

Scripture Readings

May 18	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Acts 11:1-18	Psalms 148	Rev. 21:1-7	John 16:12-22
May 25	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Acts 16:9-15	Psalms 67	Rev. 21:9:14, 21-27	John 16:23-33
June 1	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Acts 1:12-26	Psalms 133	Rev. 22:1-6 (7-11) 12-20	John 17:20-26

Please check the table in the hallway to sign up to volunteer to help with VBS, to donate items for snacks and/or crafts. Registration forms are available for those who do not want to sign up online.



EPIC Australian Adventure VBS 2025

Tuesday, May 27, 2025 to Friday, May 30 2025

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM - Sign up today for VBS!

Let's Go on this Unforgettable Journey with Jesus!

There are forms on the table in the hall or you may sign up on line at the website: www.claycenterlutheran.com

LIGHTHOUSE PANTRY NEEDS

Canned fruit

Canned vegetables: corn; peas

Canned beans: pork n beans; pinto; black

spaghetti noodles

spaghetti sauce

Canned meat: chicken; spam

Quick meals: mac n cheese; hamburger helper; ramen noodles

Soups: chicken noodle; tomato; vegetable

Snacks and treats: cake mixes; brownie mixes; saltines & club crackers

This Week's Schedule - May 10 through May 18

Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM
Monday	Men's Bible Study - 7:00 PM
Wednesday	Bulletin Deadline - Noon
Next Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM

Welcome

to

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For 136 years!!!

OUR MISSION

"Existing in God's love and forgiveness, St. Paul proclaims the Gospel of Christ, helps people grow in faith, and nurtures lives of worship and service."

May 10 & 11, 2025

The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, "they will never perish" (John 10:28), for "no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand" (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, "shepherds") "care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood" (Acts 20:28), "testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Rev. 7:10).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Jeannine Anderson.

Friendship Circle meets Tuesday,
May 20, 6:00 pm.
We will have a Salad Supper!

WELCOME to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Hymn #s - 463, 709, 620, 740, 629, 735, 668

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist	Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Gary Fredrickson
Ushers	Jerry Siebold, Allan Schmale, Ethan Schuette
Greeters	Adalyn & Eli Pfizenmaier w/Family
Live Stream	Jarrett Wachsnicht
Acolyte	Briscoe Lehman, Jackson Prater
Communion Assistant	Gene Ferguson, Brad Dieckmann
Altar Guild	Betty Siebold, Marty Stenzel, Bonnie Sanneman
Fellowship Host	The Baxter Family

FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Preschool - 3rd Grade - meet in Library Room (West Wing)
4th Grade - 8th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)
9th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in High School Room (Basement)
Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
April 26 & April 27	39	97	136	April 27	38
May 3 & 4	27	147	174	May 4	29

Theology on Tap – We will next meet on **Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.** at Rockin K's (1880 Kimball Ave., Unit 100, Manhattan, KS 66502). The presenter will be the **Rev. Dr. Gerhard Bode**, Chairman and Professor of Historical Theology at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. He is also the Director of the Center for Reformation Research and Seminary Archivist. He teaches in the area of church history, especially the Reformation and the history of American Lutheranism. His topic will be the **A Lutheran Pastor and His Wife in the Civil War.**

If you are unable to attend in person, please join us via **Zoom**.

Topic: St Luke's Lutheran Church - Theology on Tap
 Time: May 20, 2025 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)
 Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84189215321?pwd=j8RdubDdXTafcnCW8WD11X3sHgZVrZ.1>
 Meeting ID: 841 8921 5321
 Passcode: 464051



IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Advena, Georgie Dierking-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Mary Ann Mall, Lola Lehman-Liberty Place; Pauline Burger-Legend; Larry Ernsting - Topeka VA.

Health concerns: Lyle Underwood, Emerson & Nancy Kemp, Derek Pfizenmaier, Sylvia Hunter, Dwight Koch, Mark Carson, Olivia Frink, Stan Ohlde, Gary & Sharon Wachsnicht, Mark & Janet Thurlow, and Larry Rakowsky.

Our outreach programs: Small Group Ministry, Christian Preschool at St. Paul, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

Larger Community Members

Healing: Donna Watson, Lisa Dyson, Breanna, Beatrice Brenner, a premature baby, Shirley Hager, Bob Hager, Lorri Briscoe, Ron McDaniels, Micah Helms, Addie Voelker, Ann Huninghake, LaVonne Hartner, Lucas Cannizzo, Gary Voelker, Greg Baehr, Arnold Pittenger, Taylor, William, Steve, Mike Dunn, Sandy Larkey, Irene Bane, John Zeller, Rev. Greg DuBois, Melissa Martin, Benjamin Willroth, Brian, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Lois Nash, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrli, Taylor James, Sheila McGrew, Donald, Sandy Wohler, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, Kerri Brown, Ethan, Luke, and Ella Turner

Military: Kyle, Enrique, Liam, Cooper, Michael, and Evan.

Friendship Circle will be collecting Mites for Missions on Sunday, May 11

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

Hope House; LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

Please remember to inform the church office when the person for whom you requested prayer should be removed from the prayer



THE 35th ANNIVERSARY OF "SAINTS ALIVE AFTER 55"

"Being Generous"
 July 13-14, 2025, Christ the King Lutheran Church
 111 West Magnolia Road, Salina, KS

SCHEDULE, SPEAKER INFORMATION and REGISTRATION FORM

(Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis)

Contact the office for more information

UNIFIED BOARDS - DO NOT MEET THIS MONTH

We will meet again on Sunday, June 8 at 11:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Parish Director's Meeting will follow at 12:30 PM. All board members and officers are

Mother's Day Smorgasbord
 Sunday, May 11, 2025
 Serving from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
 At Bethlehem Lutheran Church
 2052 10th Road, Greenleaf
 Adults - \$12 Children 6-12 - \$6
 Children under 5 eat free!
 Please make checks payable to Bethlehem LYF