



# "THE REVEALER" VOLUME: 46 / NUMBER: 5 MAY 2023

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA

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We, a diverse Christian family, faithful in word and sacrament strive to share in God's unconditional love through prayer, worship and outreach.



## MAY

Saturday: 5:00 pm Liturgy I  
 Sunday: 8:45 am SCS  
 9:00 am Pericope  
 10:00 am ELW  
 Wednesday: 7:00 pm Liturgy II

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**  
**MONDAY – FRIDAY**  
**9:00am – 5:00pm**  
**SATURDAY**  
**11:00 – 7:00**



- 5-1 Addyson Borchardt, Austin Paisar, Judy Wolter
- 5-3 John Montague, David West
- 5-4 Brady Susek
- 5-5 Seth Derks
- 5-6 Jim Kubusek, Travis Paisar
- 5-7 Tom Grudzielanek
- 5-8 Mary Jo Meier, Annie Polster
- 5-9 Sara Jolitz
- 5-10 Sydney Kingston
- 5-14 Lena Jastrow
- 5-15 Karen Bishop, Bob Desmarais,  
Amanda Salewski
- 5-17 Gavin Barbian, Pat Bruss Horswill,  
Riley Grudzielanek
- 5-18 Ronald Rickey
- 5-19 Jeff Serfort, Lee Jastrow
- 5-20 Don Olsen
- 5-21 John Hochevar
- 5-22 Richard Gorecki
- 5-27 Phil Haerle, Brent Mason, Keith Saylor
- 5-28 Emily Ruka
- 5-29 Lillie Goslin
- 5-30 Debbie Krajnak, Clare Thein
- 5-31 Ava Hochevar

- 5-4 Evan & Cassidy Berns
- 5-4 Amanda & Donald Carlson
- 5-4 Bill & Phyllis Runningen
- 5-13 Bruce & Marie Venne
- 5-18 Rick & Gina Wettengel
- 5-19 Karen & Warren Bishop
- 5-19 Tim & Tracey Halvorson
- 5-19 Jeff & Marcia Serfort
- 5-25 Kevin & Kayla Lang
- 5-28 Glen & Janet Mittelstadt
- 5-30 Sean & Stacey Kingston



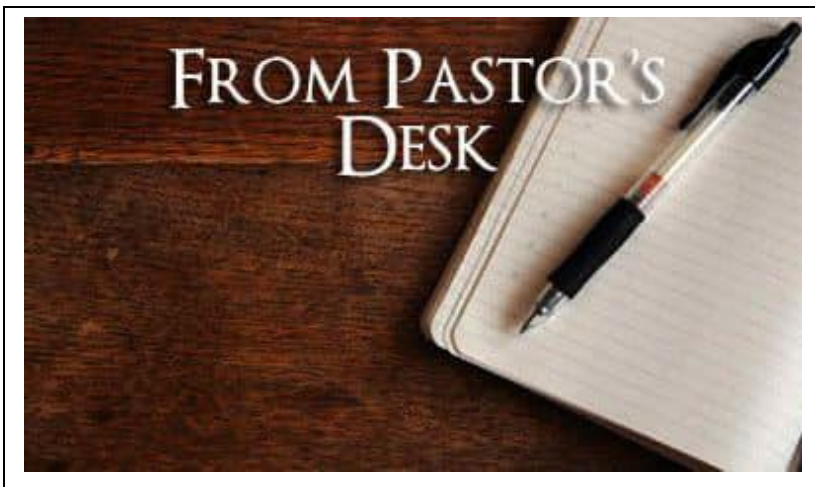
**COVER ART –  
“Cherry Blossoms” –  
Original pastel painting  
by Kinga E. Vnuk**



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This helps insure our files stay current. THANK YOU



## Comment Article: “It ain’t over ‘till it’s over”



In the hubbub of Easter, we sometimes forget Jesus stuck around for another 40 days after resurrection. Apparently, he had more to say and do.

The very first verse in the book of Acts teaches us that the gospels were about “all that Jesus began to do and teach.”

Many Jews of Jesus’ day were expecting “a military Messiah” who would fight and defeat the Roman imperialists and make Jerusalem the glorious center

of the world. There are some hints that the disciples shared that view. Right after Peter declared Jesus to be the Messiah, Jesus promptly started talking about his crucifixion and death. That infuriated Peter. It was totally contrary to his messianic hopes. So, Peter immediately rebuked Jesus. On Easter day, as the two disciples walked to Emmaus and Jesus walked with them and asked why they were so despondent, they explained that the rulers had killed Jesus. Then they added: “But we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel.” They were still thinking that Jesus as the Messiah was supposed to be “a military Jewish conqueror!” Even after the disciples had met the risen Jesus several times, they still asked him: “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

Every first-century Jew, however, knew that anyone who claimed to be the Messiah and then got crucified by the Romans instead of defeating them in battle was a fraud. Jesus had claimed to be the Messiah. But he had failed! Therefore, his claims were false. He was a fraud. On Saturday after the crucifixion, the disciples were probably as angry at Jesus as they were anguished over his death. The Gospels make it “absolutely clear” that the disciples were definitely not expecting the crucified Jesus to rise from the dead. They dismissed the women’s report of meeting the risen Jesus as “nonsense.” When Jesus suddenly appeared in their midst, they were terrified, not relieved, or joyous.

But Jesus appeared to the disciples a number of times in the next 40 days. Slowly, they began to understand more and more of what the resurrection meant. When doubting Thomas (who insisted he would not believe Jesus was alive unless he could personally stick his finger in Jesus’ wounds) finally met the risen Jesus, he blurted out: “My Lord and my God. “Jesus was indeed the Messiah – – and more! At Pentecost, just 50 days after Jesus’ resurrection, Peter declared that “God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”

In the 50 days between Easter and Pentecost, the amazed disciples began to see that Jesus was the Messiah – – and much more. They listened as Jesus explained the meaning of the kingdom, helping them see it was not a national restoration of the nation of Israel, but a new gospel, a new movement, that was to be announced to the “ends of the earth.”

I am sure they did not instantly fully understand all that Jesus truly was and is. But they realized that something utterly unexpected and wonderful had happened. The only way to explain it was to start saying some amazing things about who Jesus is.

And when the Holy Spirit descended on them in power on the day of Pentecost, they became daring evangelists. Slowly but surely, they came to see that Jesus' gospel was for everyone: Jew and Gentile, male and female, slave and free. Everyone in the whole world.

See You in worship!

Pr. Mortenson



**Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and loved ones of**

**Dawn Case!**

**Blessed are they who die in the Lord!**

**Tally Ho, Dawn!**

**Tally Ho!**


 A graphic with the text "Did You Know?" written in a black, cursive font on a yellow, brush-stroke background.

## Did You Know?

- Typically, “Shavuot” and the Christian holiday of Pentecost occur on the same day.
- “Shavuot” occurs 50 days after Passover, which is where Pentecost comes from (it means “fiftieth” in Greek).
- The word “pente” in Greek means five, as in the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Torah.
- This is the holiday that celebrates the giving of the Torah (Law) to the Jewish people at Mt. Sinai.
- So... on The Day of Pentecost in the church year, fifty days of Easter and ten days after the Ascension, the clergy wear RED vestments to signify the work of the Spirit.
- It is also a custom in many churches for the people in the congregation to wear RED on the Day of Pentecost as well.
- What 3 things happened at Pentecost? The disciples experienced a series of dramatic highs and lows – they had seen Jesus die, come back to life, and ascend to heaven.
- Pentecost can fall as early as May 10 and as late as June 13. (I bet you did not know that one!)
- Next year, the Day of Pentecost will fall on May 19<sup>th</sup>! (I checked!)
- The symbols of Pentecost are those of the Holy Spirit and include flames, wind, and a dove. (No, not the candy bar or the candy!)
- Christian Pentecost became not only a commemoration of the Holy Spirit’s visit but also began to mark the beginning of the Christian Church itself!
- Although it is not certain WHEN Pentecost began to be observed by Christians, it may have been as early as the first century of the common era.
- The disciples it is said, received the “gift of tongues” – the ability to speak in other languages – and immediately began to preach about Jesus to Jewish people from all over the world who flocked to Jerusalem for the feast of Shavuot.

*Congratulations*

*to Cameron Ryder Delmore  
on His Baptism.*

*May he grow in wisdom and stature  
and in favor with God and all humankind.*





**Lynn Speaks  
Linda Wood  
Elizabeth Trahan  
Dale & Nina Slowik  
Howard MacMillan  
Rita Cieszynski  
Pam Kahle  
Debbie Maley  
Julie Wishall  
Jeff LaFond  
TJ Jackalone  
Sue Gorecki  
Joe Wiorek  
Mary Manthei**

**Joni McDonald  
Chuck Kocourek  
Sue Duchesneau  
Debbie Krajnak  
Katie Ruka  
Jeri Koss  
Joel Raison  
Ana Rivas  
Kay Thein  
Joe Kotarak  
Randy Meier  
Joe Wiorek  
Debbie Trauberman  
Brent Mason**

**For Bruce the brother of Howard MacMillan...**

**For Nolan the grandson of Val Fogarty...**

**For Sharon Brindle, sister of Joni McDonald...**

**For the family and loved ones of Dawn Case**

**For the Aunt of Jodi Heine...**

**For the family of Doris Templin...**

**For John Krajnak and family...**

**For the Father of Pam Kawczynski, Pam Kahle, Suz Pitts... Jodi Heine,  
Karl Kleppek, and the parents of Lisa Kleppek...For Nicole, the niece of  
John and Sandy Montague...and the niece of Mike & Sue McIntosh**

**For our POLICE OFFICERS, MILITARY MEMBERS, FIREFIGHTERS,  
PARAMEDICS, AND ALL FIRST RESPONDERS, AND FOR ALL MEDICAL  
PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES...**



## Council Capsules

Council approved the following matters at the April 17th regular meeting:

- A motion was approved to allow the Liturgy committee to purchase new banners selected by the committee and paid for through donations from the congregation directly for this fund. The first one will be purchased through an initial donation from a member and will be hung in the entryway and the congregation will be given information about how to donate for additional banners.
- A motion was approved to allow the Youth committee to schedule an early summer offsite event.
- A motion was approved to increase the number of service hours required for confirmation students to 10 hours per year.
- A motion was approved to move the remaining \$2962.75 in the 50th anniversary fund which has not been accessed in 7 years to the parking lot fund. That money in addition to the \$3810 that has already been raised for the parking lot should be close to or enough to get the parking lot resurfaced. The property chair will get 3 bids before the next council meeting, and we will try to get the project scheduled before the fall of this year.
- A motion was approved to keep the confirmation liturgy in 2023 to the 10 am liturgy on November 5th instead of switching it to a separate afternoon liturgy.
- A motion was made to change the hours on the food pantry on the sign to Monday and Wednesday from 10 am - 4 pm with the acknowledgement that if PJ is at church and someone stops by requesting a bag of food outside of those hours, he will provide it. The sign change is to encourage people to come during those specific times.
- A motion was approved to add greeters to the signup sheet (on Sundays only) to see if we can encourage people to sign up to greet both members and visitors.

The council continues to discuss the fact that we still have two open seats on council that need to be filled. There is also some concern about the future of Christian Education if more people don't get involved in the program.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek  
All Saints Council Secretary



**Spring Clean – Up Day  
Saturday  
May 20th  
9 AM – 1 PM**



Confirmands needing “service hours” to be confirmed this fall, here ya go! Come and give us whatever time you can. We will gladly take whatever you can offer.

We have lots of projects to do...windows, inside and out...

Any help will be greatly appreciated!



**Swap & Helping Hands Board**

Are you looking for a used item of some kind or have something that is too good to toss and would like to pass on to someone else? Or do you have a need for some helping hands or would like to offer your services if needed??? Give me your “Needs” and/or “Give aways” and it will be listed in the “Revealer” every month.

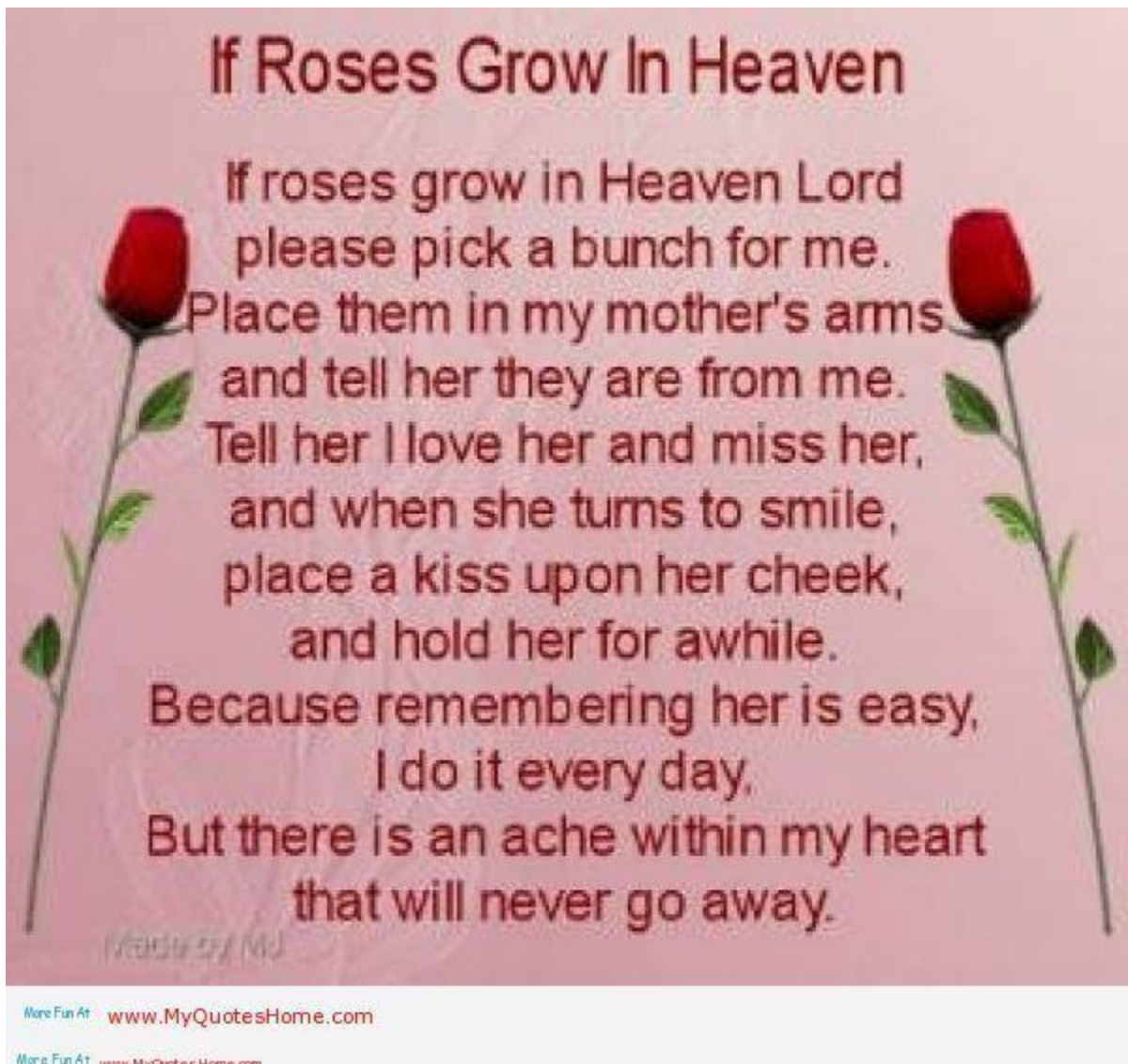
Do not call the church office. I, Margaret Coonan, will be organizing these services.

No monies will be exchanged.

I can be reached at 414-764-3197.

**GIVE-AWAY: 2 middle sized cat carriers**





**Happy  
Mother's Day  
To All Mothers...  
You are not forgotten!**



## Christian Education

The next Chris Ed Committee Meeting will be held Sunday, May 21st at 11:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please reach out to let me know if you wish to join the committee and are planning to attend. There's no need to have children or grandchildren in Sunday School to be part of the committee. All congregational members are welcome to join a meeting and provide input.

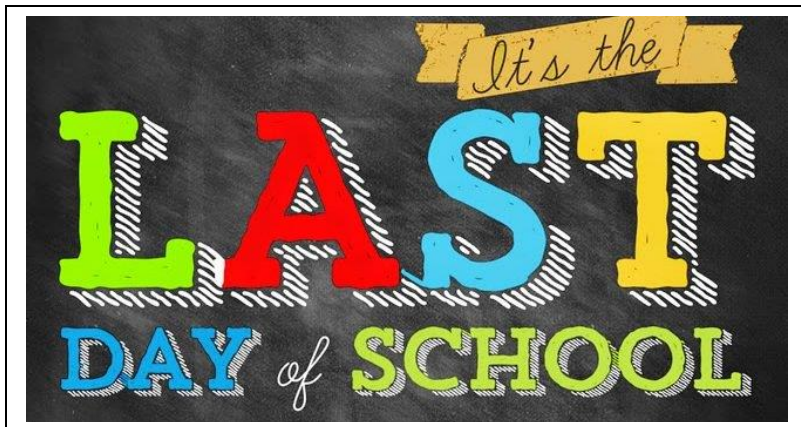
Sunday School – Last day of 2022/2023 school year is May 21<sup>st</sup>. Classes will resume again in September.

As we finish the school year, the two Sunday School classes will be focusing on different topics based on age. The younger class will be spending the last three weeks of the school year focused on the initial books of the New Testament and learning about Jesus' early life meanwhile the older kids will be focusing on the Bible and learning to better navigate it – i.e., finding things by book, chapter, and verse versus page numbers.

Additionally, the Sunday School kids will again be encouraged to support the church's food pantry in May by bringing in the requested items of pancake mix and syrup.

Pericope continues to be held in the kitchen every Sunday at 9am. This is a non-commitment gathering so feel free to drop in as your schedule allows.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue LaFond  
moremail4sue@yahoo.com  
414-897-6354 (text)



**LAST DAY  
OF  
SUNDAY  
SCHOOL  
IS SUNDAY,  
MAY 21ST.**



- **Mary Jo Meier**
- **Daniel Wipijewski (Easter Bunny)**
- **Parents of Confirmands**
- **Youth Processional members**
- **Easter Breakfast Ticket Sellers**
- **Food Pantry gifts**
- **All who support our youth ministry program**
- **Church Council Members**
- **Liturgy Team**
- **Communion Team Members**
- **All who purchased flowers for Easter**
- **The Family and Friends of Eva Brown**
- **Pat and Ken Bruss-Horswill, Food Pantry**
- **Gift Card Sellers, Money Counters, Book Auditors**
- **Sunday School Teachers and Parents**
- **Pericope Members**
- **Kinga and our “special” musicians for Easter**
- **The Choir members**
- **Those who mail-in contributions**
- **Those who watch us online!**



**Pentecost (also called Whit Sunday, Whitsunday) is a Christian holiday which takes place on the 50th day (the seventh Sunday) after Easter Sunday.**

**It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1–31).**

**Since its date depends on the date of Easter, Pentecost is considered to be a "moveable feast day". This year, we celebrate on May 28<sup>th</sup>!**

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**BUYING GIFT CARDS  
REALLY DOES  
HELP OUT YOUR CHURCH  
AND ONCE YOU START  
YOU CANNOT IMAGINE SHOPPING  
WITHOUT THEM!**



**Please consider stopping at the gift card table to see what gift cards we currently have in stock!**

**Our Gift Card orders come in weekly!**

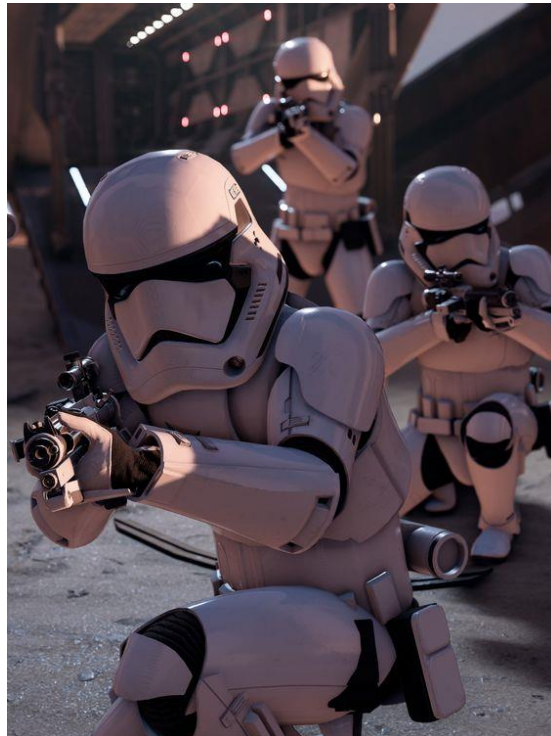
**So, if you are planning on “that special project” this summer – why not consider using gift cards to pay for it with?**

**Gift Cards can be ordered in many different denominations...And all profits go to your church!!!**

**WIN/WIN**

# MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU!

(And also, with you!)





## Liturgy Committee –

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April showers bring May flowers!

It sure was a beautiful week to finish up the Lenten season and begin the Easter season! Such perfect weather! And all the beautiful flowers for Easter Garden! So lovely to see!

I would like to send a HUGE THANK YOU to the members of your liturgy committee! They really came together and put on some spectacular displays for Holy Week and Easter!

**Thank you, *Lisa Kleppek, Margaret Coonan, Joy Kubusek, Diane Hogan, and Mary Zahn.* You All really Rock! I am so grateful for each of you!**

Thank you to our council members for all your help with all of this! Your support is much appreciated!

Many Thanks are also extended to the Youth Group! Processionals at 2 liturgies!  
*Addyson Borchardt, Clare Thein, Kobi Maley, Tyler Roslawski, Ben Lafond, Sydney Lafond, Paxton Polster, Brodie Burke, Rorrie Lang, and Samara Lang.*

Thank you! Your presence and work are so very important to our liturgies and greatly appreciated.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the stripping of the church on Thursday; *Lisa and Karl, Brian and Lori, Jim and Joy, Dennis and family, Tim for making the dolly to roll out the altar and everyone else who was there and helped (but didn't put their name on the sign-up sheet)!!*

Thanks to *Lisa, Brittany, Luke, and Dennis* for allowing PJ to wash their feet!

Thank you, *Brian*, for carrying the cross in on Friday, and thank you to *Dennis and PJ* for the nail sound effects.

The following people have stepped up, multiple times each, to read the lessons during liturgies between March 22 and April 12.

Special Thank You goes out to *Greg, Cyndi, Rosemary, Richard, Barb, Kathy, Kinga, Helen, Lisa, Margaret, Jasmine, Dan, Jodi, Lynn, Derk, Mary, Dale, Scott, Steve, Elaine, Wally, David, Peggy, and Dennis* (who also took on that long Psalm 22 on Maundy Thursday)!

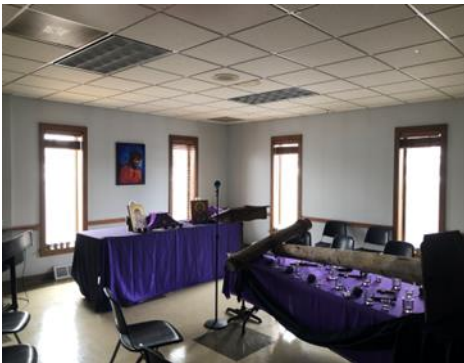
Also, Thank You to *Joy, Sue, the Rathmanns, Margaret, Elaine, Jackson, Jack, Linda, TJ, Steve, and Sara* for your help with the recently added ushering and communion assistant jobs.

Thank you to PJ for your thought provoking messages and for holding Pericope Sunday mornings! It could not have been done without you all!



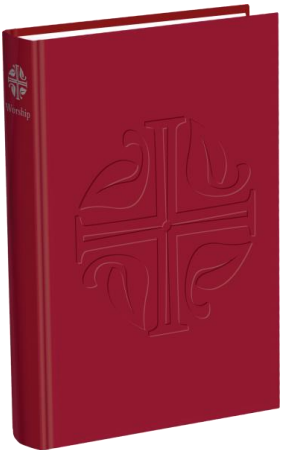
If you would like to check out our committee and see if it might be something you would be interested in helping with, please do not hesitate to contact me or just show up at one of our meetings! You can find the dates and times listed at the end of the Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes posted on the bulletin board.

Many thanks,  
Jayne Murnane









## ELW Red Book Hymnals available in the Church Office

**\$31.00 each**

**ATTENTION!!!**

### 2023 DONATION CHART

Our 2023 Donation Chart for flowers, candles and bulletins is now posted on the bulletin board in the ASLC Informative Board.

We have **A LOT!!!** of openings available.

Please, take a look, and sign up.

- Bulletin cost is \$15;  
Memorial/Honor Candle is \$8.

Flowers need to be ordered on your own and need to be on the Sanctuary Altar before 5:00 pm on Saturday evening.

Please help out All Saints by donating those items.

Your help is greatly appreciated! God bless you!

## THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

In our daily lives we keep track of our activities and special events with a calendar. The church throughout the centuries has also “kept track” of days and seasons and commemorating special occasions with a calendar.

The Christian church has continued to follow the example set in the Hebrew Bible of structuring the year around the marvelous acts of salvation that God completed for us in his Son, Christ.

We call this structure “the Church Year.”

The church year calendar is organized into three sections: Sundays and seasons, feasts and festivals, and commemorations.

The seasons of the church year are marked by certain liturgical colors.

**THE LONGEST SEASON OF THE CHURCH YEAR – IS PENTECOST!**



The color is green seemingly forever!







*The Most Important Person*  
ON EARTH IS  
*A Mother*

SHE CANNOT CLAIM THE HONOR OF HAVING BUILT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL. SHE NEED NOT. SHE HAS BUILT SOMETHING MORE MAGNIFICENT THAN ANY CATHEDRAL: A DWELLING FOR AN IMMORTAL SOUL, THE TINY PERFECTION OF HER BABY'S BODY.

THE ANGELS HAVE NOT BEEN BLESSED WITH SUCH A GRACE. THEY CANNOT SHARE IN GOD'S CREATIVE MIRACLE TO BRING NEW SAINTS TO HEAVEN.

ONLY A HUMAN MOTHER CAN.

MOTHERS ARE CLOSER TO GOD THE CREATOR THAN ANY OTHER CREATURE; GOD JOINS FORCES WITH MOTHERS IN PERFORMING THIS ACT OF CREATION.

WHAT ON GOD'S GOOD EARTH IS MORE GLORIOUS THAN THIS: TO BE A MOTHER?

JOSEPH CARDINAL MINDSZENTY



Property  
Committee



## Property

Spring has sprung and new growth is fast approaching. ASLC has a substantial amount of interior and exterior property items that need to be addressed in the spring, during the summer, and the Fall. Unless we have all hands on deck for each of these, we will have to pay someone to do it. Our spring Clean Up is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm. Scheduled to Mulch remaining or thinly mulched trees, Plant Flowers, Weed all Gardens/Flower Beds on Church Property, Sweep Front Entry walk, Wash All windows inside and out, place hoses were needed, fill gas cans for mowing, Drop any small dead trees, Weed, and trim where needed, Clean Boiler Room, Put necessary items in shed, General police of the property to remove trash or debris. A list of these necessary items will be posted for signup on the bulletin board, or you could just show up and help. There will also be a signup sheet for Grass Cutting throughout the summer.

David  
CPIC of Property

## WISH LIST

(If you think of it, when you are out and about!)



It's not easy showing White Kitchen bags on white paper! And "D" Cell batteries!



Thanks for thinking of us!



**Memorial Day (originally known as Decoration Day) is a federal holiday in the United States for honoring and mourning the U.S. military personnel who have died while serving in the United States armed forces.**

**It is observed on the last Monday of May.**

**From 1868 to 1970, it was observed on May 30.**

**Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day to honor and mourn those who died while serving in the U.S. military.**

**Many volunteers place American flags on the graves of military personnel in national cemeteries.**

**Memorial Day is also considered the unofficial beginning of summer in the United States.**

**It's more than just an extended weekend!**



## ***Moriah Joy Says...***

No matter what you say, “The Easter Breakfast” has the best breakfast sausages around. I can attest to it. I actually managed to finagle two this year...the first one was well deserved because I was such a good dog during the 8:00 Liturgy. Not a “peep” out of me (pun intended.)

That is, until I met the Easter Bunny. He was big. He was tall. He seemed nice enough! But you have to understand, it was “my first encounter” with the Easter Bunny ever! So, I barked. And I barked. I barked a lot. I didn’t care who heard me! I barked at the Easter Bunny. (Sorry!) Is that even allowed?

But before Breakfast was over, the Easter Bunny stole my heart. He gave me a second breakfast sausage and we became immediately “best friends!”

Just for the record, if you too, would like to be my best friend (hint, hint) all it takes is a breakfast sausage and we will besties forever!

Which goes to prove the old adage, it is the little things in life that truly matter...like breakfast sausages. Happy Easter, Everybody! Is there such a thing as a “Pentecost Breakfast” ... I am asking for a friend...



Is there anything better than a home-grown (Wisconsin) meaty, hearty tomato? The flavor, the taste, the juiciness...they make the best BLT sandwiches anywhere. Add them to your salad! So good! Such a summertime in Wisconsin kind-of-memory! We have plants available in the fellowship hall. Grab a plant, make a donation. Just make sure the envelope is clearly marked "TOMATO PLANT." Then take your baby home and give it lots of tlc (tender loving care), sunlight and watering are a must!

You know you want your very own plant....



There is still room in the back '40 for a few more memorial trees or trees given in honor of a loved one. Consider a tree for someone you love! Call the church office for more details...or call Trees on the Move directly. 1-262-679-5200 All of our trees are from there...

The church office number is 414-762-5111.

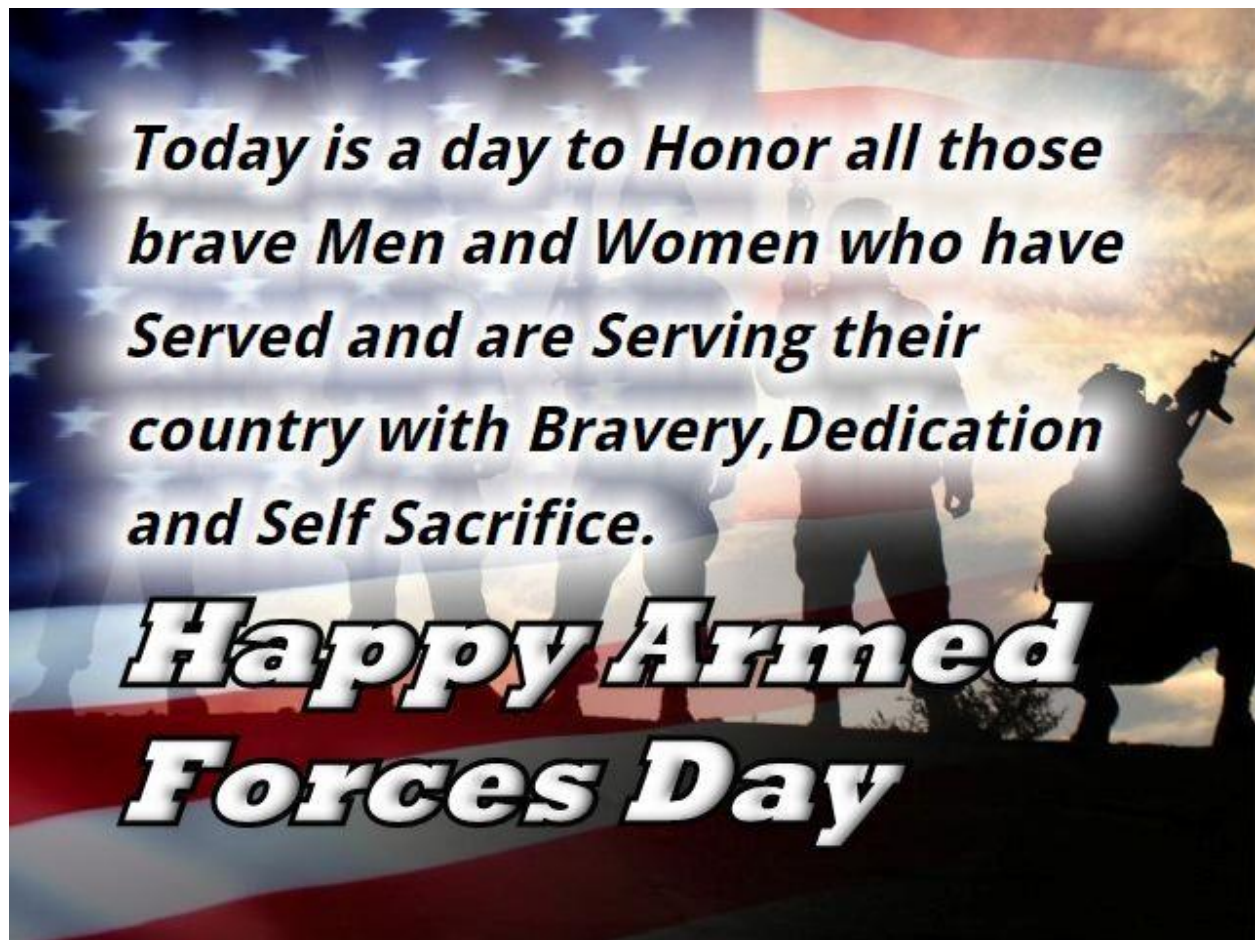


# HISTORY OF NATIONAL ARMED FORCES DAY

The history of the United States Armed Forces spans over two centuries. The United States rapidly evolved from being a new nation fighting for independence against Great Britain between 1775 and 1783 to fighting in the landmark American Civil War from 1861 to 1865, to proving their valor and strength during World War II, and finally emerging as a world superpower towards the end of the 20th century. The U.S. armed forces comprise five branches of the military: the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. (A sixth branch has now been added, The Space Force)

The origin of the United States Army dates back to 1775 when the Continental Congress established the Continental Army, Continental Navy, and Continental Marines, commanded and led by General George Washington. This newly assembled military force fought the British during the American Revolutionary War with French soldiers by its side, leading to the Treaty of Paris and its independence. In 1789, the new Constitution delegated the president as the commander in chief of the military, with the authority to create laws, levy taxes, and declare war.





Ever since its formation, the primary responsibility of the Army division of the Armed Forces is to fight battles on land and deploy the military for takeover. The United States Army Corps of Engineers mainly control the rivers of inland America. Following the war against the British Army, the U.S. Army was still relatively small and operating in peacetime. This changed in the 1940s when the Air Force became a completely separate unit outside of the Army Air Forces. In 1947, control of the U.S. Army switched over from the War Department to the Defense Department.

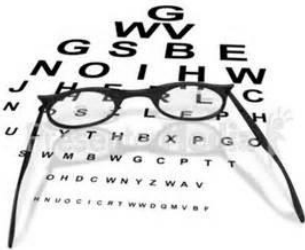
The major wars that the U.S. Army participated in were the Indian Wars of the 1790s, the War of 1812, the American Civil War in 1861, the Spanish-American War of 1898, World Wars I and II in 1917 and 1941 respectively, the Korean War in 1950, and the Vietnam War in 1965. The U.S. military also took part in the Gulf War in 1991 and the war in Afghanistan.

As of 2019, the Armed Forces of America fall under the command of the Department of Defense and the Coast Guard, which is authorized by the Department of Homeland Security. Can you tell I like history?

## Information for your reference.....

### **Note on Hospitalizations...**

Federal Law restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals. Therefore, if you are hospitalized and want the Pastor to know, it is important for you or the family to give us a call, as soon as possible. Church Office at 762-5111, P.J.'s private line at 762-6101 or his cell at 414-276-2788.



### **Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids Wanted**

All Saints is working with the Lion's Club to collect eyeglasses and hearing aids, which can be recycled for those in need. Pass the word to friends and relatives, too. A drop box is located in the entryway.

Lions Club of Oak Creek extends a Thank You to all who have been contributing to their cause. The response has been great and much appreciated.

### **Can I or A Family Member Have a Church Funeral?**

This is a question that arises quite frequently by non-members or Members with non-member family. The answer is not always an easy one but, the only people eligible for a funeral held at All Saints are Members of All Saints. P.J. will only do immediate family funerals for Members of All Saints at his discretion and only at the Funeral Home and not the Church.



### **Wine or Grape Juice, Gluten free wafers?**

Are you aware that both wine and grape juice are available on each communion tray? The grape juice is always in the center glasses. If you wish to have grape juice all you need to do is, ask the communion assistant and it will be given.

We also have gluten free wafers available, but you need to let Pj know before the liturgy if you wish them available for communion.



### **The Ascension of Our Lord**

**Forty days from the day He rose from the grave, Jesus ascended into heaven. Here is how Luke described the event:**

**Therefore, when they the disciples and the risen Christ had come together, they asked Him saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"**

**And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**

**"Now when he had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up and a cloud received Him out of their sight..."**

**Because the date of Easter varies from year to year, the celebration of the Ascension moves with it. It always falls on the fortieth day from Easter and, since Easter always falls on a Sunday, Ascension Day always falls on a Thursday; it is frequently called "Holy Thursday."**

**Ascension Day celebrates Christ's exaltation. While on earth, He was a servant. Now in heaven, He is the ruler and Lord of all. By entering heaven as the representative of mankind, He completed the work of our salvation and guarantees the eventual glorification of all who love Him.**



# SPRING CRAFT FAIR THANK YOU!!!

We made \$8,228 at the Spring Craft Fair. We had nearly \$1000 of scrip cards donated and used for raffle prizes. Raffle raised \$3,330 (a record high). The bakery raised \$2,156. The bakery team baked 80 individual sized pies, and 8 large pies in 2 days (with only 5 people volunteering). Imagine what we could do with 10 people volunteering here! Kitchen raised \$1,341. More money was raised with the online auction, silent auction for the Quilt made by All Saints Quilting Guild, and crafter table rentals.

I'd like to thank the people that volunteered with set-up, and clean up, in the kitchen, bakery, greeting, and raffle areas. All the people who baked, donated food, prepared the turkey, BBQ, and beans, donated raffle prizes, and shopped at the craft fair. It was appreciated, and you are the ones who really raised the funds for the church.

I'd like to recognize the committee that worked so hard the last several weeks: Lynn Speaks, Brittany Czarny, Sara, Cody, and Katie Jolitz, Helen Haworth, Elaine Kleinhans, Dale Hochevar, Debbie Krajnak, Peggy Todryk, and Betty Ford. A special thank you to Sue McIntosh for donating and cooking the sloppy joes on short notice.

The Craft Fairs are a lot of work. Many people are needed to make the Craft Fair successful. This one was harder than normal. We didn't have enough volunteers signed up for the kitchen, bakery, clean up, and greeting station. No youth helped on the day of the craft fair (first time that's happened in the last 8 years). Some of our committee members volun(tee)r-made their family members fill in. One of our committee members was hospitalized, another got hurt the day before the craft fair, another needed to be out of state 2 weeks prior for a family commitment, 6 crafters cancelled the week prior to our fair. Stuff happens, people stepped in, but we were spread really thin.

If we are to continue these craft fairs, we need help, especially with the set-up and clean-up. The tables and chairs are heavy, and we need strong, younger folks to help. We need volunteers to work on the day of the craft fair in the kitchen, greeting, and the bakery areas. We need bakers to help the Thursday and Friday prior making pie crusts (we will teach you). The craft fairs help our church meet our financial obligations, and we need your help to continue running them.

Mary Jo Meier  
Craft Fairs Coordinator



# Christian Stewardship



## Any old envelope will do!

Without having bids at this time, we still do not know what it will cost us to re-do the “parking lot.” Any gift, of any size will be appreciated. We will be moving ahead with this project in the very near future. Take any envelope and clearly mark it for the “Parking Lot” and we will see to it that it goes to that account. Don’t forget to put your name and envelope number on the envelope. If you do not know your envelope, the money counters will look it up.

We thank you. in advance for all that you do for your church.

It is appreciated more than you will ever know!

Bless you!

We will “getter done!”



## World Concerns



**Our Next Meeting: May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00 P.M.**

**The Food Pantry: April** we are still seeking cans of fruit.  
Throughout the entire month of April!

**The Food Pantry: May** We will be seeking pancake mixes and syrup  
throughout the month of May!

**14 Families** were fed by you in the past month as well as some walk-ins...looking  
for food that they could eat right now!



Save your shoeboxes for us until the month of November...expect more news as the time  
grows closer! (Sorry, we really have no storage room here!)



## Mutual Ministry Special Report



**MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

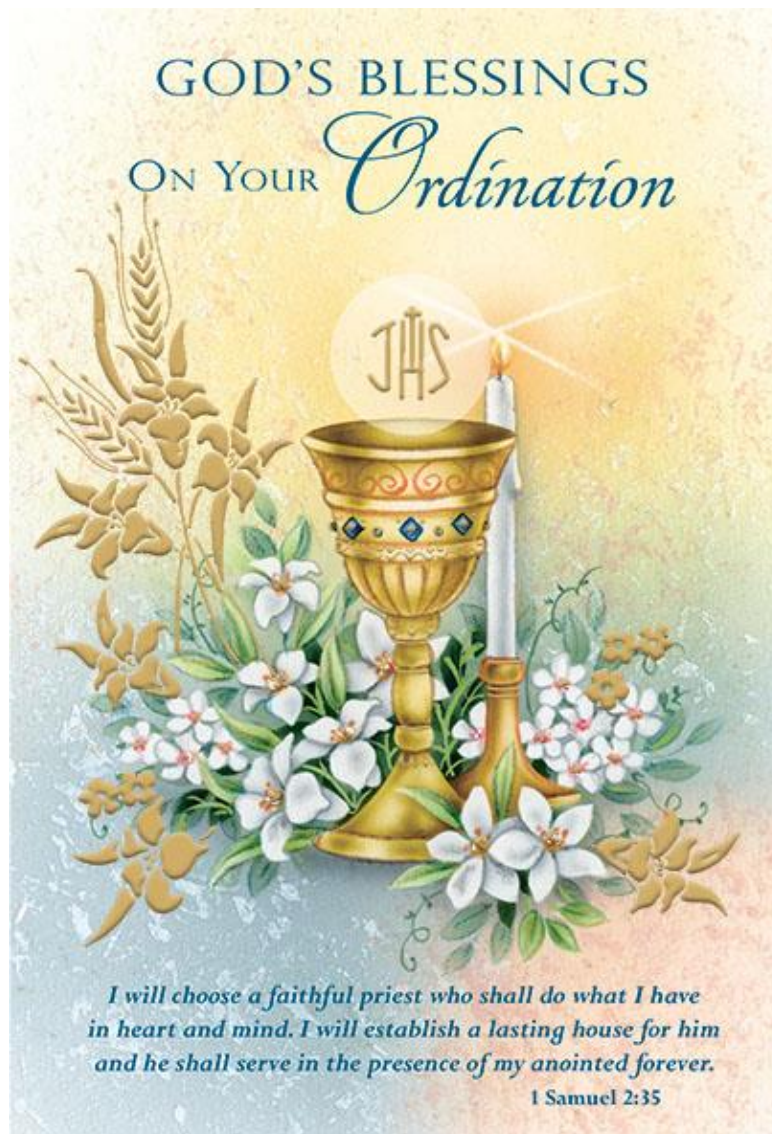
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO  
“OUR” SARA!**

**Such an awesome  
Custodian for our church.  
We are so LUCKY to have  
her as part of our  
All Saints’ Family**

**The Mutual Ministry Committee!**







***Rev. Jas A Mortenson***

***Congratulations on another very “event-full”  
year since your Ordination.***

***May 23, 1976***

***Impressive!***

**Mutual Ministry**

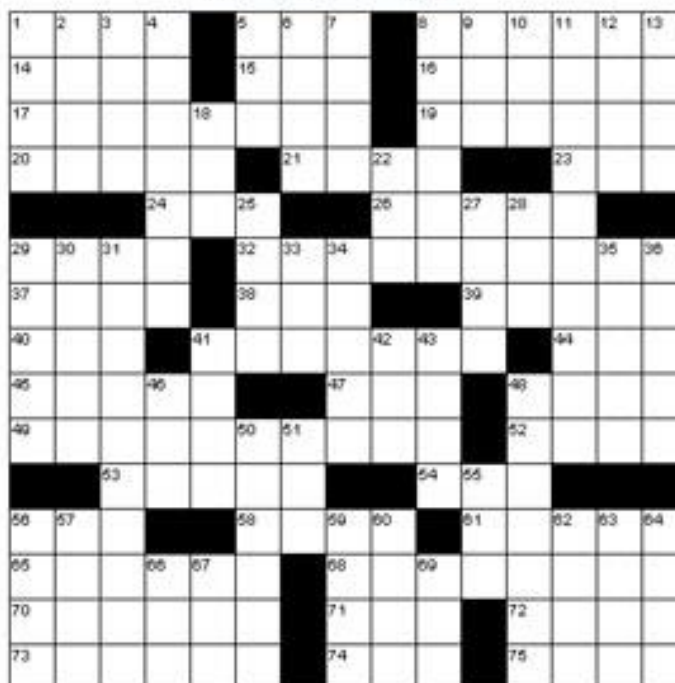
## MEMORIAL DAY

puzzle by Frank Longo

## ACROSS

1. Item historically flown at half-mast on Memorial Day
5. The U.S.A.'s "Uncle"
8. Lure into a snare
14. Having a delicate open pattern
15. Former White House press secretary  
Fleischer
16. Opening scale syllables  
3 wds.
17. With 11-Down, Memorial Day honors dead members of the armed forces in all wars beginning with this one
19. See 31-Down
20. Bicycle or piano part
21. Bangkok citizen
23. \_\_\_ trial basis: 2 wds.
24. Alternative to coffee
26. Thrash about
29. Prefix with European or Chinese
32. \_\_\_ National Military Park (Pennsylvania site where Memorial Day ceremonies are held)

37. \_\_\_-do-well (loafer)
38. \_\_\_ Speedwagon (rock group)
39. Fictional rabbit Cottontail
40. "Star Trek" captain Jean-\_\_\_ Picard
41. Memorial Day events
44. State whose cap. is Boise
45. Got out of bed
47. Charged particle
48. Neil Armstrong walked on it in 1969
49. One of the global conflicts whose fallen are honored on Memorial Day: 3 wds.
52. The "I" of M.I.T.: Abbr.
53. Zodiac sign also called the Ram
54. Karl Marx's "\_\_\_ Kapital"
56. Likely
58. Opposite of west
61. Lowly laborers
65. Young lady
68. Village in 74-Across that President Johnson officially declared the birthplace of Memorial Day
70. Adorned moving platforms in 41-Across
71. From \_\_\_ Z (thoroughly): 2 wds.
72. "Star Wars" princess



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73. This puzzle's subject is always held on the last one in May
74. With 75-Across, first state to declare a holiday on May 30
75. See 74-Across

## DOWN

1. Envelope part that's licked
2. Inadequate, as an excuse
3. Did extremely well on, as a test
4. Thing that whirs
5. Body pouch
6. "I smell \_\_\_!": 2 wds.
7. Ho Chi \_\_\_ City, Vietnam
8. In a nervously irritable way
9. Neither here \_\_\_ there
10. \_\_\_-la-la
11. See 17-Across
12. Prayer-ending word
13. Leaning Tower of \_\_\_
18. French for "Island"
22. Toward a boat's back
25. Indian city that's home to the Taj Mahal
27. Egyptian cobras
28. "May \_\_\_ excused?": 2 wds.
29. Non-blood relative: Hyph.
30. Prefix with surgeon

31. \_\_\_ Day (original name of Memorial Day, based on the custom of adorning 19-Across with flowers and 1-Acrosses)

33. Always, to poets
34. Surface-\_\_\_ missile: Hyph.
35. Complete revisions
36. General Ulysses who presided over memorial ceremonies in Arlington National Cemetery in 1868
41. Prefix meaning "foot"
42. "\_\_\_ have to spell it out for you?": 2 wds.
43. City in northern Oklahoma
46. Camera variety, briefly
48. Stingy
50. Teensy-\_\_\_
51. Solid \_\_\_ rock: 2 wds.
55. Gorilla, for one
56. Dual radio designation: 2 wds.
57. \_\_\_ Alto, California
59. Graceful white bird
60. London art gallery
62. Margarine
63. Film \_\_\_ (dark movie genre)
64. Make sopping wet
66. Papa
67. Airport guess: Abbr.
69. Drag behind





## Youth Ministry



Okay, okay, I know they say March goes in like a lion and out like a lamb but what the heck was up with April. From 80 and sunny to 25 and snowy as well as everything in between. Only in Wisconsin can you have all four seasons in one laundry basket. But we made it through! May is here and let the spring time roll. Time to get out those garden shovels, pop some allergy pills and get to making everything look beautiful.

Speaking of beautiful, our sanctuary looked very beautiful for our Easter celebration. So did our fellowship hall. The Easter breakfast put on by our youth committee was a huge success. We even had a surprise visit from the Easter bunny!! Thank you to everyone who helped out. From donating items and dollars, to cooking, cleaning, selling tickets, setting up and tearing down, everything went off without a hitch. What a wonderful turn out! Your support helped the youth raise \$967.00. Thank you all again, we are truly blessed. Between planting your gardens and watering your flowers, here are a few other reasons to celebrate in the month of May.

May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Lei Day (for all my Hawaiian peeps)	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Star Wars Day, May the 4 <sup>th</sup> be with u	May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Armed Forces day
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	No Homework Day	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	World Turtle Day
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	National Train Day	May 25 <sup>th</sup>	National Tap Dance Day
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Eat What You Want Day	May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pentecost
May 12 <sup>th</sup>	National Limerick Day	May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day

As you see in our list of holidays, we have many special days to celebrate. In the life of the church, we are celebrating Pentecost, which comes from the Greek word "pentekoste" which means "fiftieth". This is the fiftieth day after Easter when the disciples received the Holy Spirit like "Tongues of Fire" and began speaking in tongues.

Armed Forces Day was created on August 31, 1949, by the Defense Secretary Louis Johnson. President Truman made the Presidential Proclamation on Feb 27, 1950, and the very first Armed Forces Day was celebrated on Saturday May 20, 1950. Thank you to veterans of all branches of service.

The first national observance of Decoration Day was on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1968. It was proclaimed to honor the Union soldiers who died in the Civil War. After WWI the name changed from Decoration Day to Memorial Day, to honor those who had died in all U.S. wars. It has been celebrated on the third Monday in May since 1971. Watch for the poppies, they blow in Flanders Field.

That's it for the history lessons boys and girls. A few more things of interest for the youth group. We will be looking into helping out with spring cleaning and church events. We are also starting to look into a fun activity for late June once school is out.

May's meeting will be on Thursday, May 11th at 7:45pm. Thank you to all of the youth, parents, volunteers and congregation for your support of our All-Saints youth group.

For the youth,  
Dennis Schneider

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Memorial Day

D E Q J O I O R T S R E W O L F L  
 L C I T O I R T A P C N X E S T Y  
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ANTHEM	CEREMONY	FALLEN	FLAG
FLOWERS	FREEDOM	HEROES	HOLIDAY
HONOR	MAY	MEMORIAL	MONDAY
OBSERVANCE	PATRIOTIC	REMEMBRANCE	SACRIFICE
SALUTE	SOLDIERS	VETERANS	WAR





## Letters we receive: Correspondence



*Dear PJ and Kinga, and Her family,*

*You reflect the love and good news of Christ as you serve with grace and caring. God bless you for all you do.*

*With much appreciation for all you do, thank you so much for all your support, and prayers throughout the year.*

*Blessings!*

*Happy Easter!*

*Love,*

*Deb & Jer Pavlik, and family.*



*Dear All Saints family,*

*Thank you for the live-streamed liturgies.*

*Sure miss seeing everyone in person.*

*God Bless you All, and Happy Easter!*

*Leanne Buttke*



## **Schedule For May 2023**

**May 7 – Dale Hochevar**

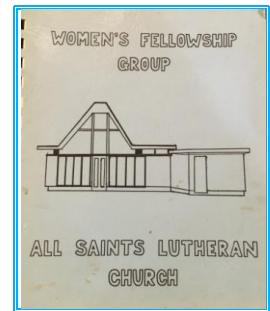
**May 14 – Lynn Friedman**

**May 28 – Judy Wolter**

**(Note# May 21<sup>st</sup> is to be determined!**

**Special thanks to those who offer their time and their talent to LIVE STREAMING our liturgy for “others.”**

**Bless You!**



From the kitchen of All Saints' Family  
an excerpt from The original All Saints' Cookbook  
- "Women's Fellowship Group Cookbook"  
published in 1979

## Deep Dish pizza

Recipe submitted by Muriel Mulligan

### Ingredients

- 1 ½ lbs. ground beef
- ½ c. chopped onion
- 1 ¼ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. pepper
- 1 ½ tsp. oregano
- 10 count pkg. biscuits
- Shredded mozzarella
- 1 (6 oz.) can tomato paste
- 1 can mushrooms (stems and pieces)

### DIRECTIONS

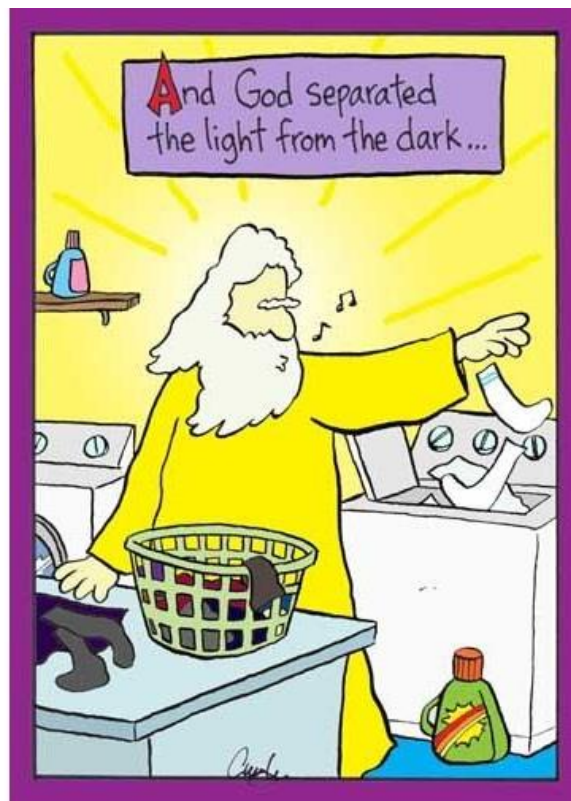
Brown beef with onion. Drain. Add tomato paste, mushrooms, oregano, salt and pepper. Simmer. Press biscuits into 9 inch greased pie pan (bottom and sides). Spoon meat onto crust and sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes until golden brown. Serves 5 to 6. Enjoy!





## Just for Laughs...

- What time of day was Adam created?  
Just a little before Eve.
- Who was the fastest runner in the race?  
Adam. He was first in the human race.
- Why are atoms Catholic?  
Because they have mass.
- Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?  
Because Noah was always standing on the deck
- Why didn't Noah ever go fishing?  
He only had two worms.
- Did Eve ever have a date with Adam?  
Nope — just an apple.
- Why did the unemployed man get excited while reading his Bible?  
He thought he saw a job.





Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ~ Psalm 100:2

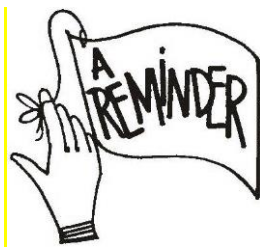
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Remember, by donating Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Candles and Bulletins you help the church budget and it is a great way to remember those special people and dates in your life. **PLEASE PRINT**



## Donations:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Bulletins</u>	<u>Memorial Candle</u>	<u>Honor Candle</u>
<b>Apr 29 to May 5</b>	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
<b>May 6 to 12</b>	McIntosh	Open	Mutual Ministry	Open	Heine
<b>May 13 to 19</b> <b>Mother's Day</b>	Vnuk	Open	LaFond	Krajnak	Open
<b>May 20 to 26</b>	PJ	Open	PJ	Open	Heine
<b>May 27 to June 2</b> <b>PENTECOST</b>	Liturgy	Open	Open	Vnuk	Thein



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**4th Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2:42-47  
 Psalm 23  
 1 Peter 2:19-25  
 John 10:1-10

**5th Sunday of Easter**

Acts 7:55-60  
 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16  
 1 Peter 14:1-14  
 John 14:1-14

**6th Sunday of Easter**

Acts 17:22-31  
 Psalm 66:8-20  
 1 Peter 3:13-22  
 John 14:15-21

**7th Sunday of Easter**

Acts 1:6-14  
 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35  
 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11  
 John 17:1-11

**Pentecost**

Acts 2:1-21  
 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13  
 John 20:19-23

**Holy Trinity**

Genesis 1:1-2:4a  
 Psalm 8  
 2 Corinthians 13:11-13  
 Matthew 28:16-20

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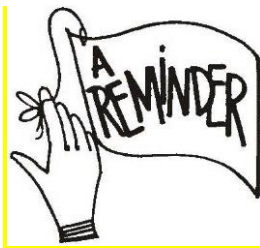
**TEAM 1:** **May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023**  
Paul Salewski, Captain  
Tom Coonan  
Judy Wolter

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Don Olsen, Captain  
Dena Olsen  
Elaine Kleinhans

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Barbara Schrubey, Captain  
Lori Rathmann

**TEAM 4:** **May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Mother’s Day**  
Denise Kalski, Captain  
Lynn Friedman  
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