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spirit of your minds.

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Faith Friends & Family Announcements and News for May 20-June 2

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please lift up in prayer this week:

- † Members—Lowell Barricklow, Ellen Milne, Darrell Neves and Janice Taschner.
- † Friends and family—
Harriet, Todd Barricklow, Greg Beckwith, Carol Coyer, Kay Coker, Chris Cotter, Terrie Becker, Brian Fent, Allyson, Heather, Erin, Al, Sai, Jeanne Hicks, Emily, Rod Kaschner, Eshwar Lingamgunta, Jenn Leitch, Brian Johnson, Meredith, Jeanne and Leonard, Johnathon Manitta family, Loretta Milne, Bethany Robison, Karen Smiley, Jean Smith, Scott & Lisa Seeley, “Little Zee” (3 yr. old daughter of a friend of Brenda Kopf’s), the White family and Max Whitmyer.
- † Our mission partner congregation—Lansing Redeemer Lutheran Church
- † Those in military service—Jon Schoepf, Lani Yearicks, Landon Belanger Melody and Adam Wright and Joe Galvin.
- † Samaritan children who seek adoption. Pray for each to be adopted and for Jesus to be their lifelong friends

NORTH/WEST LOWER MICHIGAN SYNOD PRAYER PARTNER

May 20: As Jesus calls us to be one, even as he and the Father are one, please include Rev. Rachel Laughlin and the congregation of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of Portage, Michigan in your prayers of intercession this week.

May 27: As Jesus calls us to be one, even as he and the Father are one, please include the supply pastors and the congregation of Leer Lutheran Church of Posen, Michigan in your prayers of intercession this week.

NEXT TWO WEEK'S CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 20th

Synod Assembly

9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Pancake Breakfast & Panera Trip

10:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Car Wash

11:30 a.m. Mutual Ministry

11:30 a.m. Conversation with Samaritas representative about the Lansing Refugee Exhibit in Narthex/Sanctuary.

6:00 p.m. Loaves & Fishes

7:00 p.m. Houston Teen/Parent Meeting

Monday, May 21st

Synod Assembly

9:30 a.m. Meridian Township Playgroup

7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 22nd

Synod Assembly

No Noon Study

Wednesday, May 23rd

7:30 a.m. Men's Study

9:30 a.m. Quilting and Samaritas ACTION

11:30 a.m. 60 +/-

6:30 p.m. Faith Bells

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 24th

11:00 a.m. Dobie Road

5:30 p.m. Golf League

Friday, May 25th

Saturday, May 26th

Sunday, May 27th

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Evangelism and Outreach

Monday, May 28th

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, May 29th

Noon Study in Pastor's office

7:00 p.m. Green Team

Wednesday, May 30th

7:30 a.m. Men's Study

9:30 a.m. Quilting and Samaritans ACTION

5:00 p.m. Final Joyful Noise Rehearsal and Pizza Party

6:00 p.m. Large Tent Set up

6:30 p.m. Faith Bells

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 31st

5:30 p.m. Golf League

Friday, June 1st

9am-4pm Yard Sale: Houston Fundraiser

6-9pm Sanctuary Rental

Saturday, June 2nd

9am-1p.m. Yard Sale: Houston Fundraiser

Sunday, June 3rd

10:00 a.m. Worship/Music Sunday

Butterfly Release

5:30 p.m. Williamston Pub & Grill



Grad Sunday is Sunday, June 10th. If you have a graduate that would like to be recognized please contact Katie Love by Sunday, June 3rd.
klove@faithlutheranokemos.org

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Year-to-date as of 3/31/18

May 6, 2018		Income	\$77,633
Loose Cash	\$ 225.00	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$79,871</u>
Loose Checks	\$ 70.00	Net Income	\$-2,238
Facility Rental	\$ 75.00		
Book Study	\$ 10.00		
Butterflies	\$ 30.00		
World Hunger	\$ 80.00		
Flowers	\$ 25.00		
General Fund	\$ 4850.00		
Michigan Ref. Hope	\$ 50.00		
Parish House Project	\$ 500.00		
Vision 2020	\$ 1250.00		
Subtotal	<u>\$ 7165.00</u>		
Simply Giving	\$ 2406.00		
Total	\$ 9571.00		

May 13, 2018

Loose Cash	\$ 51.51
Memorials- Ambs	\$ 25.00
Flowers	\$ 50.00
General Fund	\$4040.00
Youth	
Nat. Gathering	\$ 500.00
Books	\$ 20.00
Butterflies	\$ 150.00
Vision 2020	\$1000.00
Total	\$6136.51

To help enable independence and encourage important life skills for budgeting and planning meals, we will be collecting gift cards to Meijer and cash donations for the youth for groceries. They have been working on these skills and we will continue to work with them as they move here beginning next week. Donations can be given at the regular offering time in a separate envelope marked "Groceries".

PARISH HOUSE WORK DAY – MAY 19

Rescheduled- On Saturday, May 19, there will be a Parish House work day from 9:00 AM -4:00 PM.

We will be painting the fascia and soffits to get them ready for the new gutters which will soon be installed. We will also be putting some vents in the soffits. Please sign up if you can help during that time.



www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040D4DACAB2EA46-paint



Refuge Lansing will be bringing their traveling exhibit to Faith Lutheran

Church from May 15-21. This exhibit was created to highlight the experiences of refugees and to celebrate the many ways they add to our community. The goal is to create a feeling of empathy, hope, understanding, and welcome. On May 20 during coffee hour, Michelle Haskell from Samaritas Refugee Youth Services will give a brief presentation and Q & A session about resettlement efforts in our community.

**FAITH PARTICIPATING IN LANSING PRIDE EVENTS ON
SATURDAY, JUNE 16**



Michigan Pride which occurs in Lansing is being celebrated on Saturday, June 16. This year Faith Lutheran is participating! We will start the day by marching in the parade which steps off at Noon from Adado Riverfront Park (line up will be before that). The parade ends at the Capitol where there is a rally until 2:00 p.m. We will also have a booth at the Pride Festival in Old Town which goes from Noon to 10:00 p.m.

How can you help? First and foremost - march in the parade with us. Everyone is welcome - old, young, families, singles, couples, gay, straight, everyone! We'll be carrying a banner promoting our church and handing out dog treats for the dogs along the route. Rumor has it that Rich Weingartner will be wearing his rainbow suit again! At our booth we'll be handing out information about our congregation, answering questions, handing out water, and most importantly - spreading God's Love! We'll need some people to staff the booth throughout the day and help setup and take down.

More details will be coming soon, but for now, set the date aside and look for sign up forms soon! If you have any questions, let Rich Weingartner know.

CAREGIVING MEETING –

JUNE 14, 2018 @ 11:30

COME JOIN US ON THURSDAY, MAY 10TH,
11:30 FOR A LITE LUNCH AND DISCUSSION.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

June 14th – Video (PBS special) Caring for
Mom & Dad. This is an hour-long video.



Teen Parents Class

Tara Williams, Youth & Family Intern, will be leading a 4-week parenting class starting Sunday, June 3rd at 9:00 a.m. This class is for parents of middle and high schoolers. It will cover situations that our youth encounter and how you can help and direct them. Topics include eating disorders, suicide, social media and more. Topic dates will be available in the narthex. No Book is required.

June:

- 1st & 2nd: Houston Fundraiser Yard Sale
- 3rd: Music Sunday-release of butterflies
- 10th: Grad Sunday
- 27th: Leave for National Gathering!!



Save the Date: Sunday, May 20th
the Youth Group will be having a Car Wash during worship as a fundraiser for the ELCA National Gathering trip to Houston.

Save the Date:

Friday, June 1st & Saturday, June 2nd the Youth Group will be having a Yard Sale as a fundraiser for the ELCA National Gathering trip to Houston. Your donations to this sale will make it a success!! You can start

bringing in your items starting NOW. We will place them in a Sunday School room downstairs until the Yard Sale. Larger items may be placed in the garage. Please refrain from bringing clothing that this time.

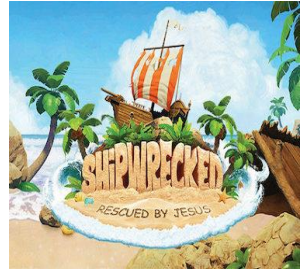


Please see Katie or Tara with any questions.

THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING.
2018 ELCA
YOUTH GATHERING
JUNE 27 - JULY 1

Visit the SPONSOR Board in the Narthex to sponsor a portion of our trip to Houston!! Thanks for your support!

VBS: Save The Date 2018 VBS
“Shipwrecked, Rescued by Jesus”
Monday, August 6th – Thursday,
August 9th
5:30-8:00 p.m.



Light Dinner from 5:30-6:00 p.m.
VBS from 6-8 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering, please email [Katie Klove](mailto:katie.klove@faithlutheranokemos.org) or use this link!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b084daeaf28a6fb6-vbsleaders>

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**BLAST OFF
FOR BOOKS**

The 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering
Houston Literacy Campaign



The teens going to the ELCA Youth Gathering are collecting books for the children of Houston as part of our offering. These books will be handed out at community book fairs, camps and other events around the city

as part of the Gathering’s Service and Learning experience.

Ways you can participate

1. Place a monetary donation in the BLAST OFF FOR BOOKS box in the narthex. We will use that money to buy the designated books.
2. Use the list provided on the BLAST OFF FOR BOOKS table to purchase the books requested. **Please note ONLY books on the list will be accepted.** Books must be new or gently used. On the list there is a link to an amazon page that has all the books listed for purchase.

Please let Katie or Tara know if you have any questions!!

Thank you for your support!