



# The Messenger

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## Oh, To Be in the Green

### Pastor's Corner

We're heading for a long stretch of green. You may enjoy financial prosperity this summer, but no, that's not it. From your kitchen window, you may enjoy the look of your thriving, lush backyard after all this rain, but no, that's not it, either. The long stretch of green we're talking about is the color you'll be seeing on the altar, the pulpit, and the lectern throughout the summer months.

We're about to enter the non-festival half of the church year. It's that stretch of weeks that extends from right after Trinity Sunday (June 11 this year) to right before Reformation Day (October 31 every year). You know the drill. It's the numbers game, good addition practice for you six or seven-year-old starting mathematicians. "*The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, the 3<sup>d</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*" and on and on, ad nauseum.

But it doesn't have to be nauseating. And the green that adorns our altar for several months straight doesn't need to remind you of mold by the time you've looked at it for *the twentieth Sunday in a row*, come October. Far from dull tedium, this long stretch of green stands for wondrous continuity. For green means life.

The festival half of the church year celebrates and mourns the key points in Jesus' saving life (his birth, suffering, death, resurrection, ascension to heaven), that together mean eternal life for all who believe in him. Pentecost shows how Jesus sent the promised Holy Spirit to his fledgling church on earth, and how the Spirit kept that baby church alive and growing even as enemies tried to kill it off.

Within years, that precious gospel of eternal life in Jesus had spread through the Middle East and Europe. Now, after huffing and puffing across thousands of more miles over many more centuries, the Holy Spirit is *still* not out of air. He has breathed life into our neck of the woods, wonderfully to the point that we have the breath of life, faith in Jesus, the one and only Son of God. So even if the approaching months of

liturgical green get a tad boring, the reminder is more than worth it. We're progressing through life, getting a little bit older and closer to a realm where boring is no more, only breath-taking glory and dreams coming true forevermore.

So, as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, etc., rolls around, see that green on the altar and think life. Uninterrupted life, guilt-free life, enabled life. And the Spirit will spur you on to do what the disciples did. Tell others about the answer you've found to gloom and trouble – the life and hope that comes from faith.

To get into the spirit, you need not do anything fancy. Try doing what Philip did when Nathanael was puzzled about Jesus and searching for direction in his life. **“Come and see,” said Philip’ (Jn 1).** Your version: *“Come and see, unchurched person. Come to my church with me, and see for yourself the hope that I have.”*

Then let Jesus do the rest.

*Pastor Gregory Pope*

## **Announcements**

### **Important Summer Dates To Mark On Your Calendar**

The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring a camp-out the weekend of July 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 9<sup>th</sup> at Rainbow's End Campgrounds in Reedsville. The cost will be \$48.30 for 2 nights, which includes water, electricity and use of the dumping station. Please contact Harold Luebke after the next couple of Sunday services or by phone at 775-4883 for information & brochures. We would like to have you sign up & pay by June 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Fellowship Committee has also planned the Church Picnic for July 23, 2006 and the summer outing, a Brewers game, for July 30, 2006. Details will be coming within the next month. Please mark these dates on your calendars!! A sign up sheet has been put in your mailboxes (extras in narthex!) if you would be willing to help or plan any of our congregation's events in the coming months. Also Trinity Lutheran Vacation Bible School will be held August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday-Thursday). If you are interested in helping with VBS please contact Mark Knutson @ 775-4635. More information coming soon!

### **The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual MLHS Tuition Fund Golf Scramble**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual MLHS Tuition Fund Golf Scramble is fast approaching! June 17<sup>th</sup> at Heartland Hills Golf Course in Howards Grove will again be the sight for this great event! Get your team together and have an afternoon of great fun! Sign-up forms are available in the Narthex, MLHS office, as well as on-line at [www.mlhslancers.com](http://www.mlhslancers.com).

### **MLHS Volunteer Help Needed**

MLHS is still in need of volunteers on the following dates to help with some summer projects in early June: 6/6, 6/7, 6/8, 6/13, 6/14, and 6/15. Shifts are available from 8-noon; 1-5 pm; and even two evening sessions for those who work during the day. These projects include touch-up painting and changing of lockers as part of their Extreme Makeover project. A few people from each Federation congregation are needed for just a few hours each, and all work is light- or medium- duty, so anyone can help! Please contact Rick Schwarz, MLHS Physical Plant Chairman, at 682-8396 or [rschwarz@manitowoc.org](mailto:rschwarz@manitowoc.org).

### **Mail for Ralph Schultz**

The family of Ralph Schultz has given us Ralph Schultz new address in case anyone would like to send him mail.

**Ralph Schultz  
C/O: Sterling House  
2330 Bruce Street  
Neenah, WI 54956**

### **Organ Surveys**

Just a reminder to please turn your organ surveys from the Worship Committee. There are extras and a box to put them into in the narthex.

*This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.*  
**Matthew 24:14**

### **WELS to help Indonesia earthquake victims**

**On the morning of May 27, an earthquake measuring 6.2 hit the Yogyakarta area of Java in Indonesia, destroying thousands of homes and killing or injuring scores of citizens.**

**The earthquake especially affected one of WELS' six mission congregations in the area. Gereja Lutheran Indonesia, the Lutheran Church of Indonesia (GLI) has a congregation about 10 miles south of Yogyakarta in Imogiri, about 5 miles from the epicenter of the quake. The 30 members of the congregation and a number of very active prospective members were currently worshipping in a home and were in the process of building a church. The church, which was about 60% complete, and the home used for worship were completely destroyed, as were about 80% of the homes in the area. The two church workers serving the congregation are okay, but have not been able to check on all their members.**

**Early estimates report that the earthquake killed about 5,000 people. Up to 30,000 people are injured and more than 200,000 people are homeless. Most are without food, water, or electricity. The airport in Yogyakarta is closed and roads and bridges are destroyed, making it difficult to get the injured to hospitals.**

**Due to the quake, most of the phone lines are down. The phone lines that do work are overloaded and unable to handle the call volume. Missionary Pieter Reid, advisor to the area, finally spoke with one of the GLI pastors after 36 hours of repeated attempts to find out how the GLI pastors and evangelists were affected.**

**Reid and his wife will be traveling to the Yogyakarta area this week to assess the needs of our GLI members. They will also be setting up a system for providing help to those in need within the community. WELS Committee on Relief has already committed \$60,000 in aid to the region.**

**A three-prong approach is in process to help our brothers and sisters in Christ and assist those affected. These plans include distributing food and water through a church office in the southern part of Yogyakarta, providing 15 portable water purification units to the area, and dispensing water in the Karangmojo area, about 35 miles from Yogyakarta, from a recently donated water depot that remained undamaged in the disaster.**

**Those wishing to help with disaster relief are encouraged to send their gifts of love to WELS Committee on Relief, 2929 N. Mayfair Road, Milwaukee, WI 53222, or donate online at [www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net). For updates on the disaster and WELS relief efforts in the area visit [www.wels.net/jump/newsrelief](http://www.wels.net/jump/newsrelief).**

# Church Attendance for May



## Saturday/Sunday = Total

May 2004

**Week 1:** 26/97=123  
**Week 2:** 25/138=163  
**Week 3:** 42/100=142  
**Week 4:** 10/140=150  
**Week 5:** 28/68=96

**Monthly Total=** 674

**Monthly Average:** 135

May 2005

**Week 1:** 20/135 =155  
**Week 2:** 39/145 = 184  
(Examination fell on this weekend)  
**Week 3:** 29/157=186  
(Confirmation fell on this weekend)  
**Week 4:** 25/131=156  
**Week 5:** 32/87=119

**Monthly Total =** 645

**Monthly Average:** 160

May 2006

**Week 1:** 29/111 = 140  
**Week 2:** 25/154 = 179  
( Examination fell on this weekend)  
**Week 3:** 15/239 = 254  
(Confirmation fell on this weekend)  
**Week 4:** 41/78 = 119

**Monthly Total =** 692

**Monthly Average:** 173

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# *Bible Study Attendance*



Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>: 11  
Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup>: 12  
Sunday May 21<sup>st</sup>: 10

# *Sunday School Attendance*

Pre – k thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

May 7<sup>th</sup>: 23

May 14<sup>th</sup>: 22

May 21<sup>st</sup>: 23

## *Sunday School Perfect Attendance For May!*

**Pre- K & Kindergarten:** Lindsay Glaeser, Caden Jungbluth, Benjamin Kiesow, Joshua Kiesow, Faith Knutson

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Hannah Bratz, Heidi Bratz, Ally Jungbluth, Amanda Knutson, Heidi Knutson, Lauren Petersen, Jasmine Smith

**3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Nicole Glaeser, Kalie Knutson, Rachel Nagel, Tyler Petersen, Lynsay Smith,

**5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade,** Breanna Glaeser, Joe Nagel, Samantha Ott, Trisha Petersen

# *A+*

*Congratulations to the Sunday School kids who memorized all their memory work for the month of May!!!:*

**Pre- K & Kindergarten:** Lindsay Glaeser, Brittany Hochkammer, Caden Jungbluth, Benjamin Kiesow, Joshua Kiesow, Faith Knutson

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Hanna Bratz, Heidi Bratz, Allyson Jungbluth, Amanda Knutson, Heidi Knutson, Lauren Petersen, Jasmine Smith

**3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Nicole Glaeser, Kalie Knutson, Rachel Nagel, Tyler Petersen, Lynsay Smith

**5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Breanna Glaeser, Joe Nagel, Samantha Ott

*Thank you to all the Sunday School teachers for teaching God's word to the children of our Sunday School this year.*



## *A Happy Birthday and God's Blessings to...*

6/6 Wayne Petersen	6/16 Zechariah Kenneke
6/8 Paul Nagel	6/17 Jeff Kasten
6/10 Denise Free	6/17 Marty Kiesow
6/10 Nicole Glaeser	6/19 Stephanie Nagel
6/10 Arlene Schreiber	6/20 Damian Bushman
***6/11 Florence Hinz	6/20 Lisa Petersen
6/11 Eli Kenneke	6/23 Josh Fitzgerald
6/11 Michael Rusch	6/23 Linda Grunow
6/11 David Schultz	6/23 Tammie Nagel
6/12 Heather Arnold	6/25 Tammy Glaeser
6/13 Derrick Krey	6/26 Dan Knutson
6/13 Pam Lutze	6/28 Nancy Matznick
6/14 Breanna Glaeser	

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### \*\*\*Our Members 80 Years Young or over...\*

6/11 Florence Hinz -83 Years Young!!

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## *Happy Anniversary To...*

6/1 Kevin & Julie Siehr – 5 Years!  
6/2 Robert & Bernice Vetting – 55 Years!  
6/6 Harold & Ann Luebke – 47 Years!  
6/13 Kevin & Sheri Schreiber – 19 Years!  
6/14 Derrick & Susan Krey – 31 Years!  
6/17 Larry & Lois Fischer – 23 Years!  
6/19 Sean & Kara Sieracki – 2 Years!

\*If you have a June birthday or anniversary and it is not listed or is listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update your information. Thanks!



Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Ushers on Schedule: \_\_\_\_\_

June 3<sup>rd</sup> Harold Bratz, Juel Knutson  
June 4<sup>th</sup> Eli Kenneke, Elwood Free, Keith Petersen, Dan Knutson

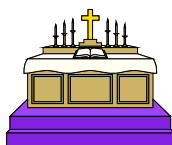
June 10<sup>th</sup> Al Bonfigt (Server), Brad Liermann (Server), Steve Pleuss  
June 11<sup>th</sup> Warren Lutze (Server), Mark Knutson (Server),  
Mike Enders, Gary Vetter

June 17<sup>th</sup> John Smith, Mark Kiesow  
June 18<sup>th</sup> James Glaeser, Bob Lietzau, Jesse Lietzau,  
Fritz Wehausen

June 24<sup>th</sup> Len Arnold (Server), Mark Knutson (Server),  
Jim Liermann  
June 25<sup>th</sup> Warren Lutze (Server), David Schultz (Server),  
Larry Hochkammer, Brian Glaeser

If you are unable to make your scheduled service, please call Brian Glaeser  
@ 775-3941.

**Communion Liturgy:** Take, Eat; This is the true body of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, given  
into death for your sins.



### Altar Guild Schedule

**Group 2:** Elizabeth Otto, Lois Glaeser, Sharon Arnold, Mary Liermann

## **Our Greeters For June**

**June 4** Walter & Gloria Kiesow  
**June 11** Mark Knutson & Jen Coutts  
**June 18** Chad & Karen Knutson Family  
**June 25** Eileen Pleuss

# Kids Corner



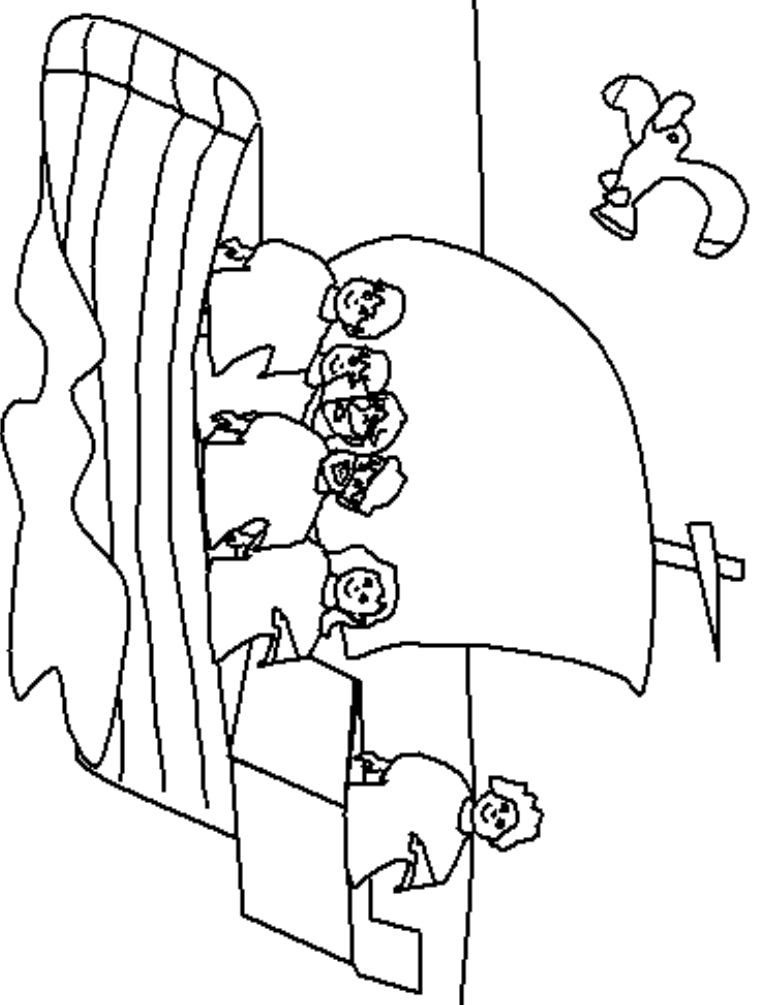
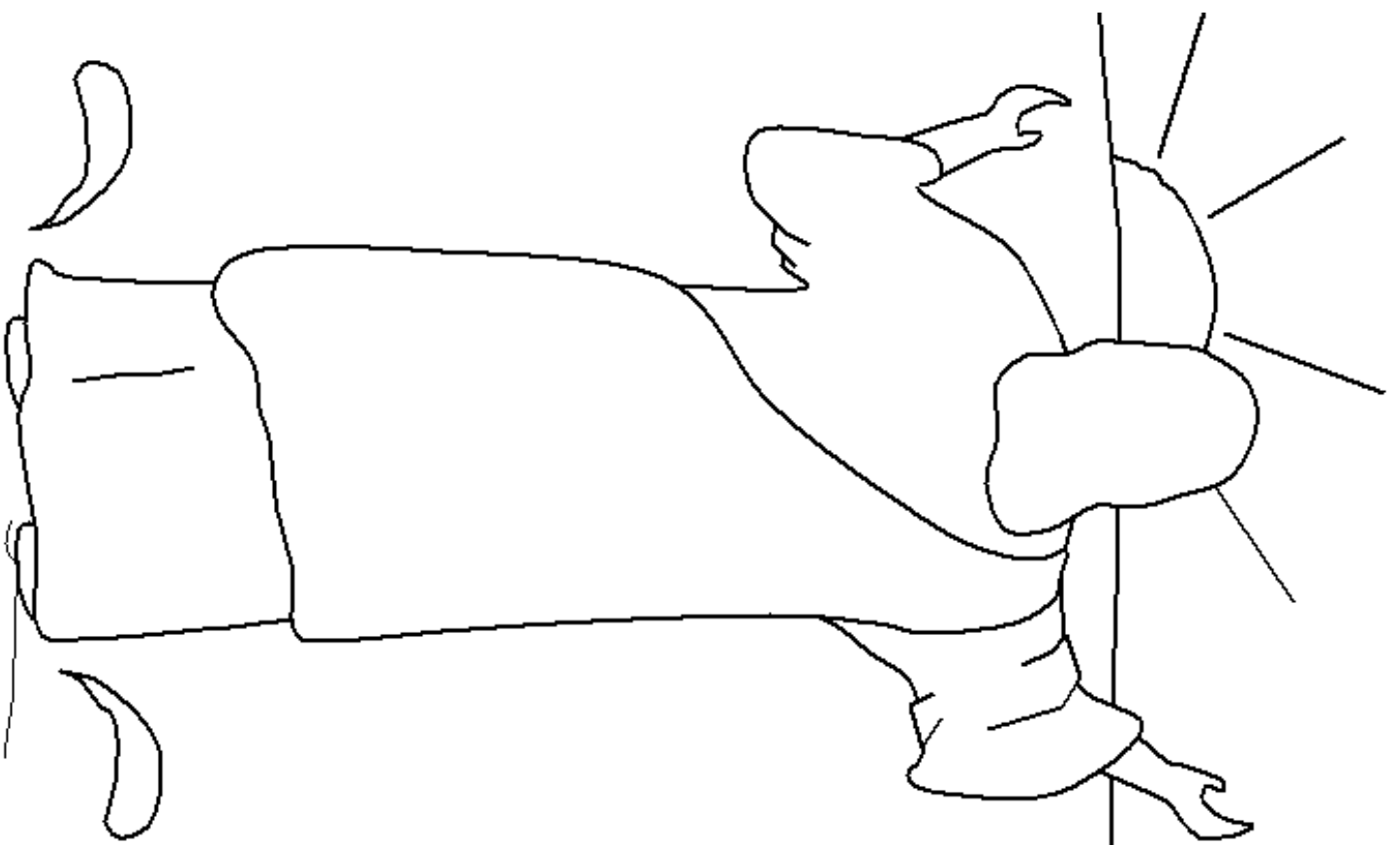
## Bible Quiz - Fathers.

1. Who was the father of Ephraim?
  - a. Jacob
  - b. Joseph
  - c. Isaac
  - d. Juda
  
2. Who was Sampson's father?
  - a. Eliezer
  - b. Jonathan
  - c. Manoah
  - d. David
  
3. Who was Samuel's Father?
  - a. Azahel
  - b. Elkanah
  - c. Eliab
  - d. Ananias
  
4. Who was the father of Ham?
  - a. Japheth
  - b. Methuselah
  - c. Noah
  - d. Ananias
  
5. The Father of Jonathan (David's best friend)?
  - a. Joab
  - b. Ahaz
  - c. Ekron
  - d. Saul

Find the Bible books that have been hidden in the grid, then read a quotation from Leviticus 19:18!

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| <b>Amos</b>         | <b>Hosea</b>        | <b>Micah</b>           |
| <b>Chronicles</b>   | <b>Isaiah</b>       | <b>Nahum</b>           |
| <b>Daniel</b>       | <b>Jeremiah</b>     | <b>Nehemiah</b>        |
| <b>Deuteronomy</b>  | <b>Job</b>          | <b>Numbers</b>         |
| <b>Ecclesiastes</b> | <b>Joel</b>         | <b>Obadiah</b>         |
| <b>Esther</b>       | <b>Jonah</b>        | <b>Proverbs</b>        |
| <b>Exodus</b>       | <b>Joshua</b>       | <b>Psalms</b>          |
| <b>Ezekiel</b>      | <b>Judges</b>       | <b>Ruth</b>            |
| <b>Ezra</b>         | <b>Kings</b>        | <b>Samuel</b>          |
| <b>Genesis</b>      | <b>Lamentations</b> | <b>Song of Solomon</b> |
| <b>Habakkuk</b>     | <b>Leviticus</b>    | <b>Zechariah</b>       |
| <b>Haggai</b>       | <b>Malachi</b>      | <b>Zephaniah</b>       |



And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

*Matthew 14:25-27*