

“Where the Word of God is preached and people come to know the Lord”

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From Pastor Karen

Special Points of Interest:

- Pastor Karen's Article

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“Then Peter came and said to him, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy times seven times.” –Matthew 18:21-22

Theo has always been fond of music. Currently, his favorite song is a little ditty called, “Hand Clap” by Fitz and the Tantrums. What this means is I currently listen to this song roughly 10-20 times a day. Theo can't yet say, “hand clap,” but he has learned the word “again,” which is a very useful little word for a toddler. Not so fun for mom and dad, but I digress. He will, many times throughout the day, walk over to our Amazon Echo, point, and then say “again” whilst clapping his hands. He makes his desires known. And so we listen to “Hand Clap” again... and again... and again... and again... ad nauseam. His enthusiasm for the song is relentless.

A child's affinity for repetition is something unparalleled in adulthood. I'm tired of the song. I would expect anyone else to be. Theo isn't. Repetition isn't annoying for him. It's not tiring. It's how he learns. It's familiar. There's a lesson for us there.

When asked about how many times a person is to forgive, Jesus says, “not seven times, but seventy times seven times.” And the point Jesus is making here isn't a test of our math skills. He's saying we are to forgive repeatedly- relentlessly. Forgive again... and again... and again... and again. And our call to forgive relentlessly comes out of our Christian call to love one another as Christ first loved us. We are called to love again... and again... and again... and again... relentlessly. Both this relentless love and this relentless forgiving are difficult for us. We easily grow tired of it and find it an annoyance. Why should we love and forgive those who don't seem deserving? But regardless of our evaluation of who is and is not deserving of our love and forgiveness, Jesus' answer doesn't change. Love relentlessly. Forgive relentlessly.

So here, perhaps, we can learn a lesson from the smallest among us. Repetition is not tiring; it's not annoying. It's the stuff of learning. And through our learning it can become familiar, something we do without even having to think about it. So let's take a cue from our children- love relentlessly, forgive relentlessly, in the name of Christ.

Blessings, Pastor Karen.

MAY & JUNE MINISTRY STEWARDS

<p align="center"><u>USHERS</u></p> <p>May Stan Crist, Sheryl Budd, Scott Parillo, Dan Bishop</p> <p>June Ken Rinehart, Jeff Davidson, Joe Sparr, Dave Kowalka</p>	<p align="center"><u>LECTORS</u></p> <p>05/05—Craig Hovey 05/12—Dan Williams 05/19—Deb Akers 05/26—Larry Schiemann</p> <p>06/02—Karen Kaufmann 06/09—Wendy Wasnich 06/16—Ron Pagano 06/23—Chris Swanson 06/30—Freda Cook</p>		<p align="center"><u>ACOLYTES</u></p> <p>05/05—Conner 05/12—Mark 05/19—Darby 05/26—Niamh</p> <p>06/02—Will H. 06/09—Cassian 06/16—Mason 06/23—Luke 06/30—Abraham</p>
<p align="center"><u>ALTAR CARE</u></p> <p><u>COMMUNION PREPARER</u></p> <p>May Amy Long Donna Breault</p> <p>June Roseanne Griffith Lucille Vaas</p> <p><u>COMMUNION ASSISTANT</u></p> <p>May Sandy Carpenter Craig Hovey</p> <p>June Brenda Marker Ron Twining</p>	<p align="center"><u>GREETERS</u></p> <p>05/05—Chris Swanson & Sheryl Budd 05/12—Kitty Honaker & Nancy Boyd 05/19—Betty Harper & Lucille Vaas 05/26—Sharon Johnson & Karla Pagano</p> <p>06/02—Nevanka Fulk/Brenda Marker 06/09—Al & Marjorie Poorman 06/16—Dave & Diana Kowalka 06/23—Jill & Skip Hamler 06/30—Jim & Natalie Anderson</p>		<p align="center"><u>Nursery Attendant</u></p> <p>05/05—Freda Cook 05/12—Jamie Spotts 05/19—Susan Fulmer 05/26—Lillian White</p> <p>06/02—Wendy Wasnich 06/09—Kim Hovey 06/16—Chris Swanson 06/23—Breaults 06/30—Filbruns</p>
<p align="center"><u>CHANCEL FLOWERS</u></p> <p>05/05—Open 05/12—Lori Byron 05/19—Open 05/26—Open</p> <p>06/02—Lois Pinski 06/09—Open 06/16—Open 06/23—Open 06/30—Open</p>	<p align="center"><u>FLOWER ARRANGER</u></p> <p>May Diana Kowalka</p> <p>June Kathy Wharton</p> <p align="center"><u>FLOWER DELIVERER</u></p> <p>May Kim Hovey</p> <p>June Lucille Vaas</p>		



MENS MINISTRY

PEACE MAKERS

Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month

May 18th @ 9am.

*Anyone who is interested in wood working
please contact: Dick Armstrong.*

MEN'S BREAKFAST

1st Saturday of every month!

Men of ALL ages are invited to the
monthly fellowship breakfast.

May 4th @ 7am at Buehler's

Come and enjoy good food, good conversation, and share the Good News for our lives. We are on our way for our busy lives by 8:00am

WOMEN'S CIRCLES

FAITH CIRCLE

Faith Circle meets the 3rd Thursday of the month in The Meeting Room at 2 p.m. We will meet on May 16 with Norma McClaran as study leader. Her topic will be the devotional: "From Generation to Generation: Two-Way Blessings."

All are welcome to join us for study & fellowship.

DORCAS CIRCLE

Dorcas Circle meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month in The Fellowship Hall at 1:00 p.m. Our purpose is to knot together 3 layers of fabric to make up the quilts we deliver each fall to Lutheran World Relief to aid people in disasters around the world.

We appreciate receiving flat sheets & fabric to continue this project.

2019 CONFIRMANDS

Audrey Breault

Niahm Breault

Bethanee Bishop

On Pentecost (June 9th) we will recognize our Confirmands.

All are invited for a cake reception following service.

PEACE GRADUATE



On Sunday, May 26th we will be recognizing Will Long, 2019 Graduate with a cake reception following service.

All are invited and encouraged to stay!



Will is graduating from Ashland High School. This fall he will be attending North Central State College and plans to major in Accounting.

Food Bank

Each week, we are truly humbled as our church community continues to *faithfully and generously give* so that we can have the items needed for those who struggle to feed their families. We can't change the world but we can start by helping one family at a time!

Thank you for joining us in our ministry to serve others in need.
God Bless!



May 2019 list of needs:

- sloppy joe sauce,
- jelly
- peanut butter
- ravioli/spaghetti O's
- saltines
- ketchup/mustard
- pop tarts
- granola bars
- tea bags
- chicken noodle and vegetable soup
- graham crackers
- hamburger and tuna helper

Mother's Day Lunch

At Camp Mowana

Sunday, May 12, 2019

Seating begins at 12:15pm

\$18 per adult, \$9 for children 3-9, Children 2 and under free



Menu

Honey Baked Ham & Beef Brisket

Scalloped Potatoes and Twice Baked Potatoes

Corn and Mixed Vegetables

Salad bar and Rolls and Butter

Fresh Fruit and Assorted Deserts

Contact Camp Mowana Today!

419-589-7406 or mowana@lomocamps.org

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

05/07—Greg & Karen Cook

05/28—Charles & Nevanka Fulk

05/29—Ken Rinehart & Barb Schmidt-Rinehart

Happy
Anniversary

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/05—Mikayla Myers

05/25—Jean Boreman

05/09—Becky Gardner

05/26—Mylie Anderson

05/11—Isabelle Sparr

05/27—Kaylin Ziehm

05/13—John Maar

05/31—Sandra Moherman

05/15—Barb Schmidt-Rinehart

05/18—Ivey Buffenmyer

05/17—Sam McCracken

happy
birthday

Birthday Highlight:

May 31st—
Sandra Moherman
Lutheran Village Room#144
330 Davis Rd. Ashland

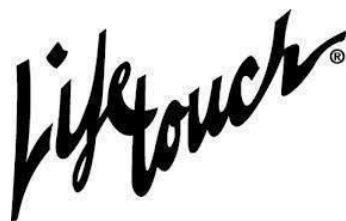
MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 11am Bible Study	3 Pastor Karen's Day Off	4 7am Men's Breakfast @ Buehler's
5 9am S.S. Classes 10-Worship	6 Life Touch Photo Appointments	7 Life Touch Photo Appointments	8 1pm Dorcas Circle	9 11am Bible Study	10 Pastor Karen's Day Off	11
12 Confirmation 9am S.S. Classes 10-Worship/Comm. <i>Mother's Day</i>	13	14	15	16 2pm Faith Circle	17 Pastor Karen's Day Off	18 8:30 am Peace Makers (woodworkers)
19 9am S.S. Classes 10-Worship	20	21	22 1pm Dorcas Circle	23 11am Bible Study	24 Pastor Karen's Day Off	25
26 Senior Recognition 9am S.S. Classes 10-Worship/Comm.	27 MEMORIAL DAY	28	29	30 11am Bible Study	31	



Thank you to all who participated in the 40 day of giving Lenten challenge! In the first two weeks, we had collected over 100 of every item. After that, we stopped keeping count. The giving was so overwhelming and Associated Charities looked forward to our donation every week.—Service Committee

NEW CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY



We are working with Lifetouch to put together a new Church Picture Directory! Our last one was 2012, so this is long overdue. Picture taking appointments are on May 6th and 7th from 2pm-9pm. This is free and with getting your picture taken you will get an 8x10 and a directory for free. You do not need to be a member, if you consider Peace your church home, please sign up. If you can't make the appointment dates, please contact the church office to make other arrangements.

SPRING CLUSTER GROUP



What's Our Journey? God's Diversity

Sunday May 5th @ 4:30pm

At St. Timothy Lutheran Church



IN OUR PRAYERS

George Miller, Curt Hall, Andrew, Jan Harned.

The family and friends of Miriam Cunningham as they mourn her death.

In Our Continued Prayers: *Pat Daniels, Bonnie Wuthrich, JoAnne Offhaus, Sandy Moherman, Herb Heyl, Lyn Sorensen, Jonathan Baltes, David Winger, Barb Colbow, Taryn Wolfe, Natalie Anderson, Diana Kowalka, Pat Hamler.*

Staff Phone Numbers

Pastor Karen Liddy 216-559-3545(Cell)	Tabatha Wagner, Office Manager 419-281-1469 (church phone)
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We now have online giving options. You can make a one-time gift or set up regular giving through our website or by downloading the GivePlus app on your smart phone.

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