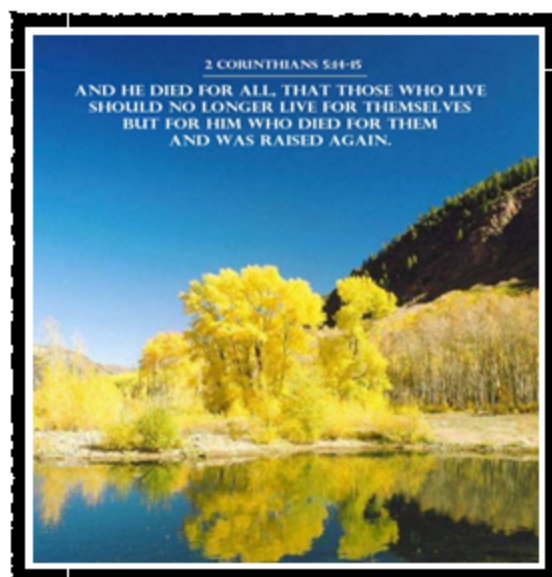


Living Word

Lutheran Church LCMS

April 2013 Newsletter



"Communicating the Love of Jesus"

Worship Hours:

Christian Growth Hour: 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

Living Word Lutheran Church

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Located north of the New London Township Hall on Cty Rd 9 NE
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What we aim to do:
Make disciples for Jesus - as we go, wherever we go.
What we aim to be:
A joyful, caring, Christ-centered family of God.

Question for Pastor...

What makes you so sure that Jesus rose from the dead?

That's a great question, because the fact of the Resurrection is the "hinge-pin" that our faith hangs on. If Jesus didn't rise from the grave, the "doors fall off" so to speak. Christianity falls apart. The apostle Paul said as much in 1 Corinthians 15:14-19

And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. 15 More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. 19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

If the last word on Jesus is His death on the cross, then He is no different from anyone else who claimed to be sent by God to be "the final word on the subject" of how to get to God. (And there have been lots of people throughout the ages who have claimed just that.)

However, if Jesus has indeed risen from the dead, then He can be trusted as being the only One who was really telling the truth about being God's "Final Word." Jesus' resurrection from the grave would serve to validate as true everything He said. (Think about it... do you suppose God would have raised Him from the grave if He'd been lying to us?!) Jesus' resurrection from the grave is the basis for our hope that death will not be the end for us either.

Jesus' Resurrection really matters *that* much! So, here's a sampling of the main reasons....



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Why We Believe Jesus Rose from the Dead:

1. **Jesus predicted His resurrection** (Matt 16:21; Mark 9:9-10; John 2:18-22). so that when it happened everyone would know it wasn't a "fluke."
2. **The Old Testament prophesied it** (Psalm 16:10; compare Acts 2:25-31; 13:33-37).
3. **The tomb was empty** and the grave clothes vacant. If those who opposed Christ wished to silence His disciples, all they had to do was produce a body, but they could not. (John 20:3-9).
4. **Many people saw the resurrected Christ.** They looked on His face, touched Him, heard His voice, and saw Him eat (Matt. 28:16-20; Luke 24:13-39; John 20:11-29; John 21:1-9; Acts 1:6-11; 1 Cor. 15:3-8).
5. **The lives of the disciples were radically changed.** Though they fled and even denied Christ at the time of His arrest, they later feared no one in their proclamation of the risen Christ (Matt 26:56, 69-75). People are not willing to die for a lie.
6. **The resurrection was the central message of the early church.** The church grew with an unwavering conviction that Christ had physically risen from the dead and was the Lord of the church (Acts 4:33; 5:30-32; Rom. 5:24).
7. **Men and women today testify that the power of the risen Christ has transformed their lives.** We know that Jesus is alive not only because of the historical and biblical evidence but also because He has miraculously touched and changed OUR lives.

As the Apostle Paul continues in 1 Corinthians 15:

20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. 23 But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him....When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

55 "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Thanks for asking
Pastor David

Send your questions to pastor@livingwordlutheran.net

Mark Your Calendars...

Saturday, April 13 (10:00-noon)

The Daily Dozen of Christian Parenting



Improving your Christian parenting in twenty minutes a day.

Participants will receive an interactive workbook that is filled with ideas, hints and suggestions to assist in the privilege of building a Christ-centered home.

The workbook is a wonderful resource for parents who may be looking for a positive, interactive and effective help in their parenting journey. We'll learn twelve biblical principles designed to make the tough job of being a Christian parent a little bit easier. Talk to Jason or Sarah Miller for more details.

Ladies Work Day

Saturday, April 6 @ 10:00 a.m.

We will spend the morning putting together weighted blankets to be given to kids with autism. Bring your scissors and sewing basket (needles, thread, rulers) and a sewing machine if you have one. Thanks!

Spring Zone Rally

Women: "Have you ever found yourself at a crossroad in your life, trying to make an important decision not knowing which way to turn?"

COME -FIND OUT! -at our Spring Zone Rally to be held on Saturday, April 27, 2013 Here at Living Word.

(see flyer on next page)

- Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. (registration fee of \$3.00)
The program will commence at 9:00 a.m.
- Our guest speaker will be Rev. John Grein speaking on "Being a Christian in a Secular World".

We will have 2 different ingatherings:

1. Toothbrushes and band aids for New London's local food bank and/or
2. Men's Kit: Men's boxers (L-XXXL), Men's T-shirts (L-XXXL), Men's socks, Christian Tract or Bible Verse to be delivered to the LWML National Convention in Pittsburgh this summer.

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That for a day: Easter is when everybody dresses up for Jesus' big coming out party.

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LWML News...



At our next meeting will be **April 10 at 7pm** where we will spend our time finalizing the LWML Spring Rally on Saturday, April 27 which we will host here at Living Word from 8:30-noon.

LWML-Montevideo Zone- Spring Rally

CROSSROADS

There are many routes to a location...For each of us, the route is different... Roadblocks...Stop signs... Times to Yield...

"Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me."

Psalm 119:133

Which way will you turn ?

COME ! FIND OUT

Saturday, April 27, 2013-Registration 8:30 a.m. (\$3.00)

Living Word Lutheran Church

New London, MN

Speaker: Rev. John Grein "[Being a Christian in a Secular World](#)"

Ingathering: 1. [Toothbrushes & band aids] and/or 2. [Men's Kit: boxers (L-XXXL), T-shirts (L-XXXL), socks, Christian Tract or Bible verse.]

Area Notices...

Growing in Grace at Glen Oaks

Come – Share with us on Campus Sunday, April 14th, 2 – 4 PM
As we Celebrate – our new name:

Grace Living Community of Glen Oaks

- With Benedictine Health Systems
- Along with 50 years of growing!!
- Short program at 2PM
- Displays – Tours – Visiting – Reminiscence
- Punch and refreshments
- Everyone Welcome!

Job Openings Cooks at Green Lake Lutheran Ministries

Green Lake Lutheran Ministries has openings for two seasonal cooks. Responsibilities would include preparing meals for Family Camp and some weekend retreat groups at St. Andrew Village located on Lake Andrew in New London.

Responsibilities include:

- Plan home style and nutritious menus
- Ordering food and supplies as necessary
- See that all orders are promptly and properly checked in and stored
- Maintain food cost as economically as possible
- Cook and serve nutritious and appealing meals.
- Supervise and train assigned kitchen staff in safety, food preparation and the serving of meals
- Provide special diets for guests as needed and requested
- Obtain / maintain Food Manager Certification
- Some weekend work is required

Interested applicants can download a job description and application online at www.gllm.org.

Green Lake Lutheran Ministries has an opening for a seasonal gardener or gardening team at Green Lake Bible Camp, Spicer. Additional information can be found online at www.gllm.org.

Sonya Erickson
Marketing & Communications Coordinator
Office Manager
Green Lake Lutheran Ministries
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Thot for a day: Are you trying to fight today's battles with tomorrow's strength?

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E-Mail Humor

Arguments to Jesus' Ethnicity

My Cajun friend had 3 good arguments that Jesus was a Cajun:

1. He liked to serve fish to his friends.
2. He could make his own wine.
3. He wasn't afraid of water.

My Black friend had 3 good arguments that Jesus was Black:

1. He called everyone "brother."
2. He liked Gospel.
3. He couldn't get a fair trial.

My Italian friend gave his 3 equally good arguments that Jesus was Italian:

1. He talked with his hands.
2. He had wine with every meal.
3. He used olive oil.

My California friend also had 3 equally good arguments that Jesus was a Californian:

1. He had a beard.
2. He walked around barefoot or in sandals all the time.
3. He started a new religion.

My Irish friend then gave his 3 equally good arguments that Jesus was Irish:

1. He never got married.
2. He was always telling stories.
3. He loved green pastures.

But, my women friends have the most compelling evidence that Jesus, though NOT a woman, certainly could relate to women:

1. He fed a crowd at a moment's notice when there was no food.
2. He kept trying to get a message across to a bunch of men who just didn't get it.
3. And, even when he was dead, he had to get up because there was more work to do.

Pastor Ed Bowman, First Presbyterian Church of Waskom, Waskom, TX

WE HAVE NEW PEW BIBLES !

These were given in memory of Geneva Olson by her family.

Opportunities for Growth...

Sunday Morning Study: Sundays at 9:00 am "God's Resurrection Power for His People"

This month we begin a study on the book of Ephesians. The power that God displayed when He raised Jesus from the grave is also available for the church - all believers in Jesus. Join us Sunday mornings to find how that Power is available to you.

Men's Study: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Mom's Study: Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

"Explaining All The Scary Stuff in REVELATION":

Nobody said demons, plagues, and an appointment with Armageddon would be fun, but it doesn't have to be feared-at least not for the Christian. Check out how our new Bible study, Explaining All The Scary Stuff In Revelation, gives both insight-and encouragement to those who follow "the bright Morning Star."



Reminder: Childcare is provided for the Mom's Study which begins at 9:30

Wednesday Noon Women's Study:

"Genesis: The Foundation of the Bible"

Please join us as we discover what God reveals to us about Himself and His plan for us in this all-important first book of the Bible.

Sunday School for March:

We have classes for Pre-school through 8th Grade.

- April 7 Jesus washes the disciples' feet.
- April 14 Many Parts but One Body (1 Corinthians 12:12-27)
- April 21 We Celebrate Earth Day.
- April 28 God's Little Helper (1 Peter 4: 9-11)

Confirmation

We continue our year-long tour through the Bible. This month:

- April 3: No Class. Do your Luke / Matthew "facebook" assignment
- April 10: We'll about our reading assignment
- April 17: Jesus' Death & Resurrection
- April 24: The Beginning of the Church
- May 1 The Church's One Foundation

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Thot for a day: All those in favor of reducing gasoline consumption, raise your right foot.

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Sunday Night Youth Group

For youth (grades 5+) from 7:00 to 9:00

Sunday nights will include some activities, a short study, and some snacks, along with other special things. Please come and hang out, bring some friends, have some fun, and learn about God. (P.S. we will also try and mix in a special event night every once and a while.)

Could You Host A Small Group Study This Spring?

One of our Core Values at Living Word is that making disciples (people who are committed to growing to become more like Jesus) happens best in small group settings.

For example, it's easier for people to get connected to Jesus through small groups. It's easier to get to know other Christians in small groups. Caring happens best in small groups. With that in mind we'd like to "plant" more small groups this spring. If you could host a small group study - at your home, a coffee house or at church, please talk to Pastor David. There are many different kinds of studies available. We can find one that fits your situation.

Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 211

Rev. 13:1-10

The Beast

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LAMB	FOLLOWED
NAMES	LANGUAGE
NATION	LEOPARD
POWER	OPENED
PROUD	PEOPLE
SHORE	SAINTS
SLAIN	SLANDER
LION	THRONE
TRIBE	WORSHIP
UTTER	WOUND
WORLD	WRITTEN
BLASPHEME	

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

MORE PUZZLES AT:

<http://biblewordgames.com>

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April - Daily Devotionals

The Resurrection of Jesus is the central "hinge-pin" of all Christianity. Without it, the 'doors fall off.' But with it everything holds together. Each reading this month deals with some aspect of the Resurrection. Record your insights as you read. God will bless your reading!

Wk of Mar 31 Daily Readings WITNESSES OF JESUS' RESURRECTION

Mar 31 Matthew 28:1-10 _____
Apr 1 Matthew 28:8-10, 16-20 _____
Apr 2 Mark 16:9-11 _____
Apr 3 Luke 24:15-31 _____
Apr 4 John 20:19-31 _____
Apr 5 Luke 24:50-51, Acts 1-2 _____
Apr 6 1 Corinthians 15:5-8 _____

Week of APR 7 Daily Readings: RESULTS OF JESUS' RESURRECTION

Apr 8 John 11:20-27 _____
Apr 9 1 Corinthians 15:12-23 _____
Apr 10 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 _____
Apr 11 Acts 4:32-35 _____
Apr 12 Colossians 3:1-10 _____
Apr 13 1 Peter 1:3-9 _____

Wk of APR 14 Daily Readings OTHER RESURRECTIONS IN THE BIBLE

April 15 1 Kings 17:7-24 _____
April 16 2 Kings 4:8-37 _____
April 17 2 Kings 13:20-21 _____
April 18 Matthew 9:18-26 _____
April 19 Matthew 27:50-53 _____
April 20 John 11:1-44 _____

Wk of APR 21 Daily Readings MORE RESURRECTIONS

April 22 Luke 7:11-17 _____
April 23 Acts 9:36-42 _____
April 24 Ephesians 2:1-5 _____
April 25 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 _____
April 26 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 _____
April 27 John 5:24-30 _____

Week of Apr 28 Daily Readings The POWER of the RESURRECTION for US

Apr 29 Ephesians 1 _____
Apr 30 Ephesians 2 _____
May 1 Ephesians 3 _____
May 2 Ephesians 4 _____
May 3 Ephesians 5 _____
May 4 Ephesians 6 _____

April 2013 - Living Word Church Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 EASTER SUNDAY 7:03 Easter Sunrise Worship 8:15 Easter Breakfast 9:00 Growing in Christ Hour 10:00 Easter Worship w/communion	1	2	3	4	5	6
		6:30 Men's Study "Revelation 15-16"	9:30 Mom's Study "Revelation" Noon Women's Study "Genesis"	Noon NL-S Ministerial		10:00 Ladies Work Day (sewing blankets)
7 9:00 Growing in Christ Hour -Adult Forum / Sun. School 10:00 Worship w/Lord's Supper 11:15 Fellowship 7:00 Youth Group	8	9	10	11	12	13
		6:30 Men's Study "Revelation 17-19"	9:30 Mom's Study "Revelation" Noon Women's Study "Genesis" 6:00 Meal 6:30 Confirmation 6:30 LWML	LORD'S SUPPER DATES IN APRIL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday, April 7th Sunday, April 21st 		10:00 - noon <i>Daily Dozen of Christian Parenting</i>
14 9:00 Growing in Christ Hour -Adult Forum / Sun. School 10:00 Worship 11:15 Fellowship 11:30 Elders' Team 7:00 Youth Group	15	16	17	18	19	20
	9:00 Circuit Pastors @ Wood Lake	6:30 Men's Study "Revelation 20-21"	9:30 Mom's Study "Revelation" Noon Women's Study "Genesis" 6:00 Meal 6:30 Confirmation	6:30 Mission & Ministry Team		
21 9:00 Growing in Christ Hour -Adult Forum / Sun. School 10:00 Worship - w/ Lord's Supper 11:15 Fellowship 7:00 Youth Group	22	23	24	25	26	27
		6:30 Men's Study "Revelation 22"	9:30 Mom's Study Revelation Noon Women's Study Genesis 6:00 Meal 6:30 Confirmation			8:30 LWML SPRING RALLY @ Living Word
28 9:00 Growing in Christ Hour -Adult Forum / Sun. School 10:00 Worship - 11:15 Fellowship 11:30 Spring Voters' Assembly 7:00 Youth Group	29	30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4
			9:30 Mom's Study Revelation Noon Women's Study Genesis 6:00 Meal 6:30 Confirmation	PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY AT 11:09 EVERYDAY <i>(inspired by Luke 11:9: "So I say to you, Ask and it will be given to you; Seek and you will find; Knock and the door will be opened to you")</i>		

Upcoming Schedules...

Scripture Readers

April 7 Kevin Welsh
 April 14 Linda Dilley
 April 21 Mark Fuglie
 April 28 Tammy Fuglie

May 5 Duane Hansen
 May 12 Tammy Wachter
 May 19 Eve Bajari
 May 26 Terrell Abbott

Fellowship Servers

April 7 Linda Dilley / Bonnie Hansen
 April 14 Marcia Welsh / Pam Johnson
 April 21 Wendy Robbin / Alicia Sawatzky
 April 28 Nancy Jo Wendt / Tammy Fuglie

May 5 Tammy Wachter / Sarah Miller
 May 12 Mona Hjelle / Elaine Abraham
 May 19 Violet Dauk / Laurel Iverson
 May 26 Linda Dilley / Bonnie Hansen

Children's Church Schedule

April 7 Mona Hjelle
 April 14 Violet Dauk
 April 21 Michelle Johnson & Eve Bajari
 April 28 Terrell Abbott & Grace Geer

May 5 Mona Hjelle
 May 12 Violet Dauk
 May 19 Michelle Johnson & Eve Bajari
 May 26 Terrell Abbott & Grace Geer

Usher Schedule

April 7 Jason Miller & Bryson Wachter
 April 14 Lonny Robbin & Jason Olson
 April 21 Troy Hansen & Brady Sharp
 April 28 Mark Fuglie & Tim Geer

May 5 Linda Dilley & Mona Hjelle
 May 12 Kevin & Noah Welsh
 May 19 Jamie & Phil Iverson
 May 26 Duane Hansen & Chuck Weflen

Make A Meal Volunteers

April Pastor David Linda Dilley

Thot for a day: Marriage Advice: Being married is a lot like living in California ... If you find a fault, don't dwell on it!

Confirmation Meal

April 3 No Class
 April 10 Pam Johnson
 April 17 Julie Bajari
 April 24 Tim Geer

Custodian

Apr Scott & Tammy Wachter
 May Wally & Elaine Abraham

Elders

Apr 7 Kevin Welsh & Brady Sharp
 Apr 21 Troy Hansen & Scott Wachter
 May 5 Kevin Welsh & Brady Sharp
 May 19 Troy Hansen & Scott Wachter

Acolyte (little brothers & sisters can help)

Apr 7 Andy Sharp
 Apr 14 Lance Sawatzky
 Apr 21 George Arends-Schmidt
 Apr 28 Carson Jaspersen

May 5 Noah Miller
 May 12 Andy Sharp
 May 19 Lance Sawatzky
 May 26 George Arends-Schmidt

E-Mail Wisdom... (received via e-mail)

Jesus had no servants, yet they called Him Master.
 Had no degree, yet they called Him Teacher.
 Had no medicines, yet they called Him Healer.
 Had no army, yet kings feared Him.
 He won no military battles, yet He conquered the world.
 He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him.
 He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives today.

April Discipleship Verse...



And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

2 Corinthians 5:15



The LINK...

April 2013

April kicks off the Link's first distribution event of the year with Just the Basics.

"Just the Basics" provides basic household and hygiene items to help our neighbors in need stretch their budget. This is an ecumenical and community partnership with local churches collecting items and the New London Lions and Spicer Lions providing donations to purchase items for distribution. Thank you! The Link is still looking for volunteers to help with set-up the day before and the day of the distribution. Let me know if you can lend a hand!

Two more, easy ways to get involved with the Link!

- Spring cleaning? Donate gently used household goods to the Link Household Exchange! **Currently, the Link Household Exchange is in need of basic furniture items.** Check out our website for more information on needed/accepted items.
- **Fill out a volunteer survey and get added to the Link email network.** As families have needs, a request is sent out to the network. Some recent examples sent through the network include a washer/dryer and a computer monitor.

****IDEA**Are you a gardener?**

Plant a row for Tuesday's Table guests or for our local food shelf. This is a great way to share your bounty with others.

Who gets help from the Link?

Here's a snapshot:
49% children, 51% adults;
1/3 of the households
were facing serious health
issues or had disabilities

Tuesday's Table in April: All are welcome!

- April 2, 2013: Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church
- April 9, 2013: Evangelical Covenant Church
- April 16, 2013: Faith Lutheran Church
- April 23, 2013: Peace Lutheran Church
- April 30, 2013: Hope Presbyterian Church

Donations can be sent to:

The Link
310 Medayto Drive
Spicer, MN 56288
www.thelinknls.org
320.796.2522

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Thot for a day: Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful

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March 28th, 2013

Dear Family and Friends,

On Sunday, May 5th in Hutchinson, I will join thousands of others in a movement to end multiple sclerosis by participating in Walk MS 2013. When you make a gift to the National MS Society, you support research and local services to those affected with this unpredictable disease.

I have a personal stake in this particular event. I was diagnosed with MS in December 2009. I started a team in 2010 of Friends and Family members called Mama's Movers and Shakers (Mama's MS). I take Rebif which is a disease modifying drug which it reduces frequency of relapses in people who have multiple sclerosis (MS). It also delays some of the physical disabilities caused by MS. I have been giving myself a shot 3 times a week since January 18th, 2010. With MRI's we have seen some of the lesions in my brain and spinal cord reduce their size. Not only do I want to help myself and my support group, but also the other people diagnosed with MS who live in the Upper Midwest Chapter area. MS is a disease that affects the central nervous system. Some symptoms of MS may include loss of balance, impaired vision and hearing, fatigue, muscle weakness and, in some, paralysis. Even simple everyday living skills become increasingly difficult. Everyone is affected differently by these symptoms.

My goal is to raise \$1,000 this year. Please help me reach that goal with your gift. Your donation is tax deductible. If you wish, please mail a check payable to the MS Society and mail to:

Alicia Sawatzky
408 9th St N
Kerkhoven, MN 56252

Otherwise, you can donate to me online at:

http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR?px=7617964&pg=personal&frid=19599&et=0hy2hKCATiLTB79iOZ4IQ&s_tafid=279366

Thank you in advance for your support. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Alicia Sawatzky .
'Team Captain of Mama's Movers and Shakers'

More E-Mail Humor...

GREAT TRUTHS THAT CHILDREN HAVE LEARNED:

- No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.
- When your Mom is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
- If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
- Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.
- You can't trust dogs to watch your food.
- Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.
- Never hold a Dust-Buster and a cat at the same time.
- You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.
- Don't wear polka-dot underwear under white shorts.
- The best place to be when you're sad is Grandpa's lap.

GREAT TRUTHS THAT ADULTS HAVE LEARNED:

- Raising teenagers is like nailing Jell-O to a tree.
- Wrinkles don't hurt.
- Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts.
- Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
- Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
- Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy.

GREAT TRUTHS ABOUT GROWING OLD

- Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.
- Forget the health food. I need all the preservatives I can get.
- When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there.
- You get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster.
- It's frustrating when you know all the answers but nobody bothers to ask
- you the questions.
- Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.
- Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes age comes alone.

Sign up to have this newsletter sent directly to you by e-mail. Send your email address to:
newsletter@livingwordlutheran.net

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That for a day: I just found out I'm awesome. You might want to get yourself tested.

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Update from Jade Dohls...



Once I got back to Thailand, I jumped straight into the ~~Xealot~~ leadership program. We began by attending an urban missions summit with Shane Claiborne. We then headed up to Mae Sot, a small city on the Thai-Burmese border, to work with Burmese refugees.

We were in Mae Sot for four days, and were able to visit two orphanages and a refugee community that actually lived in a garbage dump. These refugees are all part of the Karen ethnic group, a minority that is severely persecuted by the Burmese junta. Many of the kids from the orphanages had just wandered out of the jungle, with no idea where their parents are.

Since being back in Bangkok, I have also been able to bring kids in the Safe House gifts from America! Children from an inner city school in Washington DC wanted to help the kids in the Safe House, so they bought a bunch of toys and school supplies for them.

While I was in America, I visited this school, and brought back their gifts to Thailand. When I gave our kids their presents, they were ecstatic! The kids went wild over their new treasures and felt so good to know that kids in America cared about them.



Congratulations !

Donna Peterson - on becoming a grandma once again!

Please email pastor@livingwordlutheran.net if there's someone you'd like us to extend congratulations to.

Opportunities to be a Friend Like Jesus...

Use Our Make-A-Meal Program

Several years ago we began the Make-A-Meal program as a way to share Jesus' love/mercy with people going through a tough time. **Please use the Prayer and Care cards in the attendance pad at worship** or call Pastor David or Meal Coordinator Linda Dilley if you know of someone who could use a meal as a reminder that we are thinking of them. Thanks!
(Our March Make-a-Meal volunteers: Grace Geer and Laurel Iverson)

Don't Forget to Collect

Toothbrushes & Band Aids...
for The Link sponsored "Just the Basics" giveaway this April. Each church in the area will provide 300 of the items they are responsible for. So, add "toothbrushes" and "band aids" to your shopping list. We will begin 'stock-piling' them at church, so bring them here after you purchase them. Thanks!



Lead Children's Church

We are still in need of Children's Church Leaders. The only prerequisite is a love for Jesus and for His kids. You read a Bible story or Object Lesson, take prayer requests from the kids and lead them in prayer; and do an activity with the kids that reinforces the lesson. Lessons are provided. Please talk to Mona Hjelle if you could help.

Be a Childcare Substitute

We are looking for a couple people to put on a "Substitute" list of childcare providers for our Wednesday morning Mom's Study. (9:30-11:30) Please talk to Pastor

Be a Custodian of the Month

We still need families to volunteer for July-December. A checklist of duties is provided. Talk to Trustee Lonny Robbin and choose your month. Thanks!

Elders Available For Prayer After Worship

God tells us in the book of James (5:14-15), "Is any one of you in trouble? He should pray.... Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord." Our Living Word Elders (Troy Hansen, Kevin Welsh, Scott Wachter, and Brady Sharp) will be available each week after worship to pray with you.

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Thot for a day: Misers aren't much fun to live with, but they make great ancestors.

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Story Behind The Song...

O Glorious Day

The song "Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)" was made famous by the contemporary Christian band Casting Crowns. The lyrics came from the John Wilbur Chapman hymn "One Day When Heaven Was Filled With His Praises" or more often called "One Day" which was written in 1909. The credits for the modern version of the song are Words by J. Wilbur Chapman (1909), Music by Michael Bleecker @ 2008 Word Music.

Easter was approaching, and I was having a difficult time finding good Easter songs to sing. As a worship pastor, that can be very disheartening. So I did what any God-fearing worship pastor would do: I Goggled "Easter Worship Songs." I browsed around trying to find the right song when my eye caught the word "Hymnal."

I walked over to my stack of hymnals and pulled out the 1939 copy of "The Hymns of Praise - Numbers One and Two Combined" from a church in Kenosha, Wisconsin (I don't know how it got to my bookshelf). I flipped through the yellowed pages and found "One Day." As I carefully pulled back page 172, I read:

**Living, He loved me; dying He saved me;
Buried, He carried my sins far away;
Rising, He justified freely forever;
One day He's coming - oh glorious day!**

That's the gospel in four creatively written lines. The verses of the song expound each line of the chorus: verse one describes the birth of Christ, verse two the death of Christ, verse three the ascension of Christ and verse four the return of Christ.

I'm grateful for the Presbyterian evangelist Rev. John Wilbur Chapman and his hymn from the late 1800s. From combining his words with a melody the Lord gave me in five minutes, came "Glorious Day." I pray that it be used to teach the gospel and stir the affections of others for Jesus Christ.

- Michael Bleecker (© 2012 The Village Church)

The full song...

**One day when heaven is filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be**

Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men my example is He
Word became flesh and the light shined among us
His glory revealed

Chorus:

Living He loved me, Dying he saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming, oh glorious day, oh glorious day

One day they led him up Calvary's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish despised and rejected
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree,
and took the nails for me [Chorus:]

One day the grave could conceal him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then he arose over death he had conquered
Now has ascended my Lord ever more
Death could not hold Him the grave could not keep Him
From rising again (rising again)

Chorus:

Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

Bridge:

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with his glory will shine
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing
My savior Jesus is mine

Chorus:

Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

Editor's note: Watch Casting Crowns play this song in a live performance at: <http://youtu.be/KqrqPGt11bA>

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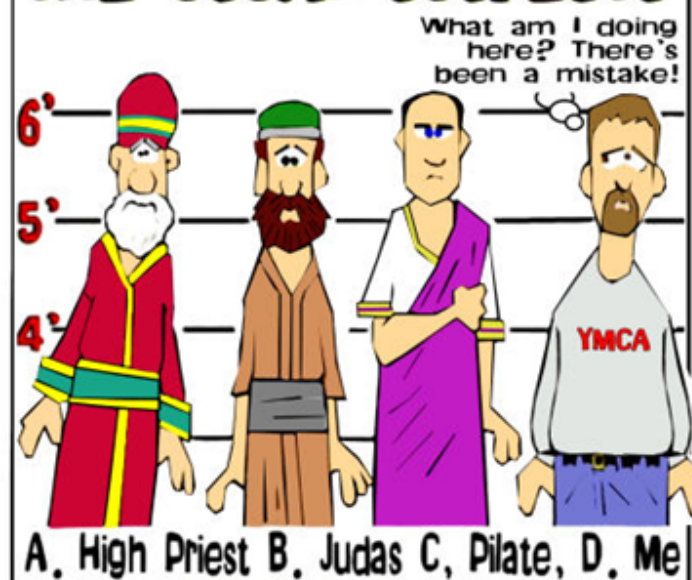
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The Back Pew - Jeff Larson

THE USUAL SUSPECTS



IN A POLICE LINEUP.. Who would be picked as the the person responsible for Jesus crucifixion? The correct answer is E.. all of the above.