



MAY 2025

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Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast

We served 61 people and raised \$538.50 for the Youth Group. The Teach Board would like to Thank All who donated food, volunteered, attended and gave monetary donations to the Palm Sunday youth Group Fundraiser. Special thanks to the Men's Group and the BLCW for all their help in making this event happen. A portion of the funds raised will go toward sending our youth to Bible Camp at Lutherdale this summer and to support other youth activities.



Dear friends,

This month of May will bring a lot of our regular activities to a hold for the summer.

Our praise team will lead worship on May 11 and 25, and then take the summer off. The last day of JAM education time at Norway Grove Memorial is Wednesday, May 14. Confirmation classes will wrap up on May 18.

But then there will be all kinds of other activities throughout the summer. The Synod Assembly is May 16-17, and Jean S. will be joining me to represent the congregation. Looking ahead, there will be a day camp at Norway Grove Memorial in June and a week at Lutherdale camp for you in July. We are also working on a service project in DeForest in August. You'll find out more about all of these things in these pages and throughout this summer, so please pay attention to our weekly announcements, monthly Light of Life, and Facebook page for the most recent updates.

In the meantime, we will keep celebrating Easter through the month of May in worship. The celebration of Christ's resurrection intentionally lasts for seven weeks until we get to the festival day of Pentecost in June.

Throughout the Easter season, some of our readings in worship will come from the book of Revelation, and I'm planning on sharing my thoughts on that book, as I've spent the last three years intentionally studying John's letter to the churches in Asia and what that might mean for us. John's warning about the deceptive and destructive power of political power is a recurring problem for the church, especially when the church sees politics as an ally. John, through this vision of Jesus, offers a alternative way to engage the world around us where only the grace of God guides our way to God's intended completion.

So make sure you join us for worship throughout the month in between your work, the ending of the school year, the beginning of vacation season, and everything else you have going on. We live together here in this place in the power of grace and in the joy of the resurrection.

God bless,
Pr. Bryan

WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, May 14 at 11:30am.
They will be meeting at North South.
Please join us for the monthly celebration. Happy Birthday to all that month.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Wednesday, May 14 at Gus' Diner, Hwy 19, Sun Prairie, at 9:00am. Stop in for a cup of joe, a hearty breakfast and connect with brothers in Christ.



FOOD PANTRY

May Food Pantry Focus: May focus is "Household Supplies," such as paper towel, foil, plastic wrap, paper plates, baggies, plastic cups, toilet paper, etc. Please place your non-perishable goods in the 'Donations' basket in the entryway and it will be delivered to the pantry.

BIRTHDAY BAGS FOR RIVER FOOD PANTRY.

List of contents and bags are located in the entryway.



QUILTING

Every Wednesday at 9:00am.
Everyone is welcome, no experience needed.



Bible Study



Bible Study will be taking a hiatus for the summer. Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 3, 2025.

PRAYER CONCERNS

During the month of May we remember the following individuals in our Sunday prayers:

Lisa Thompson
June Chadwick
Tim Lothe
Bill Schmidt

Mark Gehrke
Marie McCoy
Tina Lee
Pat McCallum



We apologize if we have missed anyone, it was not intentional.

EASTER SUNDAY



DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION?

If you've changed your contact information in the past few years — if you've moved, dropped your land line, changed your email to get rid of all that annoying spam you were getting, got a new job, etc., please let the church office know at 244-8486 or burkelutheran@att.net. Thank you for helping us stay in touch!

LIGHT OF LIFE & SUNDAY BULLETIN ARTICLES

If you have news you'd like to see in the Sunday bulletin announcements and/or Light of Life newsletter:

1. Email your submissions to burkelutheran@att.net (please indicate in the subject line whether it is for the bulletin, LOL or both), or
2. Mail to church, 5720 Portage Rd, Madison, WI 53718, or
3. Turn it into the church office .

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesday LIGHT OF LIFE DEADLINE: 20th of the month

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. For how long did the flood rain fall?
2. Prior to raising Eutychus from the dead, Paul preached a lengthy sermon. At what hour did he end his sermon?
3. Who was the most wicked king of Israel?
4. Which of the prophets was carried captive to Babylon?
5. What were the first words God spoke to man?
6. What tribe had no inheritance in the land of promise?
7. Who was in command of the largest army recorded in the Bible?

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Worship, 9am Coffee Hour, 10am	5	6 Special Council Meeting, 6:00pm	7 Quilting, 9am JAM, 6:30pm	8 Teach Board, 6:30pm	9	10
11 No Screen Sunday Worship, 9am Coffee Hour, 10am	12	13 Council, 6:30pm	14 Quilting, 9am Men's Breakfast, 9am BLCW Meeting, 9am BLCW Lunch, 11:30am JAM, 6:00pm	15	16 Synod Assembly	17 Synod Assembly
18 Worship, 9am Coffee Hour, 10am Confirmation, 5:30p at NGMLC	19 Preach Board, 10am	20	21 Quilting, 9am	22	23	24
25 Worship, 9am Pot Luck	26  MEMORIAL DAY	27	28 Quilting, 9am	29	30	31

Save the Dates: May 1 - May Day
 May 1 - National Day of Prayer
 May 3 - Free Comic Book Day
 May 8 - World Red Cross Day
 May 11 - Mother's Day
 May 15 - International Day of Families
 May 17 - Armed Forces Day
 May 20 - National Rescue Dog Day
 May 26 - Memorial Day
 May 31 - National Smile Day

Happy Birthday!

May 3	Amber Brown	May 19	Adam Kittleson
May 3	Amber Kirchstein	May 19	Lynn Martin
May 4	Jean Schnick	May 21	Emma Dobbs
May 8	Roland Frye	May 21	Kristin Kalhagen
May 9	Taylor Olson	May 22	Kyle Krisher
May 10	Diane McFarlin	May 22	Laura Steig
May 10	Marcus Hung	May 24	Deb Buss
May 10	Ron Hennings	May 24	Emily Taylor
May 12	Jon Lothe	May 25	Larry Cutler
May 15	James Housner	May 25	Vicki Cutler
May 15	Katie Thompson	May 27	Rose Haney
May 15	Mitchell Hanson	May 31	Mike Housner
May 18	Susan Rittmann	May 31	Tim Wachs



Tim & Melissa Dobbs	May 3, 2003
Adam & Stacey Kittleson	May 8, 2010
Charlie & Diane Hung	May 13, 2000
Richard & Linda Hughes	May 15, 1971
Lynn & Linda Martin	May 19, 1996
Alan & Lisa Romeis	May 25, 2002

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MAY WORSHIP LEADERS

	May 4 9:00am Service	May 11 9:00am Service	May 18 9:00am Service	May 25 9:00am Service
Organist/Pianist	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore	Gloria Lundquist	Susie Kittel Moore
Music Leader	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Praise Band	Chris Grefe Dave Wisner	Praise Band
Communion Asst.	Julie Clark	Jean Schnick	Sharon Hughes	David Hanson
Communion Prep	Gloria Lundquist	Jean Schnick	Gloria Lundquist	Jeannette Gehrke
Lay Reader	Chris Grefe	Barb Hennings	Tim Wachs	Cheryl Beckman
Ushers	Bob Lenzendorf David Hanson	Steve & Donna Frederick	Roger Kittleson Rick Branson	Karl & Shari Patzer
Coffee Hour	Donuts	Donuts	Donuts	Potluck
Counters	Rose Haney Gloria Lundquist	Deb Brown Gloria Lundquist	Sharon Hughes Jan Peterson	Sharon Hughes Jean Schnick

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. 40 days and 40 nights (Gen 7:12)
2. Midnight (Acts 20:7)
3. Ahab (1 Kgs 21:25)
4. Ezekiel (Ezek 8:3)
5. Be fruitful and multiply (Gen 1:28)
6. Levites (Deut 8:1, 5)
7. Asa (2 Chron 14:9): This comprised 300,000 men from Judah and 280,000 men from Benjamin.