

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

May, 2020

“Psalms 27:1-3 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!! Oh, how I long to proclaim that to you in person and, yes, I know that day is right around the corner. So let me divert for just a moment.

Two hunters came across a bear so big that they dropped their rifles and ran for cover. One man climbed a tree while the other hid in a nearby cave. The bear was in no hurry to eat, so he sat down between the tree and the cave to reflect upon his good fortune. Suddenly, and for no apparent reason, the hunter in the cave came rushing out, almost ran into the waiting bear, hesitated, and then dashed back in again. The same thing happened a second time. When he emerged for the third time, his companion in the tree frantically called out, "Woody, are you crazy? Stay in the cave till he leaves!" "Can't," panted Woody, "there's another bear in there!"

Do you ever feel like fear is giving us the run around? Even though it appears that there is a light way down at the end of the tunnel, there are a lot of scary things going on in the world and perhaps even in our own personal lives. God has not called us to live in fear. God has called us to stand strong in His confidence, knowing that He is in control! God has called us to live lives full of power, love and a sound mind!

I was googling for some quotes on faith and fear and came upon this quote from a Methodist missionary, Dr. E. Stanley Jones. He said *“I am inwardly fashioned for faith, not for fear. Fear is not my native land; faith is. I am so made that worry and anxiety are sand in the machinery of life; faith is the oil. I live better by faith and confidence than by fear, doubt, and anxiety. In anxiety and worry, my being is gasping for breath--these are not my native air. But in faith and confidence, I breathe freely--these are my native air.”* I LOVE this! I am pretty certain I will be using this in a future sermon.

I am also drawn back to a quote that I put up on our marquee sign a couple of years ago. “Do not worry about tomorrow, God is already there” (Bunny Graham). The past weeks have been a perfect storm to live into the fear of all that we continue to hear in the news. Then to add to our fear, we are required to stay away and not enter the story of Christ’s passion, death and resurrection together. We are isolated and alone. Sounds a great deal like that first Easter.

The long Sabbath, the rest in the cold tomb . . . and now, in the darkness comes the first day of the week. The new week, the new creation, the eighth day. Eyes are red from weeping and sleepless Sabbath nights. Women at the tomb, perhaps to bring more spices, perhaps just to be, because there was nowhere else to be, nothing else to do, nothing else that mattered, that would ever matter. Sounds familiar.

COVID-19 has been a long week of our passion; personally, as a community, as a nation and as a global population. We wait for the eighth day, for the tomb to open so that we can once again, just be. We have had nowhere else to go, nothing else to do and we are realizing how much it has mattered: That first Easter, this past Easter.

We no longer need to fear, the time will soon be upon us where we will proclaim the resurrection together once again! Remember, God is already there. So, tell the Good News of what God has done and what God continues to do! Let your light shine so that others might see God at work. Proclaim with confidence — Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen! He is Risen indeed, ALLELUIA!

Servants together,

Pr. Paul <><

p.s. Did you know?? We will continue to hold Sunday worship (live-stream via Zoom) with a very small team and you can participate in that worship online until we are all able to gather together in worship. As that time is coming closer, the council is considering ways to re-engage again in worship that is done in a safe environment to make sure we will all continue to remain healthy.

p.s.s. - Did you know that Luther said. . . ??? *“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.”*

Council Meeting Highlights April 14, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Don McMillan.

Members present: Sharon Johnson, Marilyn Liebetrau, Joel Magnuson, Don McMillan, Don Ranta, Pastor Paul, Wyatt Smith, and Marj Seely.

The meeting agenda was approved.

The March minutes were approved.

Committee Reports were given.

- The front door has been installed. The Council will decide who needs keys. All locks were changed and old keys will not work.
- An additional security camera is being considered outside of the church.
- The mailbox has been moved to church property.
- The tentative date for resuming worship is May 10.
- Fellowship will be postponed for at least two weeks after we begin to worship together. Other measures will be taken to ensure the safety and health of our congregation.
- Michelle Specht proposed a description of the council secretarial duties. It was approved by council.
- The constitution revision committee, Joel Magnuson, Don McMillan, Don Ranta, and Michelle Specht, would like additional help. Please let one of them know if you are interested.
- The Synod Convention will be held via Zoom on May 9 from 8 a.m. until noon. Don McMillan, Pastor Paul and Marj Seely will represent All Saints at this meeting.

Sharon Johnson presented the treasurer's report. It was moved and seconded to approve. Motion passed.

January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020

Total Income:	\$27,116.00
Total Expenses:	\$23,008.00
+	\$4,108.00

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next council meeting is May 12, at 6:00 p.m.

Thank you to everyone who has abided by the suspension of activities at All Saints Lutheran Church.

The tentative date for coming together for worship is May 10. That date is dependent upon our state government and the Rocky Mountain Synod. Fellowship will not begin for at least two weeks after worship begins. Adult Sunday school is being targeted for a week following fellowship. The Council and the Worship Committee are working to ensure the safety and good health of our congregation. We will encourage everyone to maintain a safe distance from one another and practice healthy habits like wearing masks and washing hands with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds.



Looking For a Way to Deepen Your Worship Experience?

For many people, looking at the Bible readings before Sunday helps put the message in the context of their lives. As you read the lessons, ask yourself: Is there anything in the readings that relate to your life right now? Is there anything that surprises you in the readings? Disturbs you? Try doing this and see if following this on a weekly basis strengthens your personal faith life, and deepens your worship experience.

The Lessons for Worship in May

These are the Bible readings that we will hear during our worship services this month. They are provided that you might use them for personal devotion and meditation

May 3 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

May 10 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

May 17 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:8-20

1 Peter 3:13-22

Luke 24:44-53

May 21 – Ascension of Our Lord

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 47 or 93

Ephesians 1:15-23

John 17:1-11

May 31- Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30

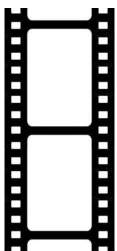
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21

John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

“Paul, the Apostle”

Thursday, May 21@ 6:30 p.m.



This augmented adaption, released in 2013, profiles Christ’s most prolific messenger. Based on Biblical accounts, Paul originally known as Saul of Tarsus, was at the forefront of efforts to stamp out the early church until Jesus stopped him on the road to Damascus, forever changing his life and mission.

Big Carpet Clean



Our absence from worship and other church activities was an opportunity to clean the carpet in the sanctuary, fellowship hall, Sunday school room, Pastor’s office and the hallway. Thank you **Duane and Tucker Johnson, Lloyd and Marilyn Liebetrau, Joel Magnuson, Don and Gigi McMillan, Erich Patzer, Jack Prosser, Don Ranta, Niles and Janell Riese, Jesse Rosin, Robert and Wyatt Smith, and Bret Specht** who removed all of the chairs, tables, pianos, organs, book cases and then reversed the process!!! Miriam Circle paid for the cleaning. **Now please keep food and drink in the fellowship hall and kitchen.**

Miriam Circle Notes

Given the stay-at-home and the safer-at-home order from the governor, we have not scheduled a meeting for May. If those orders are relaxed, we will then schedule a meeting with sufficient time for member planning.

Please continue to pray for those who have been listed in our bulletin.

From Our Congregation:

Ada Boelter	Roger Grudt
Joyce Jensen	Ardis Kelly
Milford Knutson	Lee Martinson
Nancy Mills	Pastor Paul
John Realph	Peggy Saxton

Our Family and Friends:

Ernie Puls (Arlene's husband)
Quinn Family (Patzner's friends)
Bill and Carol Braun (Kellogg's friends)
Kathy Skipton (Friend of All Saints)
Father Tom
June Huff
Jessica Rodriquez (McMillan's daughter)
Kristy Lahoe (Gigi's friend)
Bonnie Lyons (Dennis Bloemaker's sister)
Dan Egberg (Bloemker's friend)
Pete Darling (McMillan's friend)
Judy Champion (Bev McKinney's aunt)
Bill and Kim Vezzoso and Jo (Sharill's friends)
Lyle Moldrem (Sharill's brother)
Susan Martin (Mindy's mother)
Lee Ann Brewer (Gigi's friend)
Dallas Jensen (Joyce's husband)
Mike Calhoun (Kellogg's friend)
Connie Stromenger (LuAnn's sister)
Cindy Bailey (Alice's friend)
Julian Laurita (Don McMillan's cousin)

Our Service Men and Women:

Austin Applekamp (Scott and Gail's son)
David Boyd (Don & Gigi McMillan's nephew)
Jeremiah & Joshua Specht (Specht's sons)
William Westcott (Marj's grandson-in-law)

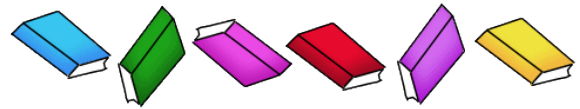
Traveling:

In Mourning, Family and Friends of:

Kathy Dennis (Martinson's friend)
Carolyn Kuhn (Janell's cousin)
Martha Grewal (Reever's friend)
Debba Petersen (Carolyn's friend)

Spaghetti Dinner Update

The annual spaghetti dinner will be postponed to a date yet to be selected. The beneficiary will be the Cedaredge Library.



Book Bible Study

Our book Bible study will resume in June or July. If you would like to lead, please call Olinda or Janell.

May Men's Breakfast

The May Men's breakfast has been canceled. We are planning to slowly phase in church fellowship activities. Let's restart Men's Breakfasts on June 13. Don't miss out. Mark your June calendar now. Invite a friend. Hope to see everyone on June 13



Stewardship

Thank you for continuing to support All Saints with your tithes and offerings. We hope to have Tina Kvitek visit us to share her thoughts on estate giving.

Horizons Update

Kathy Meehan and Mueim Rubio sent a thank you to All Saints for our participation in the worship services at Horizons. They are eager to see us again. See the note on the bulletin board in the narthex.

May Safer-at-Home Fun

I have often posed the question in worship, “Where have you seen God?” Mark off where you see God at work in the world this month! Reflect in the text and make a few notes on the form. I would love to see your God sightings.

A Rainbow (Genesis 9:13)	Healing the Sick (1 Corinthians 12:9)	Showing Love (Galatians 5:22)	A light in a dark place (John 1:5)	Justice for the Oppressed (Psalm 9:9)
Showing Mercy (Zechariah 7:9)	Rejoicing with those who rejoice (Romans 12:15)	Showing Gentleness (Galatians 5:22)	Showing Self-Control (Galatians 5:22)	Showing Humility (Philippians 2:3)
Good News for the Poor (Luke 4:18)	Showing Generosity (Galatians 5:22)	 A Bird (Luke 12:6)	Caring for Enemies (Matthew 5:44)	Food for the Hungry (Psalm 107:9)
Welcoming a Stranger (Matthew 25:35)	A Sign of Forgiveness (Luke 24:47)	Showing Patience (Romans 8:25)	Making Peace (James 3:18)	A Sign of Hope (Psalm 9:18)
Showing Kindness (Micah 6:8)	Welcoming a Child (Matthew 18:5)	Teaching (1 Corinthians 12:8)	Showing Compassion (Colossians 3:12)	Weeping with those who weep (Romans 12:15)

MAY SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	3	10	17	24	31
		Communion	Communion		Communion
Worship Leader		Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul
Liturgy Assistant		Don	Marj	Diane	Joel
Communion Assistant		Don Ranta	Marj		Joel
Communion Bread		Marj	Marj		Marj
Organist		Don	Don	Don	Don
Pianist		Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda
Altar Guild		Shannon	Claudia		Alice
Readers		Linda	Carolyn	Sharill	Claudia
Ushers		Bret	Lloyd	Don	Jesse
Greeters		Michelle	Marilyn	Linda	Claudia
Stewards		Claudia/ Don Mc	Jack/Don R	Lloyd/Rick	Don Mc/ Janell
Fellowship					

To provide refreshments for Fellowship, please sign up on the white board by the kitchen window or call Janell, 835-3928. To usher or greet at worship, sign up on the white board on the cupboard in the back of the sanctuary. Help your congregation by offering your time.

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All Saints Special Occasions for May

Birthdays: 5/11 Milford Knutson 5/12 Niles Riese 5/24 Rick Saxton
 5/25 Ada Boelter 5/27 Wyatt Smith 5/28 Nancy Mills 5/29 Donelle McMillan
 5/31 Marian Thomas

Baptismal Birthdays: 5/13 Ardis Kelly 5/27 Danielle Saxton

Anniversaries: 5/14/1988 Ernie and Arlene Puls



ALL SAINTS QUICK INFORMATION

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Council Officers & Committee Chairs:

Don McMillan, President and Building and Property

Joel Magnuson, Vice President and Worship Chair

Michelle Specht, Secretary

Sharon Johnson, Treasurer

Marilyn Liebetrau, Outreach Chair

Don Ranta, Stewardship Chair

Wyatt Smith, Education Chair

Marj Seely, Financial Secretary

Memorial Fund: Executive Committee

Finance Committee: Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and Executive Committee

Non-Council Committee Chairs:

Fellowship, Janell Riese

Readers, Olinda Patzer

Ushers and Greeters: Niles Riese and Bret Specht

Altar Guild: Alice Spika, Shannon Fritchman, Claudia Kellogg

Prayer Chain, Claudia Kellogg

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Carolyn Goller

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Janell Riese

Newsletter:

Janell Riese, Carolyn Goller and Claudia Kellogg

Marquee:

Joel Magnuson

Jesse Rosin

**Please notify Pastor Paul if you or someone
in your family is entering the hospital or needs pastoral care.**

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