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The Prayer Line

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August event serving us
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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!

Monday
August 25th



What is Going On?

Yesterday I was reading through an article concerning the latest skirmishes between Cambodian and Thailand. The two countries have been trading fire across their border over the past month in an apparent dispute over territory. Until I read the article I did not realize there was any tension between the two countries. This is to say nothing of the other conflicts that are currently being embroiled throughout the world today. One winter when I was in college, I had the opportunity to visit Washington D.C. Our class visited various sites and government agencies and buildings. On one such visit we went to the Department of State building and just outside was a large green and rusted statue of a man beating a sword with a hammer. Later I came to understand that there are several of these types of statues in and around diplomatic buildings all over the world. There is one just outside the U.N general assembly building. The statue is a reference to Isaiah 2:4,



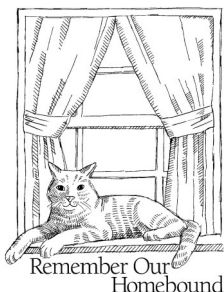
“He shall judge between the nations and shall decide many disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares.”

The oracle from the prophet speaks to one of the promises made for the messianic age, that is the age of Christ that is to come. Peace among nations not only being an end to hostilities, but also a new era of cooperation among the peoples of earth. What were once used as weapons of war and destruction, will one day be turned into means of production and provision. *Cont. on pg. 3*



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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 prayer_request@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, 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.

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.



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 ♥

Michael & Carolyn Griggs

Cliff & Karen Johnson

Bill & Carolyn Schaefer

*** BIRTHDAYS ***

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.

Linda Downen

Shirley Foster

Marge Palmbach

Marie Lehmann

Janet Raasch

John Wynn

Cherryl Biggar

Treasurer

Profit and loss from July of 2024 to June of 2025

LCOP income \$361,804.61 and expenses \$386,246.46

WW income \$454,827.95 and expenses \$438,335.97

Combined income \$815,632.56 and expenses \$824,582.43

Thank you,

Terry Vergon, Treasurer

Wonder Window

July hasn't slowed down a bit. School age kids continue to have a fun summer. They went to Pizza Hut and had a tour and lunch, Dewars of course had ice cream, Barnes and Nobles and were able to pick out a book, splash park, Calm and ending the month of July with a fun trip to the Fresno Zoo. The 2's, 3's and pre k have been very busy with water days and playing outside.

Pastor continues having chapel with all the kids and Tammy has been teaching the kids lots of fun songs.

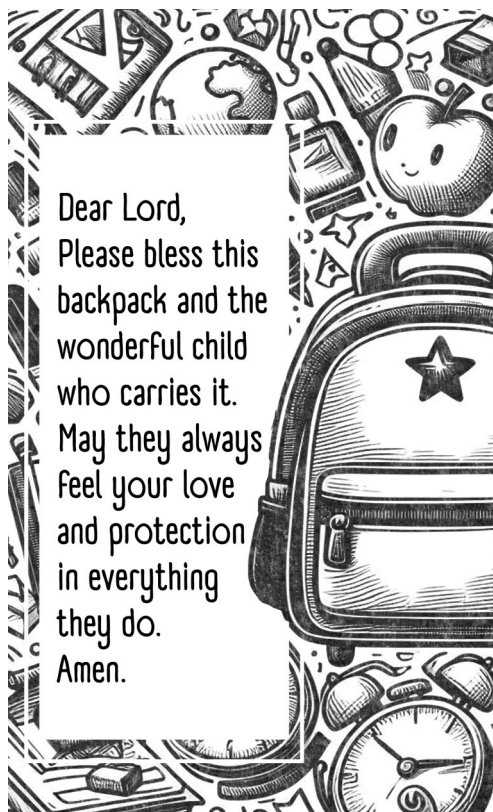
Please pray that we get more kids enrolled this school year. We have room so spread the word!

Thank you for all the donations you always provide and the time you spend helping when needed.

Please continue to keep our Director, Teachers, Kathy, Pastor, Wonder Window kids and family's in your prayers.

Blessings,

Jann



Properties Board

The next meeting will be held on Monday August 11th 2025 at 6:30pm and the next work day will be Saturday August 16th T 8AM. I'd like to thank all the lumberjacks who helped us on the last work day. It went way faster than I expected. Thanks again to our flower bed maintenance mechanic, those flower beds are looking good. Hopefully we have seen the last of the squirrels, We sprayed some stinky stuff (biodegradable) around their holes and in the area where they were living.

On our next work day we will be taking down one more tree and doing all the other things we do normally. We're trying to think of things to protect our van from vandals, if you have any good ideas let us know. Continue to pray for our church and our Pastor Hendricks, our city/state and all Christians throughout the world.

Properties Board

Donald Votaw

Continued from Pastor,

Jesus warns of the last days there will be wars and rumors of wars, this was spoken over 2,000 years. And in the course of that time this prediction has and remains true. I don't recall a time on the planet where there was complete surrender of the nations. In other words, the world always seems to be at war somehow somewhere or at least on the brink of war. Jesus says in the sermon on the mount "blessed are the peacemakers", yes, he means actual peacemakers of which he is the ultimate and final one. So, while it may be discouraging to hear about all the war in our world, we remember that Jesus remains supreme over it all.

Pastor Hendricks

SAM

SAM is off till September, no meetings in July or August.

We had a very large attendance at Tony's Pizza for our dear Shirley Foster. Was such a delight to visit with her before she left to go live with her son. Hopefully soon she can have her much needed hip surgery. We will all miss her smiling face and her many talents as organist at our church for so many years. We all wish her well in her new adventure.

VBS was a huge success for the kids that attended, hopefully next year we will have a larger number of children from our community. Jann Votaw and Linda Hartnett were our leaders and devoted many, many hours of their time to accomplish such a great experience for the kids, while looking at the photos on the bulletin board in the Narthex you can see all the smiles of these kids showing what a great time they had in attending. A BIG thank you to the many volunteers from our congregation that showed up to help make it a success, we couldn't have done it without all of you. Again Thank You to all.

In July we had our first Ice Cream Social at Rosemary's Creamery on "F" Street downtown. I made the reservation for 25 and 42 signed up to come! I called Rosemary's and talked to the manager telling her our numbers had changed, just a little, and I thought she would tell me to take a hike, but instead said she would put on extra help and they would do the best that they can to handle our crowd. Boy was I impressed! They did just that as some people ordered lunch and then had an ice cream dessert, everyone attending enjoyed the fellowship and the wonderful ice cream !

Our next Ice Cream Social is Sunday, August 24, 2025 at 11:30 at Rosemarys Creamery on "F" Street Downtown. Please sign up if you plan to attend so I can let them know how many will be coming.

Our next SAM meeting will be Saturday September 6, 2025 at 9:00.
Everyone is invited to attend.
Sheila

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.

Contact: j-c.federwitz@gmail.com

Support: www.LBT.org

Nathan & Sarah Federwitz

nandsfederwitz@gmail.com

[Payable to Mission Central. Include "Shaver - Dominican Republic" on the memo line.]

Campbell's

support & contact info available at church.

Rev. Dr. Ross & Kris Shaver

Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
P.O. Box 66861

St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

You may also mail a check to:

[Payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or LCMS. Include "Shaver - Dominican Republic" on the memo line.]

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

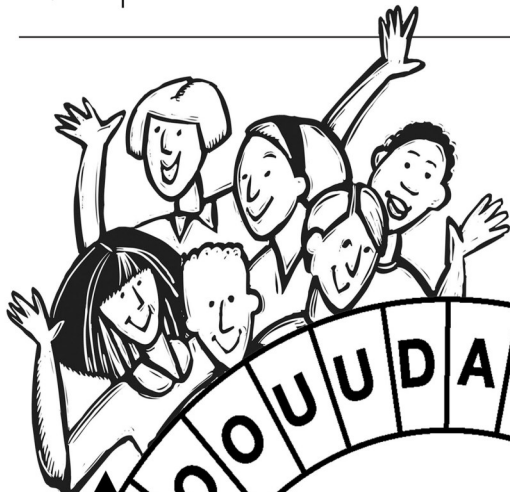
Do you like to golf?

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

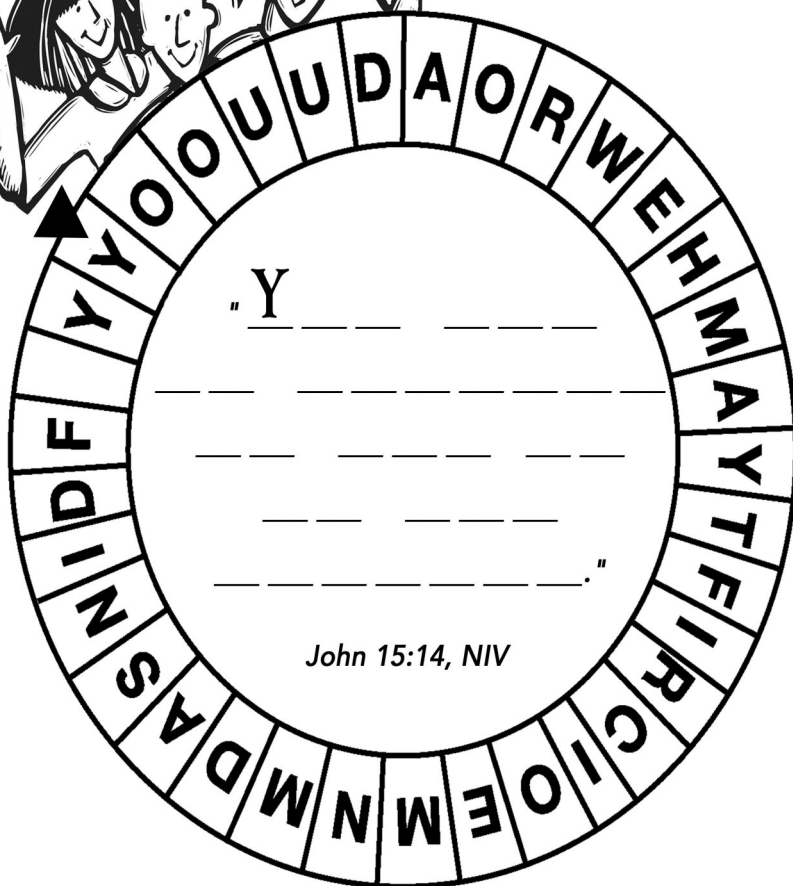


WHO WERE JESUS' FRIENDS?

Jesus spent a lot of time with his friends. Whom did Jesus consider his friends?



Beginning at the arrow and moving clockwise, write every other letter on the spaces below.



Answer: "You are my friends if you do what I command." John 15:14, NIV



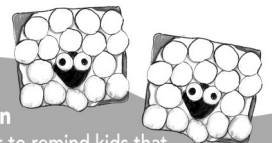
Create adorable sheep using graham crackers, marshmallows, and a little imagination!

What you need:

- Graham cracker squares
- White frosting or marshmallow fluff
- Mini marshmallows
- Large marshmallows
- Candy eyes or mini chocolate chips
- Black gel icing or mini Oreo cookie

What you do:

1. Spread white frosting or marshmallow fluff on each graham cracker square.
2. Stick mini marshmallows all over to make the sheep's wool.
3. Cut a large marshmallow in half and stick it near the top for the head.
4. Add candy eyes and a dot of black gel for the nose. Or use a mini Oreo cookie half for a more defined face.
5. Let kids decorate their sheep however they'd like!



Lesson tie-in

Use this treat to remind kids that Jesus is our Good Shepherd.

