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## The Prayer Line

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*Calendars:*

*April serving us*

*Calendar in April*

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!**

**Monday  
April 27, 2026**



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### God at the Movies...

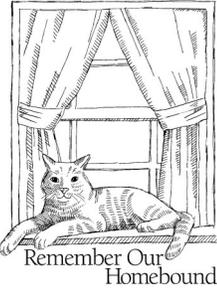
I often don't write movie reviews (especially ones I have yet to see) so this is not a movie review however, I recall a class I took at Seminary entitled "Christ in Film." The class is not so much about the portrayal of the biblical Jesus in modern film rather it was an in depth look at theological themes in modern cinema. An example of this would be the movie Terminator, which most people don't realize is essentially a re-telling of the nativity story in its own right. It is a neat exercise in faith to look for biblical images and themes in some of our favorite movies. Certain Sci-fi movies provide some of the best allegories that often correlate to the biblical narrative but above all what movies are



about is our imagination. The latest blockbuster film "Project Hail Mary" is making all the buzz, a film based on a novel in which all of humanity places their hope in one man, (sound familiar). The movie is sure to be riddled with all types of biblical themes but there is one theme that movies like this invoke, for me at least. As I mentioned, movies and movie making are outlets for man's imagination and Sci-fi movies particularly ones based in interstellar space are movies that bring that imagination beyond its limits. So, what about this has to do with the Easter season. Our hope is in the Lord Jesus, our hope is in forgiveness, our hope is in resurrection, which ultimately means our hope is for a new creation, i.e. Isaiah 65, Revelation 21. So, what does the new creation entail, what is in it that awaits us? We have some knowledge of it based on the life of Christ as testimony from the scriptures.

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Cards, calls and prayers are much appreciated by our Military and Homebound members:



Marion Bogle  
 Marlene Cawelti  
 Linda Crookes  
 Diana Danforth  
 Brian Henderson  
 Doris Martell



Brenton Campbell  
 Peter Stewart

**LCOP Prayer Chain**

When you have any prayer concerns, please let our prayer chain pray for you by contacting: [office@lcop.org](mailto:office@lcop.org)

**Online Calendar!**

Did you know that our event calendar is online so you can access it anytime, anywhere, from the internet? Check it out at [www.lcop.org](http://www.lcop.org), click on resources under the church name. This will also be updated during the month as events change or are added! To update, please email [info@lcop.org](mailto:info@lcop.org).

**Join Our Email List!**

Are you on our email list to have the newsletter and event reminders delivered to your inbox? Subscribe by sending an email to [info@lcop.org](mailto:info@lcop.org).



MEMORIAL  
 — DAY —



God's blessings to everyone on your special occasion. If you don't see your name, please call the office to make corrections or additions. We want to include everyone!

**♥ ANNIVERSARIES ♥**

Tim & Linda Hartnett

**\* BIRTHDAYS \***

Doris Martell

Richard Kuhn

Jann Votaw

Zachary Arnold

We honor birthdays and anniversaries on the second Sunday of every month. If you would like to help with refreshments for those who are celebrating, bring your treat to church that morning.

**Treasurer**

Profit and loss from

July of 2024 to February 2026

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| LCOP income     | expenses     |
| \$228,164.57    | \$252,464.15 |
| WW income       | expenses     |
| \$328,054.75    | \$312,397.01 |
| Combined income | expenses     |
| \$556,219.32    | \$564,861.16 |

Thank you

Terry Vergon

Treasurer

## **Properties Board**

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 13th at 6:30 pm and the next workday will be on Saturday, April 18th at 8am. A big Thank You to those that come out to help. It is much appreciated. On our last work day the big projects were trimming some of the branches on the redwood trees next to the breakroom, fixing some door handles that were causing problems, window washing, flower bed cleanup and straightening up and cleaning the play area for the school. Thankfully we were able to get the cameras back recording to Facebook. It was a glitch we were able to run-down.

Prayers for Wonder Window, our Church and Pastor Dwayne Hendricks.

Properties Board

Donald Votaw



### **Following Christ's Example of Humble Service**

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus gathered with his friends to celebrate the Passover. During the supper, Jesus rose from the table, poured water into a basin, and went from man to man washing the disciples' feet and drying them with a towel. Peter protested, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." Peter relented and asked Christ to wash his hands and head as well (see John 13:1-16).

Afterward, Jesus said to his friends, "If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you" (John 13:14-15, NKJV).

On Maundy Thursday, let us remember Christ's command and his example of humility, service and love.

## **Wonder Window School Board**



If you ordered Krispy Kreme Donuts, please check your email for your coupon. Just print it and take it to Krispy Kreme to get your dozen donuts. Thank you for helping Wonder Window with their fund raiser. With your help, they raised \$700.00.

The kids enjoy a week of Dr Seuss. They had dress up days, fun snacks and creative crafts. They also had a special treat of having the Cat in the Hat come and read to them.

Please continue to keep Mrs. Vanessa, our teachers, children and families in your prayers.

Blessings,

Jann

### **Men of LCoP!**

As we look forward to this spring, keep Saturday, May 2nd open. We will be having our annual Men's Retreat at the Campbell Ranch. You will not want to miss it as it will be a great day of teaching, fellowship, and food. More details will follow as we get closer to the event.

Thank you,

Tim

Please Save The Date!

All Ladies Retreat '26

To be Held:

May 2, 2026

@ Bethany Lutheran

10am-2pm

Guest Speaker-Amazing

Lunch Provided-Awesome

Fellowship-Aplenty

Fun-Always

Costa-A Pittance

More info to follow!

## **SAM**

SAM met on 3/7/26

Items for discussion:

Women's Retreat on May 2 at Bethany.

Planned a meeting on 3/13/26 at Bethany to see how we want to set up room and to have Susan Asche there if we have any questions. Susan will contact other Lutheran churches to invite the women to our retreat.

Meeting with the ladies at Grace for a salad lunch put off till after Easter, sent over the fliers for our upcoming Retreat.

SAM will do the 3/18 Lenten meal casseroles.

Next ice cream social is 4/19 Linda will get with Rosemarys to line it up.

No meeting in April.

May meeting will be on 5/9 at 9:00.  
Sheila

### **A Hymn Mix-Up With a Message**



C. Gray Norsworthy, a pastor in Atlanta, once shared a story about the woman who prepared his worship bulletin. She was faithful in her work but didn't have much background in church hymns. One week, Pastor Norsworthy handed her a draft of the service and hoped she could decipher his handwriting.

When he reviewed the finished bulletin, he noticed the final hymn was titled "Just As I Am, Without a Clue."

Whether it's "without a clue" or "without a plea," the truth remains the same: we all come to Jesus just as we are — and we all need him.

*Continued from Pastor,*

The new world would be one were disease and death are part of the former things that won't be remembered. I have come to believe that there are some things that can be left to our imagination. For instance, I believe the new creation will be one of inter planetary discoveries. There is a spirit of discover God planted in man and I firmly believe that will continue into eternity. Movies like 'Interstellar, and 'Project Hail Mary' can give us a visual of God's creative wonder and in a sense a little bit of the creative wonder that is to come through His Son Jesus. Go see a movie or two and have a blessed Easter Season.

*Pastor Hendricks*

### **Special Dates for April 2026**

- Holy Week Continues, *March 29-April 5, 2026*
- Maundy Thursday, *April 2, 2026*
- Good Friday, *April 3, 2026*
- Easter Sunday, *April 5, 2026*
- Earth Day, *April 22, 2026*
- Administrative Professionals Day, *April 22, 2026*



### **Church Golfers! Come and join us!**

Do you like to golf?

We golf every Friday morning!  
For more information, please call  
or text Roy Eynaud at  
661/340-4521



The butterfly reminds us of new life and the Resurrection. After three days, Jesus rose from the dead and brings us the hope of new beginnings. This simple craft helps children celebrate that joyful truth.

**What you need:**

- Light-colored construction paper
- Card stock
- Glue
- Paint
- Paintbrush
- Paper towel or baby wipe



**What you do:**

- Cut out a butterfly body from the construction paper.
- Glue the butterfly body onto the card stock.
- Use a paintbrush to coat the palm of one hand with paint.
- Press your painted hand beside the butterfly body to create a wing.
- Repeat with your other hand to make the second wing.
- Clean your hands with a paper towel or baby wipe.
- Optional: Add Luke 24:5-6 (NIV) around the butterfly or on its body:

*"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!"*



**LCoP Missionaries' Info**

If you would like to pray for and learn more about them, and perhaps also support them through correspondence and/or finances, here is their infor-

**Jonathan & Carrie Federwitz**

Wycliffe Bible Translators/Lutheran Bible Translators Instructor position with JAARS, (Jungle Aviation and Radio Service). In Waxhaw, NC.

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**Nathan & Sarah Federwitz**

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**Campbell's**

*support & contact info available at church.*

**Rev. Dr. Ross & Kris Shaver**

Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

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