



PARTICIPATION GUIDE

May 27– June 2, 2018

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PRAYERS

Request a Prayer: Complete a HELP / PRAYER Card (available in the pews).

Keep Our List Accurate: All names with a (3) need to be renewed to stay on the list, so contact your people and inquire about their health; then contact the church office to renew your request. Thanks!

Special Requests

- **The Holy Trinity:** *The 3 Persons have some distinct roles, but they also work together; let us understand, rejoice, and give thanks!*
- **Holy Spirit:** *He is with believers to teach them, guide them, and empower them, so let us listen, understand, and act!*
- **In Care Facilities or At Home:** Shirley B, Doris B, Hedwig G, John & June G, Nancy H, Otto K, Eleanor K, Violet M, Marie W, Harry & Martha Z.
- **Armed Forces:** Members: James Martin; Chris Sala; Andrew Deka; Others: Warren Gellings; Nick Riviotta; Drew Tenney; Chris Weseloh.
- **Lutherans in Africa:** Pray for this week's teacher and students at the LST: Rev. Krentz (5/8-6/3).

Members

- **Doris Bollam** (3) (breast cancer) – peace, successful treatments.
- **Janet Chilton** (1) (cancer) – comfort, successful treatments, strength.
- **Ray Dmytriw** (3) (ALS) – peace, strength, continued improvement.
- **Hedwig Giesz** (3) – pain relief, surgery – *but not until June.*
- **Otto Klos** (1) (stroke) – continued healing, rehab.
- **June Murany** (1) (pneumonia) – peace, strength, healing.
- **Sam Prochaska** (1) (fractured femur; surgery) – pain relief, healing.
- **Susanna Tischler** (3) (herniated disk) – pain relief, guidance, healing.
- **Angie Zeleznikar** (2) (severe back pain) – relief, encouragement, healing.

Others

- **Jakob** (3) (17; cancer; needs hip replacement) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Logan Cornell** (3) (6; cancer) – peace, guidance, successful treatments.
- **Rosemary Davenport** (3) (hip repl. Sur. 6/6) – peace, success, healing.

- **Loreen Dickau** (3) (sister of Don) – peace, breathing issue, healing.
- **Larry Edris** (3) (lung cancer) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Karsten Feda** (3) (cancer) – successful treatments.
- **Elaine Foss** (3) (broken neck) – cont. healing, patience, encouragement.
- **David Giessler** (2) (recovering from surg.) – peace, healing.
- **Marge Green** (3) (arm) – freedom from pain, encouragement, rehab.
- **Melanie Himmelberger** (3) (bone cancer) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Nancy Mattes** (1) (chemotherapy) – peace, comfort, healing.
- **Jack Pekar** (3) (leukemia) – peace, strength, guidance, healing.
- **Christina Waked** (3) – guidance, recovery.
- **Cathy Wirzylo** (3) (needs a liver transplant) – peace, organ donation.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Placed to the glory of God by Paul Martens in memory of his wife, Frieda.

CELEBRATIONS

Physical Birthdays:

5/27 Phil Giessler, Joann Kissinger

5/29 Janice Martinez

5/31 Emma Rohman

6/1 June Gutwein

Spiritual Birthdays:

5/27 James Prochaska

5/29 Angie Zeleznikar

5/31 Eileen Kovach, David Liddy

6/1 Trudy Fischler

6/2 Connie Pysz

Wedding Anniversaries:

5/27 Scott & Lynne Sala (29th)

READINGS

These are the Series B three-year lectionary readings for next Sunday.

OT: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

PS: 81:1-10

NT: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

GOS: Mark 2:23-28

SCHEDULE

Mo – 5/28

- 7:00 – Receive God's Gifts: Divine Service

We – 5/30

- 9:30 – Teaching: BFC Story Time
- 10:00 – Teaching: BFC Bible Time

Th – 5/31

- 10:00 – Study: Living the Lutheran Lectionary

Fr – 6/1 – 1:00 – Pray: With others at Bethlehem

Su – 6/3

- 8:00 – Receive God's Gifts: Divine Service

- 9:10 – Refreshments: Everyone is invited to the Christian Life Room
- 9:30 – Study: Bible Class & Sunday School
- 10:45 – Receive God’s Gifts: Divine Service

EVENTS

- **Catechism Appendix**: **We will go through the highlights of the appendix – beginning in June.** These are the important and exciting topics: Who Is Jesus?; Reading God’s Word; What Is Worship?; Simple Prayer; Salvation Outline; Luther’s Preface; Explanation of Luther’s Seal; Books of the Bible; The Time between the Testaments (432-5 BC); The Church Year; Terms Relating to Worship and God’s House; Symbols and Their Meanings; and Catechism Glossary. *Bring your book, follow along!*
- **Missionary in Africa**: Rev. James May, his wife, Tiina, and their children, Maggie, Tristan, Sarai, Sophia, Jonas, and Matthew will be with us on Sunday, June 10. Rev. May will be preaching as well as doing a presentation at 9:30; *join us and bring a friend!!*

SERVE

- **Usher**: Sundays at 8:00 or 10:45; contact Matt Kussmaul.
- **Leadership Team**: Openings in Education and Outreach.

NEWS

- **Special Voters Meeting**: to discuss Boiler and Roof Issues; Sunday, June 3 at 9:30 in the CLR. *Please watch for a meeting date LATER in June!*
- **Mite Box**: Next collection: June 3; boxes available on the bulletin board.

GROWTH and OUTREACH

- **Many Resources**: Sermons, brochures, magazines, books, etc.; see what’s available in the Narthex and across from the church office.
- **Facebook**: Check-in, like BLC, and write a positive comment!
- **Lutheran Hour**: Sun 6:30 a.m. – WTAM 1100 AM; Sun 8:00 a.m. – The Word 1220 AM
- **Worship Anew** – Sun 11:30 AM: Direct TV: 67, 377
- **Issues Etc.**: Is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio. This week's topics include: The Movie "Solo: A Star Wars Story," The Visitation, Jesus Welcomes Little Children, The Marriage of Priests, Deaf Ministry and more. You can listen live or on-demand at www.issuesetc.org
- **Lutherans for Life**: “Would you be willing to take a little bit of time on Memorial Day to do two things? One is to thank God for the successful outcomes of the sacrifices that these graves represent. Our country is a

free and blessed place, and our freedom was bought at a terrible price. Second, will you rededicate yourself to sharing the good news of Jesus so that as many people as possible will be rejoicing on resurrection day? As you think about cemeteries, realize that God has the last word: 'Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt' (Daniel 12:2 NIV). All Christian warriors will awake soon to new life." *Pastor Mark Jeske, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

College Scholarships / Loans

Information and Applications are Available in the Church Office.

- ⇒ Pierstorf College Interest-Free Loan: Download application at www.pierstorf.org Deadline is 5/30.
- ⇒ Elementary School Scholarship: Deadline 5/30.
- ⇒ Mikitta College Scholarship: Deadline 6/30.
- ⇒ Barrick Nursing Scholarship: Deadline 6/30.

NUMBERS – FROM LAST WEEK

- **Divine Services:**
 - ✦ Sunday: 8:00 = 49; 10:45 = 31; Monday: 7:00 = 6
- **Classes:**
 - ✦ Sunday: 9:30 (BC & SS) =37
 - ✦ Thursday: 10:00 = 5
- **Giving:**
 - ✦ Last Week Actual: \$2,996
 - ✦ Budget YTD: \$ -9,242
 - ✦ YTD Actual thru April: -8,200 (Revenue: \$75,695; Expenses: \$83,743)

MEMBER CARE PLAN

For those who desire to attend, but are not able to attend!

Hospitalized, Nursing Home, Assisted Living, Shut-In

- Mailing: Every two weeks – last two sermons and last Participation Guide.
- Normal Visiting: Once each month – by Pastor / Jerry H and Others.
- Hospital Visiting: More often – by Pastor.
- Note: If you or someone you know is in any situation noted above, *but is not receiving what is noted*, please contact the church office for help!