

Living Springs Lutheran Church

"CELEBRATE...SHARE...SERVE" ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL

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The Third Great Day! - This Month from Pastor Eric



"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." Acts 2:1-4

In our lives as Christians, there are three great festival days of celebration that overshadow all others and ultimately define who we are as disciples of Jesus. There is Christmas—celebrating the incarnational gift of God's eternal love for us in the birth of Jesus. There is Easter—celebrating the victory of God's eternal love for us in the resurrection of Jesus. And, there is Pentecost—celebrating the life-transforming power of God's eternal love for us in the Holy Spirit, as sent to us in the name of

Jesus (cf. John 14:25-26). Of the three, Pentecost is definitely the most overlooked (perhaps because society has not found a way to co-opt it within a commercial holiday of decorations, reindeer, shopping

sprees, candy, or bunnies).

The miracle of Pentecost is central to our lives, just as Christmas and Easter are. For without the miracle of Pentecost (without the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit), there would be no power to believe—no faith, no church, no baptism into Christ, no spread of the Gospel Good News, no new life, no hope for us or this broken world (cf. the Small Catechism except below).

FESTIVAL OF PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 24

(5oth Day of Easter Season)

But because of the miracle of Pentecost, ordinary human beings—like those original disciples, and like us—are able to become living instruments to proclaim the Good News of God's hope and love to all people, in precisely the language needed to receive that message in their lives. As the miracle of

"I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the HOLY SPIRIT has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as the Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true." Luther's Small Catechism Explanation of Apostle's Creed, 3rd Article

Pentecost and the Spirit's work continue to unfold, we recognize that none of this is of our own power and that the languages of the Spirit are not all spoken. The life-transforming Good News of God's love in Jesus is communicated in so many forms through the Spirit's work in Jesus' disciples—and this month's newsletter (as with every month) is filled with photos and examples of those incarnational languages.

There are the hope-filled languages of Stuff-a-Bus, cookie deliveries, Rice Estate visits, backpacks, bucket coin collections for fresh water & world hunger, youth ministry events, TELS trips, and Detroit shareholders. In the upcoming Sundays of May, there will be languages of First Communion, congregational Faith5, Women's Ministry Sunday, Seminary Auxiliary recognitions, Quilt Blessings, Driver's License Milestones, Preschool Graduation, and High School Quillowing. There are languages of support, care, and ministry shared among disciples at our exciting Spring Cottage Gatherings—ongoing

languages of Spirit-tugs, Disciple God-Stories, and Christian fellowship. There are the languages of hope and faith that will be shared during the summer, as we continue preparations for the Columbia-area Lutheran GraceWorks servant blitz, for SPARK Your Faith Camp, and for our Living Springs Camp Week at Lutheridge. There are languages of Worship, Praise, Singing, Instruments, Bells, Bible Study, Sunday morning Faith Education, confirmation instruction. AND there are all the languages that the Spirit speaks uniquely in your life through your attitudes, deeds of love, and interactions with coworkers, classmates, neighbros, family members, friends, teammates, and strangers.

As we look forward to celebrating the third of the 3 Great Days in our lives as Christians, may you find joy in being part of a living, ongoing miracle of God: the miracle of the Holy Spirit at work through YOU, to communicate to all the world the Good News of hope, forgiveness, grace, and love come to us in Jesus Christ the Lord!

With prayers that the joy of Pentecost will fill your heart and home each day, Pastor Eric

SPRING COTTAGE GATHERINGS APRIL 26TH THROUGH JUNE 7TH

Come gather with other disciples for these wonderful times of spring fellowship in our homes. We share excitement about the unfolding "Spirit-Tugs" in our lives and all the wonderful stories about how we have experienced or witnessed God at work over the past months. Also, we'll receive some important updates about the Road-Widening, our 2015 Giving Goals, and all the amazing things that are happening among this community of disciples who bear the name of Living Springs. Sponsored by the Lifelong Discipleship Team and our In-Touch Groups. Active Discipleship, Ministries of Hope, Community Partnerships!

- Murray group gathered on April 26th
- Furcron and Zieche groups Today at 1:00
- Kranz group Today at 3:00 at the Brantley's
- Graves group Today at 4:00 (cookout to follow)
- Tracy group May 17 at 3:00
- Davidson and Smith groups May 24 at 4:00
- Berger and Turnmire groups May 31 at 3:00
- Buchanan group May 31 at 4:00
- Stuart and Bloss groups June 7 at 3:00



Living Springs June Youth Blast! 3 Big Weeks of Fun & Faith ... Experience God's Joy - Invite Your Friends







WEEK 1: June 7-12

GraceWorks

Completing Grades 6-12

100 Lutheran Youth from Midlands churches join together in this fun weeklong blitz of powerful faith & service to reach out to those in need in Columbia area

9am-5pm, Mon-Fri (Kickoff Sunday night)

Registration now open
(Join under our group name: Living
Springs Youth)
Open to first 100 youth!
\$50.00 Cost
(includes lunch)

Spark! Your Faith Camp

Age 3 - Grade 12

9am-3pm, Mon-Wed Living Springs Campus (Kickoff Sunday, 10 - 3)

Wonderful fun-filled days of music, games, crafts, activities, Bible stories, and more!

Registration open now 75 spots available - first come-first serve

\$15.00 Cost (bring your lunch)

Living Springs
Camp Week at
Lutheridge

Completed grades 3-12

Overnight, Sun - Sat

Travel with Pastor Eric for a lifechanging week of growing closer to God at our Lutheran camp in the NC mountains

(grades 6-8 campfirmation, other grades pick from camp programs)

Register @ Click Here

Cost starts at \$430 for entire week
Scholarship Support available

God At Work Through Living Springs

An Easter Family Afternoon & Egg Hunt was held on Palm Sunday. We had Faith Stations of Fun for ALL AGES: the Éaster Story, Easter Service Projects, Easter Crafts and our Easter Egg Hunt.











Living Cross





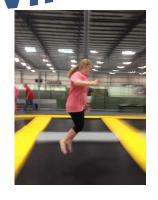












Phebe's Diner Phebe LeGrand Dinner & Auction





























A BIG THANK YOU...

To all who donated, attended, volunteered for the Phebe LeGrand Scholarship Dinner and Auction. Delicious food, wonderful fellowship, and entertainment was enjoyed by all attendees. We raised over \$2,000 for the Phebe LeGrand Scholarship Fund. We look forward to next year's event in April 2016. ~ Fellowhip and Mutual Care Ministry Team.



Operation Inasmuch is the annual event when Lutheran Christians from across SC join together to give part of their day in acts of loving service to those in need in our surrounding community. Each congregation in our SC Synod sponsors specific acts of outreach. On April 18th, Living Springs sponsored:

- STUFF-A-BUS for our community service agencies
- RICE ESTATE visiting, bingo, singing, gardening work
- COOKIE-BAKING for our local firefighters.





























For one of our serving opportunities for Operation Inasmuch, we asked Living Springs members and the community to Stuff our Bus with daily living items. The stuffed bus was delivered to various organizations!









Copies of this blue dot are available in the lobby of the admin building

Disciple Dot Stories & Spirit Tugs

GOD loves YOU:
share God's love
everyday!

+
Where will God place
your next Disciple Dot?

While driving to Beaufort to celebrate my daughter's birthday, I drove past an elderly man carrying two heavy grocery bags. He had a visible limp and was laboring to keep moving. The Holy Spirit touched me and after driving a bit past him, I turned the car about, returned to him and offered him a ride to his destination. He initially balked at my offer but with prodding, he finally accepted the ride. The drive was almost two miles...not to his house, but to his church. He thanked me and blessed me. I didn't need his blessing, I felt blessed to be a blessing already.

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The Spirit has recently given me the courage to step out of my comfort zone and what a blessing it has been! Each time I visit a restaurant I now ask the waiter/waitress at the beginning of our meal if I can pray for them. This morning I asked Marilynn if I could pray for her. She said

"Yes! I am trying to get pregnant and am having difficulties." And then her eyes swelled up with tears. I grabbed her hand and my colleagues' hand and we prayed for Marilynn and our meal. While I was praying, a lady two tables over got up and joined our prayer circle. What an uplifting moment for all of us. Jesus was the uniting person in that moment when strangers all gathered in a brief prayer of thanks and hope. Wow, thank you God for yet another opportunity to see you active in my life!

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The Holy Spirit led us to the FAITH5 Faith Talks Gathering on March 1 and we had a great group of friends, young and old, join our circle. While one little boy needed coaching to articulate his highs and lows, there was something very powerful in his confidence and boldness to be the first one to bless each of us in our circle. I was incredibly touched by his innocence, childlike (literally) faith and complete grasp of this simple, yet profound act. We adults sometimes complicate things way too much! God is good!

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It had been a hectic week at work. A wonderful LS member came into my office, knowing it was hectic and offered help. At that time there was nothing that I could give her as it was all on my pc. About an hour later she reappeared at my office with a bag of lunch. She said that she knew there had to be a way to help and the Spirit lead her to Panera. What a blessing she and that lunch was that day!

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My family and I started doing Faith 5 together as part of the bedtime routine. My wife and I have two kids, 3 and 20 months. The four of us pile on the futon in our upstairs gathering area, read a few books, and then start Faith 5. Though we have only been doing this for about two months, the benefits are a gift from God. Here are a couple of examples: We usually start a new Bible verse each Sunday night and pull from Sunday morning's lesson for that week. One of our very first verses was Jesus is our Emmanuel. We taught our son that Emmanuel means, "God is with us." And that has stuck. No matter the Bible verse we share, to our son it always means God is with us. And he's not wrong. Now, all of our Bible verses mean God is with us "and." At 20 months, our daughter doesn't share much in terms of highs or lows, but she sure can bless. She loves to rub her balled-up hand on our foreheads (supposedly making the sign of the cross) and snuggle close with a hug. At those moments, I know God is blessing me. Faith 5 has been a great blessing for our family. It has helped each of us see and experience God each night with each other.

SHARE YOUR DISCIPLE DOT STORY

Has God worked a disciple moment through you or someone else during the week? Pick up a discipledot story slip from the narthex table and share the story of God's work - place your slip in the blue-dot basket, <u>click here for an online form</u> or email your story to the church office. Stories are published anonymously. This isn't about what "we" are doing, but about God's work in the world! See the website, bulletin, newsletter, and Facebook page for some inspiring examples.

Council Clips

<u>Staff & Ministry Reports</u> - April 16, 2015 Meeting <u>Council Devotions:</u> "Evangelism without Additives" Ch. 4 – The Gospel According to YOU

Two basic evangelism practices that Jesus advocated through his stories:

- † We should *speak* the gospel. "Preach the good news to all creation" (Mark 16:15)
- † We need to *serve* the gospel. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:40)

"Jesus was a walking lesson in how to connect with missing people and still keep it real. He preached to serve and served to preach."

If Christians are the most *real* people on Earth than the people Jesus misses the most would be exposed to his message through friendship, kindness, concern, and listening ears.

Challenge: Be yourself, be human, be real, and be intentional!

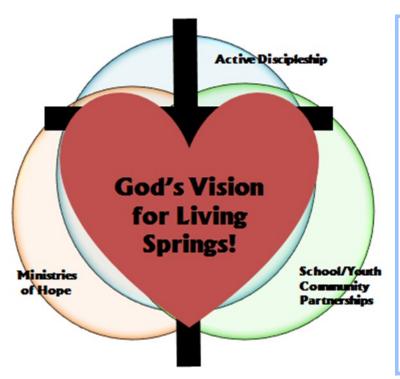
- † Motion made to accept the updated Wedding Guidelines from the Worship and Music Ministry Team with some minor amendments from Council. Motion carried.
- † Motion made to hold one worship service on June 14, 2015 to kickoff Spark Your Faith Camp. This service will be an outdoor service beginning at 10:00 AM. Motion carried.
- † Motion made to move the 10:45 service to 10:30 on July 19, 2015 to simulcast the National Youth Gathering service from Detroit. The 8:15 service will remain the same. Motion carried.

Things God has done this past month:

- † God was present while youth and adults shared their acting skills in a final Lenten skit celebrating God's saving love for the entire world (John 3:17).
- † God was present as disciples responded to an appeal for our final Lenten fish fry, generating around \$1,500 in badly needed funds to support our Lutheran Campus Ministry.
- † God was present in our packed fellowship hall while families shared activities of faith for our Easter Family Afternoon and filling the front lawn with joy at the Egg Hunt.
- † God was present as disciples gathered on a Saturday morning to wash sanctuary windows, change light bulbs, and also on subsequent weekends to re-organize the narthex and decorate for Holy Week/Easter.
- † God was present as parents with their children and our faith leaders gathered to bake bread, paint chalices, and devote an entire Saturday to learning more about the mystery of our Lord's Supper.
- † God was present within 5 households who joyfully became part of the community of disciples her at LS.
- † God was present as our Preschool children released balloons on the front lawn and rode trikes to raise funds for those in need during our annual Week of the Young Child.
- † God was present while laughter filled the fellowship hall during our annual Phoebe Legrand auction, to raise funds for a scholarship for our female high school graduates.
- † God was present in the joy filled fellowship hall for Easter breakfast, with men cooking in the kitchen, to raise funds for the Lowman scholarship.
- † God was present as our youth gathered at Red Robin and then took the next steps in preparation, devotions, and fundraising for this summer's trip to the National Youth Gathering in Detroit.
- † God was present as our preschool and church children formed a circle to bless and help pack Easter baskets headed out to God's Storehouse.
- † God was present on Palm Sunday as folks processed from the portico with palms shouting hosannas, to enter the sanctuary and prepare for the awesome reading of our Lord's Passion.
- † God was present throughout our Holy Week journey and services that moved our hearts and souls.
- † God was present in sign language of scripture verses. What a glorious way to use our brains, voice, and movement to retain God's word in our minds and hearts!
- † God was present in 4 disciples as they shared doing FAITH5 for a SC Synod video hearing one exclaim, "This is out of my comfort zone, but I'm doing this for Jesus!".
- † God was present in 7 disciples from LS at a Seminary Lecture with Pr. Nadia Bolz-Webber; it was amazing to see how Nadia's life and story reveals more of who God is for us and for our Church!
- † God was alive in 4 disciples and their parents as they read God's story of Passover and the Last Supper in our First Communion Milestone class. Their insights into God's story revealed who God is for them in their story!
- † God remains active is each of us as we live out our daily call in time spent with God. We each have 168 hours in a week, which is a gift from God. How shall we spend it?
- And....in so many more places every day in your life!



How Is God Calling You? Network Your Spirit-Tug with Other Disciples!



The Ministry Goals below represent visions the Spirit spoke through you, the disciples of Living Springs. Our task is to spread these visions all over the place, like seed of God's kingdom being sown over all types of soil.

Which of these visions tug at your heart personally as a disciple of Jesus?

If you have not yet done so, fill out a Spirit-tug sheet from the narthex – or just call the office or send an e-mail and say, "I think I've got a Spirit-tug for #__." We will network folks who have similar Spirit-Tugs and see where the Spirit will lead, either in daily life out in the world or in something together here at LS. As an example, we already have folks following up on Spirit-Tugs for D1, D2, D7, H3, H5, H10, P4, P6. Where is your call?

A Vision for... ACTIVE DISCIPLESHIP



- D1. Daily life ministry discipleship lived out in everyday situations
- D2. Lifelong equipping of faith (education, Bible study, faith in homes)
- D3. Disciple partners/groups/networks (for men, women, families, etc.)
- D4. Pervasive culture of prayer in our congregation & our homes
- D5. Worship as Core (Word & Sacrament) variety of opportunities/styles
- D6. Expanded music ministry various forms for all ages
- D7. Christ's caring presence for each other in the family of faith
- D8. Fellowship events & communications to build relationships
- H1. Hope Team children and youth in need or alone
- H2. Hope Team homeless
- H3. Hope Team veterans, military & families
- H4. Hope Team hospitals, care facilities, those who suffer
- **H5. Hope Team food and clothing ministries**
- H6. Grace & Inner Peace struggles with the stress of life
- H7. Grace & Inner Peace God's forgiveness
- **H8. Grace & Inner Peace healing ministries**
- H9. Grace & Inner Peace for all who feel alone in life
- H10. Grace & Inner Peace specific life crises (grief, divorce, other)
- H11. Hope Awareness sharing our Lutheran identity of grace
- H12. Hope Awareness sharing our exciting LS ministry & mission

A Vision for... MINISTRIES OF HOPE



A Vision for...
COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIPS
(Youth/Schools)

- P1. Public events for congregation, preschool, community, families
- P2. Extending Milestones to preschool, community youth, etc.
- P3. Music ministry for preschool and youth
- P4. Building relationships of faith among preschool/congregation
- P5. Life-transforming experiences for youth
- P6. Partnerships of caring with local schools / college campuses



Upcoming Opportunities at Living Springs



CINCO DE MAYO Saturday, May 2

We are celebrating Cinco de Mayo on Saturday, May 2nd at 6:30pm at the Hurlberts, 217 Dover Ridge Rd, Columbia. The Hurlberts will provide the Mexican feast - please bring an appetizer or dessert. Sign up at Sign up Genius (http://goo.gl/NMJLhV). Contact: Wendy McKenzie or Retha Murray

TELS (TRAVELING EVANGELS OF LIVING SPRINGS) Saturday, May 25

On Thursday, May 21, we will depart from Living Springs at 8 am for our May trip will be to Brookgreen Gardens. The gardens are a National Historic Landmark and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The cost is \$25 which includes your ticket and transportation. The sign-up sheet is in the administration building – contact <u>Beverly Hoppert</u> for information.



MOTHER'S DAY @ RICE ESTATE Saturday, May 9



In keeping with the tradition, we will be honoring all the women at the Rice Estate with a flower in a bud vase on the Saturday before Mother's Day (May 9). We will meet in the administration building and commute to the Rice Estate at 10:00 am (or meet us at Rice Estate). The folks at Rice Estate especially enjoy the cards that the preschool children create and love when the children deliver them in person, so an invitation goes out to all our parents with small children to come join us for a very rewarding experience. If anyone has bud vases, we would greatly appreciate them. Contact Karen Kranz for information.

P.I.E. GATHERING (PARTNERS IN EDUCATION) Tuesday, May 12

Open for those involved in education...teachers, administration, retirees, etc. Meet in the fellowship hall from 6:30 - 7:45. Foods & Desserts (enough for your supper) will be served. Please RSVP by noon, Monday, May 4 to the office (for yourself and any colleagues you would like to invite to join you!)



LADIES BOOK CLUB *Monday, June 1*



At our Monday, June 1 meeting, we will discuss *The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant – Karen Kranz will host at 235 Founders Ridge Rd. 29229 (located in the Summit), phone: 699-9566. The meeting starts at 7 pm and after the discussion, there will be refreshments. Please feel free to bring a guest and attend one or all of our meetings – sometimes it's good to just enjoy the fellowship! Contact <u>Karen Kranz</u> for information.

GOLF TOURNAMENT Saturday, June 6

The Livings Springs Lutheran Men will be hosting a golf tournament on Saturday June 6 with a shotgun start at 1:00 pm. The tournament will be held at The Golf Club of South Carolina at Crickentree. The cost of the tournament will be \$50 per golfer and is open to all members as well as non-members. We are asking that the 4 person teams be limited to no more than 2 members of Living Springs per team, in order to involve members of the community. Proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the Shannon Long Memorial Endowment Fund to be used in support of mission churches in South Carolina.



There will also be an award dinner following the tournament, held at the church. We are inviting all members of the congregation to join us for fellowship beginning at 6:30 pm. Tickets will be available for all non-golfers at a cost of \$10.00 per person. Tickets and entry forms for the tournament will be available beginning May 1st. The deadline to enter the tournament is May 31st.

For more information, please contact Mike Davidson, Bill Franck or Bob Turnmire.

Living Springs Lutheran Men are now accepting applications from male high school seniors who will be entering college for the 2015-16 school year. Applications are available by contacting Bob Turnmire at bob.turnmire@cio.sc.gov. Scholarship applications need to be returned by May 31st. Scholarships will be awarded in June.

Ongoing Opportunities at Living Springs

TUESDAY DEVOTION LUNCH @ LIVING SPRINGS Tuesday, May 5



Lunch is offered in the fellowship hall at 11:45, with devotions by Pastor. Everyone is welcome! Meal is served by Laura Cunningham, our LS Food Resource person. To reserve a spot for you and your friends, sign up in the narthex or contact the office before 11am on the Monday before. Donation \$6 (includes drink & dessert).

TUESDAY NIGHT DEVOTION DINNER Tuesday, May 19

On the 3rd Tuesday of the month, we offer dinner at 6:15. Everyone is welcome to to this dinner and devotions served by Laura Cunningham, our LS Food Resource person). On the menu: Poppy Seed Chicken, Corn Pudding, green beans & Bread. Cost \$9 – signup sheet is in the narthex or contact the office before 11 am on Monday. You might even want to stay for Bible study or join handbells!!



GOOD NEWS WALKERS

If you would like a little exercise along with some great fellowship, meet us in the administration building by 8:30 on Thursdays. We start out with the devotion of the day and then distribute our church flyers to neighborhoods that have paper boxes. Contact Karen Kranz for information. Contact Karen Kranz, kbkranz@gmail.com.

BACKPACK FOOD MINISTRY

We start setting up the table at 4:45 pm and at 5:30, we pack the bags on Thursdays. Our last date before summer will be, Wednesday, June 3. After the bags are packed, we say a blessing over the them and it's over before 6 pm. A list of items is on the Backpack Food Ministry Bulletin Board in the lobby of the admin building. Thank you for supporting this ministry. Contact Karen Kranz, kbkranz@gmail.com for information.





LIVING SPRINGS PEW BEAR MINISTRY



Each bear is a minister of God's love as they leave here to be a blessing for others. You may take a bear to anyone who is in need of God's love: hurting from illness, loneliness, depression, grief, or any other reason. When you take a bear, please place \$10 or a free-will offering in a pew envelope and mark it "Pew Bears." Donated funds are needed to replace the bears. Thank you for praying for this ministry. We are blessed to be a blessing!

LIVING SPRINGS CAR MAGNETS

Make your car an invitation for someone to come experience the joy of God's love here at Living Springs. The Communications Team will have LS Car Magnets available in the narthex. We ask for a minimum \$5 donation to cover the cost of the magnets.



HELPING HANDS!!



Currently there are about 450 students a week getting a backpack in the Richland 2 school district! As part of this program (McKinney Vento Advisory), a chain link was set up to send out to committee members...an email alert to an immediate need of an unaccompanied youth, families that are without housing, etc. In support of this, ESO has labeled this Outreach "Helping Hands". We send out an email blast when the message is received that there is someone in need. We ask that you respond if

you can or are able to fill the need of the request. Contact Karen Kranz at kbkranz@gmail.com

CRAFTY LADIES



Looking for someone to share your crafting time with? Bring your knitting, crocheting, cross-stitch, or join us in making quilts for Lutheran World Relief, women's shelters, and female veteran homes. We tie our quilts so sewing experience is not a factor if you would like to participate – in fact, we have several ladies who are not sewer's but enjoy the fellowship of other ladies. Our group meets in the Fellowship Hall the second and fourth Saturday of the month at 9:30 am and usually end about 11:30 am. We would

also appreciate any fabric donations and/or blankets (we use these as fillers). Contact Beverly Hoppert, beverlyhoppert@gmail.com for information.

DISCIPLES HELPING DISCIPLES

LSLC is establishing a team of volunteers to perform small household tasks for those members unable to complete them. The team will do minor tasks in the areas of mechanical, electrical, plumbing, IT (computer-related), transportation and other minor home repairs depending on the skills of the team. The team will suggest contacts for jobs beyond the scope of the team skills. Everyone is encouraged to participate. For details contact Bob Gill (788-6788), Jim Zieche (497-3239), Bill Franck (331-7871) or Pastor Eric (736-0661). If you would like to be a member of this team, please sign in the narthex





Women's Ministries

WOMEN'S SUNDAY Sunday, May 17

Sunday, May 17, will be Women's Sunday at Living springs as we celebrate the ministry of women of all ages (men, too!) in our congregation. We will bless the quilts that are sent on to Lutheran World Relief and other social agencies closer to home as well as honor six members with Life Memberships in the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary Auxiliary. Living Springs has now honored 128 of our members with \$100 gifts given in their honor. If you happen to be a former honoree, try to wear your Seminary Auxiliary pin that Sunday and greet these six new members. Cake and Punch will be served after the 10:45 service to honor the work of all our hands.



This is also the Sunday of the year, May 17, when we women are all invited to promote the Women of the ELCA (WELCA) church wide with an offering that we can share with our congregation, our SC Synod women and the ELCA church wide projects. This includes scholarships for women, Lutheran World Relief projects, programming, the magazine Gather, the emagazine CAFÉ (free on the internet), Bible Studies, and more needs we project for here at Living Springs.

Men's Ministries

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION QUARTERLY MEETING Monday, May 11

We wanted to invite you to our next quarterly meeting on Monday May 11th at Living Springs Lutheran Church. The evening begins at 7pm with fellowship and dinner. Then, we will handle a little bit of business, have a devotion, and then our guest speaker. Tim Crout, our National Vice President of LMIM will be bringing us a great program!



MEN'S BREAKFAST



We continue to form our Lutheran Men's circle of prayer where each man is praying for a brother in Christ. Come to our next meeting to expand our circle. Next breakfast gathering will be **Saturday, May 30th** at 8:00 am at Living Springs. Meal is being served by Laura Cunningham, LS Food Resource Person. She will be serving coffee, buttermilk pancakes, grits, sausage, and scrambled eggs @ \$7.00 per person. We will be discussing our upcoming events. We meet on the last

Saturday of each month. Contact Bob Turnmire at 803-513-7533 if you have any questions.

Faith Formation for All Ages at Living Springs



We invite any and all adults to our weekly Bible Study and Sunday Faith Alive offerings. Join in one or more to learn more about how we Lutheran Christians live out our faith in our daily lives.

- The Sunday morning Faith Alive Adult Class, meeting in the Katie Room, is currently studying the Lectionary texts that go with each Sunday. Ron Ramsey is serving as the Leader. The group concentrates on what the Bible said to the early Christians and what the Bible says to us in the twentieth-first century. This is a discussion group where all are heard.
- The Sunday morning Faith Alive Adult Class, called LIGHT (Learning In God's House Together), studies current events using the resource *The Wired Word*.
- The Tuesday Morning Women's Bible study continues to meet at 10 AM Tuesdays. Beverly Hoppert beverlyhoppert@gmail.com is the leader. The ladies will be viewing a series of videos on "Women of the Bible" with a discussion of the Biblical basis for the portrayal and the connection to our Christian life. All women are welcome!
- Tuesday Evening Bible Study has begun its study of The Gospel According to Matthew. This group meets for one hour beginning at 7 PM in the Katie Room. Come, be enlightened and enjoy our fellowship.

Additional Opportunities

PRAISEFEST 2015

An Outdoor Christian Music Festival Benefitting the Richland Two Backpack Program

Where: Spring Valley Presbyterian Church, 125 Sparkleberry Lane, Columbia SC 29229 When: Saturday, May 2, 2015 from 11-3 pm -- Rain or Shine!

Cost: Free of charge!

Ffeature twelve praise, bluegrass and gospel bands including Christian recording artist Josh Gilbert.

For more info: sypc.org/praisefest

JOIN US FOR "LAUGH, LEARN & LUNCH" AT CAMP KINARD Former SC Representative & Senator Sherry Shealy Martschink presents on May 14



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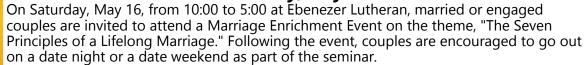
You are invited to join us on Thursday, May 14, at Camp Kinard for our annual "Laugh, Learn & Lunch" event. The theme for the day will be "Religion & Politics" and activities for the day include devotions, crafts, hayrides, and a special presentation by guest speaker Sherry Shealy Martschink.

Sherry Shealy Martschink (pictured left) has held a variety of jobs over her career, including having served in the South Carolina House of Representatives, the South Carolina State Senate, on a local school board, and was the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commissioner for 12

years. Sherry is also a law school graduate and holds a certificate in International Commercial Arbitration.

Registration begins at 9:30am and activities will last until 3:30pm. To register or to find out additional information, we invite you to contact Elliott Cox today at (803) 532-3183 or at elliott@sclrc.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR AND DATE NIGHT EVENT Saturday, May 16



The Rev. Dr. Bill Mitcham, Director of the MMC Pastoral Counseling Center and a state licensed marriage and family therapist and formerly adjunct professor of counseling at LTSS/LRU will be the seminar leader.

Date Night: The seminar leader is recommending a date night on the town for all couples who attend. Some may want to make it a date weekend. Contact Staybridge Suites in downtown Columbia at 1-866-599-6674 for special rates...tell them you are attending the "Lutheran Marriage Enrichment Seminar."

Registration fee: the cost of the seminar will be \$76 per couple, which includes a light lunch. For registration form, email Dr. Mitcham at bmitcham36@windstream.net or call or text him at 803-210-9197

Preschool & Afterschool Care News

From Tammy Mancuso, Director

Hello Everyone,

We are welcoming this sunny weather! The kids have certainly enjoyed it (aside from the sneezing).

We have wonderful things happening here! We celebrated NAEYC's Week of the Young Child. We had Fire Fighters visit, enjoyed messy day and participated in the St. Jude Trike –a –Thon!

I would like to share a story of how God moves in and around Living Springs. We had a family that had fallen on a difficult time and were making payments for tuition. As the next payment was due I saw the check was for the amount in full. Mom called and explained that a person(s) they knew had called and said they were moved to ask how they could help. Mom explained the situation and that they knew this was the best place for their child due to the loving environment they and their child had experienced here. When the person(s) heard this, they wrote a check for the amount in full so that they would not have to worry about the care of their child. Mom was so appreciative of the generosity and of our understanding and patience. She expressed her gratitude for the center, staff and the blessings of God in her life.

SAVE THE DATE May7th 6-8pm the Rice Estates will be hosting an art show featuring the art of OUR children here at LSLCPS! We ae thrilled to share this event with our friends at the Rice Estates. We would live to see you there! More info to come!

Blessings for a wonderful Mother's Day!

Thank you again for all you do!

BLESSINGS, TAMMY AND THE PRESCHOOL STAFF







From Lexanne, Director of Faith Formation:

We are so blessed to have this ministry here, which has created a safe haven for children and young people for over 10 years! Who are we? Look below:

- N.A.E.Y.C. Accredited Program https://www.naeyc.org/accreditation.
- 8 age appropriate, hands-on classroom environments for children ages 6 weeks to 5th graders
- 24 talented, trained, dedicated teachers and staff
- Open Monday through Friday from 715AM-6PM year-round.
- Inviting atmosphere for parents and children
- Encourage members and guests to come be a Mystery Reader, Lead or assist with a crafting project (quilting, painting, sewing, gardening, arts and crafts, etc.), Play an instrument, Sing some songs, Help with lunch or snack time, or Share your faith story. There is no required time commitment; just a love of God and a desire to share!

From the Director of Faith Formation

Lexanne K. Graves

Lexanne@livingspringscolumbia.org

Reimagining Faith Formation for the 21st Century By John Roberto (his new book, available in May; Preview it <u>HERE!</u>)



The family is the single most important influence on religious transmission and faith practice—a truth demonstrated in research studies, the Christian tradition, and pastoral experience. The faith of parents and grandparents, their role modeling, their teaching, and their warm and affirming parenting style are key factors in religious transmission and developing highly religious children, youth, and young adults.

In the new faith forming ecosystem, congregations need to equip families as centers of faith formation developed around three essential elements.

1. Nurturing family and parental faith

We can nurture household and parent faith through their participation in church life and family/intergenerational program that immerses them in the Christian tradition, Christian practices, and Christian way of life. *Intergenerational participation* creates a shared experienced of households developing caring relationships, learning together, sharing faith, praying together, serving, and celebrating rituals and traditions, and helps to develop the faith of parents and grandparents—increasing their confidence and competence for engaging in faith practices at home.

We can nurture family faith through a variety of activities and resources developed around eight essential faith-forming processes—caring relationships, celebrating liturgical seasons, celebrating rituals and milestones, learning the Christian tradition, praying and spiritual formation, reading the Bible, serving people in need and working for justice, and worshipping God. With the abundance of high quality digital faith formation content and activities, we can now reach families in the context of their daily lives—anytime and anywhere—through their mobile devices.

2. Developing parenting skills

We can develop the knowledge, skills, and confidence of parents, grandparents, and faith friends by utilizing the best research on effective parenting, including how a close, warm, and affirming parenting style facilitates religious transmission, and how certain parenting characteristics and skills facilitate the development of a strong parent-child bond and children's happiness, health and success: love and affection, stress management, relationship skills, autonomy and independence, promoting education and learning, life skills, behavior management, healthy lifestyle, support for spiritual or religious development, and protection

and safety.

We can provide programs (gathered and online), a variety of digital resources, and support to help parents develop effective childrearing practices that are conducive to building strong families and promoting faith transmission, offered in a variety of learning formats to make it easy for parents and grandparents to participate.

"Missional faith formation guides people as they move from discovery to exploration to commitment."

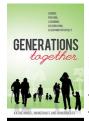
3. Strengthening family life

We can strengthen family life by focusing on the assets that build strong families. In The American Families Asset Study, The Search Institute identified 21 key qualities or assets, which help all kinds of families become strong.

- * Nurturing relationships: positive communication, affection, emotional openness, encouragement for pursuing talents and interests
- * Establishing routines: family meals, shared activities, meaningful traditions (holidays, rituals, celebrations), dependability
- * Maintaining expectations: openness about tough topics, fair rules, defined boundaries, clear expectations, contributions to family
- * Adapting to challenges: management of daily commitments, adaptability problem-solving, democratic decision-making

* Connecting to the community: neighborhood cohesion, relationship with others in the community, participating in enriching activities, supportive resources in the community (The American Family Asset Study, Search Institute)

These assets can be utilized as the foundation for whole-family programs, parent programs, online resources and training, mentoring for parents, and much more—all directed toward building a healthy and strong family life.



Additional Resource for a Faith Friend, Mentor, Parent, Grandparent, Caregiver..... **GENERATIONS** Faith is transmitted from generation to generation in extended families and intergenerational congregations. Every congregation can discover its intergenerational heart and soul, and become an intentionally intergenerational community that nurtures the faith of all ages and equips them for living as disciples of Jesus Christ in our world today.

GOLF, as it pertains to God!

We each have 168 hours a week as a gift from God. How do we spend these hours? On ourselves? On each other? On God and discerning the Spirit's call in our lives?



In this picture, there are 168 golf balls in the box, each representing one hour a week. There are 2 white golf balls with a cross on them, representing our daily devotions as a household. There is one black golf ball with a + on it that represents our time in worship (our sinful selves being raised to new life in Jesus). This is what it means to be Jesus' followers: easily spending 3 hours of time with GOD. GOD isn't greedy; God simply wants time to grow deeper in relationship with you.

A few of those golf balls of time can be spent as a faith family each Sunday sharing and praying about the "stuff in our lives" and how God encourages us to respond.

Come "GOLFING" with us!

Every Sunday Worship at 815am and 1045am.

FAITH ALIVE singing and educational hour begins at 925am in the fellowship hall and then we break up into groups for faith and life application time together.











FAITH ALIVE!

Sunday School

BEGINS AT 925AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL with contemporary praise music and skits!

Followed by faith community time together to hear and respond to God's Word of hope and love until 1030am.



SUMMER GOD STORIES

during the Faith Alive Sunday School hour Each Sunday from 930-1030am Fellowship hall



We all have a story to tell. God is living in us and working through us. Each of us has a story developing. Are you aware of it? Do you recognize God's Story playing out in your life?

We hope that this summer we will hear from everyone as people tell their God story. In doing so, others will recognize that God is also working in them and have a story to tell. It may be a dramatic life change - or it may be a small step of seeing God at the grocery story. But by us telling our stories, we can glorify God and encourage each other to recognize God's hand in our lives - moving us to tell God's Story.

JUNE 7—Faith Friend Sunday; Where did you see God active in your life this week?

JUNE 14—SPARK! Your Faith Camp Sunday; Who taught you about God?

JUNE 21—CAMP Sunday; What's your greatest memory of Camp?

JUNE 28—God Moment Sunday; Share a transforming God moment!

JULY 5—Gift of Freedom/Military Sunday; "You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." John 8:32

JULY 12—Ten Commandments Sunday; How does living with God's rules positively impact our lives?

JULY 19—RISE UP! Sunday; How will God use you/me to Rise Up and impact your community?

JULY 26—Lord's Prayer Sunday; What does "give us this day our daily bread" mean for you?

AUG 2- Holy Communion/Bread for the World Sunday; Share your story of your first communion. How can Jesus' body and blood physically and spiritually feed us? AUG 9-Apostles' Creed; I believe in God, Jesus, & the Spirit.....how does this change your daily living?

AUG 16-Bring your favorite Bible Sunday; Share something you have in common with someone in the bible.





Here is just a draft of ideas of what each Sunday could be like in the Summer. I love this idea of asking open ended questions (feel free to edit the ones I have quickly thought up!).

In light of our discussion about taking something "adult like" and then add in the "child" component.....I chose the things we promise to teach in our baptisms=the Bible, Lord's Supper, Ten Commandments, Creed.

Two Suggestions on how we the leaders of the morning could pose the sharing, especially if the people gathered are having a difficult time sharing.

1. A story of personal transformation, where God has worked to change you from 'old' to a 'new creation'. i.e. I was _____ and because Christ is transforming me, I am

2. An example where you have been aware of God's leading in your life, and you have acted on it therefore having an impact on someone else's life and being a blessing to others.

Whatever is shared, we could "coach" people on how to submit their God stories online/form to share with others!

I can create a little area for children in the Fellowship hall with blocks, coloring, letter writing station, etc....so that parents don't have to worry with their child is sitting quietly and paying attention.



Wind and flames are symbols of God's power that come to us in the story of something like "Know that God, the father, son, and holy spirit, is with you eminded each day in May of the spirit's presence. Share this routine with Pentecost; the birthday of the church. The gift is the holy spirit, God with each of us. Use the simple steps of FAITHS (Faith Acts In The Home) to be hemed verse of scripture found on the other side of this sheet, pray and our family or just keep it between you and God. Begin with "highs and end with a blessing, perhaps tracing a cross on the forehead and saying ows" the best and worst moments of your day, read the "holy spirit"

Devotion Guide



Every night in every home



highs and lows



READ

a Bible verse or story



reading might relate to about how the Bible your highs and lows



PRAY PRAY

or one another's highs and lows



one another

Matthew 3:16-17 John 15:1-8 John 3:6-8

Salatians 5:22-23 **Romans 8:26** John 14:26 Acts 2:38

Corinthians 6:19 John 14:15-17 saiah 11:2

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Ezekiel 36:26-27 Acts 10:38

Romans 5:3-5 Acts 4:31

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Matthew 10:20

Job 33:4

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Acts 2:1-11

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Romans 8:22-27

John 15:26-27

John 16:12-15

Acts 1:8

Acts 19:1-6

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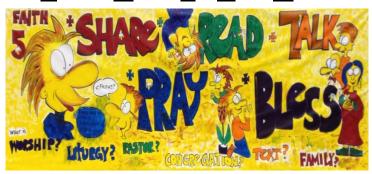






If you would like to watch a family do all 5 steps and see how EASY it is, please visit this link: http://faith5.org/about/. SHARE your highs and lows. READ a Bible verse. TALK about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows. PRAY for one another's highs and lows. BLESS one another (God blesses you always! +)

Faith Acts In The Home







"I chose a valuable stone, which I am placing as the cornerstone in Zion; and whoever believes in him will never be disappointed." 1 Peter 2: 4-6

Our **Passing on Faith Milestones Ministry** team provides instruction and resources to equip families, children, youth, and adults to pass on faith and live well in Jesus Christ. By paying attention to the milestones of our lives, we create rituals and traditions that shape us and nurture us in our faith. The promises we make at Baptism point to the spiritual milestones in our lives.

You are invited to remember, celebrate and uphold your Baptismal promises by participating in our Faith Milestone events.

- **On Sunday, May 3** we will share with young people and their families in their child's taking of *First Communion*.
- On Sunday, May 31 we will share in our Quillow Celebration with our high school seniors and their families during both worship services.

Please contact Karlene Stuart (karlene.k.stuart@baml.com) if you are interested in attending.

If there are any parents or young people who would like to write a **Blue Disciple Dot** story about participating in one of our Passing on the Faith Milestones, please email your story to Lexanne Graves

(<u>Lexanne@livingspringscolumbia.org</u>). We want our members and guests to read about God's amazing love expressed during these special family faith milestones.





What's Up with Youth???

We have a youth group for each of our children from Kindergarten through 12th grade. Parents, please make every effort to have your youth participate in our Christ-centered events.



Kindergarten-2nd Grade Youth Group:

Sunday, May 17 we will play Minute to Win It and Carnival Games!

Contact Kind-2nd Gr Leaders, Nic and Rachel Peterson, (peterson.nicholas3@gmail.com, rach7@gmail.com).

CLUB 3456: For all young people in Grades 3, 4, 5, & 6!

Sunday, May 17 at 1215pm for our End of the Year Party!

Contact Club 3456 Leaders, Leslie Bloss (<u>LBloss3306@hotmail.com</u>) and Cheryl Milburn (cmilburn98@yahoo.com)

7TH-12TH Youth Group Events:

7th- 12th gr Youth will gather at restaurants on Wednesday nights at 700pm for dinner!

May 3 - Senior Youth will be facilitating the FAITH5 time for the congregation! I will have more info on that for the youth soon, but it's very important that they be there for the Sunday school hour that Sunday!!

May 3--Paintball at TriggerTyme! We will leave right after the second service for a quick lunch and then head to TriggerTyme. Cost \$25 + lunch. We should be back at the church around 4pm.

May 6 - We will meet at Red Robin from 7-8:15pm!

May 13 - We will meet at the church for dinner and devotions from 7-8:15pm!

May 17 – We are going Kayaking/Canoeing!

May 31 – Quillow Ceremony for our High School Seniors! Come support them!

Contact Laura Dunklin (843-992-2506; lauradunklin@livingspringscolumbia.org) or Adam Woodruff (803-917-6270; necwoody@hotmail.com) with questions!

Contact 7th-12th gr Leaders, Laura Dunklin (l<u>auradunklin@livingspringscolumbia.org</u>) and Adam Woodruff (<u>nccwoody@hotmail.com</u>).



**Parents, please support these youth events so that our young people can reap the benefits of a connected, Christ-centered peer group. Find us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/154193947932855/

ATTENTION YOUTH:

If any of our young people are in need of "Extracurricular Community Service Hours" for school or activity groups, Mrs. Lexanne is always in need of help with crafty projects and getting things ready for Sunday school and youth group. So please contact her! lexanne@livingspringscolumbia.org.











ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING IN DETROIT, JULY 14-19, 2015



We have 7 Youth and 3 Adults going to Detroit!

Do you think one person can make a difference in the world? YES!!! YES!!!!

WILL YOU CONSIDER DONATING TO THIS TRIP SO THAT OUR TEN DISCIPLES CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS IN DETROIT?

If so, please place your check in the offering plate and put "NYG 2015" in the Memo section.



INVEST IN A LIVING SPRINGS YOUTH DISCIPLE! Become a Youth Gathering Shareholder -

Over the past few months, our ELCA National Youth Gathering participants and parents have been very busy preparing for the Gathering. We meet each month for a devotion to learn about this history of Detroit and how we can be Christ-like servants

while we are there! Sara Levitt, Andrew Levitt, Laura Stuart, Sam Arnold, Dylan Horan, and Patrick Lay are our youth participants with Laura Dunklin, Wes Levitt, and Shirley Laingen going as chaperones. Pastor Eric is also attending as our SC Synod Proclaim Story Day coordinator.

This past Sunday, we had the IPO for our new "company" D2, LLC. The title stands for Detroit Disciples, Lutherans Loving Community. Shares are available for \$5 each – youth are available after each service in the narthex. Funds will be used to help cover the cost of food, travel, and lodging for the trip. We have already had 192 shares donated toward our goal of 500! Shareholders will receive updates from our youth – and be invited to attend a Shareholders Banquet after the gathering. Please keep our Living Springs Detroit Disciples in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this awesome faith-enriching experience!

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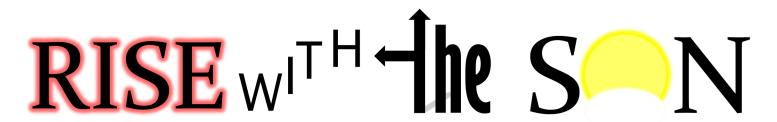
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SPARK! YOUR FAITH BIBLE CAMP

JUNE 14-17, 2015

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10AM, followed by service and faith forming activities

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY, 9:00am-3:00pm
(bring your own lunches!)

Games, Drama, Science, Arts/Crafts
Cost is \$15.00 per person

Volunteers please contact:

Leslie Bloss (<u>LBloss3306@hotmail.com</u>; 413-1994) or Lexanne Graves (<u>Lexanne@LivingSpringsColumbia.org</u>; 736-0661).

RETURN registration form below and check to Spark Camp workroom box, or to Leslie Bloss or Lexanne Graves.

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Participant's Name	Grade/Age	DOB
Parents' Names		
Parents' Contact Numbers		
Parents' Email addresses		
Participant's Allergies or other medical conditions		

Birthdays, Wedding and Baptismal Anniversaries

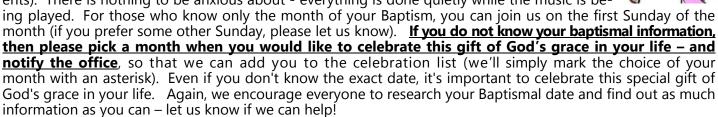
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May 4	Lindsey Davidson	May 20	Ashley Fakoury
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	Robert Haskins	May 22	Garrett Anderson
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May 11	Greg Evans		Samuel Skipper
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May 14	Caroline Moore	May 29	Nichole Allman
May 15	Jackson Evans		Braydon Hensley
May 16	Sheila Kowalski	May 31	Wes Levitt
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May 18	Melissa Lindstedt		•





CELEBRATE YOUR BAPTISM

Don't forget to check the bulletin to see if we will be celebrating your Baptismal Anniversary during this month's Sunday worship services. Immediately below the Gathering Music, there are printed the names of those who are celebrating a baptismal anniversary **in that week**. When the gathering music begins, individuals can quietly come forward to meet Pastor Eric at the baptismal fountain. There, he will re-trace the cross with the water on your forehead and offer a special prayer of blessing for you (children may be accompanied by parents). There is nothing to be anxious about - everything is done quietly while the music is being played. For those who know only the month of your Baptism, you can join us on the first



May 1	Jane Evans David Giertz Sally Moore Jim Zieche	May 11 May 14	Ben Arnold Al Jordan Ann Marie McManus Ruth Pollard
May 3	Caroline Berger	May 16	Catherine Fulkerson
	Amber Jorgensen	May 17	Todd Gunvalson
May 5	Savannah Čreticos	May 20	Ron Ramsey
May 7	Janet Bate	May 24	Andrew Drafts
•	Teagan Lindstedt	May 26	Collin Flores
May 8	Karl Schmidt	May 29	Kelsey Anderson
May 10	Liam Keppery	•	•

May 2015

*8:15am Worship, 10:45am Worship 9:25am Faith Alive Sunday School every Sunday unless otherwise noted

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Worship Assistant Schedule - May 2015

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+Julia Tenhover (helper)

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WORSHIP ASSISTANT SIGN-UP

*Women's Service

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** Pentecost - Book Bearer: Gail Buchanan weeks you know you are able to serve for the next month. The schedule will be finalized by the 20th of the month and whatever positions have not been filled will be manually assigned. If you are uncomfortable with using the website, there is a hard copy of the schedule in the administration building or contact Karen Kranz, kbkranz@gmail.com.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE NEPAL AREA EARTHQUAKE

APRIL 2015

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number continues to rise as officials communities. Historic buildings and houses have been leveled; roads are destroyed. The need for food, water, people have lost their lives, and the Devastating images and stories are areas lie in rubble. More than 3,500 7.8 magnitude earthquake on April medical care, blankets and shelter nation's capital, and surrounding coming out of Nepal following a 25. Sections of Kathmandu, the make their way through rural is great.

already actively networking with Lutheran Disaster Response is

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Laura Turnmire - Director of Handbell Choir

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