



1Thessalonians 5:13-15

Rise and Shine

13 and that you esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Live in peace with one another. 14 We urge you, brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone. 15 See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all people.

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From the Pastor's Office

The first sermon I ever heard Pastor Orval preach while I was his inter was at a nursing home service and he preached on Psalm 23. It was at a nursing home service and he held up his left hand with his fingers spread out and a big smile on his face while he counted on his fingers starting with his thumb saying, The...Lord...is...my...Shepherd. Do you believe that? That The Lord is YOUR shepherd? He held up his hand again this time he stopped on his ring figure. See how my is the 4th word there and the fourth finger is where you put your wedding ring.

He told a story of a woman who was lonely and in a nursing home. She was a widow and a pastor came to visit her and encouraged her. He told her that God promised to be a husband to the widow and told her to say, "The Lord is my shepherd" while counting on her fingers and holding her ring finger saying He is "my" shepherd. Later she died and she was found holding on to her ring finger. She died knowing that the Lord was her shepherd.

It was the perfect introduction to my internship because the concept of me being a sheep in the Lord's pasture came up multiple times. One of the last sermons I preached as an intern was on the parable of the lost sheep (or was it the good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep?). I remember talking about how calling us sheep is not much of a complement. Sheep are not very smart as far as livestock go. They are very dependent on human help. It's a good picture for us.

We are helpless and not very smart. Hey don't be offended, Jesus is the one who called us sheep, not me. We are completely dependent on our shepherd. Because He is our shepherd and because He is the good shepherd who lays down His life for the sheep, we know that He restores us, we can trust that he cares for us and leads us for his name sake. We have no reason to fear anything because he is with us and we will dwell in His house forever.

-Pastor Ryan Kandoll

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April at PLC



Celebrate Our Congregation

April Birthdays:

Erik	Lunn	4/2
Elise	O'Neill	4/6
James	O'Neill	4/6
Janis	Saari	4/7
Don	Besonen	4/9
Phyllis	Krumholz	4/10
Brigitte	Olson	4/11
Lorraine	Besonen	4/13
Peter	Maikkula	4/22

Sundays:

2, 16, 23, 30	9:15am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30am Worship service also via YouTube & FB live
	11:30am Coffee Fellowship
9	10:30am EASTER SUNDAY Service
16	10:30am Worship service with Communion
23	11:30am Abbreviated Communion

Tuesdays:

11	6:00pm Mission Committee meeting
	6:30pm Board of Trustees meeting

Wednesdays:

12, 19, 26	9:30am Men's & Ladies Bible Study @ church
	6:30pm Bible Study @ the church

Thursdays:

6	6:00pm Maudy Thursday Service
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Fridays:

7	6:00pm Good Friday Service
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April Anniversaries:

John & Jan	4/10
Earl & Karen C.	4/15
Reuben & Anita	4/19
Noel & Kris	4/20
Joel & Susan	4/27

Save The Dates

Organist/Pianist position Available

"Plymouth Lutheran Church is now accepting applications for a paid pianist and/or organist to lead us in song as part of our worship service on Sunday mornings at 10:30am and special times throughout year such as a mid-week services during lent.

We are also looking for substitutes to help fill in during our search.

You can find out more about us at <https://www.plymouthapostolic.org> and by coming to visit on a Sunday"

Contact us at secretary@plymouthapostolic.org

Lent Services

Maundy Thursday, April 6th – 6:00pm
Good Friday, April 7th – 6:00pm
Easter Sunday – 10:30am



VBS 2023

July 31st – Aug 4th
9am – 11:30am
More details to follow



He makes all things
Beautiful
...in His
time!

APR 28 AT 4 PM – APR 30 AT 10:30 AM

Spring Womens' Retreat

Camp Emmaus

Be encouraged by fellowship around God's word as we learn from other women of faith.

Speaker: Wendy Bergstedt from Esko, Minnesota.

Cost: \$100* with 2 nights lodging; \$50 day (no lodging)

* Financial assistance available.

Register by April 15th, 2023.

Register <https://forms.gle/mgvB12TCA9kzu8ZWA>



LBF Bible Camp at Lahti Retreat Center

Theme: Ambassadors for Christ
July 19 – 23, 2023

Directors: Josh & Alaura Hansen

Registration is open. Follow the link below.

<https://sites.google.com/view/welcometolbf/home>

Full camp ages 9 and up: \$210

Full camp ages 5-8: \$160

Under 5: Free

Counselors: \$100

There is an \$800 cap on the cost per family. "Family" refers to immediate family only (parents and dependent children). **There is a reduced rate for staying on the grounds in your own RV or tent. You may customize your rate with varying meal and camping arrangements. Contact the registrar to discuss options that are available.**



Vacation Bible School

If you are willing to help with the 2023 Vacation Bible School please attend May 7th @ 11:45am

THEME: The Keepers of the Kingdom
Standing Strong in Today's Battle for Truth

Answers VBS –

Preparing Children to Survive in Today's World

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. EPH 6:10-11 (ESV)

We are engaged in an epic battle for the hearts and minds of our youth. Every day, they're bombarded with lies about who they are, who their Creator is, and where their salvation comes from. Thankfully, God has given his children armor to wear in this battle between truth and lies, light and darkness, good and evil

With this VBS, your kids will learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son and will be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom who stand strong in today's battle for truth.

**WHEN: VBS will Be July 31st – Aug 4th
9:00am – 11:30am**

Please pray about helping in some way.
Thank you for considering!

<https://2023plcvbs.myanswers.com/keepers-of-the-kingdom/>

Saul & Nicole

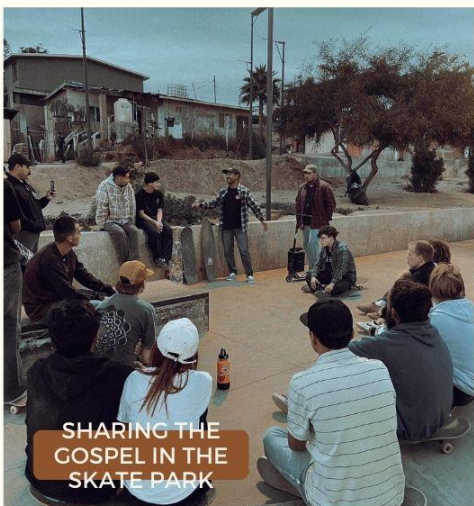
February 2023



DTS STAFF & STUDENTS

This Month

We continue discipling students in our missions school (DTS). It has been a great month, full of joy and the Holy Spirit speaking.



SHARING THE GOSPEL IN THE SKATE PARK

Skate Ministry

With our students, we have been doing skate ministry in a poor neighborhood in Ensenada. We can see that this is fertile ground for the gospel. Join us in prayer for these youth!

17 Homes



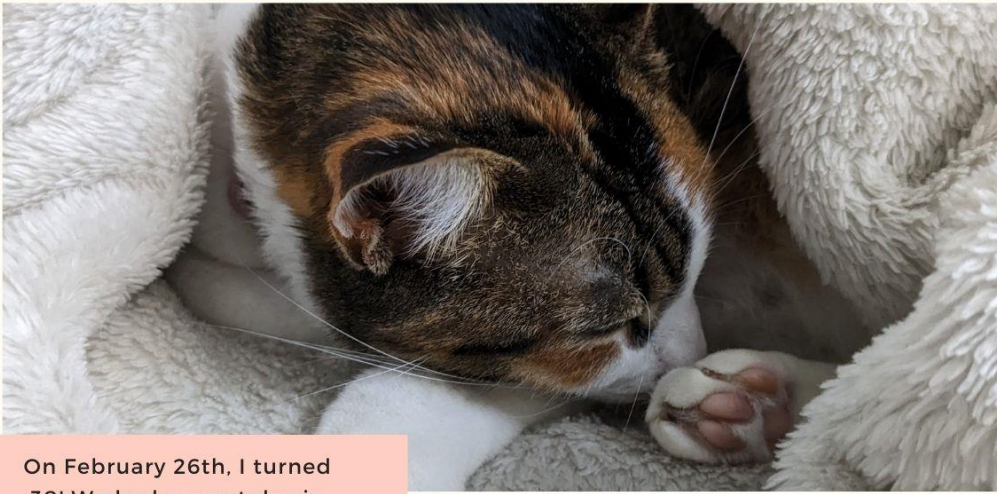
Our campus was able to build homes for 17 families in the space of 2 weeks! So we were able to step outside of the DTS for a weekend and help provide for a family in need.



We rested by relaxing and fishing by the ocean.



Joy & Rest



On February 26th, I turned 30! We had a great day in San Diego and a few days later we celebrated with Saul's family and he made us all empenadas!



Something else we have really been enjoying (although it may not seem like it in this photo) is the CrossFit gym on our base! It has been such a blessing for us to care for our physical and mental health, and it's fun to do it in community as well.



"Pray without ceasing."



Thank you all for your love and prayers! We daily reflect on God's faithfulness and provision. We are so content where we are and it's thanks to you!

CON MUCHO AMOR,
**NICOLE AND
SAUL**

