

PLYMOUTH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Third Sunday of Easter *May 1st, 2022*

Hymn: "Open My Eyes That I May See" 466

Announcements


Invocation

Scripture Reading: **ACTS 7:54-8:3**

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

 Praise Hymn: "Fishers of Men" 227

The Offertory Prayer

The Pulpit Hymn: "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" 404
(Refrain only sung at very end 2x's)

 Sermon Text: **ACTS 9:1-19**

The Sermon: **"Another Direction"** Pr. Charles Bergstedt

The Benediction

Hymn: "Be Thou My Vision" 469

Postlude

 **The Congregation stands**

****Please turn off cell phones during the service – thank you****

ON OUR PRAYER LIST THIS WEEK (Please leave a note in the office of any additions or changes)

- ❖ **For Missionaries:** Nicole Bartell, David & Sharon Matti, Lynton & Iona Silva, Daniel, Denisa & Luna Harcar, Phil, Cindy, Megan & Sarah Read, Trevor Rubenstein, David Gunderson, Bill Rogers, ALC Foreign Missions, Outpost Ministries.
- ❖ **MILITARY/POLICE OFFICERS**—Pray for those Serving Our Communities & Country — Jesse Maunu, John Saari, Gregg Johnson, Jason Leonard, Dominic Anspach, Ryan Pelkola, Jeff Ritter, Tim Miller, James O'Neill, Caleb Hendrickson, Ben Jenkins, Brandon Hietala, Zach B, Rose Stamp, Corey Anderson and Christopher Anderson
- ❖ **The family of:** Rodell Riemersma (Rich's mom)(5/21), Pr Rodger (2/22) & Aila(6/21) Foltz, Joan O'Brien (6/21), Barb Briggs (8/21)(pray for her family & Lorn Hilman), Elaine Krumholz Spika(8/21) (Bill Krumholz' mom), Carol Besonen (9/21)(Lorraine's sister-in-law), Louise Erva(10/21) (Jennifer's mother), Marvin Barhorst(12/21)
- ❖ **Sharon Emery** – Healing and strength from severe arthritis and pinched spinal nerves.
- ❖ **Dan Puumala**- Blood supply to right eye/miraculous healing/infection/strength; healing of chronic extreme dry eye
- ❖ **Sara Graf** – Relief and healing from Crohn's Disease and hormonal imbalance
- ❖ **Clayton Matti** – For physical, mental and spiritual healing of multiple disabilities, correct medication, continued signs of improvement
- ❖ **Pastor Charles Bergstedt** – Continued healing
- ❖ **Leann Bergstedt** – Prayers for treatment & healing of breast cancer
- ❖ **Roger Larson** – Healing
- ❖ **Ed Puumala** – inactive lymphoma
- ❖ **Cheryl Puumala** – only on immunotherapy; Pray for continued healing
- ❖ **Ed Pahkala** (Marlene's brother)-In remission
- ❖ **Bonnie Rentz** (Marlene's Sister)-heal stroke in eye & benign tumor in frontal lobe of brain.
- ❖ **Marlene Walters** – Prayers for healing & treatment of returned cancer
- ❖ **Mark Fredrickson**-(Lorraine's Son-in-law) pray for physical & speech Therapy
- ❖ **Reuben Aho** – Praise for hearing in one ear; hearing for right ear
- ❖ **Anita Aho** – God's healing, comfort, strength and protection for Reuben and Anita
- ❖ **Marc Geiselhart** – Recovery & healing from Stroke; return home
- ❖ **Lorrie (Mike) Kandoll (Ryan's Mom)** – Healing
- ❖ **Terri Bloomquist** – Praise for Healing from cellulitis; pray for continued healing of skin.
- ❖ **Myrna Maikkula** – Pray that Myrna would be a bold witness of God's love to all she will meet on this second cancer journey and also for her family.
- ❖ **Connie Liverett** – treatment for a disease; health
- ❖ **Bev Aho** – Peace, healing & Medical Team
- ❖ **Jeff & Anne Bodin-(Niece to Jack Bergstedt)** Jeff surgery for lung cancer, healing & comfort
- ❖ **Audrey Krutzig** – healing; Praise that she is home
- ❖ **Larry Wahala** – left knee replacement surgery
- ❖ **Carmen Kandoll** – Healthy pregnancy
- ❖ **Pray for Pastor of the Week – Pastor John Isaacson**
- ❖ **Pray for our Country;** Peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6-7)/For the Unreached People Groups/Persecuted Church (Heb 13:3), ALC Balm of Gilead, Nigerian Church, Sharon Silent Prayer

PRAYER UPON ENTERING CHURCH

¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples. ² Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; Speak of all His wonders. ³ Glory in His holy name; Let the heart of those who seek the LORD be glad.

Psalm 105:1-3



Meditation Scriptures for this Week: Psalm 30

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father

Confession:

Our most gracious Father in heaven, We bow before You to confess our sin and seek Your forgiveness. We have not esteemed others better than ourselves and have fallen into sin because of our own weakness. We know that sin leads us to death but Your gift to us is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Strengthen our hearts against sin and forgive us when we fail. Grant to us the promise of eternal life with You in heaven and Your grace to live here on this earth. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Absolution:

We beseech You, Almighty God, Heavenly Father, to grant us a true faith, a firm hope in Your mercy, and a sincere love to our fellow men, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call Committee Request:

As we begin our formal search for a new senior pastor to lead our congregation, we ask that anyone with a potential candidate referral please reach out to a member of the call committee. A full list of pastoral duties can be found in the church bylaws. (Copies on the Narthex desk)

Call committee members are: Brad Aho, Stacey Wempen, Steve Dahlmeier, Noel Walters, Roy Saari, Scott Maikkula and Larry Wahala.

THANK YOU to all who helped in any way with the Passover Seder, Tenebrae and the Easter brunch. They were both very nice, and many appreciated the efforts.

~Pastor Joel



*If you donated a lily for the altar,
please take one when you leave
today.*



DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 5th – National Day of Prayer
- May 14th – Ladies Saturday Bible Study
- May 14th – Church Work Day
- May 15th – VBS Organizational meeting
- May 22nd – Semi-Annual Meeting following the Service
- June 5th – Church Service & Family Picnic @ French Regional Park
- June 23-26th – ALCA Convention-New Ipswich, NH
- July 20-24th – LBF Bible Camp @ Lahti Retreat Center
- Aug 1-5th – Vacation Bible School-Flyers on the Narthex Desk

Upcoming:

Coffee Serving:

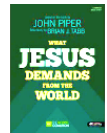
- May 1 – Janis Saari
- May 8 – Evy Walters
- May 15 – Volunteer

Nursery Schedule:

- May 1 – Volunteer
- May 8 – Volunteer
- May 15 - Volunteer



**Wednesday Evening Bible Study @
the church:** Wednesday's 6:30-7:30pm
(In-person)



May 4 – No Bible Study



Thursday, May 5, 2022

Exalt the Lord who has established us.
Colossians 2:6-7

<https://www.nationaldayofprayer.org/national-prayer>

2022 Annual ALC Convention [Save the Date!](#)

The 2022 Annual Conventions will be hosted by the Ashburnham, MA congregation in New Ipswich, NH. The services will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 24th, 25th and 26th.

Lord's Valley 105 Lock Rd. New Ipswich, NH 03071

*The Annual Meeting and Foreign Mission Meeting will be on Thursday,
June 23rd*

at New Ipswich ALC at 117 Goen Rd. New Ipswich, NH

Mark Your Calendar - Saturday, May 14th from 9am-12pm Spring Church Clean-up

This is an opportunity to help maintain the beauty and value of our church building and grounds. Please bring your work gloves and a can-do attitude. See Noel Walters with questions.



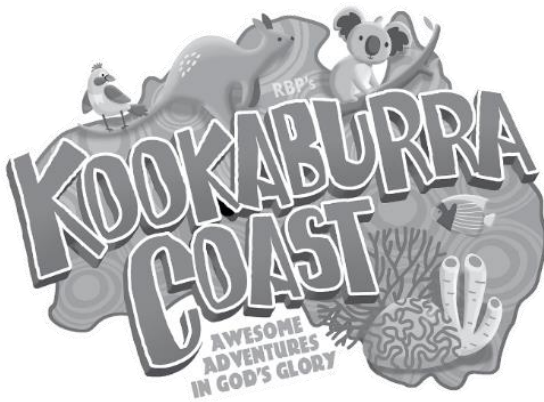
***Semi-Annual Meeting is Scheduled for Sunday, May 22nd following the service.**

Church Family Picnic Sunday, June 5th

at French Regional Park, 12605 Rockford Rd, Plymouth MN 55441

Moraine Picnic Site- Worship service at 10:00am

Details to follow.



Our **Vacation Bible School's** theme for the week of **August 1st – 5th, 2022** will be:

**“Kookaburra Coast:
Awesome Adventures in God’s Glory”**

**“Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy
glory be above all the earth.” Psalm 57:5**

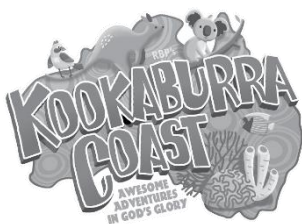
Kookaburra Coast is an epic Australian adventure where kids discover unique destinations and exotic animals, complete with jeep excursions, kangaroos in the outback, and the Great Barrier Reef. God’s glorious handiwork in Australia will lead to students seeing His life-changing glory through adventures with Moses. Like Moses, they will never be the same!

VBS attendees are ages 3 years and up. Please pray about helping with this outreach program and invite your family and friends to attend Vacation Bible School.

Contact Susan Baker with questions or comments (952-884-9848).

There is a volunteer signup sheet on the narthex desk.

Thank you!



You are invited to attend the following Vacation Bible Study meetings if you would like to help with the 2022 Vacation Bible School to be held the week of 8/1 - 8/5 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday.

The first meeting is an informational and organizational meeting. Please pray about helping in some way. There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex desk. Please note: Several helpers in the nursery are needed.

All of these meetings will be held after the church service outside in the front if the weather is nice. Otherwise, we will meet in the fellowship hall downstairs. We will attempt to keep the meetings to an hour. Please bring a snack or beverage if you like.

There may be some smaller Wed. meetings before Bible study, if needed, on an ad hoc basis.

If you have questions or comments, please see Susan or call or email.

Thank you for considering!

Meeting Dates:

May 15, 2022 - organizational meeting
June 5 @ the Church Picnic @ French Park
June 19 (Father's Day)
July 10
July 24
July 31 - decorate/setup

2022 NATIONAL PRAYER FOR AMERICA

Lord, we exalt You.

We are filled with awe and wonder as our praise joins the heavenly hosts
saying,
“Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts,
The whole earth is full of His glory.”

You have established Your throne in heaven and the foundations of the
earth.

You alone are the Creator; the earth is Yours and all it contains is for
Your glory.

You created and established all of us as Your image bearers.
May our lips and lives continually praise You, reflecting and magnifying
You in all our words and ways.

You are the author of our days, You have established Your plans and
purpose for us.

We respond to your glory and authority in obedience to Your Word and
will.

You have established prayer that we, Your children,
Can communicate with our Heavenly Father directing, strengthening,
and discipling us in Your everlasting love.

We join heaven's activities as we lift up our prayers
And pour out our praise, repentance, thanks, intercession and
supplication.

Lord, You have established America through the hearts of our founding
fathers and the documents they penned declaring our dependence on
Your sovereignty and supremacy.

We overflow with gratitude having been firmly rooted and built up in our
faith in You.

Let our reputation be of our faith in Christ alone,
our love for all people, and fruitful lives bearing the attitude, affections,
and actions of Your Spirit,

Who dwells and works within us and through us.

We pray for America: the Church, Family, Education,
Military, Workplace, Government, Arts, Entertainment and Media.
United in Your love, we exalt the Lord who has established us.

In Jesus Name we always pray, Amen!

Kathy Branzell

President, National Day of Prayer Task Force

Sermon Notes

NEW PRAYER CHAIN – plcprayerchain2021@gmail.com

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SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Ushers:

Earl Christopherson Volunteer

Neil Sunnarborg Volunteer

Counters:

Bill Krumholz

Kris Walters / Volunteer

Sound Technician: Roy Saari

Coffee fellowship: Janis Saari

Nursery:

Volunteer

Greeters:

Volunteer

Van Driver:

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE NEXT SUNDAY

Ushers:

Earl Christopherson Volunteer

Neil Sunnarborg Volunteer

Counters:

Deb Sunnarborg

Kris Walters / Volunteer

Sound Technician: Roy Saari

Coffee fellowship: Evy Walters

Nursery:

Volunteer

Greeters:

Volunteer

Van Driver:

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY (5/1)

9:15am Sunday School / Bible Study @ church

10:30am Worship Service in person, on YouTube
& Facebook

11:30am Coffee Fellowship

WEDNESDAY (5/4)

9:00am Men's Breakfast @ Perkins
HWY 55& 494

9:30am Ladies Bible Study @ Church

THURSDAY (5/5)

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

NEXT SUNDAY (5/8)

9:15am Sunday School / Bible Study @ church

10:30am Worship Service in person, on YouTube
& Facebook

11:30am Coffee Fellowship

