

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
July 26, 2015



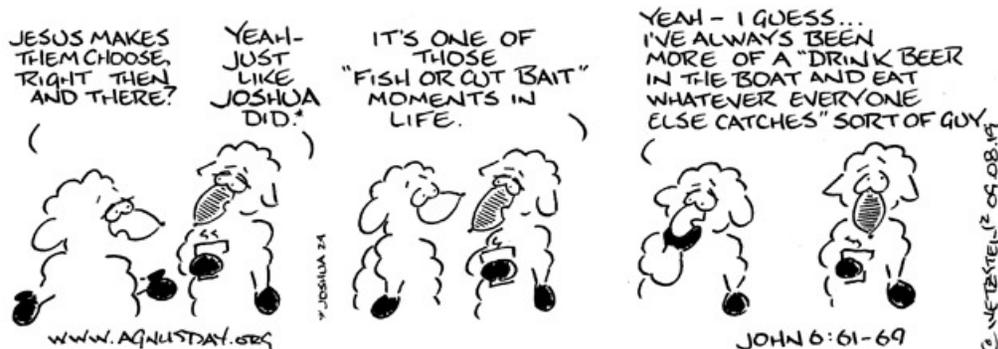
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Our newly elected Church Council:

President -- Chris Frankhauser	Board of Education -- Lynde France
Vice-President -- Marc Troxel	Board of Fellowship --
Recording Secretary -- Sally Powell	Board of Outreach --
Treasurer -- Hans Moll	Board of Trustees -- Mike Powell
Financial Secretary -- Kathy Coats	Preschool -- Michelle Wenndt
Council of Elders -- <i>one elder to be added</i>	Council Member at Large -- Tom Quick

Our Voters Assembly last Sunday also chose to offer a 6pm meal for our college students on Wednesdays, leading into their Bible Study time. Marcia Moll is coordinating the effort, and members are already beginning to volunteer. This is great. First one will be August 26.



[Jesus said,] "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?"

But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him.

So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?"

Simon Peter answered him, "**Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.**" (John 6:56-69)

The August meeting of **LWML** will be held at the Church on Tuesday, August 11 at 7:00. Mary Strode will be our hostess, Mary Wolfmeyer will lead the Bible Study, and Sally Powell will provide an update on Alaska Missions for Christ, one of our Mission Projects. All ladies are invited to attend the meeting. Questions? Contact Miriam Satern at MN-Satern@wiu.edu or [309.333.6313](tel:309.333.6313).

We will also host an all-day Quilting party on Wednesday, August 12 at the Church from 9-3. Lunch will be provided. All ladies are invited. You do not need to know how to quilt or how to sew. We can provide something for you to contribute in making these quilts that capitalizes on whatever skills you have to offer. Come when you can, leave when you must, but come. This will be a fun day for socializing and accomplishing a worthwhile task - making quilts to donate to Lutheran World Relief that can be distributed to people around the world who are in need. Questions? Contact Sally Powell at 833.5204 or Mary Strode at [1.309.465.3082](tel:1.309.465.3082).

"A Christian fellowship lives and exists by the intercession of its members for one another, or it collapses. I can no longer condemn or hate a brother for whom I pray, no matter how much trouble he causes me." D. Bonhoeffer. Life Together. p. 86.

I urge all parents to read the book available in the narthex today: How To Talk Confidently To Your Children About Sex . **I wish I had read it when our children were toddlers to when they were teens.** It costs \$12, but if you can't afford that, pay whatever you can. Pick it up today. Time is crucial for your kids. Get it now. It's good! -- Pastor B

"Are you 'pro-life' or 'life-affirming'? Undoubtedly your answer is 'Yes!' However, I believe we will have a greater impact on our congregations and culture if we see ourselves as 'life-affirming.' But this must be more than changing an adjective. It must also reflect a change in perspective—affirming life because that is precisely what the Gospel of Jesus Christ does!" Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

Wayne and Nancy Royer will travel to Las Vegas to visit Nancy's mom next month. Can you give them a ride one of the days to or from Peoria's airport? Monday, Aug 17 1:15pm depart from Peoria ... Aug 24 1:00pm arrival in Peoria

THANKS to all who helped us reach out with "Christmas In July" last night at the Church. A special "thank you" to Lynde France and Mitch Standard for leading it! We're also grateful for the Thrivent Action Team funds of \$250 that helped us buy all the supplies.

We return to our regular 8:30am & 11:00am worship schedule on August 16.

We are **so blessed with tremendous lay leaders**, including those who are completing their current time on the Church Council: Tom Burtch (Elder) and Karen Burtch (Preschool Bd.), Ethel Docherty (Council member-at-large), Mary Strode (Outreach), Amy Quinn (Fellowship Bd.), and Mitch Standard, who has enthusiastically and wisely been leading as President for the past two years. Thanks be to God. Thank *you*, servant leaders!