



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

I recently read a newsletter about Mother's Day written by cousin Nicholas in New

York Mills. It is obviously fitting for the time of year. I also think it's quite fitting for our congregation. I hope you find it encouraging.

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!" Luke 13:34

Mothers day is... a day we set aside to remember and celebrate our Mothers. There is something special about motherly love. You see it in everyday events. Waking up in the middle of the night to feed a hungry baby, changing a poopy diaper, taking care of a sick child. A mothers love is self sacrificing, so it's no surprise that God sometimes uses motherly language to describe his love for us. Here he speaks over a people that he loves, his children, who have by and large rejected him. He wants to gather them in and protect them like a mother hen would gather her chicks but they would not have it!

I've heard stories of finding live chicks under the body of a mother hen in a collapsed chicken coop or barn. In those situations the mother protected her young with her very life. This is the love that Jesus has for all of us. His love is self sacrificing, by his death he gives us life.

Jesus also shows us how we ought to treat our mothers:

"When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home." John 19:26-27

Most historians agree that at this point Joseph, the husband of Mary, has died. In those days Jesus, being the eldest son, would be responsible for taking care of his mother. He entrusts her into the care of his beloved disciple. At the end, with the weight of the world on his shoulders, Jesus takes care of his mother.

This also shows us that Jesus is still, on the cross, perfectly keeping the law. "Honor Your Father and Mother". Notice that this commandment has no qualifications or conditions. The law doesn't say honor your mother if she deserves it. It doesn't say honor her unless she doesn't live up to your standards. God simply commands us to honor them. A mother isn't honored by virtue of her performance she is honored by virtue of God's commandment.

The greatest tragedy is that there are some Mothers who, like Mary, have had to experience the death of their children. Who find this day that is set aside for them as a reminder of their grief. Know that just as Jesus remembered Mary he also remembers you.

God's Peace,
Nicholas Kandoll

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May at PLC



Sundays:

- 5, 12, 19 9:15am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
 10:30am Worship service
 11:30am Coffee Fellowship
- 5, 19, 26 10:30am Worship service with communion
 11:30am Coffee Fellowship
 19 11:45am **Semi-Annual Meeting**

Tuesdays:

- 14 6:00pm Mission Committee meeting
 6:30pm Board of Trustees meeting

Wednesdays:

- 1 9:00am Men's & Ladies Breakfast
 @ Perkins HWY 55 & 494
 6:00pm Evening Bible Study
- 8, 15, 22, 29 9:30am Men's & Ladies Bible studies
 6:00pm Evening Bible Study

Thursdays:

- 2 National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 2, 2024

The 2024 National Day of Prayer

Celebrate Our Congregation

May Birthdays:

Caedmon	Lunn	5/9
Bev	Aho	5/12
Ellie	Puumala	5/13
Leeanna	Lunn	5/14
Karen	Rokala	5/15
Elaine	Bergstedt	5/16
Sara	Serazzi	5/18
Mary Kay	Myrmel	5/21
William	Kandoll	5/21
Josiah	Kandoll	5/21
Earl	Rokala	5/23

May Anniversaries:

Addison & Alisha	5/27
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Save The Date

Church Family Picnic June 2, 2024



VBS 2024

July 29th – Aug 2nd

9am – 11:30am

More details to follow

2024 Annual Convention

The 2024 Annual Convention will be hosted by the Hockinson congregation.
 Dates: June 27th-30th, 2024
 Location: Hockinson Apostolic Lutheran Church
 16108 NE 192nd Avenue,
 Brush Prairie, WA 98606

Church Family Picnic Sunday, June 2nd

at French Regional Park

12605 Rockford Rd, Plymouth MN 55441

Skyview Site(Shares a parking lot with the previous site)-

Worship service at **10:00am**

Church will provide Hotdogs/buns, chips & drinks

Last Name Begins with:

A – N

O – Z

Please Bring:

Salad or Fruit

Cookies or Bars



Vacation Bible School Meeting

If you are willing to help with the 2024 Vacation Bible School, please attend June 9th @ 11:45am

The Great Jungle Journey VBS 2024

“An epic cruise from Genesis to Revelation” by Answers VBS

Give kids answers to their questions

Each day, our children face many big questions: Did the mighty creator shape everything? Why does adversity exist? Did Noah's Ark truly sail? What's the significance of salvation for me? Can the scriptures be relied upon?

At this VBS, your kids will delve into these questions through a thrilling escapade from Genesis to Revelation. Amidst sloths, butterflies, river dolphins, and dart frogs, your children will voyage on an exciting jungle expedition, making stops at seven significant landmarks. These spots represent the 7 C's of History: Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Children will uncover how these pivotal moments shape our world, bridging the Bible to their daily experiences. Get ready to dive into a world of excitement on The Great Jungle Journey!

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**VBS Volunteers sign-up sheet on the Narthex Desk.
Watch for “Supplies needed” help sign-up coming soon.**



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The 2024 National Day of Prayer

LIFT UP THE WORD - LIGHT UP THE WORLD

For you are my lamp, O Lord, and my God lightens my darkness. For by You I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God—his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him.

2 Samuel 22:29-31

