



May Edition

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## Pastor's Corner— May 2024

## **“Power Failure”**

Dear Friends in Christ at Faith,

Nothing is more annoying to me than a power failure, especially when it occurs in the evening after dark. Although our cell phones usually still work, our lights, desk top computers, TVs, washing machine, oven, microwave, coffee maker and a number of other devices we have become dependent upon, won't work. We're forced to change our plans and read a book by flashlight or candle light. We also are concerned about the food in our refrigerators spoiling if the interruption goes on too long. We rely upon the ready availability of electricity to carry out our daily lives: without it we feel (pardon my pun) “powerless.”

The same is true of our spiritual lives. We have no power within ourselves to believe in Christ or live for Him. Left to our own strength we would quickly wander away from God and not be able to get ourselves back to Him again. That's why we need the Holy Spirit in our lives. Dr Martin Luther, in his Small Catechism's explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed, tells us: “I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.” These words should be especially fresh in the minds of our 5 confirmands as they speak their vows of faithfulness at our church's altar on the Day of Pentecost, May 19th , this year.

Our ability to believe in Christ and to continue to grow in that faith and walk with the Lord, is dependent upon the Holy Spirit from beginning to end. That's why it is significant that we observe the Day of Pentecost every year, 50 days after Easter, and 10 days after Jesus' Ascension. At His Ascension Jesus promised, “You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you shall be my witnesses, in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1:8)” On the day of Pentecost Jesus poured out, upon His first disciples, His Holy Spirit who transformed them from cowards, hiding out from the religious authorities, to bold and courageous proclaimers of the Good News about Jesus.

As the Holy Spirit came to rest on each of them, it appeared as if they had flames of fire upon their heads. They were ablaze with the power of God and compelled to carry out the Great Commission Jesus had given them, to preach the Gospel to all people.

May it be the same for you and me this Pentecost, and especially for our confirmands. May we be renewed in our faith by the Holy Spirit. May we be set ablaze with zeal to witness our faith to all those around us. Let's not be caught in a spiritual power failure. Instead, let's continuously petition God for a greater outpouring of His Spirit so that we may be faithful and effective disciples for Him in the world today. More power to you!

In Jesus, *Pastor Dave*

# Vacation Bible School is Coming!



## Faith Lutheran, Springfield, MO

### **WE'RE GOING ON A CRUISE!**

A jungle cruise that is. This year's VBS participants will be journeying on an epic cruise from Genesis to Revelation. Our first stop on the journey will be in Genesis with creation and the first sin by Adam and Eve. We will travel through the Bible until our final stop in Revelation to see that God ultimately wins! This program will again be a 4 night program from Monday through Thursday, June 10-13. Of course, volunteers make the program successful so we encourage you to be open to volunteering. Put the date on your calendar now and make sure your children attend (ages 3 through grade 5). Also, invite your grandchildren, neighborhood children, and anyone you think might benefit from VBS. Be on the look-out for more information as we get closer to our Great Jungle Journey!

# May Servant Schedule

## Sunday, May 5

### Elder/Deacon

8:30 - Joye McElwee  
11:00 - Daryl Bahn

### Altar Guild

8:30 - Kathy Hodges  
11:00 - Stacey Bourbina

### Greeter

8:30 - Carole Jones  
11:00 - Carol Bourbina

### Lector

8:30 - Thomas Jeffries

### Acolyte

8:30 - Kinley Cox

### Proclaim

11:00 - Leann Eden

## Sunday, May 12

### Elder/Deacon

8:30 - Jim Garton  
11:00 - Joye McElwee

### Altar Guild

8:30 - Ann Dobbs  
11:00 - Carol Bourbina

### Greeter

8:30 - Brenda Owen  
11:00 - Grace & Leah Meyer

### Lector

8:30 - Marie Johnson

### Acolyte

8:30 - Marie Johnson

### Proclaim

11:00 - Nathan & Grace Meyer

## Sunday, May 19

### Elder/Deacon

8:30 - Joye McElwee  
11:00 - Daryl Bahn

### Altar Guild

8:30 - Mary Beckers  
11:00 - Debby Zibilski

### Greeter

8:30 - Jim Garton  
11:00 - Helen Clair

### Lector

8:30 - Nathan Meyer

### Acolyte

8:30 -

### Proclaim

11:00 - Tyson Bourbina

## Sunday, May 26

### Elder/Deacon

8:30 - Jim Garton  
11:00 - Joye McElwee

### Altar Guild

8:30 - Kevin Wuench  
11:00 - Brandee Lentz

### Greeter

8:30 - Leah Meyer & Yvonne Cordell  
11:00 - Debby Zibilski & Palin & Piper Lentz

### Lector

8:30 - Cindy MacGregor

### Acolyte

8:30 - Grace Meyer

### Proclaim

11:00 - The Lentz Family

**Thank you to those who serve!**  
If you would like to serve in any of these areas,  
please contact the church office.

Email:  
faithlutheransec@gmail.com  
Phone: (417)833-3749

## Mowing

May 4  
David MacGregor

May 11  
Frank Kukal

## Schedule

May 18  
Duane Parker

May 25  
Cathy Bowman



Welcome to our New Members  
over the past year  
New members:

Mack Replogle - born in October 2023, baptized in December 2023

Brian, Sabrina, Lincoln & Grace DeLapp - transferred in December 2023

Kennedy Howell - baptized in January 2024

Olivia Fite - born in January 2024, baptized in March 2024

Sue Polonus—baptized in April 2024



# Mother's Day / Father's Day Ingathering

May 12th - June 16th

Helping ALL stages of life...

**Infants** Donations will be given to  
Newborns in Need

**Families** Sammy's Window assists families who  
are caring for abused and neglected  
children in Foster Care

**Elderly** Gifts to Brighten  
their Days



## Making a Difference

Lutherans for Life invites you to join in our Annual

### Mother's Day - Father's Day Ingathering

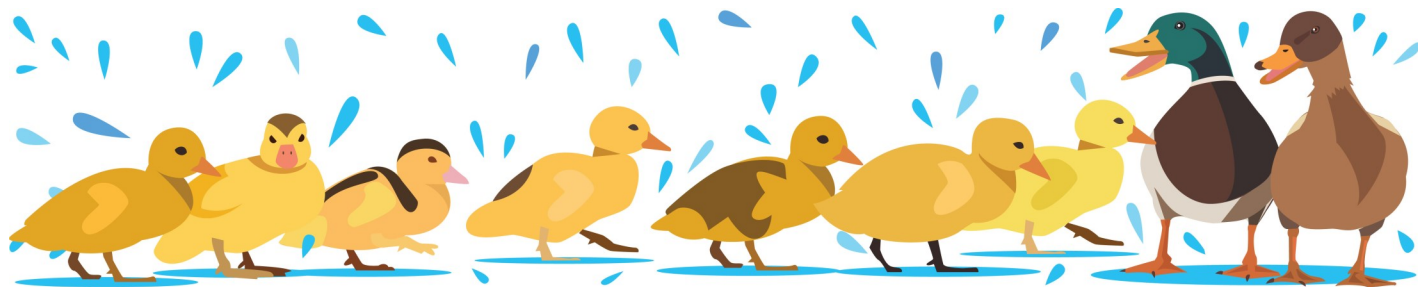
We firmly believe in the sanctity of life.... ALL STAGES of life. This year we will be gathering donations for Newborns in Need, Sammy's Window (a support agency for children in foster care) and gifts for the elderly in a local nursing home.

**What can you bring???** The list is almost endless.

Baby Supplies, Hygiene products – toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, detangle conditioner, hair brushes, soap – think Dollar Tree here..... Cereal, Spaghetti sauce, noodles, – you name it. Large Print puzzle books, Veteran ball caps, lotions and Kleenex tissues. We will sort it all out and they will be used and appreciated.

*Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,*

*for the rights of all who are destitute. Proverbs 31:8*





**Congratulations**  
**Graduates!**

***Ryan Bourbina***

Graduation from:

**Republic High School**

Will be attending either Missouri S & T in Rolla  
or MSU and majoring in  
Electrical Engineering

***Kennedy Howell***

Graduation from:

**Republic High School**

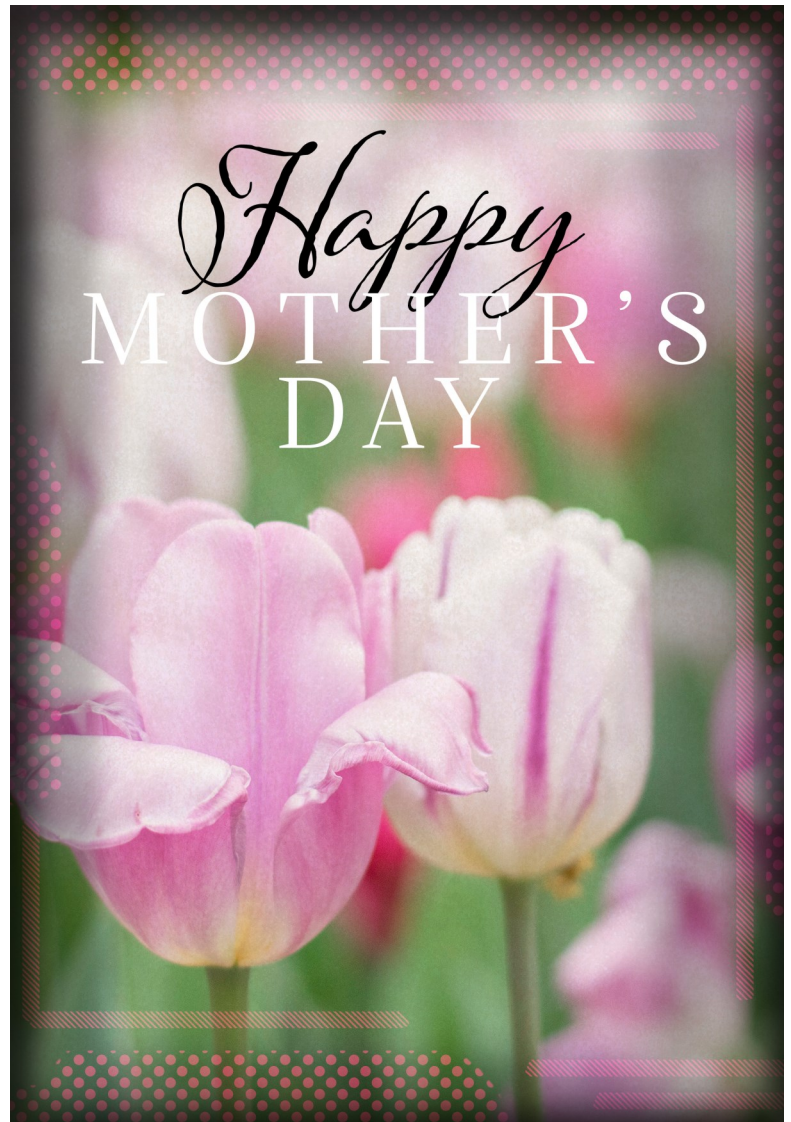
Will be attending MSU majoring in  
Early Childhood Development

***Autumn Wuench***

Graduation from:

**Central High School**

Will be furthering her education in  
Computer Science  
with emphasis in gaming/programming



**MISSION SUNDAY-**  
**TIME AND TALENT AUCTION**

So far, the proceeds from the auction and other donations total \$2960, a 25% increase from last year. A huge "Thank You" to all donors and bidders for making our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Mission Sunday a big success! We will be sending checks to LCMS Missions (to benefit the Ross Shaver family) and to the Good Samaritan Boys Ranch. Those checks will go out May 15<sup>th</sup>, so if you

wish to make an additional donation you may place your check in the offering plate with "auction" in the memo section. If you prefer your donation to specifically support the Shaver family, LCMS Missions or Shaver family should be noted in your memo section. We are already looking forward to next year!

Your Stewardship Board: Tyson Bourbina, Helen Clair, Nathan Meyer, Duane Moudy



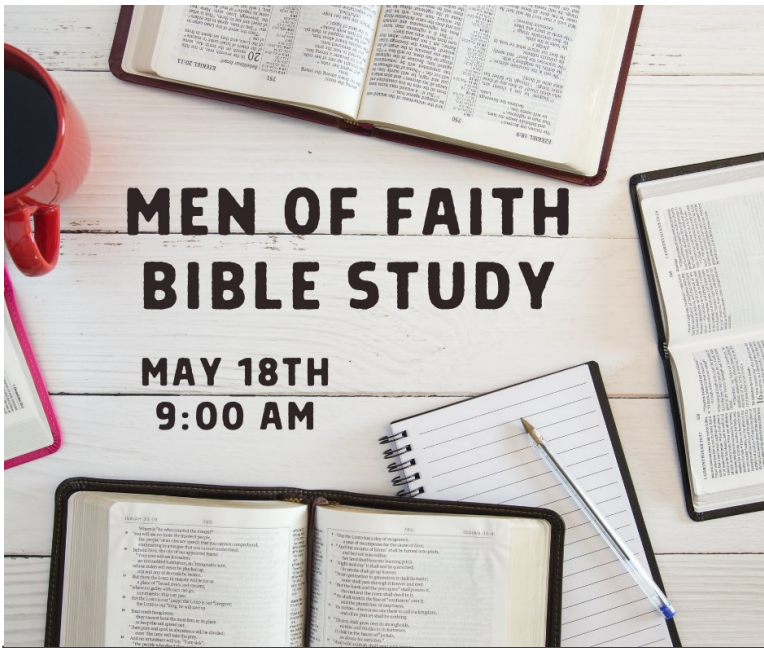


**April 6th  
2024**



# Lutherans for Life Conference at Faith





# MEN OF FAITH BIBLE STUDY

**MAY 18TH  
9:00 AM**

Our next monthly Men of Faith Bible Study will meet on **Saturday, May 18th, 9:00 to 10:30 AM**. We are working through a 4-session study called "How to Spot the Spirit's Work in Your Life." We will be meeting in the Gathering Room at the north end of our facility. Please enter through the doors on the northeast side of the Peters Family Life Center (north building).



# Monthly Wm Meeting

**MAY 13TH  
6:00 PM**



# VOTERS' MEETING

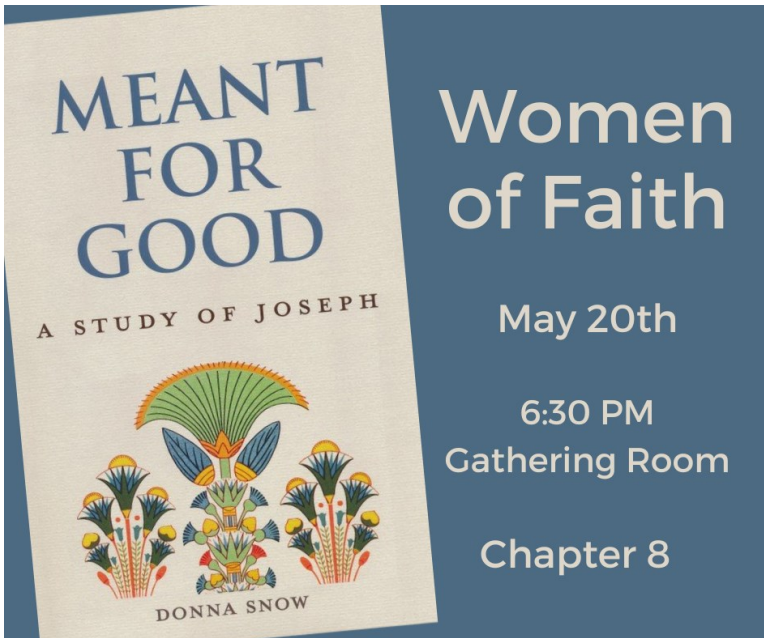
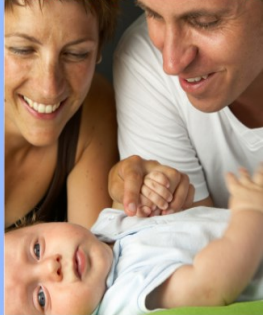
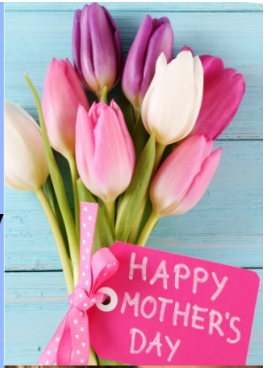
**SUNDAY  
MAY 5TH  
12:30 PM**



Join us as  
we honor  
**Father's Day  
and  
Mother's  
Day**

## Faithful Servants

**Wednesday  
May 15th**



# Women of Faith

**May 20th**

**6:30 PM  
Gathering Room**

**Chapter 8**



# CROSS LINES

**Council of Churches  
of the Ozarks**



## Volunteer Opportunity!

Tuesday, May 21st | Anytime 9 AM to 2:00 PM

**3055 East Division, Springfield**



# EZRA & NEHEMIAH BIBLE STUDY



Sunday  
Mornings  
9:45 AM

Fellowship  
Hall

How do God's people rebuild their home in a time of trouble, after long years of strife? How do they prepare their hearts for a new chapter in their journey of faith under a new spiritual leader? Questions like these and others are explored in this 9-week LifeLight Bible study on Ezra and Nehemiah during the Education Hour. The class is led by Cody Jeffries in the Fellowship Hall at the South End. Study guides will be provided.



REMEMBERING  
**OUR  
HEROES**  
MEMORIAL DAY

## April Newsletter

-The Lutheran Student Center Springfield-



Hello everyone! We had a lot we did this month! From Shine Events to fun game nights and everything in between, here is a look at some of our highlights.

On March 26th, we heard from our peers at our weekly Prayer and Praise about importance of leadership as a student. During this Prayer and Praise, we also took part in a service event where we made seek and find bottles for kids as well as pinned some blankets for some newborns! A week later on the 6th of April, we took to the campus of Missouri State and chalked! Spreading the message of the LSC and inviting students to join us! We even saw some new faces at our Prayer and Praise! We also had a fun fellowship event on April 7th where we went hiking at Busiek State Forest after which we went to the Brands' for a meal and to start our bible study on the Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis! We even got to fly some kites!

We had another student led Prayer and Praise on April 16th where we heard about the story of Job and how to overcome hardships. A good reminder for anyone, especially as we get closer to finals! We had another fun, and slightly insane, game night on the 18th! This month has concluded with not one, but TWO Shine Events put on by Redeemer Lutheran Church and Trinity Lutheran Church. Redeemer helped us around the LSC on April 20th sprucing up the place, while we headed to Trinity to help clean up some yards on the 21st! THANK YOU to both churches for all the service and letting us join in!



**Thank you!**

That's this month all wrapped up!  
Thank you so much for your continued support! We are so blessed to have you by our side!

## The Inklings Book Club

Date: Tuesday Evenings

Time: 8:30 PM

Where: Zoom Meeting

What: A group of J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis fans that meets remotely to read and discuss various books by the noted authors.

Currently Reading: The Chronicles of Narnia: The Magician's Nephew

Please contact Cody Jeffries or Pastor Dave for an invite to the Zoom meeting.



# Click Here!

Check out this YouTube video to find out about some of the features offered through our Instant Church Directory app.

[https://youtu.be/VkORO\\_yZD64](https://youtu.be/VkORO_yZD64)



# Family Camp Fun!!



**Come stay in a Bunkhouse—  
and get to know other Lutheran  
Families like yourself -  
or bring your RV, Tent or  
book a private cabin!**

Volleyball!



9 Square!

Frisbee Golf!

Swimming!

Canoeing!

Take time together to PLAY at the Ozarks, be in God's WORD as a FAMILY, and gain skills for keeping Christ at the CENTER of our busy lives, all the time having FUN and making FRIENDS!!

\$300/person in a bunkhouse - includes FOOD, lodging, FUN activities, wonderful teaching and MEMORIES that last a lifetime, not to mention spiritual growth for your family! (2 year olds and under are FREE). Call for other prices.

\* If you are staying in the BUNKHOUSE - we'll have adults and kids under five in two of the quadrants...and BOYS (5 and up) in a quad with the male camp counselors and GIRLS (5 and up) in a quad with female camp counselors!!

*Join us at the Lake of the Ozarks*

Family!!

Sun!!



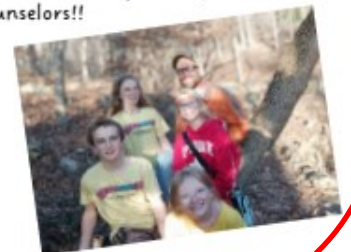
Fun!!

God's Word!!

**JUNE 9-14, 2024**

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Lincoln, MO 660-668-2363

Visit:  
[www.heitspointlutheran.org](http://www.heitspointlutheran.org)  
or call 660-668-2363  
to register



## LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK



**FRIDAY, JULY 29TH  
7:05 PM FIRST PITCH**

DUGOUT BOX SEATS  
T-SHIRT  
FIREWORKS



CONTACT THE  
CHURCH OFFICE  
OR DUANE MOUDY  
FOR MORE  
DETAILS

## MEMORIAL DAY

**PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD  
IS THE DEATH OF HIS FAITHFUL ONES.**

PSALM 116:15, NRSV







## 2024 Altar Flower Calendar

Did you know you can donate altar flowers to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate a special event? If you would like to donate flowers, please mark your name on the 'Altar Flower Calendar' in the narthex beside the leadership mailboxes. Cost is \$40 and you can make your check out to Faith Lutheran and note "altar flowers" and place in the offering basket. Thank you!



### May 12th

Cody & Amy Jeffries — 11 years

### May 13th

Eric & Samantha Hodges — 17 years

### May 20th

Tyson and Stacey Bourbina — 24 years

### May 21st

Brian & Sabrina DeLapp — 19 years



### May 8th

Blake Edwards

### May 9th

Braden McLallen

### May 10th

Darla Berg  
Mary Ellen Wolf

### May 12th

Mira Boyd

### May 20th

Mia Replogle

### May 23rd

Nathan Meyer

### May 24th

Madeline Cox



For an up-to-date list of Bible Study & Fellowship Opportunities,

please visit our website at [www.flc-s.org/activities](http://www.flc-s.org/activities)

# Compass Newsletter

Faith Lutheran Church - Springfield, MO

To read previous editions of the Compass Newsletter, please visit our website. An archive can be found under the "Resources" tab in the "Compass Newsletters" section.

You can also simply visit [www.flc-s.org/compass-newsletters.html](http://www.flc-s.org/compass-newsletters.html)

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Join us  
**Sunday, May  
19th**  
in one combined service  
at  
**10:30 AM**  
To celebrate  
The rite of Confirmation  
with our  
Confirmation Students.

We will have  
Sunday School  
and Bible Classes  
at **9:15 AM.**



**A cake reception  
will follow  
the service  
in the  
Fellowship Hall.**