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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 In the Very Midst of Life (LSB 755)

Hymn for Hope and Comfort Text: Martin Luthera, 1483-15461 tr *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, alt Tune: Latin, 13th cent.; adapt. *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524, ed. Johann Walter Tune Name: MITTEN WIR IM LEBEN SIND Meter: Peculiar meter Scripture: Rom. 14:7-8; 2 Cor. 1:9-10; 1 Cor. 15:53-54

This month's Hymn write up was done by Joel Grosbach who currently serves as the Kantor for Zion Lutheran Church in Imperial, NE. He is a full time farmer who received a bachelor's degree in Ag Science and a minor in music. After returning from college to continue farming on the family farm Joel became the Organist, Adult Choir, Bell Choir, and Jr. C

On June 30 th , the Gospel reading for the sixth Sunday after Pentecost will teach us about two stories of our Savior's great mercy. From Mark chapter 5, we will hear of Jarious's daughter and the woman with a discharge of blood. Both desperate situations – the woman had been ill for 12 years, and Jarious' daughter had in fact died – yet Jesus shows His power and mercy by healing and raising from the dead.

The Hymn of the Day assigned to this Sunday is "In the Very Midst of Life" LSB 755. In its three verses, we sing of the reality of these dark days, in the "midst of life [where] snares of death, powers of hell, and sin oppress us." The text asks, "who shall help us?" and "where shall we for refuge go?"

"Thou only, Lord, Thou only!" is the answer! In the midst of this life, where our "sins Thy wrath hath stirred," the only answer can be our Savior. In the midst of our troubled life, from cultural decay, tornados that wipe out entire towns, political rot, and global warfare that haunts us, it seems there are no answers that truly satisfy from this world. We recently celebrated Jesus's Ascension, celebrating that Jesus is in fact King of Kings, Lord of Lords, and sits at God's right hand. It is to Him we go for refuge and atonement for our sins.

Like the ill woman and Jarius, who knew they could find no help apart from Jesus, we too turn to Him only. Finally, the hymn concludes, "Lord, preserve and keep us in the peace that faith can give." May God grant this!

Martin Luther wrote this hymn text, basing it from a medieval Latin text ("In the midst of life, we are in death"). Luther altered the text so that it was not a cry of desperation, rather a plea to Jesus for help and an assurance of grace. Note the three-fold "Holy" pattern in the text, mirroring the Sanctus of the Liturgy.

This hymn may be a challenge to sing, both because of its tune and text. It is only three verses, but each verse is lengthy. As you learn this hymn, sing it at a measured pace, perhaps using soloists to highlight different verses and help lead the singing. Take time to meditate on the text – Lutheran hymns are often not easy to digest, and deal with difficult realities. This hymn paints a clear picture of our desperate life, but also a beautiful confession of our Savior Jesus Christ. May this hymn help us to always keep this good confession and "preserve and keep us in the peace the faith can give."

Joel Grosbach

Recognition Sunday

<u>June 2, 2024</u>

Every year on the first Sunday in June we recognize members starting from May to the following May when our Seniors graduate high school.

We recognize those that have been baptized, transferred in from another LCMS church or Profession of Faith, Adult and Junior Confirmands, and our High School Graduates. We also recognize those that were married in the church.

> A light brunch is served, as we enjoy fellowship together. Please join us on Recognition Sunday

| Baptism: | Hattie Cheri Foster ~ October 29, 2023 |
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| | Levi Ray Bonstead ~ December 3, 2023 |
| Junior Confirmation: | MaKenzie Cacho ~ April 28, 2024 |
| | Olerick Welton ~ April 28, 2024 |
| | Rilynn Zillgitt ~ April 28, 2024 |
| High School Graduates: | Ella Fischer ~ Madison High School |
| | Parker Gerry ~ Chester High School |
| Affirmation of Faith: | Don & Lori Hogrefe ~ April 21, 2024 |
| Transfer In: | Andrew & Brooke Grass and daughter Isla \sim July 12, 2023 |
| | Marryn Hemmer ~ February 7, 2024 |
| | Tara Seitz and children Riggins, Rowdy, and Rakyiah ~ February 12, 2024 |
| Wedding: | Austin Tammen & Lizabeth Delfs ~ August 18, 2023 |
| | Brett Martin ?? |
| | Jake Hemmer ??? |

JUNE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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| Att SIII 16 | Gaylen & Shirley | Backus | June 2, 1973 |
| Anniverseres | Andrew & Brooke | Grass | June 3, 2017 |
| | Jason & Meredith | Fischer | June 5, 2004 |
| | Brant & Amanda | Klawonn | June 5, 2010 |
| | Tom & Arla | Baumberger | June 24, 1972 |
| | Shawn & Jill | Martin | June 30, 1984 |

JUNE BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS



| Mark | Limmer | 2-Jun-68 |
|---------|------------------|-----------|
| Lisa | Lindholm | 5-Jun-88 |
| Greg | Teal | 10-Jun-62 |
| Kory | Reck | 12-Jun-77 |
| Les | Heidelberger III | 14-Jun-70 |
| Kash | Gehrels | 19-Jun-16 |
| Doris | Limmer | 19-Jun-32 |
| Amy | Hemmer | 20-Jun-82 |
| Clayton | Klawonn | 24-Jun-17 |
| Gavin | Schneider | 24-Jun-07 |
| Barbara | Crawford | 25-Jun-50 |
| Alex | Tammen | 25-Jun-00 |
| Korbin | Tweet | 25-Jun-17 |
| Julie | Gehrels | 26-Jun-60 |
| Chloe | Schneider | 26-Jun-05 |
| Natalie | Feige | 27-Jun-10 |
| Viola | Sorenson | 27-Jun-37 |

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

| Barbara | Crawford | June 3, 1950 |
|-----------|--------------|---------------|
| Viola | Sorenson | June 4, 1937 |
| Lori | Hansen | June 6, 1958 |
| Jacob | Heidelberger | June 6, 2009 |
| Doris | Limmer | June 6, 1932 |
| Kash | Gehrels | June 8, 2016 |
| Alex | Tammen | June 9, 2000 |
| Carolyn | Lindholm | June 10, 1949 |
| Jackson | Mendel | June 10, 1992 |
| Shirley | Backus | June 15, 1954 |
| Remington | Miller | June 15, 1992 |
| Natalie | Feige | June 16, 2010 |
| Chloe | Schneider | June 17, 2005 |
| Riggins | Seitz | June 17, 2014 |
| June | Olson | June 18, 1944 |
| Gavin | Schneider | June 18, 2007 |
| Korbin | Tweet | June 19, 2017 |
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TO READ THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR: SUGGESTED BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

| DATE | FIRST READING | SECOND READING | |
|---------|---------------|----------------|--|
| June 1 | Isaiah 12:1-6 | Acts 15-16 | |
| June 2 | Psalm 150 | Acts 17-18 | |
| June 3 | Psalm 1 | Acts 19-20 | |
| June 4 | Psalm 2 | Acts 21-22 | |
| June 5 | Psalm 3 | Acts 23-24 | |
| June 6 | Psalm 4 | Acts 25-26 | |
| June 7 | Psalm 5 | Acts 27-28 | |
| June 8 | Psalm 6 | Joshua 1-5 | |
| June 9 | Psalm 7 | Joshua 6-8 | |
| June 10 | Psalm 8 | Joshua 9-11 | |
| June 11 | Psalm 9 | Joshua 12-16 | |
| June 12 | Psalm 10 | Joshua 17-21 | |
| June 13 | Psalm 11 | Joshua 22-24 | |
| June 14 | Psalm 12 | Judges 1-3 | |
| June 15 | Psalm 13 | Judges 4-6 | |
| June 16 | Psalm 14 | Judges 7-9 | |
| June 17 | Psalm 15 | Judges 10-12 | |
| June 18 | Psalm 16 | Judges 13-15 | |
| June 19 | Psalm 17 | Judges 16-18 | |
| June 20 | Psalm 18 | Judges 19-21 | |
| June 21 | Psalm 19 | Ruth | |
| June 22 | Psalm 20 | 1 Samuel 1-3 | |
| June 23 | Psalm 21 | 1 Samuel 4-6 | |
| June 24 | Psalm 22 | 1 Samuel 7-9 | |
| June 25 | Psalm 23 | 1 Samuel 10-12 | |
| June 26 | Psalm 24 | 1 Samuel 13-15 | |
| June 27 | Psalm 25 | 1 Samuel 16-18 | |
| June 28 | Psalm 26 | 1 Samuel 19-21 | |
| June 29 | Psalm 27 | 1 Samuel 22-24 | |
| June 30 | Isaiah 12:1-6 | 1 Samuel 25-27 | |

JUNE 2024

Altar Guild: Marlys Arneson ~ Lacey Gehrels

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURS. | FRI. | SAT. |
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| 2 ******RECOGNITION SUNDAY ***** Sunday June 2 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Natalie Feige | 3 10:15 am Bethel Service | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Greeters: Matt & Kayla Tweet Family Organist: Peg George | YOUTH GROUP TRIP | | | | | |
| Board of Education Meeting 9 Sunday June 9 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Presley Schneider Greeters: Verle & Opal Uthe Organist: Peg George | 10 7:00 pm Altar Guild | 11 | 12 7:00 pm ~ Elders Meeting | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 Sunday June 16 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Sophia Fischer Greeters: Leonard & Cindy VanPelt Organist: Peg George | 171819202122NEWS LETTER DEAD-LINESecretary is out of the office starting June 20 through July 12th.2122 | | | | | |
| 23 Sunday June 23 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Landen McManus Greeters: Daniel Voy; Mathew Voy | 24 | 25 | 26 7:00 pm ~ Board of Stewardship | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| Organist: Peg George 30 Sunday June 16 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Presley Schneider Greeters: Noel & Catherine Wareham Organist: Peg George | | Pa | Pastor is out of the office starting June 22 through July 5 th . | | | |