

May

St. John's Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

Happy Easter! As Easter people, we get to celebrate the glorious moment of Jesus rising from the dead and conquering death every single day. As Easter people we are daily dying and rising and becoming new people through Christ our Savior!

The resurrection story is our story. It's our story of living hope, an everlasting, never changing, eternal hope which is given to us through Christ our Savior. We do not live apart from this hope, even in the ordinariness of our lives, even in the midst of struggle, pain, heartbreak, death. This living hope can shine through us because resurrection life and truth do not exist in spite of or in opposition to our life's circumstances but because of and in the midst of those circumstances. What an amazing gift of grace!



Jesus tells us, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live. And everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." Jesus says this, not for his own sake, but for your sake, for my sake. It's a promise you can trust today, tomorrow, forever. It's not just some event down the road or off in the distant future. Jesus is your hope, your resurrection, and your life, today. Right now. You can trust it and believe him when he says I am your resurrection and life. The tomb is empty and therefore you have the assurance of eternal life. Thanks be to God!



Sunday, May 5th at Mamrelund, three of our Act Parish teens will be affirming their faith and sharing what their faith means to them during their Confirmation Service. Join me in lifting Alise Staebell, Ashlie Staebell, and Caleb Kleene in prayer as they celebrate this special milestone on their journey of faith.

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!
Alleluia!
Pastor Michelle

The sun was warm but the wind was chill. You know how it is with an April day
When the sun is out and the wind is still, you're one month on in the middle of May.
But if you so much as dare to speak, a cloud comes over the sunlit arch,
A wind comes off a frozen peak, and you're two months back in the middle of March.

...Robert Frost

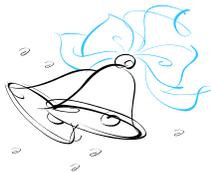


Usher for May: Robert Moller

Reader for May: Loree Moller



Happy Anniversary



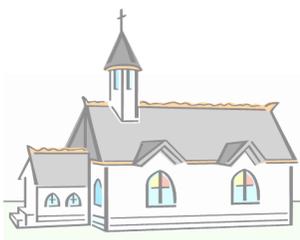
Pastor Michelle and Steve on the 29th

Happy Birthday



Pastor Dan on the 7th
Curtis Jacobson on the 14th

Church Council Meeting May 12th



Church Calendar

May

- 11th- Card Night at Bethesda Grand
- 12th- Church Council
- 12th- Mother's Day
- 26th- No service at St. John's
- 27th- Memorial Day

June

- 9th- Pentecost Sunday
- 16th- Father's Day

July

- 4th- Independence Day
- 14th- Church Council

August

- 2nd- St. John's Hog Roast at Pennock Fun Days

September

- 1st- No service at St. John's
- 2nd- Labor Day
- 8th- St. John's Cemetery Association meeting
- 14th- Card night at Bethesda Grand
- 28th- Lefse Making Day! 9 am

October

- 4th- Bazaar Set Up
- 5th- St. John's Autumn Bazaar

November

- 10th- Church Council
- 28th- Thanksgiving
- 29th- Craft Sale at the Mall
- 29th- Christmas decorating at church 4 pm
- 30th- Lefse making

December

- 7th- Bethesda Grand Bazaar
- 21st- Bake Sale at the Mall
- 22nd- Christmas Program
- 24th- Christmas Eve
- 25th- Christmas



Monday

May 27th

Reminder no service at church on the 26th.

There will be services at Monson Lake at 8:15 and Hope at 10:00



Thank you for everyone helping out at our Spring Hotdish Dinner and Bake Sale.

We made almost \$1030 dollars!