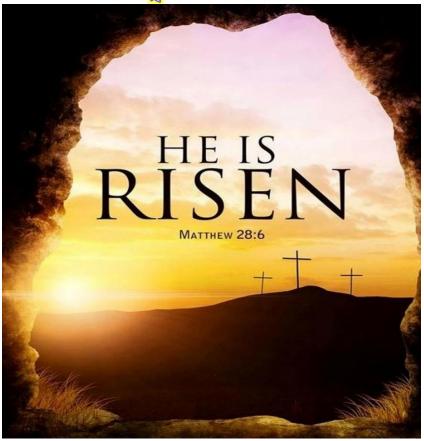
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Our Mission Statement:

"Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done." Psalm 105:1

Boldly Pray Wherever



As we are wrapping up our Lenten Series on the Lord's Prayer let us take time to talk about prayer outside of the prayer our Lord taught us. Of course, the Lord's Prayer is perfect and in it, we ask God for everything we need, but that does not stop us from praying other prayers. It does not stop us from asking God for things specifically. We should be bold to ask

God our Heavenly Father for what we need as He has told us to ask. For this reason, we pray. We pray in our private lives and publicly, both in church and out of the church.

Praying privately by yourself is what most of us do daily. This kind of prayer comes easier because no one is there to hear us or judge if we are praying well or not. The biggest hang-up we might find in private prayer is the fear of using maybe a wrong word or wondering if we are allowed to pray for something. I want to bring a couple of words of encouragement to private prayer. If you wonder if you can pray for it look to the scriptures. If you see God promise you He will do something, provide something, or He has done it you can pray for it. As for the wording don't worry about it. We have an omniscient God who already knows what you need and even when you might lack clear words to express to God what you are asking for God still knows what you need. Be bold and pray with whatever words you use and trust the Lord will give you what is good for you.

As for public prayer, you know when you are asked to pray at the family thanksgiving dinner or at the beginning of some meeting, it can be hard. It can be intimidating. Hopefully, after you read this article it will be a little less intimidating. First, take time to prepare even if it is a last-minute request for you to pray. Say, "Yes, I would love to pray give me a moment and I will be ready." Most people are going to be understanding. This is going to give you time to collect your thoughts and if possible, write a prayer out on a piece of paper. If you cannot at least try to get the wording you want to use straight in your head. To do this there is a structure you can use for prayer and we are going to walk through it:

Invocation: Here we are going to be calling on God by name. Normally this will be to the Father, the first person of the Trinity, to who we are to address our prayers.

*Rational: Comes from scripture and gives us comfort in knowing we are asking God to do something that God has promised to do or has done already.

Petition: Here you are asking for what you need, want, or are giving thanks for what God has done for you.

***Outcome:** We are specifically asking God for the desired outcome, what we want to have happened with Him answering our prayer.

Termination: Here we are closing the prayer in the name of Jesus. We are taught and told to ask in the name of Jesus so we do. Ex. We pray in the name of Jesus. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. Any of these will work short or long.

Those parts with an * are optional you do not need these parts: rational and outcome. The other three: invocation, petition, and termination are necessary.

We can see how this works by an example prayer where we pray for the farmers.

Invocation: Almighty God and Creator,

Rational: You created all things and gave man dominion over creation and blessed His work,

Petition: be with the farmers this year as they begin the work of planting crops. Keep them safe, give them seasonable weather, and make the crops bountiful.

Outcome: So that, all would have food to eat.

Termination: We ask this in the name of Your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Remember we trust that God knows what is best for us and that we are always praying Thy will be done because we trust the Lord will give to us what is good for us and withhold what is bad for us. We pray and ask that God would make you bold in your prayers and confident that if you are asked to pray in public you are now equipped to do so.

Your Servant in Christ, Pastor Welton

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

LCMS Stewardship Ministry

Newsletter article - April 2021

Our Father in heaven sent His Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. His atoning sacrifice is the first fruits of all the dead, a pleasing aroma to His Father, so that His perfect life and death count for all who believe in Him. He claimed us as His own children in Holy Baptism. He sustains and strengthens our faith with His Holy Word and His Body and Blood.

As new creatures, who have put on Christ, we bear good fruit. We do the good works prepared for us, which He makes known to us in His Word. By faith then, trusting in the Word of God, we do what he says because He does not lie and always keeps His promises. For "without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him" (Heb. 11:6).

And so the Lord promises: "Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine" (Prov. 3:9-10). How do we honor the Lord with the wealth that God has given us in His generosity? By giving generously to those whom the Lord has called us to love and support your family, your society, and your church. And His promise is that, in so doing, you will never lack.

A common counterpoint is: "But that's from the Old Testament!" Our Lord Jesus Himself gives us similar promises in the New Testament. He says, at the conclusion of the parable of the talents: "For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance" (Matt. 25:29).

And then at the end of the parable of the dishonest manager, he says: "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money" (Luke 16:10–13).

And in His sermon on the mount, he says: "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matt. 6:19–21).

We have become conditioned against these promises because of their misuse by the peddlers of the prosperity gospel – the guys on TV who say you get rich by putting God in your debt. And thus, we miss out on the fact that God does reward temporal faithfulness in temporal matters with temporal blessings. It's no quid pro quo. It's all from God's grace and His fatherly divine goodness and mercy. But those Bible passages do in fact say what they say! It's not the Old Testament's problem. It's ours. It is almost as if we have become so jaded against this that we think it a virtue to be stingy with our offerings.

But our Father in heaven still loves to bless those who bless others. He loves to give to those who give freely and generously. In fact, he challenges us to challenge Him: "Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need" (Mal. 3:10).

And so, while we don't give so that we would get, we do receive from the Lord in order to give, and He will bless your giving with more receiving. As St. Paul wrote in Rom. 8:32: "He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?"

Easter Sunday - April 04, 2021

Easter Sunrise Service – Worship w/Holy Communion 6:30 am

Breakfast - 7:30 to 8:30 am





Council Meeting – 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Voters meeting - 10:30 am

Sunday, April 11, 2021 Wentworth Fire & Rescue Annual Pancake Breakfast

Community Barn 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

April 25, 2021

~ Confirmation Day ~

Kaelie Lindholm

Greetings in Jesus' name.



Beloved in the Lord Jesus, you are invited to join me (on my 24th tour), a native of Israel, born in Nazareth on a Journey to the Holy Land–Israel for an experience of a lifetime We will depart from Chicago on August 23 and return on September 4, 2021...walk where Jesus walked...where every page of the Bible is seen in its original context alive...cruise the Sea of Galilee...climb the Mount of Olives and view the Old City of Jerusalem...visit Tabgha, scene of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes...the Mount of

Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount and where Jesus chose His Twelve Apostles...walk the Via Dolorosa (Road of Suffering) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher...stroll in the Garden of Gethsemane...visit Bethlehem...the Church of the Nativity and much more

What to expect: During this 13-day tour, you will experience the sounds, smells and sights of two civilizations the old and the new. You will stand at the cross roads of history and feel the vibrant influence of how this land shapes all other lands.

We will do more than just visit sights. We will go off the beaten path and have personal and daily devotions. The Bible will be our map and guide. Experience the Holy Land—a place like no other. Please join me on this blessed adventure

The price is \$4,000.00 or \$4,300.00 p/p includes: air fare from Chicago or Minneapolis to Tel Aviv and back to Chicago, hotel accommodations (for double occupancy) tips, entry fees and all meals.

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To read the Bible in one year:

SUGGESTED BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	
April 1	Isaiah 25:1-9	Romans 1-3	
April 2	Psalm 114	Romans 4-6	
April 3	Psalm 115	Romans 7-9	
April 4	Psalm 116	Romans 10-13	
April 5	Psalm 117	Romans 14-16	
April 6	Psalm 118	1 Corinthians 1-3	
April 7	Psalm 119: 1-8	1 Corinthians 4-6	
April 8	Psalm 119: 9-16	1 Corinthians 7-9	
April 9	Psalm 119: 17-24	1 Corinthians 10-11	
April 10	Psalm 119: 25-32	1 Corinthians 12-14	
April 11	Psalm 119: 33-40	1 Corinthians 15-16	
April 12	Psalm 119: 41-48	2 Corinthians 1-4	
April 13	Psalm 119: 49-56	2 Corinthians 5-7	
April 14	Psalm 119: 57-64	2 Corinthians 8-10	
April 15	Psalm 119: 65-72	2 Corinthians 11-13	
April 16	Psalm 119: 73-80	Galatians 1-3	
April 17	Psalm 119: 81-88	Galatians 4-6	
April 18	Psalm 119: 89-96	Ephesians 1-3	
April 19	Psalm 119: 97-104	Ephesians 4-6	
April 20	Psalm 119: 105-112	Philippians 1-2	
April 21	Psalm 119: 113-120	Philippians 3-4	
April 22	Psalm 119: 121-128	Colossians 1-2	
April 23	Psalm 119: 129-136	Colossians 3-4	
April 24	Psalm 119: 137-144	1 Thessalonians 1-3	
April 25	Psalm 119: 145-152	1 Thessalonians 4-5	
April 26	Psalm 119: 153-160	2 Thessalonians 1-3	
April 27	Psalm 119: 161-168	1 Timothy 1-3	
April 28	Psalm 119: 169-176	1 Timothy 4-6	
April 29	Psalm 120	2 Timothy 1-2	
April 30	Isaiah 25: 1-9	2 Timothy 3-4	

April Baptismal Birthdays

Ione Marie Schmidt April 1, 1951 April 3, 1949 Daniel Dale Lindholm Brendyn Scott McManus April 7, 2013 April 9, 1978 Bonnie Faye Lindholm April 10, 1949 Virginia Ann Heidelberger Ashes William Dean April 11, 2002 April 12, 2015 Janessa Belle Baumberger April 14, 1957 Shirley Kay Backus April 15, 1951 Lee Raynard Limmer Delorus May Limmer April 15, 1969 Kay O. Mendel April 16, 1961 Rayden Jeremy Lindholm April 17, 2005 April 18, 1993 Brett Logan Martin Ryan James McManus April 18, 1981 April 18, 1962 Marsha Lynne Ellison Dean Harold Hess April 20, 1941 April 22, 1990 Louis Derek Lindholm April 24, 1955 Jane Louise DeVaney Leslie Armin Heidelberger II April 25, 1943 April 29, 1973 Tye Raethz Heidelberger April 29, 2018 Jayla Lynn Baumberger Joshua Lee Bjorklund April 30, 1978 April 30, 2017 Caesyn Allen Hemmer April 1994 Benjamin Delfs

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Happy Baptismal Birthday!! From your brothers and sisters in Christ

610 6th Ave. Chester, SD 57016

"Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved" Mark 16:16a

APRIL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. & Mrs. Llyn & Luanna Shuck **April 6**, 1973 (Celebrating 48 years of marriage)

Mr. & Mrs. Drew & Amy Hemmer **April 9, 2016**(Celebrating 5 years of marriage)

Mr. & Mrs. Ryan & Tara McManus **April** 12, 2008 (**Celebrating** 13 **years of marriage**)

Mr. & Mrs. Gale & Diana Maas April 16, 1977 (Celebrating 44 years of marriage)

Mr. & Mrs. Dan & Misty Alfson April 19, 1997 (Celebrating 24 years of marriage)

Mr. & Mrs. James & Jane DeVaney April 29, 1988 (Celebrating 33 years of marriage)

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 01, 1962	Marsha Ellison	April 01, 1991	Lacey Gehrels
April 03, 1941	Dean Hess	April 04, 1968	Mike Tammen
April 09, 1973	Tye Heidelberger	April 09, 1978	Josh Bjorklund
April 11, 2012	Darwin Lindholm	April 12, 1963	Jill Martin
April 12, 1968	Mark Limmer	April 12, 2016	Clayton Klawonn
April 13, 2017	Caesyn Hemmer	April 14, 1955	Jane DeVaney
April 14, 1994	Benjamin Delfs	April 15, 1969	Delorus Limmer
April 15, 1988	Jenna Baumberger	April 18, 2011	Elijah DeGroot
April 19, 1951	Carol Feldmann	April 19, 2018	Jayla Baumberger
April 20, 1973	Melissa Gerry	April 22, 1952	Tom Graff
April 27, 1957	Krista Beeck	April 27, 1982	Amy Hemmer

