

Shepherd's *Voice*

Monthly Newsletter of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church - LCMS

June 2020

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

First Corinthians 15 is known as the Resurrection chapter because St. Paul lays out irrefutable evidence of Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead. And as a result of Christ's resurrection, St. Paul then gives irrefutable evidence that the bodies of all who believe in Christ will be resurrected. St. Paul concludes the chapter with this directive, "***Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.***" (verse 58).

"*Therefore*" is an interesting adverb. First it directs your attention back to what was just said, and then it directs your attention forward to your response. Cause and effect. For the reasons just given (that Jesus Christ died and was resurrected so that you could share in the forgiveness of sins, receive eternal life and the resurrection from the dead) "***be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.***" Cause and effect.

What St. Paul was witnessing in Corinth were Christians who were fallen away for his original teachings on the resurrection. And as they turned away from the truth, they embraced heresies and were introducing destructive ideas contrary to the Gospel within the congregation. So, St. Paul restates the truth of Jesus Christ's death and resurrection and extorts them to remain steadfast and unmovable to what they had been taught.

June Church Events

- 6.9 Elder's meet at 6 pm
- 6.15 Worship Committee 4 pm
- 6.16 Mission Committee 6:30 pm

To be steadfast and unmovable is to be spiritually grounded in God's Word. A steadfast person knows what he believes and cannot be ***"tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching"*** (Ephesians 4:14). An unmovable person can hear false teaching, engage doubters, and defend truth without it shaking his own faith. In his other epistle to Corinth, Paul expresses his concern for this church: ***"I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ"*** (2 Corinthians 11:3). Even believers who had been personally taught by the apostle Paul were victims of deception. Are we any less vulnerable?

To remain steadfast and unmovable we have to know the Word of God. Second Timothy 2:15 says, ***"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth."*** To remain steadfast and unmovable we must not only read the Bible, but take it to heart. Its truth should penetrate our minds and hearts so that it shapes our thinking and our actions. It should fill our minds so that we can detect error when we hear it. The false religions of the world can be persuasive when they quote Bible verses to support their error. Even Christians can be duped by smooth-sounding heresy if they do not have a solid grounding in the truth of God's Word. God's desire is that we grow daily in our understanding of Him and His Word so that we will remain faithful to the end.

Pastor Kriete

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Gifts

Thank you for adopting one or more boxes so gifts can go to children in other countries that have never received Christmas presents. This is a wonderful way to share God's love. Although we don't know who the recipient will be, I ask you to pray for them throughout the year asking God to show them love and to keep them safe.

It costs \$9 for shipping. If that is too much for you, please do not let that stop you from adopting a box. We will take up a collection at the end of the year.

June emphases – Shirt, Socks and Underwear (*store item*)

PET Project

At this time please do not bring any jugs or cans to church for the recycling project. Mobility Worldwide is not making carts at this time. Please feel to recycle them on your own. I will let everyone know when things start back up again.



Congratulations 2020 Graduates



Chester Boren Middle School



Jonathan Gronefeld

Jonathan is the son of Darrell & Alane Gronefeld.
He will be attending Centralia High School in the fall.



Kaelyn Walters

Kaelyn is the daughter of Eric & Kristin Walters.
She will be attending Centralia High School in the fall.

Centralia High School



Abby is the daughter of Jon & Donna Hoek.
She plans on attending University of Missouri
majoring in Banking and Finance.

Missouri S & T

Daniel Hoek

Danny is the son of Jon & Donna Hoek.
He is a December 2019 graduate.

State Technical College

Tyler Smith

Tyler is the son of Tyler & Lisa Smith.
He will be graduating on Saturday, May 30.

JUNE 2020
Calendar is subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 10 a.m. Fellowship Hall Worship w/Holy Communion	8	9 Elder's meeting at 6 pm	10	11	12	13
14 10 a.m. Fellowship Hall Worship Service 11:30 Children's Church Via Zoom	15 Worship Committee 4:00 p.m.	16 Christian Growth/Mission Committee 6:30pm	17	18	19	20
21 10 a.m. Fellowship Hall Worship w/Holy Communion 	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 10 a.m. Fellowship Hall Worship Service 11:30 Children's Church Via Zoom	29	30				

June Birthdays

Amand Fischer 6.7
Olivia Hoek 6.8
Tracy Jaeger 6.8
Claire Hulen 6.13
Joanne Bettenhauen 6.18
Kathy Dickey 6.22

June Anniversaries

Alex & Chris Chism 6.2
Travis & Shelby Banks 6.10
Bill & Judy Mahieu 6.19
Kathy & Kevin Dickey 6.22



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MINISTRIES**
www.lhm.org

June 2020

June 7

"An Undeserved Salute"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

"Blessing is a condition that's true even if you're not completely conscious of it or even if you don't fully appreciate it. Only God can bless in this sense. Jesus, sitting in God's spot on the mountain, speaks for God as the Son of God and He blesses."

(Matthew 5:1-16)

June 14

"What You're Getting Into"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Many of us know what it's like to try out for a team, for a role in a play, or first chair in the band. We might have been chosen first. We might have been chosen last. We might not have been chosen at all. We might have been cut. So, how does God choose His team?

(Matthew 5:17-20)

June 21

"Powered by Touch"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

New Series Sermon on the Mount

(Matthew 5:21-32)

June 28

"Practice Makes Perfect"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

New Series Sermon on the Mount

(Matthew 5)

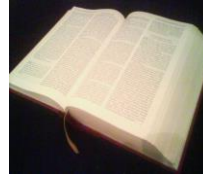
Broadcasting

Columbia, MO

KMCV 100.9 FM Sunday Mornings at 8:00am

Moberly, MO

KWIX 92.5 FM Sunday Afternoons at 1:30pm



June Calendar

- June 7: The Holy Trinity
Text: Matthew 28:16-20
- June 14: Second Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 9:35-10:8
- June 21: Third Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 10:5, 21-33
- June 28: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 10:34-42



Be sure to check "Church Updates" for the latest church news and prayer requests, as well as serving and giving opportunities at Good Shepherd.

Sign up and register at
www.churchupdates.org

Serving The Lord

Officiant: Pastor Robert Kriete (vacancy)

Fellowship Hall Worship



Board of Elders

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Train of Hope

On May 1st, six members' decorated their vehicles and spent about an hour driving to each Centralia church member's home to deliver some flowers with a card of hope. The gesture was to remind everyone that we missed seeing them and look forward to gathering together again soon. *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him.* Romans 15:13



MAY FINANCIAL/ATTENDANCE

May 3
 Current \$ 3,870.00
 Building \$ 130.00

Total \$ 4,000.00

May 10
 Current \$ 1,360.00
 Building \$ 250.00

Total \$ 1,610.00

May 17
Attendance 49
 Current \$ 4,315.00
 Building \$ 240.00

Total \$ 4,555.00

May 24
Attendance 52
 Current \$ 6,165.00
 Building \$ 390.00

Total \$ 6,555.00

Other May Deposits	
May 3	Senior Youth Bunny Sales \$364.50
May 10	Senior Youth Bunny Sales \$34.00
May 17	Missions offering \$20.00
May 17	Ministerial Alliance \$100.00

(May 31st will be available next month)

Current
 10% of our current offerings are sent to Missouri District for missions. The remaining 90% is used for GSLC budget expenses.

Building
 100% of money designated for building stays in

SICK AND HEALTH CONCERNS

Brandy – praying she carries her unborn baby to term; **Patty Crabtree** – daughter of Margaret Parker suffering with a back problem and now has a blood clot in her leg; **Bob Moss**; **Martha Blevins**; **Mary Brechler**; **Susan Harris**; **Jane St. John**; **Wayne Nolan** – stepfather of Jeff Jaeger; **Joanne Bettenhausen**; **Michelle Smith** – Daughter of Jane St John; **Sherry Hashagen** – Aunt of Catherine Simmons; **Tracy Brownstein** – sister of Randy Simmons; **Norma Remmert** – sister of Ernestine Ramsey; **Arla Benskin** – daughter of Mary Brechler; **Mark Ramsey** son of Ed Ramsey. Community: **Misty Williamson**; **Pastor David Hartgrove** and his wife **Cheryl Hartgrove**.

ARMED FORCES

Chris Chism, U.S. Navy – son of Vickie & Eric Chism; grandson of Armand & Barbara Fischer; **Mason Crabtree** – grandson of Margaret Parker; **James Wessels** – grandson of John and Sherry Morse; **Brittany Macklin** – great-niece of Ernestine Ramsey; **Zachary Warden** – grandson of Betty Warden; **Diton J. Parker** – grandson of Margaret Parker; **Thomas Teem** – husband of Margaret Parker’s granddaughter, Kaylyn; **Andrew Butler** – husband of Margaret Parker’s granddaughter, Sarah. Community: **Ray Finlay**; **Jeremy Mitchell**; **Justin Thurston**.

We remember in our prayers the families of **Luther Angell** who passed away on **May 23** and **Brian Flatt** who passed away on **May 24**. Both these men will be sadly missed by our community.



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