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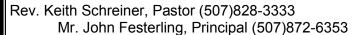
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From the PASTOR—

The Seventh Petition: But deliver us from evil.

We continue our study of the Lord's Prayer – digging deeper into this gem. May God continue to bless our study of this prayer that Jesus' himself taught us to pray.

In sum from beginning to the end of this prayer I have cast myself on your grace and mercy. From beginning to end I have confessed that it is not just what I have thought or said or done that needs cleansing; it is my whole self that

stands in need of pardon and grace heaped upon grace. For it is not just that I have sinned; it is rather the fact that I am a sinner and that therefore all I know by nature is how to sin – it is for that above all else that I need your mercy.

I now come with this petition: Deliver from evil! Rescue me from all the evil consequences of my sin. Save me from the clutches of the devil. Rip me out of the jaws of hell. Even in this life do not deal with me as my sins and my sinfulness deserve. Deliver me from the terrors of mind and the afflictions of the body that would be mine if I had to suffer even here for each of my offenses.

There it is Father! Your Son has taught me to pray this petition. And so, trusting in his merit and in your mercy, confident in the promises of your Word, I dare to say it yet again: Deliver me from the evil consequences of my sins in this life and the eternal suffering that I have deserved in the life to come. I know that you

have sent me sorrow that seemed evil to me in the past and that I will see suffering in the future. But I know as well that such sorrow and suffering never comes near to what I deserve. Thus when I pray this petition I do not ask that you spare me from every pain; for that you never promised. Instead I ask that you chasten with compassion and afflict with a father's heart that seeks to rescue rather than to wound.

COUNCIL CORNER

This month we hear from Geoff Stelter, Maintenance.

It's that time of the year again. We need to wipe winter's weather woes from both the exterior and interior of our church property. We are shooting for Monday, April 25 starting at 5PM and going

until we have results that reflect the reverent revere we have for our God. Some of the things we need to do will be to rake and spruce up the grounds, wash windows, dust and just clean in general. So bring whatever outdoor or indoor cleaning supplies you have and let's just get it done.



CLYF

The youth group met on Palm Sunday and had fun with a couple of different activities. First thing we did was to make the center pieces that went on the tables for our Easter breakfast. It was a very simple and easy thing but it made for a colorful and nice display on the tables. We used food coloring (and just a little bit of rubbing alcohol) to color the rice in nice pastel colors. We then put the rice into small mason jars and put a piece of colorful fabric on top with the ring. We then had an Easter egg hunt. Pastor can hide eggs pretty well and had to give us some "your ice cold, getting warmer, warmerhelp in order to find all 23 eggs. Once we found all the eggs we opened them up. Each one had something to do with Holy Week and the passion of Christ. We had to tell how each one fit in with Holy Week. We got all of them - even the ear.

PIONEERS

The Pioneers met on March 13 at Samuel School. Nineteen Pioneers were in attendance. We watched the movie "Soul Surfer" about a champion surfer who suffered a serious accident and had to re-learn how to do everything with only one arm. Several Pioneers brought blankets and comfortable chairs, and they also enjoyed popcorn and beverages while watching the movie. Because of the school musical scheduled at Samuel on April 10th, the next meeting will be on May 8, 2016.

CONFIRMATION

As we look to the end of April and the first week in May our attention turns to those young men and women who will be taking their confirmation vows before God's altar. The examination will be on Sunday, April 24th at 9:30 AM.

Confirmation

Those being confirmed and receiving their first communion on Sunday, May 1st are:

Lenei Estrada Kiah Hoflock Claire Martinson Ashley Mauland Brooke Mauland Abigail Pullman Paxton Schultz Rachel Schwarz Sarah Werner

SUMMER MUSIC/VBS

Don't forget that we are doing our summer music program again this year! We are happy to report that Miss Shannon Eggers will be back at this position for another year. She is excited about coming back to Marshall and sharing her talents in teaching our children. Registration forms are available on the table by the bulletin board in the narthex. For more information about our program please refer to the last page of the newsletter.

BRIDAL SHOWER



The ladies of the congregation are invited to attend a bridal shower for Nicole Dorn, bide-to-be of Jason Kotecki, on Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 AM in the church basement. The couple is registered at Shopko and Kohls.

ECC

It's not too early to start thinking about summer plans regarding your younger children. Have you considered Samuel's Early Childhood Center which runs throughout the summer months. Our summer program will be open to children ages 3 through those entering 5th grade. Since space is limited, we need to know as soon as possible if you are taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity. For more information or to enroll in the summer program contact the office (532-2162) or Mrs. Zander (337-0996).

SLS NEWS AND NOTES

Spring is a time for music and singing. We love to sing the joyous hymns of Easter. We love to hear the happy sounds of the birds as they return to Minnesota after a long, cold winter. Lately, we have been hearing the happy sounds of children singing—getting ready for a musical and a Spring Program.

Grades 3-8 will be presenting the musical "A Dragon Tale" on Sunday, April 10th at 3:00. Come and see the gentle people of Wantley Wood as they try to defeat the dreaded dragon, Scumme! On Wednesday, April 27th, grades Pre-K through 2 will be presenting their Spring Program at 7:00PM. The Pre-K children will be singing songs that tell us what they

want to be when they grow up. Grades K-2 will be singing their way through some old nursery rhymes with a new twist as they present "Prime Time Nursery Rhymes". In addition to doing their own singing, grades K-5 will also have the opportunity to hear others presenting musicals. On Thursday, April 7th, students in grades K-2 will be going to Great Plains Lutheran High School in Watertown, SD, to see a production of "Seussical the Musical". We will be leaving school BY 8:00 AM and returning before the end of the school day. Then on Friday, April 29th, the students in grades 1-5 will be going to New Ulm for the Children's Theater production of "Once Upon a Wolf". A special thank-you to the parents who will be helping with the musical and Spring Program and to those driving for the Watertown and New Ulm trips.

LWMS SPRING RALLY/RETREAT

The Minnekota Circuit of the LWMS will hold their Spring Rally on Saturday, April 23rd at Bethel Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD. Registration begins at 9:00 AM. The speaker for the rally will be Rev. Larry Schlomer, WELS Administrator for World Missions. WELS World Missions has a presence in 23 different countries; that serves 74,834 baptized members in Lutheran churches, serves 60,000 more souls through correspondence and workshops and is training more than 170 men to become pastors in their own countries.

The Minnekota Circuit will host its first Women's Retreat on Friday, April 22nd beginning at 7:00 PM. This retreat will feature a Bible study based on Isaiah 52:7, time to greet and relax, share and network, practical application of using our feet every day in our walk with God, and, of course, a little lunch. Plan now to attend!

MISSION SOCIETY

Submitted by Julie Festerling—March 10, 2016

The Lutheran Women's Mission Society of Christ Lutheran Church met on Thursday, March 10th. We began by singing CW104 "Go to Dark Gethsemane" accompanied by Amy MacArthur. Pastor Schreiner then led us in a Luther Bible Study on Baptism Part One. Baptism is given for everyone. Anyone can baptize because baptism in not about the person doing the baptizing. It is God coming to us through water and the Word to make us members of His family.

The business meeting was opened by President Joyce Flock. She thanked Amy for playing and Pastor for leading us in our Bible study.

The Secretary's Report form November was read and approved. The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. Joyce thanked Amy for serving as our treasurer for the last 2 years.

Joyce read several thank-you letters from missions who received money from us this past year. They included Savior of the Nations in Vancouver, BC; Zion Lutheran School in Toledo, OH; Central African Medical Mission; The India Orphanage fund; and our church and school in Peridot, AZ.

Committee Reports: Altar Care—Kathy Paxton cleaned the brass candle tops; LWMS—Julie read information about the upcoming Retreat and Spring Rally to be held at Bethel Lutheran

Church in Sioux Falls, SD on Friday and Saturday, April 22-23. This is the first time the Minnekota Circuit will host a Retreat. There will be more information on this in a bulletin insert. Julie also shared information about the LWMS National Convention to be held in St. Charles, IL June 23-26; CAMM—Joyce read information she had received from CAMM; MLC Auxiliary—Jenny reported that the Auxiliary will meet at Lake Benton on Saturday, April 2nd.

There was no Old Business.

New Business: Mite box collections for the Spring LWMS Rally will be taken on Sunday, April 3rd and Sunday, April 10th.

Our next meeting will be on June 9th. Amy will serve for this meeting.

Roll call was taken with 6 ladies and Pastor present. The meeting was adjourned. We closed with the Lord's Prayer and Common Table Prayers. Refreshments were served by Jennifer Schreiner.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Submitted by Lyle Patzer—February 15, 2016

Present: Geoff Stelter, Kevin Lee, Lyle Patzer, Dan Herrmann. Pastor Schreiner, Craig Heil, Brian Onken, Tom Vanderwerf, Mark Patzer, Mr Festerling, Tom Werner, Gary St Aubin, Arlen Meyer.

Opened with devotion and prayer

Minutes of Jan 2016 council meeting were read and approved.

Pastors Report: CLYF hopes to go sledding in Lake Benton, January sledding outing was postponed. Consensus to list our service times in The Music Booster Calendar from Marshall Public Schools next year. There was discussion about moving the worship time of the Candlelight Service from 10pm to 9pm. Motion made by Dan Herrmann second by Lyle Patzer to "Move the Candlelight Service worship time from 10pm to 9pm in 2016. Motion passed. Pastor James Mattek from WELS Lutheran Childhood Family Services (WLFCS) had suggested to Pastor Schreiner the possibility of Christ Marshall setting up a fund that would supplement the cost of counseling services if any of our members chose to use the services. Pastor Schreiner will bring more details to the next council meeting. The next national CLYF youth outing is in Colorado, registration is approx. \$380. We will not be going because of such low youth participation, but one or

more smaller activities may be planned with an area church. The ECC call committee has not officially met with a representative from MLC due to weather issues. Plan is to meet Feb 16, 2016. The goal of the committee is to do what is best for the entire ECC program.

Elders Report: In early Feb, A postcard was sent to all members at Christ encouraging attendance at various services. In the future, similar postcards will occasionally be sent out to non-active members.

Financial Secretary: Written report was handed out.

Treasurer's report: For the month of Jan 2016, there was no major activity in any of the savings accounts. Missions is off to a good start in 2016, modestly ahead of previous year to date. January budgeted offerings were \$28.2k vs \$27.4k previous year. It was noted that there were 5 Sundays in Jan 2016 vs 4 in Jan 2015. The Audit committee will meet soon.

Stewardship: Committee did not meet.

Evangelism: There was an informal meeting with some members of Elders and PWC.

Education Report: There was discussion of a "slop sink" plus other equipment needs for the janitor to do an effective job. **Maintenance:** Will do a walk-thru of church rental properties

Activities: No report Worship: No report.

Old Business: Newsletter Council Corner writer next month is Craig Heil BPE (K & Pre-K round-up) Councilmen on duty for March are Tom Werner 8am Arlen Meyer at 10:30am.

<u>Church Painting</u> Southwest Pro Painters from Marshall is in the process of putting together a bid to paint the sanctuary.

<u>Church Roof Insulation</u> Motion by Dan Herrmann, second by Kevin Lee to "modify the Dec 14, 2015 bid approval up \$1000 more and hire Chauncy Welvaert to insulate the church attic with at least 12 and up to 18" of fiberglass insulation" motion approved.

New Business: Gym Floor – FLR Sanders out of Princeton MN bid \$1890 to refinish the gym floor + \$1200 to touch up/re-paint the lines as needed. Motion by Craig Heil second by Dan Herrmann to "Have FLR Sanders repaint and refinish the gym floor for \$3090 in the summer of 2016" motion passed. The wall oven from parsonage was sold, net to church \$150.

The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

<u>Christ's Summer Education and Music</u> <u>Program</u>

Education and Music

When: VBS week long program Monday – Friday,

July 25-29 from 9:00 – 11:30 at Samuel

For: Pre-K 4 year olds through 8th grade

What: Bible Story – Music – Craft – Snack

Free Piano and Instrumental Music Lessons Monday - Friday in summer

Piano

Children entering kindergarten and up

Instrumental

(band type instruments)

Children entering 4th grade and up (children must have their own instruments and music)

Children may take lessons for both piano and instrumental (if there are enough timeslots)

Lessons

Half hour, weekly timeslots will be available during the day Monday - Friday

For music lessons please fill out a Music lesson information sheet available on the table by the bulletin board. We will work out a schedule late spring.

Questions contact Pastor Schreiner 828-3333 or Miss Shannon Eggers (507) 404-0702; email - eggersse@mlcwels.edu

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Worship Services

Sundays: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

(Memorial Day-Labor Day: Sunday: 9:00 AM, Monday: 7:00 PM)

(Advent & Lent: Wednesdays - 7:00 PM)

Holy Communion: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

Service Broadcast times

KMHL Radio Station at 8:00 AM on Sundays
VAST cable channel 17 and Charter cable channel 180
at 6:30 PM Tuesday and 12:30 PM Wednesday

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