

# THE SEED



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Dear Friends in Christ,

Two important days on the church year calendar mark the end of the first half of the church year in which we have celebrated the earthly life and ministry of Jesus from his birth at Christmas to his crucifixion on Good Friday and his resurrection on Easter. The two important days are the Ascension (May 1 this year) and Pentecost (May 11 this year). Ascension is 40 days after Easter and Pentecost is 50 days after Easter. Since Easter was almost as early as it can possibly be, the Ascension and Pentecost are quite early also.

At the Ascension of Jesus, he gave those who believe in him a blessing of peace, a commission to be his witnesses all over the earth, and a promise of the Holy Spirit to guide and empower us. After his physical body disappeared from this earth, messengers from God told the disciples to stop gazing toward heaven for him and added the promise that Jesus would return.

Jesus' promise of the Holy Spirit was kept 10 days later on Pentecost as visitors in Jerusalem heard the disciples speaking about Jesus in the native languages of the visitors. The blessing and the commission from Jesus began the ministry of the church—a ministry which we continue now, nearly 2000 years later.

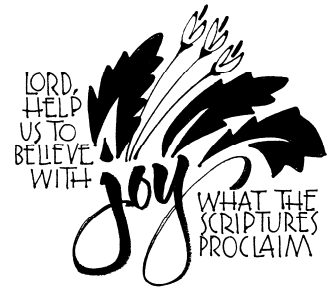
The blessing of peace fills our hearts. The commission to witness to the love of God in Christ Jesus motivates us to do the many things we do as the church—worship, learning, witness, service and fellowship. And it all happens because the ascended Jesus is keeping his promise to give us the Holy Spirit!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Paul K. Schwartzkopf

# Come Get the Message

from Pastor Schwartzkopf



Enhance your worship by reading the theme for the day and the Biblical word on which it is based. Then come to worship round the Word of God.

May 4, 7th Sunday of Easter "PASSING ON THE TORCH"

On this Sunday between the Ascension of Jesus (May 1) and the Day of Pentecost (May 11), we hear Jesus' prayer for the disciples, in John 17:1-11, that they carry on the ministry that he has begun. And the torch has been passed on for generations to us, now.

May 11, Day of Pentecost "LIVING WATER"

Red flames and fire are associated with the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2:1-2; but, in John 7:37-39 the Holy Spirit is described by Jesus as providing rivers of living water flowing out of a believer's heart.

May 18, The Holy Trinity "ALL CREATURES, WORSHIP GOD"

Our commission from Jesus in Matthew 28:16-20 is to go into all the world to proclaim with all of God's creation (Genesis 1:1-2:4a) the glory of God.

May 25, 2nd Sunday after Pentecost "DO NOT WORRY"

In today's gospel, Matthew 6:24-34, Jesus says three times, "Do not worry". Why? For two reasons: 1. We do worry unnecessarily. And 2. We can trust God to take care of us.

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## A REMINDER FROM PASTOR

Since the HIPPA law was passed "to protect peoples' privacy" the only sure way for me to know that you or a family member is hospitalized is for you or a family member to tell me, phone me or phone the church office. Long, long gone are the days when a hospital informed parish pastors of member's hospitalization.

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## WEAR RED

Sunday, May 11, is the Day of Pentecost for which the color is red. The congregation is invited to wear red for the celebration.

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## CONFIRMED

Congratulations and our prayers for Austin Rettenmeier who was confirmed on April 27.

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## Pick Up Your Dishes

In the kitchen are a number of casserole dishes, pie plates, and other dishes. Please pick them up or donate them to the kitchen or the super duper sale.

Thanks



## Council Highlights – April 8, 2008

Present at the April 8 meeting of the Council were: RStu Bell, Bonnie Conover, Bruce Holderbaum, Joan Kammerlohr, Darrell Kruse, Trish Santos, Pam Schuering, Pastor Schwartzkopf, Bonnie Scranton, David Tooke, Barbara Wilkinson, and Kathy Wolters. Excused: Stuart Peters

President Kathy Wolters called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Opening devotion was given by Kathy Wolters. Bonnie Scranton will have the opening devotions for May.

**Announcements:** None

Minutes of the March 11, 2008, stood approved as written.

**Reports of the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer** The reports were discussed. Pastor Schwartzkopf moved to accept the reports, seconded by Stu Bell.

**President's Report:** The Junior and Senior High students and their families were thanked for a great Easter brunch. The Council members were thanked for meeting with Bishop Freiheit. Special thanks were given to all who helped with the luncheon.

**Pastor's Report:** Printed report on file. Discussion of a special 5:01 night for young adults (ages 18-40) was held. This will be on May 18.

### **MINISTRY TEAM AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Stewardship:** No report.

**Service:** Thanks to Barbara Holderbaum for leading the Prayer Warriors.

**Property:** No reports.

**Worship:** Bruce Holderbaum and Bonnie Scranton will be in charge of services (April 13) while Pastor is away. Hymns have been chosen through May 18. The next scheduled meeting is May 7.

**Witness:** No report.

**Learning/Youth:** Akaloo and the first teen retreat in Springfield were discussed. Game night is April 25 at 5:30 p.m. for adults and youth. A trip to Six Flags on June 7 was discussed. Preparations are being made for Vacation Bible School.

**Fellowship:** Ministry Team met on April 3. They planned the Dogwood Block Party which will be held on May 2 from 6 – 8:30 p.m. We will not participate in the parade this year

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- The Council Retreat will be April 22. Food will be provided by Bonnie Conover, Kathy Wolters, and Bonnie Scranton. The retreat agenda was discussed. Congregation will be asked for input concerning what they find valuable in our ministry and what to add that we are not doing now.
- Fundraising ideas were discussed.
  - A We will have a super-duper whole congregation garage sale along with a back and book sale . The youth will have a car wash. This will be held on May 17. Barbara, Trish, Pam and Joan will be on the committee. We need further congregational members involved. Contact Joan Kammerlohr or Kathy Wolters if interested in helping.
  - B Bonnie Conover and Linda Dillman will organize a tea to be held around Mother's Day. Proceeds will go to the kitchen fund.
- Church workday has been set for Saturday, May 3, at 8:00 a.m. Helpers are needed.
- Dogwood Block Party on May 2. Fellowship Ministry Team is in charge of plans. Invitations will be sent to the Holiday Hills neighbors.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Bonnie Conover discussed the church's involvement in Habitat for Humanity. Bruce Holderbaum moved to support this effort, seconded by Dave Tooke. Bonnie will pass around a volunteer sign-up and it will also be in the Seed. A special offering for Habitat for Humanity will be taken.
- A garage sale benefit for the Cress family is Saturday, April 19, at Body, Mind & Spirit at 704 N. 24<sup>th</sup> St. Donations should be there by April 12.

Being no other business, the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Kammerlohr, Secretary

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING—Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at 6:30 PM**



# SUPER DUPER SALE

**SATURDAY, MAY 17**  
7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## **Items Needed for Super Duper Sale**

Your support is needed for the Super Duper Sale. We are accepting donations of good clean childrens and infant clothing, household goods, small appliances, toys, books, outdoor equipment, and baked goods.

Donations accepted on

**Thursday, May 15**  
**1:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

And

**Friday, May 16**  
**9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

\*If you can price items before you bring them, please do. If you can't price them, bring them anyway.

**Adult clothes not accepted.**

Thank You!

Yours Sale Committee

WHO: YOU ARE INVITED

WHAT: Dogwood Festival Block Party

WHEN: 6:00—9:00 p.m. Friday, May 2, 2008

WHERE: Christ Lutheran Church  
333 South 36th Street at Holiday Drive

WHY: To celebrate our Lincoln-Douglas Heritage

- We'll begin to eat about 6:30 p.m.
- The church will provide brats, hot dogs, hamburgers, buns and condiments plus soft drinks and table service.
- Please bring some food to share—  
a salad or veggie or fruit or dessert or snack.
- Also bring lawn chairs or you can sit on our folding chairs.
- We'll have games for children of all ages badminton, croquet, volleyball, basketball, ring toss, bingo, and other games.
- We'll have a bike and trike parade with prizes for the best decorated.
- We'll have the block party on the east parking lot and lawn. You may park in the west parking lot, or on the street, or just walk in.
- In case of rain, we'll eat inside and have movies for the kids.



JOIN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH as we go to  
**SIX FLAGS**

Christ Lutheran Kids/Teens + 1 Friend: \$15 each  
 Adults + Each additional friend: \$23 each

Dates: June 7 or June 14

(If it rains, your tickets will be good for any regular season admission)  
 Return form to church office, offering plate, or Trish Santos.

Contact Trish Santos for more information.  
 All tickets must be ordered and paid for by **May 20**.  
 Make checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church

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

# of tickets \$15 \_\_\_\_\_ and / or \$23 \_\_\_\_\_

Preference in date: (circle which one(s) you can attend)  
 June 7 or June 14

\_\_\_\_\_ May provide rides for \_\_\_\_\_ others

\_\_\_\_\_ Need a ride for \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>GROUP 1</b></p> <p>Holderbaum, Barb Chair Bell, Pat Bolte, Bob &amp; Kathy Burner, Don &amp; Oneta Hesse, Paul &amp; Mary Rhinberger, Barb Scranton, Bonnie</p> <p>May 18, July 20, Sept. 14, Nov. 9 Jan. 25, 2009; Mar. 22, 2009</p>	<p><b>Group 5</b></p> <p>Kuras, Missy Chair Kruse, Patti Kammerlohr, Joan Kipley, Ellen Reeder, Sue Schwartzkopf, Ann Shuler, Olin &amp; Bill Tayyab, Rita</p> <p>Jun. 22, Aug. 17, Oct. 12, Dec. 21 Feb. 22, 2009; Apr. 26, 2009</p>
<p><b>GROUP 2</b></p> <p>Brinkman, Cheryl Chair Clark, Bonnie Conover, Bonnie Dillman, Linda Osterbur, Ruth Probert, Rose Simpson, Chrissi Wahlmann, Nancy</p> <p>May 25, Jul. 27, Sept. 21, Nov. 23 Feb. 1, 2009; Mar. 29, 2009</p>	<p><b>Group 6</b></p> <p>Colgrove, Bernice Chair Leenerts, Joyce Miller, Nona Moore, Nancy Tofall, Norma Wolf, Mindy Wolters, Kathy Wall, Anita</p> <p>Jun. 25, Aug. 24, Oct. 19, Dec. 28 Mar. 1, 2009</p>
<p><b>GROUP 3</b></p> <p>McLennan, Sue Chair Bertelson, Irma Bigley, Marcie Brubaker, Joanne Glore, Pat Haubrich, Karn Hughes, Evelyn Shackelford, Marilyn Stollberg, Amy</p> <p>Jun. 1, Aug. 3, Sept. 28, Nov. 30 Feb. 8, 2009; Apr. 5, 2009</p>	<p><b>Group 7</b></p> <p>Stollberg, Jennifer Chair Bernett, Crystal Jorgenson, Evie Meadows, Sherry Shank, Mary Summy, Jodi Tooke, Charlotte Van Camp, Dawn</p> <p>May 4, July 6, Aug. 31, Oct. 26 Jan. 11, 2009; Mar. 8, 2009</p>
<p><b>Group 4</b></p> <p>Gilkerson, Virgene Chair Alford, Joyce Beatty, Debbie Bousner, Pat Larner, Joan Leenerts, Donna Maas, Wendy Marshall, Kaye Schuering, Pam Tabb, Susan</p> <p>Jun. 15, Aug. 10, Oct. 5, Dec. 14 Feb. 15, 2009; Apr. 19, 2009</p>	<p><b>Group 8</b></p> <p>Peters, Kris Chair Bakker, Conny Glasgow, Kim Mikkelson, Laura Oguilve, Margarita Santos, Trish Wells, Carol Wilkinson, Barb</p> <p>May 11, July 13, Sept. 7, Nov. 2 Jan. 18, 2009; Mar. 15, 2009</p>

\*\* Coffee hour list effective May 4, 2008 - April 26, 2009

Everyone is invited to participate in the coffee hour. Please bring something to share on your scheduled Sunday's. The group should set up before coffee hour and clean up afterwards.

Days that will be skipped are: Congregational Picnic - June 8, 2008; Stewardship Luncheon - Nov. 16, 2008; the Greens - Dec. 7, 2008; Epiphany Hanging of the Greens - Dec. 7, 2008; Epiphany Party - Jan. 4, 2009; Easter - April 12, 2009

Thank You - The Fellowship Committee

## *EASTER LILIES AND FLOWERS*

The Altar Guild would like to thank the following persons who have furnished the beautiful Easter plants for this resurrection morning.

In memory of William Gilkerson	<i>by</i> Virgene Gilkerson
In memory of My Parents	<i>by</i> Virgene Gilkerson
In memory of Mary Larner	<i>by</i> Her Family
In memory of Guy & Bernice Davis and Harry & Ruby Larner	<i>by</i> Ron & Joan Larner
In honor of Charter Members and Nona Miller	<i>by</i> Anita Wall
In memory of Bob Tofall	<i>by</i> Norma Tofall
In memory of our Great-Grandson, Ty James Muder	<i>by</i> Nelson & Bernice Colgrove
In memory of our Parents	<i>by</i> Floyd & Joyce Leenerts
In memory of Bruce Fantz	<i>by</i> Marcia Fantz
In memory of Amenzo and Frieda Rawling and Joseph and May Wilkinson	<i>by</i> Barbara Wilkinson
In memory of Our Parents	<i>by</i> Bob and Barb Rhinberger
To the Glory of God	<i>by</i> Bob and Barb Rhinberger
In memory of Woodrow Weber and Frank Kammerlohr	<i>by</i> Joan Kammerlohr
In honor of Delma Weber and Bergit Trautz	<i>by</i> Joan Kammerlohr
In memory of Charles and Lea Lierly and Harold and Clara Shank	<i>by</i> Jerry and Mary Shank
In memory of Henry and Ruth Marshall	<i>by</i> Kaye Marshall
In memory of Gerald & Virginia Stollberg	<i>by</i> Jeff and Amy Stollberg
In honor of Bruce and Kathy Bringer	<i>by</i> Jeff and Amy Stollberg
In memory of Our Loving Father and Grandfather, Richard Tarbell	<i>by</i> Darrell and Patty Kruse & Family
In memory of Richard Tarbell	<i>by</i> The Tarbell Family
In memory of Husband, Ted Wahlmann	<i>by</i> Nancy Wahlmann
In honor of Children, Jonathan, Michael, Joy	<i>by</i> Nancy Wahlmann
In honor of Memaw and Pepaw Schwartzkopf	<i>by</i> Blake and Ella Schwartzkopf
In memory of Earnest and Margaret Walter	<i>by</i> Mary Reeve
In memory of Lawrence, Geneva and Roger Leenerts	<i>by</i> John and Donna Leenerts & Family
In memory of Leland and Bonnie Craig	<i>by</i> John and Donna Leenerts & Family
In memory of Ralph Jorgenson	<i>by</i> Evie Jorgenson
In memory of Renae Jorgenson	<i>by</i> Evie Jorgenson
In honor of Our Children and Grandchildren	<i>by</i> Bob and Barb Rhinberger

## SCHEDULE FOR MAY

	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
<b>ASSISTING MINISTER</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Pat Bell Jerry Shank	Sue Reeder Joan Larnar	Ann Schwartzkopf Barb Wilkinson	Bonnie Scranton Sue McLennan
<b>USHER</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Virgene Gilkerson Bruce Holderbaum	Bill Wolters Cheryl Brinkman	Dick Tabb Nona Miller	Jerry Shackelford David Maas
<b>READER</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Ann Schwartzkopf Natalie Meadows	Jeff Van Camp Ashley Stollberg	Kathy Wolters Bonnie Clark	Marilyn Shackelford Stuart Peters
<b>NURSERY</b>	Ashley Stollberg	Ashley Van Camp	Elisabeth Jones	Sunshine Santos
<b>ACOLYTE</b> 10:30 AM	Dylan Probert	Emily Stollberg	Tyler Turnbaugh	Sunshine Santos
<b>GREETERS</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Bonnie Scranton Wayne & Sue McLennan	Joanne Brubaker Reth & Jennifer Stollberg	Ron & Joan Larnar Stuart & Kris Peters	Virgene Gilkerson Dave & Charlotte Tooke
<b>DEACON</b> 10:30AM	Jim Bailey	Ron Larnar	Barb Rhinberger	Cheryl Brinkman
<b>SOUND SYSTEM</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Bonnie Scranton Olin Shuler	Kathy Wolters Bruce Holderbaum	Bill Wolters Stuart Peters	Ann Schwartzkopf Bruce Holderbaum
<b>COFFEE HOUR</b>	Group 7	Group 8	Group 1	Group 2

*If you cannot help on your assigned Sunday, please find a replacement and make a change on the appropriate sheet on the office bulletin board. Many Thanks!*



If you have a birthday in May and your name does not appear on the following list, we would appreciate it if you would notify us so that we can complete our records.

May	1 Rita Tayyab	11 Judy Darnell
	Steve Bartle	13 Sue Reeder
	7 Rebecca Allen	18 Sunshine Santos
	8 Rose Probert	20 Andrew Clark
	10 Tony Rhinberger	25 Cameron Kimber
	Royce McCabe	31 Dennis Mathes
	11 Merrie Colgrove	Stacy White



If you have a wedding anniversary in May and it does not appear below, please notify the church office.

May	5 Jon and Lielei Wahlman
	23 David & Charlotte Tooke