



Saturday, June 5th

11:00am - 4:00pm

Parking lot at 203 Oconee Square,  
next to Seneca Big Lots

**Great raffle prizes and store discounts!**

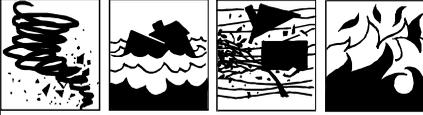
**Learn about local non-profits while enjoying  
food, live music, face painting and balloon making**

Raffle Prizes for a chance to win a Samsung 55 inch TV and Kindle Fire!

[RippleofOne.org](http://RippleofOne.org)

Empowering families to move beyond public assistance and into their full God given potential.

## DISASTER RESPONSE



*Help those in need*

After some conversations with Camp Rockfish in Lumberton, NC, we have learned that they are having difficulties hiring workers. They have several projects that they need help finishing.

Preliminary thoughts are that our next mission trip the week of June 13th will be to go help them. Please consider service in this important ministry. For more information please contact Deek Decker.



## Needs Mentors!

Our mission is to empower children to reach their full God-given potential and to break generational poverty.

Mentors are needed for 3rd-12th graders. Come and share life changing skills with our children!

Visit our website at [www.rippleofone.org](http://www.rippleofone.org)  
For more information, email Ria Dawkins at: [ripple.terria@gmail.com](mailto:ripple.terria@gmail.com)



**Scrip Cards** are available and make *great gifts* as well as learn money for Eternal Shepherd at the same time. Please note we now have Publix gift cards available. For orders please contact **Libby Dunlap** by phone (864) 944-7477 or by email at [robertwd@bellsouth.net](mailto:robertwd@bellsouth.net). After the order is received one of the Scrip ladies will contact you to make arrangements for delivery. Scrip Card Team: *Beckie Rau, Libby Dunlap, Elisabeth Baker & Sue Hauser. ~Thank you for your support.*



**FOOD BANK NEWS:** Please help us in collecting preferred needed canned, or boxed grocery items each month to help restock the Golden Corner Food Pantry's shelves. **June's** preferred product is "**Canned Fruit**" (Please place items in one of the trash cans marked Food Bank down by the main Fellowship Hall). *~Thank you for your generosity and support.*



## Hospitality Happenings for June

***No in house hospitality happenings at this time due to current restrictions.***

*As always we thank you for your support and look forward to the day we can once again join together at ESLC in fellowship.*

Thinking about joining the hospitality board? Please see myself or Marlene Bell with any questions. *In His service, Sue Williams*



**ON-LINE GIVING** Remember you can give on-line. After establishing an account, if you have the QR App on a device, you can use this method to contribute each Sunday using the QR code printed in the Sunday bulletin or the monthly Agapegram. ~*Thank you for your faithful support.*



### June Birthdays

- |                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 - Colleen Wakeman           | 14 - Cassie Davis    |
| 2 - Bill Barthel              | 15 - Oliver Scott    |
| Cecil Murray                  | Jane Smith           |
| 3 - Roberta Port              | 16 - Kelly Bunning   |
| 4 - Sue Blount                | 18 - Renee Beitz     |
| Brian Bunning                 | Cash Hamilton        |
| Westly Tramble                | Kendall Hamilton     |
| 6 - Rev. Art Beyer            | Diane Schember       |
| Shirley Coale                 | Ben Smith            |
| Janice Lusk                   | 21 - Jody McKibben   |
| 7 - Bonnie Franzen            | 22 - Judi Graham     |
| Sue Kunce                     | Sara Gugel           |
| 8 - Alana Madden              | Marion Lusk          |
| Tanisha Wood                  | Andrea Toussaint     |
| 9 - Debbie Bell               | 24 - Ben Kan         |
| Marlene Bell                  | 25 - Barbara Wilken  |
| 10 - Justin Beitz             | Lane Wilson          |
| Marilyn Shockley              | 27 - Harry Hornburg  |
| 11 - Rev. Paul Lautenschlager | Sarah Wanthal        |
| Maril Robertson               | Emily Wells          |
| Henry Watson                  | 28 - Ruth Scheiderer |
| 13 - Jennifer Pahl            | 30 - Andrew Zirbel   |



### June Anniversaries

- 6 - Chris & Ruth Scheiderer
- 9 - Mory & Marlene Ranck  
Jon & Susan Tyner
- 11 - Rick & Ann Cochell  
David & Beth Phillips
- 12 - Ron & Marilyn Bode
- 15 - Woo & Lisa Wagner
- 17 - Matt & Jacquie Wilson
- 20 - Walt & Carolyn Lindow
- 22 - Garner & Sarah Sorrell Jr.  
David & Jonette Stupke
- 23 - Harlan & Barb Swift
- 24 - Jim & Pat Jacques
- 25 - Dan & Jeanne Arkfeld  
Bob & Glenda Krabbe
- 26 - Don & Chris Worthy
- 28 - Brian & Kelly Bunning



## **SPECIAL GIFTS/MEMORIALS**

**In April the following gifts were given:**

The Building Fund received a gift of \$200.00

The Church Bus Fund Received a gift a gift of \$50.00

The Comfort Dog Ministry Fund received gifts of \$137.35,  
and a gift of \$783.00 from Thrivent Choice

The Debt Reduction Fund received a gift of \$50.00,  
and a gift of \$600.00 from CCCF Grant

The Disaster Response Team Fund received a gift of \$50.00

The Elders Fund received gifts of \$149.23

The Food Bank Fund received gifts of \$44.23

The General Fund received a gift of \$ 400.00 from AEF Grant,  
and a gift of \$25.00 from Thrivent Choice

The Haiti Missions Fund received gifts of \$962.59

The Honduras Mission Fund received gifts of \$124.23

The Little Lambs Preschool Fund received gifts of \$357.07,  
and gifts of \$1,050.00 from Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser

The Lutheran Witness Magazine Fund received a gift of \$20.00

The Operation Christmas Child Fund received gifts of \$380.00

The Senior Member Care Fund (*based on Galatians 6:10*)  
received a gift of \$64.00 from Thrivent Choice

The Youth Fund received a gift of \$30.00

# Little Lambs Tales

*Little Lambs Preschool is closed for the summer. We thank you for your faithful prayers and support. Please be in prayer for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. Thank you.*



*Have a great summer!*



# SURPRISE DAD

..... at work!

Dads work so hard to provide for their families' needs. Here's a fun way to show your appreciation to your dad this Father's Day.\*

## What you need:

- Paper and envelope (any color)
- Markers and crayons
- Stickers
- Pencil
- Stamp
- Your dad's work address

## What you do:

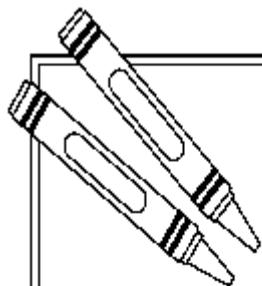
1. Decorate the paper with drawings, stickers, etc.
2. Write a message to your dad, letting him know how thankful you are for his love and hard work.
3. With an adult's help, write your dad's name and work address on the outside of the envelope and your return address in the top-left corner.
4. Place a stamp in the top-right corner and then mail your special gift.

## Other ideas:

- Pack a lunch to eat with dad at or near his workplace.
- Send your letter in a box and include some homemade cookies.
- Pack your dad a special lunch. Place self-stick notes with messages of appreciation on various food items.
- Write appreciation messages on self-stick notes and, with your mom's help, place them all over the inside of your dad's car.



\*All these ideas will work also for Mom on Mother's Day or her birthday



# Just for KIDS

## Remember Our Heavenly Father

Father's Day is a time to thank our dads, who work hard to keep the family fed, safe and loved. Let us also remember God, our heavenly Father, who gives life to us all.

Use the grid to fill in the blanks below. To find the letter for each number, look down the column to the dot, and then go to the left to the letter. Write the letter on the appropriate blank.

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HOW GREAT IS THE LOVE THE FATHER HAS LAVISHED ON US THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD!

## **SERVICE TIMES**

8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
(Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
& Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
(Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays)



## **THOSE WHO SERVE**

Pastor: David Hammer  
Deaconess: Holly Lustila  
Secretary: Celeste Entrekin  
Preschool Director: Gina Cote  
Choir Director: Rick Schmidt  
Choir Accompanist: Michelle Rowland  
Organist: David Phillips

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Joanna Johnson, Taiwan  
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