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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



Lutheran Hymns of the Church Year
I Know That My Redeemer Lives (461)

Hymn for Easter

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-99, abr.

Tune Name: DUKE STREET

Meter: Long Meter

Scripture: Job 19:25-27; Col. 1:18; Heb. 7:25;
John 14:2-3

We have just come off of Lent and the reminder of our sin as being the reason for Jesus Christ having to go to the cross and die. But on Easter morning our focus abruptly changes from the death of Jesus to the resurrection of Jesus and the joy we find in knowing that Our Redeemer Lives.

The first stanza of the hymn captures the reason for our joy in the truth Jesus Christ is no longer dead but has risen from the dead to life. In this first stanza we are reminded the news of Jesus' resurrection is the reason for us finding comfort in the midst of our trials and tribulations. The rest of the hymn is going to layout the benefits of Jesus' resurrection for us.

Stanzas 2-5, and 7 all give us a great list of the benefits of having a Redeemer who is no longer dead but alive. Those benefits are: triumph over the grave, salvation, blessings in His love, plead for us above, feeds our hungry soul, help in time of need, grant rich supply, guide me with His eye, comfort me when faint, hear my souls' complaint, silence all our fears, wipe away all tears, calm our troubled hearts, grant daily breath, conquer our death, prepare our mansion, and bring us safely there. Wonderfully, Medley has gathered all these promises from scriptures and put them right in his

hymn to remind us of what God said He would do for us and how Christ continues to do it for us.

Stanzas 6 and 8 gives us more of a description of our Redeemer. Jesus is the kind, wise, heavenly friend, who loves us to the end. Medley reminds us of the three fold office Christ holds as prophet, priest, and king, and for all of this sweet glory is given to Him both in heaven and on earth. The hymn closes by changing a portion of the first stanza. The first stanza has "What comfort this sweet sentence gives!" and ends with "Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:" and then we finish on the sentence which gives us both comfort and joy: "I know that my Redeemer live!"

There are two other things I would like to talk about in this hymn which apply to many other hymns. The first, in stanza 6 we see 'heav'nly' the reason the word has a removed syllable has to do with the music notation. Normally, each note in the music gets on syllable of a word no matter how long or short the note is in duration. But in the case of heavenly it is longer than the single syllable and would not work with the music. To make it work Medley took out the 'e' which shortened it and allows it to work with the music and the word is still understandable. What this means for you is single all of 'heav'nly' as one syllable. Trust me it works.

The second, is the toon name DUKE STREET. This may seem like a strange tune name for a hymn but the practice over the years has been to name the tune by the street the tune was written on. There are other ways tunes are named but this one is unique for us.

Your Servant in Christ

Pastor Welton





Iconic Germany

What is that interesting looking flying statue that we see in pictures of Germany? Overlooking Tiergarten Park in Berlin with prideful expression, the Siegessäule (Victory Column) is demonstrative of former kingdoms and dominions past. The gilded female statue adorned with wreath and wings sits atop its pedestal, a column, and claims the victory of a unified Germany. Erected in 1864 and finished in 1873, the Victory Column is the visual reminder of when "the Kingdom of Prussia successfully united Germany as an imperial power under the Prussian crown." Locals refer to the Victory Column less affectionally as the "Golden Elsie."

Source:
<https://www.visitberlin.de/en/siegessaule-120071/220712>
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"The life of the baptized."



Pastor Domenicelli teaching the children at Resurrection Lutheran Church.

People love to know their origins, especially little children. "Where did I come from? Who are the people in my family? Where was I born?" As Christians, we know all these questions are answered in Jesus.

We could say it's part of our Christian DNA, but maybe the best way to say it is to call it our *baptismal identity*. Our baptismal identity is the new life given to us in our baptisms. This is the place where we are named with a new name and given a home in our Father's house where there are many rooms. This is where we are given a new vocation and life, to love God and love our neighbor. This is where we are covered with Christ, where we are sprinkled with clean water and given new hearts that are turned toward God. So, now as those who are baptized into Christ, our Father in heaven looks down on us and says, "You are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased" (Mark 1:11). This is the miracle of the new life in Christ. This is the miracle of baptism. Now our origin and our identity are answered. Now we know our family and where we are born again from above but, our lives on earth do not end there.

After baptism, our lives are reformed to look like Jesus. After baptism, our lives are "cruci-formed," as we are baptized into the

cross of Christ. After baptism, *like our Lord*, we are immediately sent out into the wilderness of this world where the temptations of life and the devil push us toward vice and sin (c.f. Mark 1:12-13). Nevertheless, we mustn't lose heart, this is not the end of the story! Rather, let us take heart because our Lord does not treat us as orphans but has promised to remain with us, "even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). Take heart because we know we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous One, who was tempted in every way like we are, but was without sin. (c.f. 1 John 2:1, Hebrews 4:15)

So, as we reflect on the mission of the church to make disciples through *baptizing and teaching*, let's also reflect on the incredible sense of identity and new life that we have received on account of Jesus through our baptisms, just like these children gathered around the font, at Resurrection Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, SD.

"Lord God, during this Lenten season grant that, through Your Holy Spirit, You would crucify our old flesh with Christ, remind us of our baptism, and raise us up to new life in Him. Amen. " God grant it for Jesus' sake. *Pax Christi* +

-Pastor Domenicelli



Picture courtesy of Facebook public profile: "Ich Liebe"

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Good health for the Domenichelli family as we prepare to deploy.
- Peace and decreased anxiety as we get closer to our deployment date in Early Summer.
- The children to have a smooth and joyful transition to a new place, new school, and new culture.
- For safe travels throughout the US as we raise awareness and support for this important mission in Germany and Eurasia.

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- The men and women who have answered the call to serve the Lord's mission both here and abroad.
- Good health, in all our travels thus far.
- Daily repentance and forgiveness as we return in our hearts to our baptisms where the Holy Spirit washed our sins away and covered us with Jesus.
- The men, women, and congregations who have supported this mission and others like it.

PRAISE GOD FOR:

- The prayers, love and support that we have received on account of His grace as we make others aware of this mission.

New places, new faces

International Travel

The Lord's mission doesn't always require international travel. The mission of the church is all about making disciples, and making disciples is always about baptizing and teaching (Matt 28:19-20). Although sometimes the Lord of the harvest sends His workers out into fields that are across

the world. So, for those who are called to travel to fulfill the Lord's mission, they are required to get passports. In February of 2024, the Domenichelli Family applied for 7 passports at the local U.S. post office. We are one step closer to serving the Lord's mission in Germany. How exciting!

Plant a church in Germany?

No doubt it may seem strange to some that the Lord is sending missionaries to Germany. Isn't Germany the place of the Lutheran Reformation after all? Indeed, it is, but like most countries in today's age the people continue to fall prey to the trappings of a broken, sinful world. Satan never tires at turning our hearts toward our earthly desires instead of our Savior.

This is why the Lord is sending the Domenichelli family to Germany, so that they might minister to God's people afar. Pastor Domenichelli's primary focus will be to plant a church in close proximity to the men and women who serve in America's Armed Forces stationed in Germany. We rejoice together that the Lord is sending missionaries to care for those who give their lives in service to our country, because the One who gave His life as a ransom for many desires to serve them with His life-giving Word and Sacraments. God grant it for Jesus' sake. +



The Domenichelli family waiting to apply for passports.

Love is a familial term for most people. When those whom we love are near, we care for them, we share our hearts with them, and we treat them like family. So, it is for these two sisters-in-Christ pictured here—Phoebe Domenichelli and Kiera Course as they share a moment and smile during Divine Service at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Wahoo, NE. "See what kind of love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are" (1 John 3:1-2). If God loves us so much to make us His children, then we should always see each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. That also means we ought to love one another as He has loved us in Christ. So, then let us see ourselves as these two do—siblings forever in Christ.

—Pastor Domenichelli



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."

Prayerfully consider partnering with the LCMS to support the work of the Rev. Jonah and Renee Domenichelli. Make checks payable to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
P.O. Box 68861
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

OR
Mission Central
40718 Highway E 16
Mapleton, IA 51034

On the memo line include *Domenichelli—Germany*

Give securely from any device: lcms.org/givencw/domenichelli
Call a contributor care representative: 888-930-4438

APRIL BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS



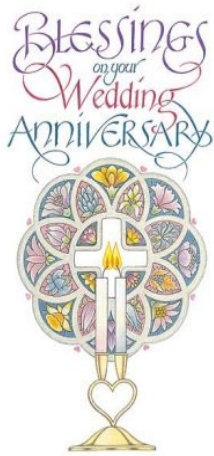
Ione	Schmidt	April 1, 1951
Dan	Lindholm	April 3, 1949
Brendyn	McManus	April 7, 2013
Bonnie	Lindholm	April 9, 1978
Ashes	Dean	April 11, 2002
Janessa	Baumberger	April 12, 2015
Tarri	Minor	April 12, 1962
Shirley	Backus	April 14, 1957
Delorus	Limmer	April 15, 1969
Lee	Limmer	April 15, 1951
Kay	Mendel	April 16, 1961
Rayden	Lindholm	April 17, 2005
Marsha	Ellison	April 18, 1962
Brett	Martin	April 18, 1993
Ryan	McManus	April 18, 1981
Addeyson	Olinger	April 19, 2009
Dean	Hess	April 20, 1941
Louis	Lindholm	April 22, 1990
Megan	Bonstead	April 24, 1988
Jane	Devaney	April 24, 1955
Eric	Milbrandt	April 24, 1994
Mandie	Miller	April 25, 1993
Jayla	Baumberger	April 29, 2018
Tye	Heidelberger	April 29, 1973
Josh	Bjorklund	April 30, 1978
Caesyn	Hemmer	April 30, 2017
Benjamin	Delfs	Apr, 1994

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Marsha	Ellison	April 1, 1962
Lacey	Gehrels	April 1, 1991
Dean	Hess	April 3, 1941
Mike	Tammen	April 4, 1968
Josh	Bjorklund	April 9, 1978
Tye	Heidelberger	April 9, 1973
Darwin	Lindholm	April 11, 2012
Beau	Olinger	April 11, 2021
Clayton	Klawonn	April 12, 2016
Mark	Limmer	April 12, 1968
Jill	Martin	April 12, 1963
Caesyn	Hemmer	April 13, 2017
Benjamin	Delfs	April 14, 1994
Jane	Devaney	April 14, 1955
Jenna	Baumberger	April 15, 1988
Delorus	Limmer	April 15, 1969
Jayla	Baumberger	April 19, 2018
Amanda	Hanson	April 19, 1990
Tom	Graff	April 22, 1952
Krista	Beeck	April 27, 1957
Amy	Hemmer	April 27, 1982



APRIL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

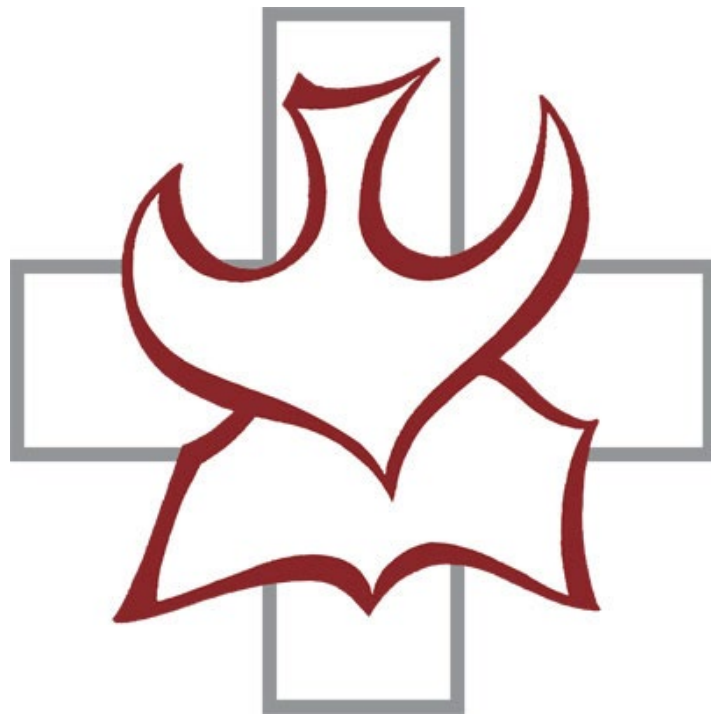


Tara & Duston	Seitz	April 6, 2013
Llyn & Luanna	Shuck	April 6, 1973
Drew & Amy	Hemmer	April 9, 2016
Ryan & Tara	McManus	April 12, 2008
Gale & Diana	Maas	April 16, 1977
Dan & Misty	Alfson	April 19, 1997



Voters Meeting

April 21, 2024 after Church Service



Confirmation Sunday April 28th.

**Come join our new confirmands as they profess their
faith.**

MaKenzie Cacho
Olerick Welton
Rilynn Zillgitt

Travel with Us!

Destination: Ark Encounter & Creation Museum in Kentucky with 2 nights at Potter's Ranch

Additional Stops:

Concordia University Wisconsin

Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne

Concordia Seminary St. Louis

Date: June 2-7, 2024

Cost: \$850 per person

(everything included except 5 meals)

Deposit: \$250/person ASAP

(Checks payable to Mt. Calvary LYF)



June 2-7, 2024 Kentucky Trip – Adult Registration Form

Name: _____ Male _____ Female

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip

Code: _____

Phone
Number: _____

Email
Address: _____

T-shirt size: _____

Any specific needs/allergies the trip organizers need to be aware
of? _____

_____ I'd like to stay with the group in the dorms on Sunday and Monday.

_____ I'd like more information about the cost of staying in a hotel on Sunday and Monday.

Emergency Contact

Name: _____

Emergency Contact

Relationship: _____

Emergency Contact Phone

Number: _____

Name of
Church: _____

Pastor's

Name: _____

I assume all responsibility and liability for injury to myself while on the trip. I also give Mount Calvary Lutheran Church permission to use any still, audio, and/or video images of me in publicity and news releases.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return completed form with \$250 deposit (checks payable to Mt. Calvary LYF) to Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, 629 9th Avenue, Brookings, SD 57006.

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

APRIL 2024

Altar Guild: Kayla Welton ~ Lacey Gehrels

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
	1	2	3 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	4	5	6
7 Sunday April 7 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Lorelei Welton Greeters: Brett & Heidi Schneider Family; Chloe Schneider Organist: Peg George Sunday School & Adult Bible Study Board of Education Meeting	8 10:15 am Bethel Service 7:00 pm Altar Guild	9	10 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group 7:00 pm ~ Elders Meeting	11	12	13
14 Sunday February 11 -9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Jayden Delfs Greeters: Organist: Peg George Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	15	16	17 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	18 7:00 PM ~ Council Meeting	19	20
21 Sunday February 18 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Libby Alfson Greeters: Mitch & Erin Schneider Organist: Peg George Sunday School & VOTERS MEETING	22 NEWS LETTER DEAD-LINE	23	24 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group 7:00 pm ~ Board of Stewardship	25	26	27
28 Confirmation Sunday Sunday January 28 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Joslyn Baumberger Greeters: Llyn & Luanna Shuck Organist: Peg George Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	29	30				

