

NEWSLETTER



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April / May 2018 A.D. – THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Each of us has wondered or said out loud “what if ..?” What if we can’t pay the rent? What if I can’t get my homework done? What if we get hit in an auto accident? What if ... ?

It is interesting that you and I could come up with all kinds of “what if” questions. However, there is one “what if” that you and I don’t have to worry about -- what if Christ had not been from the dead?

In 1 Corinthians 15, (the great resurrection chapter of the Bible) the Holy Spirit moved Paul to tell us disciples of Jesus Christ what it would be like **IF** Christ had not been raised from the dead:

- 1) our preaching would be in vain;
- 2) our faith would be in vain, totally useless;
- 3) we would be misrepresenting God;
- 4) we would still be in our sins;
- 5) those who died believing in Jesus would have perished;
- 6) we would be the most pitied of all people.

It was by the power of almighty God that Christ Jesus was raised from the dead. Jesus lives! The victory is ours -- the victory over sin, death, and the grave, because Christ has risen victoriously. Thanks be to God that you and I believe by faith that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead to life.

Because we don’t have to worry or wonder “what if Christ had not been raised from the dead?”, we celebrate the resurrection of our Redeemer on each and every Sunday. As we are able, we join together in worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ to listen to the words of our living Lord. We sing His praises. We thank Jesus for His goodness to us. We receive His precious body and blood often in remembrance of Him and for the forgiveness of our sins. We pray in His victorious name.

The risen Christ Jesus is also the center of our everyday living in this world. We’re thankful that Jesus is the center of our living as we remember His ascension into heaven (May 10th) 40 days after His resurrection where He now intercedes for us before the throne of almighty God. As His disciple by faith, we rejoice that by God’s grace we are part of Jesus’ flock as we remember that we’re part of His New Testament church which was born with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost (May 20th).

Hold onto 1 Corinthians 15:20 (ESV). Treasure it. Memorize it. Take it to heart. **But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, alleluia!

May the love of the risen Lord Jesus always be in your heart!

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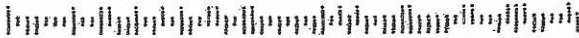


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*Dear St Timothy's Church
Volunteers -*

3-1-18

*Thank you so much for your
generous donation to the YWCA
Footways in January. Our clients
come here having been homeless.*

*The gift of socks, scarves, jackets
and other warm clothes arrived just
as the cold weather became even colder.*

*Thank you for your help. Sincerely,
Margaret Bradley*

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

BIBLE STUDIES AT ST. TIMOTHY

Sunday Morning at 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

We will be studying the book of Revelation next, led by Pastor Flath, in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study –

We are continuing a study of the book of Proverbs each Wednesdays from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This class is led by Pastor Flath. Both men and women are invited to dig deeper into the Word of God with their brothers and sisters in Christ.



You can listen to interviews on various topics, groups, individuals, and more. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

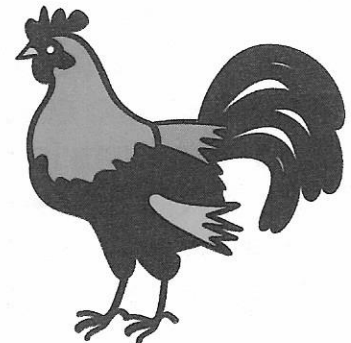
+CHRISTIAN SYMBOL+

Rooster

The rooster is reminiscent of Peter's three-fold denial of Jesus on the night of Jesus' trial (Matthew 26:34, NIV); thus; it may represent faithlessness in general, especially in the face of danger. Be-

cause of the rooster's early-morning call, it's also symbolic of watchfulness: "Therefore keep watch," said Jesus, illustrating the return of the Son of Man, "because you do not know when the owner

of the house will come back – whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn" (Mark 13:35, NIV).



St. Timothy Prayer

Suggestions



- 1) Pray for those without saving faith in Jesus Christ
- 2) Pray for those who are traveling to visit loved ones and friends
- 3) Pray that St. Timothy may continue to be a light of hope in this world of sin and death
- 4) Pray for the spread of the Gospel all over the world
- 5) Pray for a thankful heart for of the blessings that God has blessed you with
- 6) Pray for those who serve in the Armed Forces and in all the other protecting agencies in our land

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." **Romans 12:12**



Article for Newsletter

Doug Spaulding [dcs009@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2018 11:51 PM

This year will be #8 for me working on the grounds of St. Timothy Lutheran Church. I started in 2011 when Steve Wilson quit. I was a downgrade for Rodger as Steve Wilson had worked the grounds of a 14 acre cemetery. The equipment was old, but Steve was a mechanic and could fix it. Rodger could say, "Steve we need to _____." Off Steve would go to start the job. The first couple years, I told Rodger, "I understand the words, but I don't understand the meaning." He had to show me what he wanted done, and even then, the quality wasn't up to the standards he was used to from his crews.

When I wore a younger man's clothes, I worked in the Augsburg College Library. I started in 1982. The following year, another man joined me named Dan Malloy. He had earlier worked the grounds of Augsburg. He said, "Working the library is a HUGE upgrade. Outside it is hot, humid, the dirt sticks to your sweat, and you get eaten alive by mosquitos." Luckily, we have no mosquito problem, but one time some bees didn't like me when I started to trim into their hive!

The LCMS has some strict rules about some jobs. Our pastors and elders MUST be men. Other than that, jobs are gender neutral. When I first started, I looked for a job that was pass/fail. Pastor Patterson said that the Alter Guild needed people to help set up for Communion. I thought: *Well, as long as the wine and waffers are out, I'm good.* Bea Z. laughed at me and said, "Doug, that is the LADIES Alter Guild."

St. Timothy is more labor challenged than when I first started coming at the end of 2008. Years ago, Mel said that if a person could take even a part of a position, to step up and do it. It was good advice, which is how/why I am a Communion Assistant. Rodger, Carol and I are friends, and we actually have a common background outside of grounds. We also worked public education. Rodger wrapped up his career as a custodian after landscaping. Carol was a school cook. I got to deal with the brats in the classroom, but knew that good lesson plans eliminated 90% of the disciplinary problems. Very quickly though, I went to summer school to pick up an ALA-MLS. It was a lot easier working a public library 50 weeks out of the year, than to be in a classroom for 40. A lot safer too!

Volunteering for new positions helps to form new friendships, and allows us to grow as Christians and as humans. So if there is a job that the Holy Spirit is telling you to volunteer for, please do it. I sucked the first year on grounds, I thought maybe I'd quit, but there was no one else. It was year #3 that Rodger would mention a task, and I would think: *Wow! Now I know what he wants me to do!* So, think about volunteering for a new position.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

Our homebound members:

Barbara; Wilma; Millie; Gertrud; Alex

Folks with Health Concerns:

Major; Karen; Steve; Wilma; Charlie;
Shorty; Thirza; Liese

Family members and friends: Bob; David;
Fern; John; Ava; Hunter Rose; Logan; Troy;
Todd; Meryl; Katie; Jess; Corine; Cyrus

Those with Birthdays:

April 5 - Jim W; 13 - Liese W; 14 - Steve K;
15 - Emma S; 16 - Jeanne A

May 7 - Adel G; 8 - Josh; 13 - Wayne C;
14 - Barbara H; 20 - Paige A; 24 - Sylvia R

Those with a Wedding Anniversary:

April 6 - Rodger and Kim R
6 - Mel and Ginny S

May - none recorded

Please inform Pastor Flath if any birthdays
and/or wedding anniversaries have been over
looked. Thank you!

OUR CHURCH NEWSLETTER IS ONLINE

The St. Timothy monthly newsletter and
calendar is available online! To catch up on
current news, events, and see what we have
scheduled in this month's calendar,
please visit:

www.sainttimothy.lutheran.net

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THE LUTHERAN HOUR Sundays

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6:30 a.m. - 880 AM KIXI
7:00 a.m. - 1380 AM KRKO
7:00 a.m. - 107.3 FM KAWZ
7:00 a.m. - 105.3 FM KCMS
9:30 a.m. - 1180 AM KLAY



LWML MISSION MITES

are collected on the fourth Sunday of



every month. Please bring yours on April 22
and May 28.

Donations will be collected during the
church service when you come to the front
for communion.

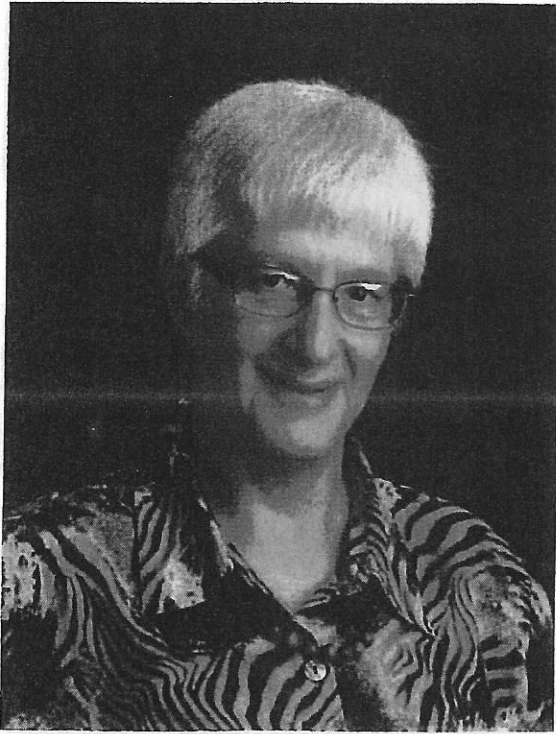
April / May NEWSLETTER

Articles and Calendar
information needs to be submitted by
Tuesday, May 22. Please make sure that
information that is printed or handwritten
is placed in the *NEWSLETTER* mailbox,
OR hand it to Pastor Flath. You may also
send it via e-mail to

stlc.office@frontier.net.

Please let us know if we have missed your
birthday or anniversary. Thanks! 😊

NOTE: The following information is provided by Karen Herrick, Peggy Haase's sister.



Pray for Peggy

- * Ministry with the Children
- * Ministry with the Teachers
- * Health and safety
- * Protection for my family and friends back home

Thank you for your support for my ministry in Ghana. This is an exciting year to come. You and your families are also in my prayers.

To contact me please
email me at;
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God, who is rich in mercy, made us

Alive



with Christ even when we
were dead in transgressions.

EPHESIANS 2:4-5, NIV



LWML Sets 2017-2019 Mission Goal at \$2.075 Million

ST. LOUIS, June 26, 2017 — The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) welcomed 3,471 people with 850 as first timers to the LWML Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 22–25, 2017, under the theme "Jesus Christ Above All." The convention theme was based on Philippians 2:9.

Delegates to the 37th Biennial Convention of the LWML adopted a \$2,075,000 mission goal for the 2017-2019 biennium. This goal, by the grace of God, will fund 22 mission grants as men and women respond in prayer and offerings during the next two years. LWML chose to support the following mission grants, pledging their support with prayers and mites (offerings) given over the next biennium:

1. Providing Food and the Gospel to Starving Children – Mercy Meals of Siouland, \$40,000
2. Mercy House for Women and Children – Franklin Avenue Mission, Flint, Michigan, \$100,000
3. Christ for Veterans and Their Families – LCMS Ministry of the Armed Forces, \$27,750
4. Tanzanian Sewing Center – Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT), \$25,000
5. Current Missionary Need – LCMS International Mission, \$100,000
6. Lutheran Children's Books for Families Worldwide – Lutheran Heritage Foundation, \$100,000
7. Christian Hope Through Mass Media in Egypt – Lutheran Hour Ministries, \$100,000
8. NOLA 4H: Hearts for the Hungry, Homeless, and Hurting – Christian Families United for Progress, \$100,000
9. Lutheran World Relief Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund, \$80,000
10. Christian Eldercare Home in Haiti – Ministry in Mission, \$100,000
11. Training Lutheran Middle Eastern Missionaries – Biblical Orthodox Lutheran Mission, \$93,000
12. Completion of Lukonda Lutheran School Buildings, Uganda – Lutheran Church Uganda, \$48,000
13. Equipping Youth to Witness for Life - Y4Life – Lutherans for Life, \$25,000
14. Laborers of Love – Lutheran Braille Workers, \$100,000
15. Sharing Jesus with People with Disabilities – Bethesda Lutheran Communities, \$100,000
16. Education Loan Repayment Assistance Grants – Ministry Focus, \$100,000
17. Nursing Students Serving with Mercy Medical Team – LCMS Office of International Mission, \$25,000
18. Restoration Programs for Native Hawaiians – Lutheran Indian Ministries, \$75,000
19. RECONNECT to the Body of Christ, Circuit 28 – Texas District, \$50,000
20. Prison and Jail Ministry Synod-wide Conference in 2018, \$36,500
21. Family Scholarships for Short Term Mission Trips – MOST Ministries, \$60,000
22. Raising Pastors and Deaconesses – Evangelical Lutheran Church of Liberia, \$97,000