

The Lamp Lighter
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The Newsletter of Living Lord Lutheran Church
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SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 8:00 AND 10:30 AM
ADULT FORUM & SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 13-18 9:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 2-12 10:15 AM

From Pastor William D. Leitch...During the month of May, we will see Jesus again at the sea shore after his resurrection. Jesus just makes things happen! Like an abundant catch of fish! How simple and seemingly unimportant, yet unexplainable. Still, only God can do this and Peter recognized Jesus, jumped into the water, and got wet!

After this third Sunday of Easter event, we do not hear about the events and appearances of Jesus after his resurrection, but rather, we go back into the Gospel of John before the crucifixion and “remember when”.

Remember when Jesus told us that He would always be with us like a shepherd who never leaves his sheep? Remember how he told us that the sheep will always recognize their shepherd as soon as the shepherd speaks? Remember how he told us to love one another? Oh, kind of like the shepherd loves his sheep!

Remember when Jesus promised us that He would empower us with the Holy Spirit? If we think we can’t do something, stop thinking and start doing! For example, Peter raised Dorcas from the devil! Who would have thought that was possible? But it happened.

Remember when Saul got thrown from his horse by a bolt of lightning and a clap of thunder? That was how Jesus drafted Saul into his mission and ministry to bring the “Good News” to the gentiles. Jesus changed Saul’s name to Paul – probably a good idea. There are few names we might know that would cause us to go the other way to avoid. Jesus needed folks to hear of Paul, who was bringing good news rather than Saul, who was coming to arrest and kill.

Remember Lydia who hosted Paul and his group? She became one of the first female preachers and started several churches in her area. Who would have thought that folks in that “man’s world” would have listened to a woman? Oh yeah! Paul listened to her! She didn’t exactly suggest that Paul and his group stay at her house. She TOLD Paul that he was staying at her house, that she was providing food for them, and that Paul would provide proper instruction for her and her gang!

Wow! Jesus might be physically gone from our world, but He is in us in a new identity – the Holy Spirit. Remember when Jesus told us that He and God – the Father – were both the same? Remember when Jesus told the twelve disciples that He had to depart before they could witness God as the empowering Holy Spirit? Well, that happened! And it is happening to us today!

Come and join us in our mission and ministry at Living Lord Lutheran Church and witness the empowerment of the Holy Spirit!

Mother's Day Celebration...Sunday, May 12, Mother's Day, will also be "Hat Day". All ladies are invited to wear hats to church. Wood roses will be provided to all the ladies in honor of Mother's Day. There will be Fellowship between services to honor the ladies also.

Youth & Family Event...On Saturday, May 18, the youth of Living Lord and Prince of Peace will have a flower sale, chili dog sale, and a car wash. This is a fundraiser to help our families send their youth to Servant Week. This is also Spring Planting Day at the church! So come help, watch, buy some flats or packs of flowers, or enjoy a delicious chili dog.

Military Identification...In order to honor all Living Lord members, past and present, that have served in the military, we are beginning an effort to identify those members. A master alphabetic list of all members will be available to help do that. The list will be available between services beginning on March 24. Please help identify those members by putting an oval around the name of the person(s) that you know served in the military. Please do not guess. When in doubt, consult with others, family members, or those that may have factual information. Every effort will be made to identify everyone by May 31. Questions can be directed to Rich Baringer, Rollie Walters, or Pat Was.

Church Information...Please remember that you can obtain church information from the monthly Lamplighter Newsletter, the Constant Contact emails you receive, on the church website (www.lllc.org), on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/Living-Lord-Lutheran-Church-493806727349110/>), and postings on the church bulletin board. Church Council Meeting minutes are posted on the bulletin board and sent out via Constant Contact. We would like to see a better "open rate" when we send information to you via Constant Contact so that we know you are being informed of the activities that are occurring at the church. If you have any other suggestions on how best to reach out to our parishioners, please see a Council member.

Camp Frederick Events...Saturday, May 18, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, Wood Cutting and Flower Day. Join us for a fun morning cutting wood, clearing trails, and planting flowers to get camp ready for the upcoming summer camp season. Invite some friends to come see our beautiful location. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP: Camp Frederick, 6996 Millrock Rd., Rogers, OH 44455, phone 330-227-3633, fax 330-227-9005, info@campfrederick.com. **Saturday, June 8,** 7:30 am, Camp Frederick's 7th Annual Wilderness 5k Trail Run and 1 Mile Fun Walk. Every dollar raised helps send kids to camp. Registration opens at 7:30 am, race and fun walk begin at 9:00 am. Cost: 5k timed race (pre-register \$20; at event \$25), fun walk (pre-register \$10; at event \$15). The first 100 people to register for either event will receive a free T-shirt. There will be awards for both male and female participants. Register online at www.active.com. If you have any questions about either event, please contact the camp office at the address, phone, or email shown above.

From the President, Stacey Altieri...He is Risen! What an amazing few months we have had during this Easter season. I cannot say thank you enough to everyone that coordinated events, decorated, cleaned, baked, cooked, and went above and beyond. I am truly blessed to be surrounded by such wonderful, caring people. Now, with spring upon us, the Council has been hard at work brainstorming and planning engaging events throughout the summer. To kick off the warm weather, we will be having a "Hats off to Mom" service on Mother's Day. Ladies, please wear a fancy hat of your choice in honor of all that you do. Regardless if you have children of your own, we believe all women should wear hats to this special service in honor of your strength, courage, and compassion. Also, please mark your calendars for May 18. On this day, we will be planting flowers around the church beginning at 10:00 am followed by our annual Flower Sale at noon to benefit the Youth and Family Department.

From the Fellowship Committee Chairperson, Nancy Walters...We will have Fellowship between services on **Sunday, May 12,** in honor of Mother's Day.

From the Finance Committee, Treasurer Dave Henderson... The books are closed for March 2019. Receipts for March were \$10,614.00 and expenses were \$10,923.65, resulting in a loss of \$309.65 for the month. The year-to-date numbers through March 2019 are still looking good. We have income of \$48,599.63 and expenses of \$36,296.54, for a gain of \$12,303.09. As is usually the case, we have some big contributions early in the year which skews our profitability, but in March we held our own and ended the month with a small loss. Let's see if we can continue to build on our surplus. Let's all try and keep current with our commitment to giving!

From the Later Life Committee, Member Lynne Walters...
Card Class...Join us for a card-making class on **Thursday, May 2**, in the Activity Room. We will be making 4 cards. The theme is "Mostly Masculine" cards. Classes will be at 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm. The cost is \$12.00. Please bring adhesives like double-stick tape and liquid glue. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. The deadline for signing up is Sunday, April 28. If you have any questions, please contact Lynne Walters at 330-856-9689.

From the Larry L. Maggiano, M.D., Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee Chairperson, Lorraine Bell...
Scholarship Award Presentation...The Maggiano Scholarship Award Presentation will be held on **Sunday, June 2**, at the **10:00** am worship service. The scholarship is a grant from the Larry L. Maggiano, M.D., Memorial Scholarship Fund. The scholarship goes to eligible college or trade school students as determined by the Scholarship Fund Board.

From the Mission Endowment Fund Chairperson, Michael Taiclet...Hi everyone! I just wanted to inform you that the candidates for this year's MEF Award have been chosen. However, MEF is always accepting new names that you might think would make a great recipient of our award. So please let any member of the MEF Committee know of any names. You may even put a note in the MEF mailbox at the church. We will be picking our 2019 award recipient at our upcoming meeting in May. Due to scheduling conflicts, our usual April meeting was pushed back. We will be meeting on May 2 to pick our new winner. This year will mark the Mission Endowment Fund's 22nd year. Wow – how time flies! I hope everyone had a good and Happy Easter!

From the Outreach Committee Chairperson, Judy Shaffer...
Bingo at NSOV Update...The Outreach Committee would like to thank everyone who assisted with the Bingo at Niles Shepherd of the Valley on April 10. A special thank you to the Girl Scout group for their help in packing 45 gift bags...what fun! The residents thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Easter Food Baskets Update...The Outreach Committee would like to thank everyone who donated to the Easter Food Baskets. We were able to provide baskets to 12 families in our community.

Tea Party at HSOV...We will host our first Tea Party at Howland Shepherd of the Valley on **Wednesday, May 8**. James Pondillo will be singing songs from the 50s. If you would be interested in assisting with this event, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Niles Shepherd of the Valley Summer Picnic...Join us for some summer fun on **Wednesday, June 26**, at Niles Shepherd of the Valley for our annual Summer Picnic. Watch for more details to come.

From the Property Committee Chairperson, Rollie Walters...

Medical Kits...Medical kits have been installed in the hallway across from the kitchen by the drinking fountain and on the wall by the Council mailboxes. A third kit will be installed shortly in the Education Wing hallway across from the women’s restroom.

Spring Planting...Flower planting has been scheduled for **Saturday, May 18** (weather permitting). Donations may be placed in an envelope marked “Spring Flowers” and placed in the offering plate. Volunteers are needed to help plant and spread mulch. Please call Rollie Walters if you are available to assist. Refreshments will be provided. We should be able to complete the job in less than two hours.

Mowing Schedule...We need volunteers to help with the mowing. The more people that cut, the fewer times each person has to cut. There will be a sign-up sheet on the main bulletin board under the Property section.

From the Worship Committee Chairperson, Meghan Miller...

Worship Assistants...Please contact Meghan Miller at 330-618-5668 to let her know when you will be away on vacation or any dates you will not be available to serve.

Summer Worship Schedule...We will begin our Summer Worship Schedule on **Sunday, June 2**. We will have services at 8:00 and **10:00** am.

Pentecost Geraniums...In recognition of Pentecost, the Worship Committee will be decorating the worship space with red geraniums; please also remember to wear your red. Pentecost Sunday is **June 9** and these geraniums will be replanted outside. Families/Individuals are asked to make donations to the geranium fund. You may request a memoriam or honorarium. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the main hallway. Please watch your bulletins for price and deadline to sign up. **PLANTS ARE TO BE PAID FOR WHEN ORDERING.** You may place your check in the offering plate or mail it to the Parish Office. Make checks payable to Living Lord Lutheran Church and mark “Geraniums” in the memo portion. Please help us beautify our church.

From the Parish Nurse, Dora Muller...*"If you do not take care of your body, your body won't take care of you."* Unknown

Being a diabetic is not a death sentence. With careful management, diabetics can have a productive and healthy life. The goal should be to achieve a balance between diet, medications, and exercises. Here we will focus on the role of insulin regiment or oral medication, although medication is certainly used to treat diabetes. A close relationship with your physician is necessary to manage diabetes and its affects. Always have some form of identification and a list of medications nearby in case of an emergency. Most people are familiar with the affects and management of high blood sugar levels. By comparison, low sugar levels can result in a true medical emergency. Diabetics should have a special first aid kit available in case of extreme low blood sugar levels, or hypoglycemia. The kit should include a glucometer and a fast-acting sugar source. The symptoms of low blood sugar levels include rapid heartbeat, headache, confusion, feeling nervous or irritable, blurred vision, and numbness or tingling of lips. A medical emergency can result as the blood sugar drops to low levels so that the brain is deprived of fuel. Treatment calls for the rapid intake of sugar, such as hard candy, honey, or a sugary soda. To avoid low blood sugar, ideally do not skip a meal and carefully manage insulin or oral diabetic medication. Continuous monitoring of blood sugar levels will avoid dangerous situations that can lead to hospitalization. Learning to recognize the signs of hypoglycemia is necessary. Thus, optimal blood sugar levels can be maintained by following a healthy diet, not skipping meals, taking medication as directed, and checking your blood sugar throughout the day.

Thank you...To all my friends at Living Lord Lutheran Church, Your thoughts and prayers mean so much. The card is greatly appreciated also. Larry John

2019 LIVING LORD LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

President – Stacey Altiere

VP & Finance Chairperson – Robert McKinney

Secretary – Warner Taiclet

Evangelism/Membership Chairperson – Arlene Barkan

Fellowship Chairperson- Nancy Walters

Later Life Chairperson – Lorraine Bell

Outreach Chairperson – Judy Shaffer

Parish Education Chairperson – Raymond Boothe

Property Chairperson – Rolland Walters

Worship Chairperson – Meghan Miller

Youth & Family Chairperson – Vacant

Treasurer – Dave Henderson

Financial Secretary – Terry King

EVENTS IN MAY

Sunday, May 5 – 11:45 am Council in Activity Room

Wednesday, May 8 – 3:30 pm Outreach Committee Tea Party at HSOV

Sunday, May 12 - Mother’s Day/Hat Day/Fellowship Between Services

Saturday, May 18 – Property Committee Spring Planting/Youth Car Wash, Flower Flat Sale, & Chili Dog Sale

Sunday, May 19 – NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day/OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, May 29 – 6:00 pm TALC at Lordstown Lutheran Church

MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

- 3 = Jean Frye
- 5 = Madeline Goussios, Lauren Lambert, & Keith Muller
- 6 = Sue Armstrong & Jo Maggiano
- 8 = Anthony Marrara
- 9 = Chayce Behnke
- 12 = Whitney (Crain) Pagano
- 15 = Katie Quinton
- 17 = Hanna Hunt
- 18 = Edith Holmstrom
- 20 = Jim Cohol
- 23 = Marge Shoemaker
- 28 = Stephen Prindle
- 29 = Logan Behnke, Madison Manes, & Mason Pagano

Anniversaries

- 12 = Wright, Larry & Barb
- 19 = Lucas, Robert & Alberta
- 27 = Gifford, Tom & Jill
- 29 = Peachman, Frederick & Jean



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY