

NEWS AND NOTES

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Elders: Tom Kasten and Martin Henneberg

Altar Duty April: Ireta Schwant

April 27 and 28, 2024

Saturday, April 20: 8 Sunday: April 21: 32

THEME OF THE WEEK: He is Risen to Proclaim the Truth "Cantate Domino novum canticum". "Sing to the Lord a new song." This singing is like that found in Advent 3 (Gaudette) and Lent 4 (Laetare) in that all three have an air of anticipation for what is quickly approaching. In today's case, we are anticipating the coming of both the Ascension and Pentecost Sunday. This anticipation is seen in our Gospel where Jesus connects His going away with the coming of the Helper, the Holy Spirit. This Holy Spirit is the One Who gives us the gifts of God — the means of our salvation in water, bread, wine, and Word, given in the Divine Service. He guards us and keeps us in faith. He works through us to declare that Jesus' cross won forgiveness.

We continue to pray for those unable to worship with us who are residing in a care facility:

Onaga Health and Rehab: Cynthia Althouse

Eastridge (Centralia): Janice Loughmiller and Gary Kolterman

Remembering in our Prayers: Otto Zillman, Cynthia Althouse, Joe Harder, Kevin Haefner, Delbert Kufahl, Mary Kay Jeanneret, George Jeanneret, Thomas McKinsey and Francee Kasten

Sunday School and Staff April Birthdays: Emma Rose Leonard, Kamryn Thorson, Harley Leonard Hazel Ubel, Jaime Schlegel, Holden Stout High School: Rachel Leonard, Addison DeChant, Wyatt Figge Staff: Brenda Schlegel

Sunday School staff this year 2024 Linda Falk and Ireta Schwant, Co-Supts.

Nursery, Kindergarten and Grade 1: Jenny Donnelly and Cindy Pedersen

Grades 2,3,4,5: Joy Zabel, Tracy Meyerkorth and Bailey Starns

Grades 6, 7, 8: Brenda Schlegel and Dixie Revell

AS OF March 24: 20 Sundays August Falk and Kody Krohn

As of March 31: 5 Sundays: Donn and William Spevacek 25 Sundays: Rory Starns

As of April 7: 20 Sundays Remington and Westin Donnelly 25 Sundays: Zoey Starns

As of April 14: 20 Sundays Michael Henneberg 25 Sundays Clancy Revell

As of April 21: 30 Sundays: Hazel Ubel 25 Sundays: Ellie Starns

April 28 – Easter V – It is anxiety and fright that drive folks to pursue abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and other measures that view death as a solution. Fear likewise bullies the sanctity of life into silence. But the Lord's perfect love puts all fear to flight (1 John 4:18). In surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis, we and our neighbors need not independence and empowerment but the presence, promises, and compassion of the Father Almighty.

TODAY: Wheaton Center Breakfast...serving until 1:00 p.m. Freewill offering!

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Reneta (Bosse) Fischer (99) who died on Thursday, April 25, 2024. Visitation will be Monday eve here at St. Luke, Wheaton, from 6 – 8 pm with Prayer Service at 7 p.m. Funeral Service is Tuesday, April 30th at 10:30 a.m., here at St. Luke, Wheaton, with burial at St. Luke North cemetery.

The LWML ladies are collecting items for the *Manhattan Crisis Center*. Cleaning supplies, i.e. Disinfectant wipes, Pine Sol, Lysol spray, cleaning cloths, etc., and reams of copy paper. Please bring your donated items to the greeting card room at church, any time during April/May/June.

Mark your Calendar: Church in the park will be the first Sunday of June, June 2.

News from April Voters' meeting: Used chairs: The **brown chairs** leaning against the south wall in the basement entryway are to be given away to church members. Any chairs left as of May 5 will be donated to the Wheaton Center.

Please do not remove the "gray" chairs under the coat rack. They are used to "check out" for church members' use and returned.

As of this week April 21, 2024, the church premises will be cleaned by "Maggie Revell Barnes". This is a three month trial period and will be discussed at the July voters' meeting. However, if you use the basement, etc., please take care of your trash.

The trustees are looking for someone to mow the church grass. Please contact Will Henneberg (785 458 9107) and/or Jason Krohn, church trustees, if you are interested in doing this church property lawn mowing.

Pastor Terry will be at Trinity, McFarland on Thursdays. If needed, please call his cell # 412 334 4280 or Trinity's church office at 785 766 3755

The Lutheran Hour WIBW 580 a.m. at 7:30 a.m., Sunday Morning
"Bringing Christ to the Nations"

April 28 "We Can't Stop Talking" Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)
Jesus calls His followers to undergo transformation, endure opposition, and engage others in conversation. (Acts 4:20)

May 5 "Rejoicing On the Way" Guest Speaker: [Rev. Dr. John Nunes](#)
God empowers His people to share the Gospel with those they meet along the way. (Acts 8:28-39)