



Proclaiming Jesus, the Living Water

Lake George Lutheran Chapel

May 2021 Newsletter



From Your Vacancy Pastor & His Wife

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

May has finally arrived. And it is hard to believe that our world has not returned to what it was before March of 2020 when the pandemic began. Although many of us have received our shots, that is still not enabling us to keep from masking and distancing. The latest announcement from the CDC (Center for Disease Control) is that if you had your shots, outside you don't have to wear a mask in small groups. But, of course there have been many buts, you still need to be wise and use the mask in larger crowds or with groups of people you don't know.

In church, we continue to worship as more begin their trek to their summer lives at the Lake. Memorial Weekend is fast approaching and prayerfully, we will return to full churches with fellowship after the services. Stay tuned!

You have heard me share our reminder that we are Easter people year round not just on Easter weekend. If you can keep your focus on the cross and keep that Easter Joy in your heart, soul and on your face and in your voice, you will

continue to make a difference for those who need that lift in their lives.

With regard to my health, my final radiation treatment will be May 7. Then we wait six months to allow the body to heal and for the test results (PSA) to be checked. Thank you for your prayers and comments.

Karen Kuehnert, through The Lutheran Foundation of Fort Wayne, is now our Mental Health Advocate. This role is critical in today's world. We will install her later in May and will dedicate a service this summer to increasing mental health awareness.

So many of you continue to volunteer around church with the music, the video recording, the bulletins, altar and bulletin boards and more. You are making a difference and as we approach the summer, your efforts will have an even bigger impact for those who come to worship at our Lake George Lutheran Chapel. My personal thanks to each of you for all you are doing.

May God keep you safe, healthy and blessed.

Pastor John & Mary Ann

Bible Class

We are studying Max Lucado's book, "You Are Never Alone." Join us each Friday through May 21 at 11:00 A.M. for our wonderful discussions and all that we share as we talk about this topic.

Community and World Outreach

You are making a difference with your support for Missionary Schumacher, our Indiana District and Synod as well as the

work we do in serving Turning Point and other agencies and ministries in our community. Let's make sure to keep it happening!

Hannah Circle

Karen has shared our schedule for this year and hopes that you can be involved:

May 14th

Memorial weekend brunch support
Begin shoe collection for summer promotion and sorting

June 11th

Christmas in July planning
Christmas Sock Tree...for homeless

July 9th

Christmas in July
Christmas cookie baking
Ugly sweater contest...fundraiser for Turning Point

August 13th

Discuss fish fry support

September 10th

Labor Day fish fry support
Final count on shoe collection

October 8th

Tie blankets for homeless

November 12th

Turning Point Christmas planning

December 10th

Advent By Candlelight--TBD
Turning Point Christmas celebration

Ongoing...

Card making, knitting/crocheting for charity/prayer shawls
This schedule is subject to change so keep an eye out. If you would like to join or volunteer, contact Karen Kuehnert at 260-312-0280 or kuehnertkaren@gmail.com

LCEF

Check them out at www.lcef.org for investment opportunities.

Mary Ann's Corner

As a church worker like my husband, the last almost 10 years of serving Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, has been a rewarding career. The previous 17 years, I worked in the Women's Department of the Midland Division HQ of the Salvation Army, a denomination in its own right. I grew up with an Irish Catholic father and German Lutheran mother, I have learned through all of this that service to and for others is really the key to being a model Christian. At times, it is not the easiest of jobs and yet, when a new family joins who had been unchurched and I learn from them the difference their church family makes in their lives, I know that we have done what Christ told us to do. I am grateful that I can share that same service through and for LGLC and look forward to what our summer will bring.

Mary Ann

Online Giving

We now offer online giving for those who wish to support ministry at LGLC but are unable to attend worship services. There is a "Donate" button on the right side of the home page just below the church picture. Click on that and follow instructions to make a donation. We will also continue to receive offerings by mail and at the church when we are once again together in worship. Thanks for your ongoing support! It is making a difference for The Chapel and with those we serve outside our church.

LGLC Worship Schedule May 2021

May 2 - 5th Sunday of Easter

As we continue to be reminded of our lives as Easter people, we must also be ready to face the human fears of our lives...and the fears of what it means to be a Christian in today's world. With Christ, our fears should not be an impact in our lives!

1 John 4:13-21; Psalm 150; John 15:1-8

May 9 - 6th Sunday of Easter

Chosen and appointed by God is in our reading today. What does it mean to be chosen, let alone appointed as a member of Christ's body the Church at large? *Ps. 98; Acts 10:34-38; 1 John 1:5-8; John 15:9-17*

May 16 - 7th Sunday of Easter

After Jesus ascension into heaven, the disciples and others including women and the mother of Jesus to talk about their ministry now. Part of that discussion included prayer and the need to replace the role of Judas with someone else. A new "business manager" was elected. What does this mean for us today? *Ps. 1; Acts 1:12-26; 1 John 5:9-15; John 17:11b-19*

May 23 - The Day of Pentecost

A great wind came and with it, forked tongues of fire appeared on the heads of all who had gathered to hear Peter. And, each heard the message in their own language. St. Elmo's Fire? Mass hypnosis? *Ez. 37:1-14; Ps. 139; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15*

May 30 - Holy Trinity

Nicodemus asked many questions of Jesus in our reading from John. Jesus answers, although initially understood, were finally the answer Nicodemus was seeking - Baptism and the Word. Could it be that simple? *Is. 6:1-9; Ps. 29; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; John 3:1-17*

Outside Fellowship

The LGLC Council will be meeting shortly, and will post their decision regarding our gathering in fellowship around refreshments.



May 2, 2021 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Psalm 150; 1 John 4:1-11; John 15:1-8

"Connected to the Vine" - Sermon Text: **John 15:1-8** - Rev. Paul Shoemaker

A dormant vineyard looks so bleak, so lifeless. But at the harvest, it is lush and green and filled with ripe grapes. Just as the grapes receive their nourishment from the vine, we Christians receive our spiritual life and nourishment from the Vine, Jesus Christ our Lord.

May 9, 2021 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Psalm 98; Acts 10:34-48; John 15:9-17

"Jesus is for You!" - Sermon Text: **Acts 10:34-48** - Rev. William Mueller

We often struggle with issues of favoritism or partiality. Is one group of people better than another? Is one nation favored more by God? In an eye-opening, opinion-changing, and heart-rendering account in Acts 10, we discover the powerful, eternal truth of "God shows no partiality."

May 16, 2021 - The Ascension of Our Lord

Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

"Jesus Reigns Through Us" - Sermon Text: **Ephesians 1:22-23** - Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

Jesus Christ's ascension is nicknamed "the forgotten festival." And yet, we experience it daily. Where is Jesus now? What is He

up to? God be praised, Jesus reigns through us!

May 23, 2021 - Pentecost

Psalm 139:1-10; Acts 2:1-18; John 16:5-15
"The Almighty Spirit" - Sermon Text: Acts 2:1-18 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

The Holy Spirit is almighty God. The Spirit has acted on your behalf in the past, the Spirit does so now, and will continue to work for your benefit in the future. Why? The Spirit loves you and wants your salvation.

May 30, 2021 - The Holy Trinity

Psalm 29; Isaiah 6:1-8; John 3:1-17
"Who Will Go?" - Sermon Text: Isaiah 6:8 - Rev. Thomas Eggold

Standing on our own, the sight of the Lord is a terrifying vision of judgment, but in the purifying blood of Christ, we can sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy." Through the blood of Christ we can speak the good news of the Gospel, and along with Isaiah, through the purifying and atoning blood of Christ we can stand in the presence of the Lord and say with a clean heart and clean lips, "Here am I, Lord. Send me."

COVID-19

As shared earlier, your best bet is that you have any concerns, wear your mask and keep distancing from those you don't personally know. And even those with shots have become infected although it appears to be less virulent.

Personal News

If you would like to be added to one of the personal celebration areas, let Pastor John know to update the records.

Birthdays- April

Peggy Schreiber (5-7); Billie Thomas (5-8); Dave Kuehnert (5-10); Jake Hull (5-16); Brad Emerick (5-17); Samantha Schreiber

(5-19); Gary Mullendore (5-27); Sarah Hoover (5-27); Hap Saalfrank (5-28); Joyce Saalfrank (5-30)

Baptismal Birthdays

Joyce Saalfrank (5-8)

Anniversaries

Cory and Jennifer Hull (5-21)
Denny and Marilyn Motz (5-25)

Homebound Members

Remember our home-bound with cards of encouragement!

Todd Scherer
12701 Grand Station Drive
Fort Wayne, IN 46814

Jeff Smith
2935 N 400 W
Angola, IN 46703

Jerry and Jeri Threlkeld
23005 Woodburn Road Apt. 131
Woodburn, IN 46797

Robert & Margie Beebe
280 Lane 110 Big Otter Lake
Fremont, IN 46737

Those diagnosed with cancer and in treatment
Pastor John

Those recovering from cancer

Special prayers for Christians persecuted worldwide and those who are martyred – which is happening every day to at least 8 Christians.

Special prayers for those with mental health issues

