

From Pastor Kleinschmidt

Father's Day is June 15th this year. On this Hallmark holiday, we are reminded that we should thank our dads for being our dads and show them how much we appreciate all they do for us. But this secular holiday also gives an opportunity to reflect on what it means that God is our Father.

Jesus tells us that we should call the 1st Person of the Holy Trinity Father. And because Jesus tells us to do this, we do this. God the Father is the perfect Father who also shows the love and compassion that his children need. He provides all that this body needs for daily living and sustenance. In God the Father, all earthly fathers have someone from whom they can learn what fatherhood is.

Our earthly fathers will sometimes fail us. They can fail us by not being there, by not properly caring for us or even not giving loving and kind words to us.

But even as our earthly fathers may not be perfect, we do have the perfect Father who does everything perfectly and loves us as His beloved children.

Jesus says in Luke 11:11-13, "What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The point of what Jesus says is that for the most part our earthly fathers are good fathers. And we can think about our own fathers and the good things they do for children and then

conclude that of course our heavenly Father will give us even greater gifts. The greatest gift



the Heavenly Father gives us is faith in his dearly beloved Son by the working of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit creates faith in us and we believe that Jesus is the true Son of God and our very own Savior. Without the gift of the Son from the Father to us, we wouldn't have the courage or the right to call God our Father. But by the work of Jesus, we can call God our Father.

The parable that Jesus teaches of the Prodigal Son tells us much of the undeserved love that God the Father has for us children. Luke records the words of Jesus' parable, "I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me

as one of your hired servants.'

And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off,



his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him." (Luke 15:18-20)

The Father has been waiting, looking off into the distance hoping to catch a glimpse of his son who has returned. While the son is still far off, the father sees his son returning. He is so eager to have his son back that he has put other things off so that he can be waiting for that first sign of his son's return. Our heavenly Father certainly is looking down to earth ready to shower his compassion and love upon his.

To thank God that he is our Father reminds us that we should absolutely also thank our fathers for being there for us and thanking God that he has put them in our lives.

In the Fatherly love of God,
Pastor Kleinschmidt

ST. JAKOBI NEWS & EVENTS

OUTDOOR SERVICE AND CHURCH PICNIC

The Sunday after VBS, **June 15th** will be an outdoor church service between the Parish Hall and church. Bring your lawn chairs! After the service will be the church picnic. We will have socializing, games, a bounce house for the kids, and a great meal to share. The church will provide pulled pork sandwiches, hotdogs, chips, pickles, and drinks. If your last name starts with A-N, bring a dessert to share and O-Z, bring a side dish to share. Plan on staying after church and enjoying great fellowship with our congregation and visitors. (wear casual clothes!)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be held the week of June 9th-13th in the mornings. The theme this year is **Gangway to Galilee: Amazing Grace Adventures**. The week of VBS is the week after school gets out and the week before Summer School begins. Make plans now to have your children attend, help, or tell your grandkids and friends about this great opportunity to learn about Jesus. You can register your child/grandchild at <http://bit.ly/StJakobiVBS>. Please check the signup sheet in the Narthex for snack and craft items that are needed.



ST. JAKOBI DAY AT CAMP LUTHER!

On **June 19** St. Jakobi will be taking the Sunday School children and their families to Camp Luther for the day. This is for **kids, parents, grandparents, and other family** to enjoy the trip and activities of Camp Luther.

Tentative Schedule:

- 9:00 Welcome
- 9:15 Earth Ball/Parachute Game
- 10:15 Archery or Canoeing
- 11:15 Bathroom & Drink
- Break
- 11:30 Cookout Lunch
- 12:45 Swim Time!
- 1:45 Canteen (Snack Time)
- 2:15 Closing Devotions
- 3:00 Time to say goodbye



YOUTH GROUP TRIP TO NOAH'S ARK

On Monday, **June 23rd** the Youth Group will be travelling to the Dells to join other youth from all over the North Wisconsin District. We will carpool from the church to the Dells. The cost is \$29/person and includes park admission, lunch, soda, and a chance at door prizes. See the bulletin board for further information. You can sign up on a sheet in the Narthex. We must have our registration done by June 1.



NEW CHURCH PICTURE DIRECTORY

The new Church Picture directory is in and you can pick yours up in the Narthex and mark your name of the list to show you received yours. The committee that prepared them and organized the picture event did a fantastic job.

CONFIRMATION

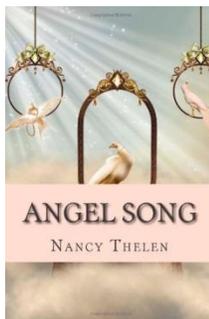
Confirmation Day is Pentecost Sunday which is June 8th.

LADIES OF ST. JAKOBI!

If you haven't come to the Ladies Bible Study, put it on your calendar now! We have great discussion about the Bible topic assigned. In June we will meet on the 4th at 1pm in the Church Library.

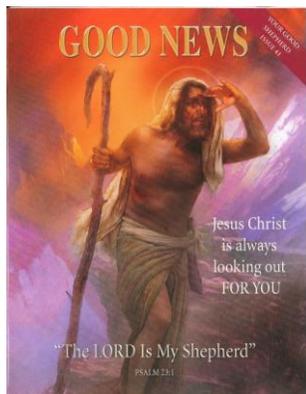
BOOK SIGNING

Thank you to all who purchased one or more of my books. I am truly blessed to have the support of this congregation. -Nancy Thelen



GOOD NEWS MAGAZINE

The current issue of this magazine is located in the Church Library and it discusses the importance of Jesus being your Good Shepherd. There are many back issues in the library on a large variety of topics. This excellent magazine is a great evangelism too and you can learn a lot by reading the articles and studying the pictures. It is highly recommended.



UPCOMING READINGS AT CHURCH

- June 1st:** Acts 1:12-26
1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11
- June 8th:** Numbers 11:24-30
Acts 2:1-21
John 7:37-39
- June 15th:** Genesis 1:1-2:4a
Acts 2:14a, 22-36
Matthew 28:16-20
- June 22nd:** Jeremiah 20:7-13
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:5a, 21-33
- June 29th:** Jeremiah 28:5-9
Romans 7:1-13
Matthew 10:34-42

ABOUT THE SERVICE

Each month in the newsletter there will be a short explanation of an item from the Service.

The Distribution

By the power of His testament our Lord feeds His people with His Body and Blood for the forgiveness of our sins. We humbly receive this blessing the our Lord has given us. This faith trusts the words of Christ's testament, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins". The hymns and choir music sung during the distribution reflect the theme of the season and day in the Church Year or the theology of the Sacrament.

Post-Communion Canticle

After receiving the Body and Blood of our Lord we proclaim our thanksgiving in song. The canticle, "Nunc Dimittis" (Song of Simeon) proclaims the faithfulness of the Lord to his promise to dwell among us and the peace that His salvation brings to us.



LIBRARY NEWS

PLANTING SEEDS

The Fox Valley Church Library Association spring meeting was held on May 3rd at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Appleton. This association is made up of members from churches of numerous denominations. The meeting opened with Karen Cove, author of several children's books along with an adult fiction book. She was an interesting and compelling speaker, sharing her story in her books. Another guest was Hermi Krueger, a very accomplished artist and photographer. Hermi spent her early years in a concentration camp before migrating to the US from Yugoslavia. Her eyes filled with tears as she recalled the first time she saw the statue of liberty, something that many of us take for granted. The meeting concluded with members from each church talking about 5 new books in their library. The roundtable provided a good list of books that will possibly show up in our library. As Hermi listened to this discussion, she realized that her church's library could certainly use the information that was shared, even though her church was not a member of this association. One final topic that was discussed was a summer reading program for children. They would keep track of the books that they checked out from the church library, and read during the summer. They would be rewarded for their diligence with things like a free ice cream cone. This is something that our Board of Education, along with our library, could consider for future summers. I welcome any thoughts or discussion. Please contact Nancy Thelen with any input on the idea. The next meeting will be in October at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waupaca.



CONCORDIA HISTORICAL INSTITUTE

A Donation from Bob & Lois Kroenke to the LCMS Museum was made and it features on the Museum website at

<http://lutheranhistory.org/pieces-2012-18.asp>



JUNE BIRTHDAYS:

1 - Debra Schneider
1 - Jeremy Pyatskowitz
1 - Courtney Hoffman
2 - Terri Teetzen
2 - Kristi Skalitzky
2 - Callie Boyles
2 - Alison Sperberg
3 - Dan Krueger
3 - Joshua Berkhahn
4 - Miranda Fink
6 - Ryan Cotter
6 - Sheila Herrmann
6 - Lincoln Ejnik
7 - Wendy Kroenke
8 - Steven Verstoppen Jr
8 - Debbie Laehn
9 - Darryl Prodell
10 - Howard Popp
13 - Russell Cotter
14 - Chad Wendorff
17 - Betty Szucs
17 - Duwane Pieper
17 - Bobbi Jo Ladwig
19 - Talia Tonn
19 - Landon Lindner
19 - Dana Price
20 - Kaitlyn West
21 - Becky West
21 - Joseph Tadych
21 - Jerele Westphal
23 - Jeff Buettner
25 - Joanne Bublitz
26 - Chuck Stoehr
26 - Tucker Steinke
27 - Emily Teetzen
27 - Derek Drake
27 - Samuel Gueths
28 - Carrie Bohl
30 - Mary Jung
30 - Carrie Fink

A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

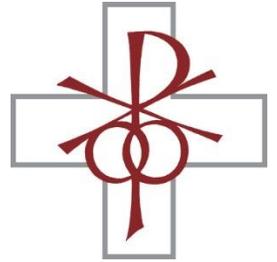
Heavenly Father, our times are in Your hands. Look with favor on name as he/she celebrates his/her birthday. Grant that he/she may continue to grow in wisdom and grace. Strengthen his/her trust in Your goodness and bless him/her with Your abiding love all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES:

3 - 2000 - Robin & Karen Ross
7, 1980 - Jeff & Mary Theis
9, 1984 - Eugene & Kathy Hanke
11, 1977 - Thomas & Pamela Anderson
14, 1969 - Marshal & Susan Giese
15, 1968 - Albert & Elaine Schroeder
16, 1987 - James & Lisa VanScoik
16, 2001 - Rob & Jessica McDowell
18, 2005 - Faron & Kristi Skalitzky
20, 1970 - John & Iris Ottman
21, 1980 - Jeff & Teresa Schuettpelz
23, 1962 - Lawrence & Nancy Schroeder
28, 1947 - Barney & Phyllis Olson
30, 1990 - Michael & Vicki Waldvogel
30, 2007 - Cory & Rachel Neville

AN ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE PRAYER

O Lord Jesus, Your mercies are new every morning. We thank You for another year of married life together for name and name. Open their hearts always to receive more of Your love that their love for each other may never grow weary but deepen and grow through every joy and sorrow shared; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



Contact the Church Office if you find anything in need of correction to the Birthdays and Anniversaries.

June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Service(HC) 10:30 Bible Study Acolyte:	2	3	4 1:00 Ladies Bible Study	5 1:00 Bible Study	6	7 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Bryce Bohl
8 Pentecost Confirmation Day 9:00 Service (HC) Acolyte: Megan Gebert	9	10	11	12	13	14 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Sommer McDowell
	Vacation Bible School 9am-12pm				1:00 Bible Study	
15 Father's Day 9:00 Outdoor Service & Church Picnic	16	17 6:00 Elders Meeting	18	19 Camp Luther Trip	20	21 6:30 Service Acolyte: Lucas Gast
22 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Bible Study Acolyte: Tristan Szucs	23 8:00 Youth Group Noah's Ark Trip	24	25	26 1:00 Bible Study	27	28 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Gabbey Wendorff
29 9:00 Service Acolyte: Payten Thompson	30	Elders: Sat: Chuck Stoehr Sun: Brian Sperberg Spec: Rich Raddant	Altar Guild: Joanne Bublitz Sue Giese Noël Kleinschmidt			

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

“We Preach Christ Crucified”



Church Services:

Saturday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am

Bible Study:

Wednesday at 6:30pm, Thursday at 1:00pm, and Sunday at 10:30am.

Sunday School:

Sunday at 10:30am

