

Scripture Readings

Apr. 28	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Acts 8:26-40	Psalm 150	1 John 4:1-11 (12-21)	John 15:1-8
May 5	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:34-48	Psalm 98	1 John 5:1-8	John 15:9-17
May 12	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Acts 1:12-26	Psalm 1	1 John 5:9-15	John 17:11b-19

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to do Fellowship Host on Sunday Mornings. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who would like to volunteer. Any questions talk to Gene Ferguson or Pastor Tessaro. Thank you!

Celebrate the Savior VBS 2024

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 thru
Friday, May 31, 2024
& Sunday, June 2, 2024
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Sign up today for VBS! Throughout this program, we will emphasize how Jesus Gives Us Joy, through exciting games, lively music, and more!
Let's CELEBRATE the Savior!

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Please check the table in the hallway to sign up to volunteer to help with VBS and/or to donate items for snacks. Registration forms are available for those who do not want to sign up online. There is a T-Shirt order form for those who would like to purchase a shirt for \$12.00 (deadline to order a shirt is May 5th)

Any questions ask
Kelly Holte - 785-632-7514

Women's Bible Study on
Tuesday, April 30
9:30 AM & 6:30 PM
Jonah and the _____?
Please join us & bring a friend.

This Week's Schedule - April 27 through May 5

Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM
Tuesday	Women's Bible Study - 9:30 AM & 6:30 PM
Wednesday	Bulletin Deadline - Noon Confirmation Questioning - 6:30 PM
Next Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Confirmation Sunday & HS Senior Recognition Family Education - 10:30 AM

Welcome

to

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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."

April 27 & 28, 2024

Jesus Christ Is the True Vine Who Bears Much Fruit in Us

"God is love," and He has manifested Himself to us by sending "his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him" (1 John 4:9, 16). By the ministry of the Gospel, "he has given us of his Spirit," so that we also believe and confess "that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh." In this way, we "abide in him and he in us," and we "love one another" (1 John 4:2, 7, 13). Such divine love is exemplified in Philip's preaching of "the good news about Jesus" to the Ethiopian eunuch. And when "they came to some water," the eunuch was baptized into the very Gospel that Philip had preached (Acts 8:35-38). That Ethiopian was thereby grafted into "the true vine," Jesus Christ (John 15:1), just as we are. Already we are clean because of the Word that Christ has spoken to us and by the washing of water with His Word. We now abide in Him by faith in His forgiveness. As He abides in us, both body and soul, with His own body and His blood, He "bears much fruit" in us (John 15:3-5).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Dorothy Debenham -
In Memory of Jim Debenham

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!

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Hymn #s - LSB 475, 611, 617, 547, 622, 919

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist	Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Gary Fredrickson
Ushers	Mark Pfizenmaier, Walt Lenhart, Kenyon Badsky
Greeters	Jerry & Betty Siebold
Live Stream	Jarrett Wachsnicht
Acolyte	Isabel Mesalles, Maizy Gurney
Communion Assistant	Craig Parry, Caleb Davis
Altar Guild	Kristi Davis, Rita Wollenberg
Fellowship Host	Courtney Hammel

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

Preschool - Kindergarten - meet in Preschool Room (Basement)
1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Tree Room (West Wing)
4th Grade - 6th Grade - meet in Puzzle Room (West Wing)
7th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)
Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
April 13 & 14	40	111	151	April 14	30
April 20 & 21	28	124	152	April 21	35

Compassion Sunday:

Please help us celebrate Compassion Sunday on April 28th! A table will be set up in the Narthex after the church service with information on how you can change the life of a child in need! Sponsoring a child can help provide basic necessities for them. You can also connect with the child you sponsor through letters, photos, birthday gifts and Christmas gifts. On Compassion Sunday you will have the option to start sponsoring a child right away! For more information prior to Compassion Sunday you can visit compassion.com or call or text Courtney Hammel at 785-630-0021.

Confirmation Questioning

will be Wed., May 1 at 6:30 PM followed by Friendship Circle Confirmation Welcome Reception at 7:30 PM. Confirmation is Sunday, May 5th during service.

HS Senior Recognition

will be Sunday, May 5th during service.

IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Advena, Irma Burger, Georgie Dierking-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Bob Bauer, Lola Lehman-Liberty Place.

Health concerns: Marty Stenzel, Sharon Wachsnicht, Dena Hillman, Carolyn Brown, Rhen Davis, Stan Ohlde, Kinsey Hillman, Loyde Hager, Janet Thurlow, Kay Osthoff, Larry Rakowsky, and Dee Noffsinger.

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

Larger Community Members

Healing: Melissa Martin, Lori (wife of Kevin Koepsel), Benjamin Willroth, Krystal McClain, Shawna Riffel, Brian, Joe Bunij, Gavin Carson, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Dwight Ferguson, Melody Maki, Anna Lippe, Eunice Meyer, Sarah Tessaro, Jackie Monroe, Sharon Schweitzer, Lois Nash, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Megan Loberg, Brody Reed, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrlli, 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.

Sorrow: Family & friends of Lucille Wohler

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

You Matter Tour; 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 list.

Men's breakfast fellowship -- May 11.

Our next men's breakfast fellowship is scheduled for May 11 at 7:30 am. We will meet in the basement fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Caleb Davis so we can prepare the proper amount of food. Text or call Caleb at 785-447-1694.

Join us for this relaxed and enjoyable event!

The church needs someone who is willing to take care of changing the outdoor sign with announcements, sayings, etc. that are approved by Pastor Tessaro before placing them up. If interested contact Pastor Tessaro.

Friendship Circle

will be collecting Mites for Missions on Sunday, May 5th.

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast for the year 2024. There is one opening in September available for the calendar year 2024. Please see the sign-up book located in the Narthex to choose your week to sponsor for the cost of \$40. You can sponsor in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone or something special in your life to give thanks to God!