The Shorelines

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The Whole World Needs Jesus

I read many Christian leaders of the past and of today. I might have said this at some point in time; however, it rang with me when I read it this week. It came from Pastor Rick Warren, "The whole world needs Jesus."

Jesus said this over and over. He gave us His Great Commission in Matthew 28: 18-20. "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (NRSV)

The operative words are all action words: go, make, baptizing, teach, and obey. Jesus did not make this a suggestion for us. It is not optional. If we are His followers, that IS what we are to do.

Go means exactly that. Get up off your couch and GO out into your community. Go out into the world making disciples. Help people to know and love God, to know and love each other, serve God through ministry, and worship God with all your heart.

And you are authorized by Jesus to do this. Authorized by the one that sits at God the Father's right hand. You are authorized by the most powerful name in the universe, the name above all names, JESUS.

You, we are to go to all people, not just some people. All people are God's children. Black, white, yellow, and red, they "are all precious in his sight." No one is off limits. Go and tell them about Jesus. Don't

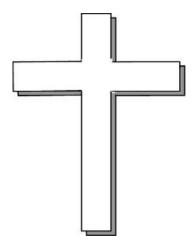
feel comfortable with that, tell them to "Come and See" at Macedonia or wherever they want to go to church. Share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Suppose you had a cure for cancer or diabetes, and you refused to share it. That would be inexcusable.

You have something better. You have the cure for the human heart. All people need a Savior. They need the one that knows them better than anyone. They need the one that hears them, listens to them, comforts them, forgives them, and especially loves them more than anyone can or will. They need Jesus.

Stop worrying about what people might think. Stop worrying about being politically correct. Start being busy with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Start telling them that Jesus loves them and you do too.

Start doing what little thing Jesus tells you to do and watch what Jesus will do with that. Nothing is too much for the One that gave all so that we may spend eternity in heaven. Thanks be to God for sending Jesus to us and for us. Amen.





If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Romans 12: 18 (NIV)

We live in an age of strong opinions, weakly formed. Carey Nieuwhof

The difference between a foul ball and a homerun is timing. Babe Ruth

Your smile may be the medicine your family and friends need today. Arlene Pellicane

Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing. Mother Teresa

The one who gives an answer before he listens – that is his folly and his shame. Proverbs 18: 13, NRSV

Answering before listening is both stupid and rude. Proverbs 18:13, The Message

Procrastination and disobedience are just opposite sides of the same coin. Mary Southerland

A real Christian is the one who can give his pet parrot to the town gossip. Billy Graham

We should ask ourselves three questions before we speak: Is it true? Is it Kind? Does if glorify Christ? Billy Graham

Every time you look in the mirror remember that God created you and that everything he creates is beautiful and good. Joyce Meyer

I don't know (if they were men or women fans running naked across the field). They had bags over their heads. Yogi Berra

The whole being of any Christian is faith and love. Faith brings the person to God, love brings the person to people. Martin Luther

You don't have to learn much out of books, it's like if you want to learn about cows, you go milk one. Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird

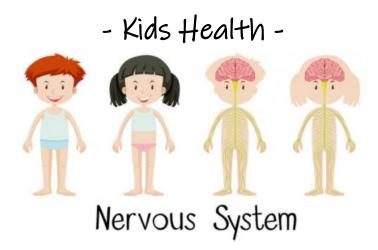
The lesser of two evils is still evil. Solomon

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Jesus Matthew 5:16

"May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right." Peter Marshall (submitted by Edith Hawkins; thank you, Edith!)

Prayer is simply an honest conversation with God. (submitted by Debby Fulmer; thank you, Debby!)

Please send *your* favorite quotes so they can be included here!!!!!



Do you know that your nervous system controls everything you do? Without your nervous system, you could not walk, breathe, or think. Your nervous system is made up of three parts: your brain, your spinal cord, and your nerves.

Your brain is the control center for your nervous system. A typical brain weighs about 3 pounds. Your brain has five parts: cerebrum, cerebellum, brain stem, pituitary, and hypothalamus.

The biggest part of your brain is the cerebrum. It has two halves. Scientists think the right half helps you think about abstract things like music, colors, and shapes. The left half is more analytical, helping with math, logic, and speech. They do know the right half of your cerebrum controls the left side of your body and the left half controls the right side.

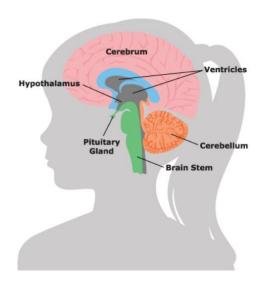
Your cerebellum helps you keep your balance so you do not fall flat on your face. It is at the back of your brain. Your brain stem keeps you breathing. It also connects your brain with your spinal cord. It also controls your involuntary muscles in your heart and stomach. It tells your heart to pump more blood when you are running or your stomach to start digesting your lunch.

Your pituitary gland controls your growth. It is very small, about the size of a pea. This gland is the big player as you reach puberty. That is when your bodies go through major changes as you become men and women.

The hypothalamus controls your body's temperature. If you are too hot, it tells your body to sweat. If too cold, it tells your body to shiver to help warm it up.

Take care of your brain. Eat healthy foods, exercise, and challenge your brain by reading, playing music, doing puzzles, and always do your best in school.

And remember, all this comes from our God who created us and always loves us. GO GOD!!!





How Much Sleep Do I Need?

How much sleep you need changes as you age?

	Age Group	Recommended Hours of Sleep Per Day
Newborn	0–3 months	14–17 hours (National Sleep Foundation) ¹ No recommendation (American Academy of Sleep Medicine) ²
Infant	4–12 months	12–16 hours per 24 hours (including naps) ²
Toddler	1–2 years	11–14 hours per 24 hours (including naps) ²
Preschool	3–5 years	10–13 hours per 24 hours (including naps) ²
School Age	6–12 years	9–12 hours per 24 hours ²
Teen	13–18 years	8–10 hours per 24 hours ²
Adult	18–60 years	7 or more hours per night ³
	61–64 years	7–9 hours
	65 years and older	7–8 hours

Many people report they do not get enough sleep. Not getting enough sleep is linked to chronic diseases and conditions, including type 2 diabetes, heart disease, obesity, and depression. It affects our work and our driving.

It also greatly affects our kids' performance in the class room, on the sports field, and getting sick. A tired body does not perform well and is more susceptible to sickness.

Many factors affect our sleep. They include inconsistent bedtimes, using technology late at night (smartphones are not so smart here), shift work or long work hours, as well as medical conditions. However, with some effort on our part, we can get more and better rest. God designed our bodies to perform and to rest. WE NEED PROPER REST. Listen to your body. It tells you when you are tired. It tells you to watch out.

Get better rest. Make it a priority in your life and in your family's life. God wants you to get proper rest and so does Macedonia.

(And by the way, just do not do it during the sermon on Sunday morning!)

Check out all the fun that was had at VBS Treasured 2021!!!

























Congratulations again to our graduates!



Anníversary of your baptism

Marina Fulmer	07/01/1992
Rhys Miller	07/07/2017
Kathy Meade	07/08/1955
Jessíca Brooks	07/10/1983
Charles Amick	07/11/1943
Sara Crím	07/11/1982
Charles Moore	07/13/1937
Emma Bundrick	07/17/2005
Mary Donna Hamm	07/23/1967
Ben Hawkins	07/23/2006
LaDona Shaver	07/24/1966
Joshua Lindler	07/25/2010
Dovie Adams	07/26/1936
Eddie Fulmer	07/26/1953
Telina Morris	07/26/2015
James Grey	07/28/2002
William Grey	07/28/2002
Coralie Ruff	07/30/2017





3	Kade Livingston	13	Chris Amick
4	Juli Wymer	16	Edgar Fulmer
5	Julie Ruch	17	Emma Bundrick
8	Caroline Ayers	18	Tyler Alewine
10	Dovie Adams	19	John Crim
11	Jan Acquisto	25	William Tolbert
12	Janet Brown	26	Lisa Richardson
12	Tom Longshore	27	Rhys Miller
12	Alex Crim	29	Sydney Willingham

Date	Anniversaries	Year
4	Joe & Judy Kesler	57
7	Terry & Sharon Hundley	42
17	Charles & Terri Setzler	45
19	Robert & Helen Fulmer	62
26	Leon & Meredith Fulmer	24
27	Richard & Freida Koon	64
28	Henry & Phyllis Auton	54
28	Keith & Diane Tolbert	40
29	Alvin & LaDona Shaver	32

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- YOU ARE NEEDED!!! We would LOVE to increase the size of our choir, and we need your help to do that! You do not have to know how to read music or be a professional singer. All you need is a love for music and a desire to serve the Lord through choir! Please join us and help make a joyful noise on Wednesday nights at 7 pm for choir practice and Sunday mornings at service. Individuals middle school age and up are welcome!
- We are holding bible study here again! All are invited to join us in person or via Zoom every Wednesday at 11:00 am!
- <u>CDL drivers are needed to drive our church bus!</u> Please contact the church office if you would like to assist us with this need. Thank you!
- The office will be closed on July 5th in observance of the July 4th holidav.
- The Christmas in July Goldies meeting will be held on July 6th with meal provided.
- <u>Please check your mailboxes</u> in the parish hall! All mailboxes will be emptied on August 1st and the contents recycled/discarded as appropriate. Thank you!
- THANK YOU SO MUCH to all who volunteered to make VBS a success! Every job done by you is very important, and each of you are appreciated more than words can express!



Notes from our Music Director

Hello everyone!

Just a few notes to catch you up on some exciting news from our Macedonia Adult Choir! I will put announcements in our newsletter to keep our congregation up to date each month!

Our Adult Choir is continuing to grow! We have welcomed several new members; how awesome is that!!!! Please come make a joyful noise unto the Lord with us on Wednesday evenings for rehearsal at 7 pm.

There will be no choir rehearsal in July. We start back with a cookout for choir members and their families on Wednesday, August 4th, at 6:30 pm. We will have a short rehearsal afterward.

Also, Sunday, August 8th, Jubilation Choir (ages kindergarten through 5th grade) will begin choir rehearsals on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month beginning at 4:30 prior to Kids for Christ at 5:00. I will continue Sunday School music, but this will give the children even more time to learn new songs!!

Please contact me at (803) 295-1791 with any questions.

In Christ's Love,

Julie

Summary of the May 16, 2021 Council Meeting

The following is a synopsis of the May 16th Macedonia Church Council meeting:

- 1. Melissa Amick gave the treasurer's report. Contributions continue to be strong as we are ahead of budget for now. Expenses are also being controlled.
- Sam Woods gave an audit committee report. The committee reviewed the records for 2020. Contributions were handled correctly and financial controls are in place to ensure proper accounting of funds. The church also has proper segregation of duties for staff and volunteers. The audit report was accepted by the council.
- 3. The Long-Range Planning Committee will be having a meeting in the next few months.
- 4. Youth conducted Youth Sunday the last Sunday in April. Emma Bundrick reported the youth were excited and honored to do that. Council praised the youth for that service.
- 5. Over \$1,000 was distributed to ICS for Lenten offerings.
- 6. Steven Long, Paul Moore, and Don Richardson put mulch in the playground.
- 7. We will have a meal at VBS this year.
- 8. Niches on the columbarium are not secure. We will follow up on getting this corrected.
- New members added were Catherine, Jason, and Rhys Miller, Corey Shaver, Charles and Terri Setzler, Steve and Retha Frick, and Judy Bobb.

Macedonia Lutheran Church Statement of Income and Expenses For the Five Months Ended May 31, 2021

	May Actual	5 Months Actual	5 months Budget	Over (Under) Budget
Income				
Offerings	\$26,544	\$147,290	\$111,380	\$35,910
Use of facilities	100	1,341	0	1,341
Total income	26,644	148,631	111,380	37,251
Expenses Professional - pastor	7,390	41,309	42,688	(1,379)
Professional - worship	1,873	8,697	8,533	164
Professional - administrative	1,971	9,903	9,855	48
Worship - outreach	0	15,205	15,979	(774)
Worship - witness	0	135	771	(636)
Worship - worship	272	2,416	2,188	229
Worship - growth in faith	1,058	1,566	3,333	(1,767)
Worship - property	2,740	14,445	17,975	(3,530)
Worship - administrative	611	4,318	4,225	93
Capital expenditures - property	0	33,317	8,333	24,984
Total expenses	15,915	131,311	113,880	17,431
Income less expenses	\$10,729	\$17,320	(\$2,500)	\$19,820

Offerings continue to remain strong. We have been blessed with your giving. We thank you for that. The church continues to monitor epenses and control them as we can. Expenses would be under budget except for paying the new roof on the lakeshore building.

Since we do not do a monthly budget, the pastor calculated a five month budget for this statement. If you want a more detailed statement, please contact the church office.

Let us continue to give to God with our offerings and talents for 2021. God always blesses us and loves us. God bless all of you at Macedonia Lutheran Church.



Date		Events
1	-	10:00 am Line dancing
	-	6:30 pm Dance Fitness with Julie
4	-	Independence Day
5	-	Office closed in observance of Independence Day
	-	6:30 pm Dance Fitness with Julie
6	-	10:00 am Goldies – Christmas in July; meal provided
7	-	11:00 am Bible study
8	-	10:00 am Line dancing
	-	6:30 pm Dance Fitness with Julie
9	-	Wedding rehearsal of Trey & Mary Kathryn Gardner
10	-	Wedding of Trey & Mary Kathryn Gardner
11	-	7:00 am Council meeting
	-	5:00 pm KFC & Youth
12	-	Lutheroad Day Camp begins at Mt. Tabor
	-	6:30 pm Dance Fitness with Julie
14	-	10:00 am Senior Bass Club
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Your input is very important to us! If you would like to contribute to this publication by sharing your ideas, upcoming event information, photos and/or favorite quotes, please call the office and let us know, or send them to the church office email address – macedonialutheranchurch@gmail.com. Thank you!