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From Pastor Joel Skindlov

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The celebration of Pentecost takes place on Sunday, May 23rd. We celebrate the presence of God's Holy Spirit in, with, and among us! 50 days after Easter, we hear the amazing story of the Holy Spirit filling and dwelling within a variety of people, proclaiming in a variety of languages, the great deeds of God in Acts chapter 2.

"Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, know what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God" (Romans 8:26-27). We celebrate that God's Holy Spirit dwells with us and among us, making Jesus Christ's presence known in our lives and communities. The work of the Holy Spirit spurs and stirs us with the gifts of faith, hope and love. It is easy to think of the Holy Spirit as just a wispy nebulous cloud, moving here, there and everywhere, yet the Spirit, the presence and power of Christ Jesus in our world, reveals God's wisdom, guidance, boldness, wholeness and healing in our lives and those around us.

Martin Luther's Small Catechism states, "I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith" (Small Catechism, Explanation excerpt- Third Article of the Apostle's Creed), ELW, pg. 1162).

As we continue on our adventure of faith in Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit serves as the guide, coach, cheerleader and advocate for you and works to connect, equip, and strengthen our faith and guide our lives, as individuals and Christian community. A camp song that demonstrates the Holy Spirit's power and presence states it in this way, "Spirit, Spirit, of the living God fall afresh on me, melt me, mold me, fill me, use me"

Where might the Holy Spirit be leading and guiding you, leading and guiding us as the people of God? May the living Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit open our eyes and our hands to love and serve the Lord, love and serve our neighbors!

Peace,
Pastor Joel

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Caritas Needs For May

Food: spaghetti sauce, ramen noodles, cereal in boxes & syrup
Necessities: shampoo & laundry soap
(non perishables)
Please don't tie bags shut!

*Caritas is moving to a new location this summer. If you would like to donate toward moving expenses, please send donations to
Caritas Outreach Ministries,
1612 W. Dalke, Spokane 99205.
Please put moving expenses on the memo line of checks.
Moving Update on Pg 6



From The President

As I write this article it is two days after the conviction of the Minneapolis Policeman. You are well aware of that trial. There were two more police shootings less than 48 hours afterwards in other parts of the country. Both resulted in death. We are told it is because of systemic racism. I won't attempt to debate that nor defend it. It troubles me deeply to see what has been happening in our country and the response that people come up with. Racism is wrong and we all know it is wrong. It is a sin, plain and simple. Romans 6:23 says "for the wages of sin is death." Think about that. In 1993, Billy Graham wrote an article on racism, in it he wrote "Racial and ethnic hatred is a sin, and we need to label it as such. Jesus told his disciples to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt. 22:39); and in reply to the question "Who is my neighbor?" he responded with a pointed parable about a good Samaritan, a member of a despised race (Luke 10:25-37)." It comes down to treating others exactly the way you want to be. So how has that changed? Why has it gotten so ugly? To that question I have no answer. Racism has been around since the beginning of time and we still practice it every day. Graham went on in his article to say "Racism is a sin precisely because it keeps us from obeying God's command to love our neighbor, and because it has roots in pride and arrogance. Christ came to bring reconciliation-reconciliation between us and God, and reconciliation between each other. He came to accept us as we are, whoever we are, "from every tribe and language and people and nation" (Rev. 5:9). We cannot change the past but we can all contribute to changing the future. As Christians we have to do better. Christ told us what to do.

Yours in Christ
Curtis Froscheiser

Church Chuckle

You might be Lutheran if...



A MEETING ISN'T A MEETING UNLESS IT TAKES 3 HOURS

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Service – 9:00 am
(Contemporary Service 3rd Sunday
of the month) Worship currently streamed.)



Not Meeting

Serving You This Month

May	Altar Guild <small>*Claudia Crawford-early bird helper (thank you)</small>	Worship Assistants
2	Ginny Zimmerman	Susan Ames
9	Karen Heimbigner	Abby Liezen
16	Judi Holden	Curt Froscheiser
23	Rebecca Hendrickson	Joy Liezen
30	Sue Parrish	

Bible Readings for the Month

Sunday, May 2

1st Reading: Acts 8:26-40
 Psalm: 22:25-31
 2nd Reading: 1 John 4:7-21
 Gospel: John 15:1-8

Sunday, May 16

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17,21-26
 Psalm: 1
 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:9-13
 Gospel: John 17:6-19

Sunday, May 30

1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8
 Psalm: 29
 2nd Reading: Romans 8:12-17
 Gospel: John 3:1-17

Sunday, May 9

1st Reading: Acts 10:44-48
 Psalm: 98
 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1-6
 Gospel: John 15:9-17

Sunday, May 23 Pentecost

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14
 Psalm: 104:24-34,35b
 2nd Reading: Acts 2:1-21
 Gospel: John 15:26-27;16:4b15



May

Birthdays

May 1- Rod Tamura
 May 5- Rita Rausch
 May 9- Todd Chaffins
 May 13- Deb Holland
 May 16- Debbie McColgin
 May 18- Karen Chaffins
 Bernie Webster



May 20- Sharon Ballou
 May 24- Rebecca Hendrickson
 May 29- Larry Gilbert

Anniversaries

May 29-Don & Karen Rogge



News from POP

Prince of Peace in Person Service

The service is limited to 75 members, so for the time being there will be a reservation system. If you wish to attend this service in person contact the church office either by phone or email, by the **Thursday** before. The reservations will just insure the spot. **Services will continue to be streamed on Facebook also.**



"Lawn Mowing Schedule"

A new lawn mowing signup schedule has been posted on the bulletin board near the kitchen. For anyone willing and able, check out the schedule and if any of these 2 week time slots work for you please write in your name. If you would like to share the duty with someone (riding mower vs walk behind mower) write their name in as well. If you are not familiar with the riding lawn mower and the mowing process please contact either :

- ★ Mel Nebelsieck
- ★ Joe Rock



Prince of Peace has received a grant from Advent Lutheran Church to be used toward building a Community Garden. The garden will consist of a couple of raised beds that will be located in the flower bed out in front by the mailbox. The grant will help cover some of the expense of the raised beds. Watch for more updates for volunteer opportunities as the project gets underway.





Bible Study: 9:30 Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Baby Quilters: 9:00 am Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Charity Quilters: 9:00 am Tuesday, May 25, 2021



Edith Zimbelman

For these events we will be practicing social distancing and wearing masks.



EXCELSIOR BIRTHDAY CAKES

Unless Marie McMahon contacts you, do not plan on providing a cake for your designated month.

To Ponder:

"For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the Lord's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the Lord hears them." Psalm 22:24

"In the thought of him who is at ease there is contempt for misfortune." Job 12:5a Amplified Bible

"It's easy for the well-to-do to point their fingers in blame, for the well-fixed to pour scorn on the strugglers." Job 12:5a The Message

"Here is what we seek: a compassion that can stand in awe at what the poor have to carry rather than stand in judgment at how they carry it."

Timothy Boyle, Tattoos on the Heart





Community Events

Looking for a Covid- 19 vaccination?

Here is a source where you can call for an appointment for a Covid- 19 vaccination.

Unify Community Health

509-326-4343



VACCINATION



Caritas Monthly Report

March 2021

Caritas Outreach Ministries Served **459** individuals from **276** households:

Children (0-8)	93
Adults (18-54)	230
Seniors (55 & over)	136

56 volunteers put in 947hours of service.

36,887 lbs. of food distributed through the Table of Plenty & Food Pantry.

\$545.50 worth of hygiene and cleaning supplies given out from the Necessity Closet.

\$2,378.98 pledged through our holiday heat & utility assistance program.

Caritas is MOVING! - UPDATE

Volunteers have been busy revitalizing the new building this month. Fresh paint on the walls, an amazing loading deck outside, so many pieces coming together for our big move at the end of May. We have much to be thankful for, and more that is needing your prayers. Due to ongoing construction shortages and supply delays, we have seen increased costs associated with the move. And our Walk-in fridge supplier has communicated we may not have the unit installed until later in June. This is not ideal but we have hope that we can still make do with our existing fridges and freezers so we minimize service disruption for our clients. Coming up, we will have hard wearing flooring installed and shelving to assemble. We are so grateful to the many hands making this move possible!

In the meantime, we will continue to serve clients at the current location in Spokane Friends Church and donations can still be dropped off Monday, Wednesday and Thursday between 10am-1pm. On June 1, 2021 our address will be 1228 W. Nebraska, Spokane, WA 99205

Unfortunately, our initial estimates for necessary updates have doubled in cost. Please keep Caritas in your prayers that needed funds can be found and the walk in freezer will arrive in a timely manner.

Kelsie Rowland

Operations Manager







**MOM:
I LOVE YOU AND YOUR
SUPER LONG VOICEMAILS**

IF I MADE A LIST
OF THE PEOPLE
I ADMIRE, MOM WOULD
PROBABLY FILL UP
HALF OF IT. SHE
COULD DO ANYTHING
AND EVERYTHING.
PATSY CLINE
BHO

“
**If love is as
sweet as a
flower, then
my mother is
that sweet
flower of love.**
- Stevie Wonder

**The older I
grow, the more
I realise that
my mother is
the best “best
friend” that I
ever had.**

Thinking of You

 Mothers who have lost children	 Those who have lost mothers	 Those with strained mother relationships
 Mothers with strained child relationships	 Those who chosen not to be mothers	 Those yearning to be mothers

*All women
are mothers.
Because all
women bring
life to the world
in some way.*
11.11.11/11.11.11.com

**When you are a mother,
you are never really
alone in your thoughts.
A mother always has
to think twice, once
for herself and once
for her child.**
SOPHIA LOREN

“
**Sooner or
later, we all
quote our
mothers.**

“
**All that I am,
or ever hope
to be, I owe
to my
angel mother.**
- Abraham Lincoln

**GOD COULD
NOT BE
EVERYWHERE,
AND THEREFORE
HE MADE
MOTHERS.**
- RUDYARD KIPLING
More Mother's Day Quotes @ Quotes.com

May 2021

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