



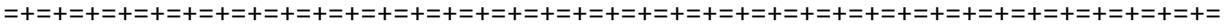
RESURRECTION REFLECTIONS

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OUR MISSION Live the Faith! Lift High the Cross! OUR VISION

We will grow in faith and numbers by seeing Christ in one another in all we say and do!



Pastor's Ponderings

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

The 2013-2014 program year is off and running!

While it is hard to believe that that summer months are over considering this nice weather we have continued to have, I know that Christmas will be here before we know it. And, there are so many things that need to get done before then!

I was excited to have 12 students in our First Bible Class! The students and their parents met three weeks in a row to become more familiar with the Holy Bible and then received their Bibles during worship on October 6.

New this year was how each student was paired with a Prayer Buddy. Students and Prayer Buddies took pictures together and then spent some time getting to know each other. Even though the students have received their first Bibles, I hope the Buddies will continue to pray for each other throughout the year. Also, it is not too late to have friends, family, and congregation members highlight Bible verses and stories in these new Bibles.

One of the great things about a Bible that has been highlighted and underlined, and used is the memories that go along with all those stories and how each person has walked beside us in our faith journeys.

As we look to the future, Resurrection will be the host for the Area 5 Annual Meeting, will assist with the Haysville Fall festival Worship, and will host the City-Wide Thanksgiving service.

Reformation Sunday will give us the opportunity to celebrate with Corey Evans and Victoria Tjaden as they make public affirmation of their baptism during the service. Please support them and surround them in prayer as they become members of our congregation.

Peace and Blessings,
Pastor Elizabeth

Council Corner

By John Larson

Each month council invites a team leader as a guest for an update on activities, to learn future plans and any concerns from that group. In August council invited Pam Porsch who reported that 28 children attended and enjoyed Vacation Bible School, learning to 'Stand Strong' with Jesus.

In August the council discussed our church financial status which was a serious concern, but with faith, our congregation is going forward!

Council's guest in September was Candy Saxton, representing the Stewardship team. She reported having met with our office employees and reviewing, updating our church liability insurance.

Concerning the church annual meeting, council has decided to consolidate the former two-Sunday schedule to *one meeting day*, December 1st. Consolidating our former schedule will hopefully clarify business and motivate more members to attend and take part.

Take Note! There are opportunities available to serve your church as a council member. Seriously consider this important and vital service.



Lutherland tour

By Evelyn Clark

From July 6-10, 2013, Candy Saxton, my daughter Ann Mah, and I were part of a group of 27 on a Lutherland tour. Many of the group were from Wichita, but we were joined by Lutherans from Washington, Indiana, and Illinois.

We arrived in Frankfurt the morning of July 6 and were met by our tour director and bus. We spent two nights in Eisenach and visited Wartburg Castle and Bach's birthplace. This was Sunday and we worshiped at St George Kirche/Church (*below*).



Four generations of the Bach family were organists at this church. At the Bach House, we saw an interesting collection of antique organs and pianos and enjoyed a musical presentation on these instruments. Luther spent almost a year at the Wartburg and made his translation of the New

Testament while here.

Enroute to Dresden, we visited the former concentration camp Buchenwald where between 1937 and 1945, a quarter million people were imprisoned.

The center of Dresden was destroyed in an Allied fire bombing in 1945. These buildings have been restored. This includes the Opera House, museums, and cathedrals. The Protestant Cathedral has only recently been reopened. On our way to Wittenberg, we stopped at Torgau where Katie Luther died and is buried. It was at Torgau that the Allied and Russian armies met at the Elbe River at the end of the war.

We spent five nights at Wittenberg and made day trips to Berlin, Halle, Leipzig, and Eisenach. Wittenberg is preparing for the 500th anniversary in 2017 of the posting of the 95 Theses on the Castle Church doors and so scaffolding is everywhere. The interior of the Castle Church is being renovated, but we were able to hold some services there and at the Corpus Christi Chapel which is next to the City Church/ St Mary's (*right*).

Since our time in Berlin was limited, our group visited various museums on "Museum Island."

Luther was born and died at Eisleben. A new museum has been added to his birth house and added much interesting information. Luther was baptized at St Peter and Paul Church (*below*) and



the congregation has elected to focus on baptism and has redone the interior and added a bapistry in the chancel area. Luther died while

on a trip to Eisleben and his Death House Museum is across the street from St Andrew's Church where he preached his last sermon.

In Leipzig, we heard of the "Peaceful Revolution" which brought thousands into the streets and contributed to the collapse of the Communist government in East Germany. St Nicholas Church was the focal point of this movement. At St Thomas Church we attended one of the organ concerts held weekly during the summer with guest organists playing on the two organs in the church.

On our last day we traveled to Erfurt where we visited St Mary's Cathedral where Luther was ordained as an Augustinian monk.

The ELCA maintains an office in Wittenberg and they welcome requests for Luther tours. They work with Christian Tours which puts the tours together. This was my fourth visit to Wittenberg and the "Lutherstadt" area and each has been different and always fun and interesting. Ann and I made new friends, thoroughly enjoyed the company and, of course, we found time to shop and enjoy and food.



St. Marien Church, Wittenberg, the City/Parish Church

Who's That Lutheran?



Matching Test

Match the items below to the Lutherans listed on the right.
(Hint: two people have 2 answers)

1. When I was a junior in high school, I won the South Dakota state poetry contest. My prize was their book of poetry... from the previous year.
2. I was a trophy girl at the local car races.
3. I have 3 college degrees.
4. I played cornet in a college marching band and concert band.
5. I have 22 grandchildren and love to work outside in the yard.
6. I was married to my first wife for 45 yrs before losing her to cancer. I have 8 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren (+2 more on the way).
7. In college, my date asked if I knew I was technically a midget.
8. I am a published poet.
9. I played a flamboyant character in my high school play, *Blythe Spirit*.
10. I was a teacher's pet in 5th grade, even treated to movies, skating and bowling.
11. I rode over 1500 miles on a motorcycle trip --- two times!
12. I sang and appeared with big bands.
13. I rode my pony to school.
14. My first work experience was as a Candy Striper.
15. I have been in 37 states on trips for a vacation.

- ___ Lisa Atcheson
- ___ Brian Christiansen
- ___ Linda Clements
- ___ Darrin Deutscher
- ___ Donelle Frawley
- ___ Claudia Howell
- ___ Anita Johnson
- ___ Patti Meserve
- ___ Kay Rodman
- ___ Vickie Sample
- ___ Clark Sholts
- ___ Lila Stout
- ___ Ray York

Keep reading to find the answers.



****WORSHIP****

Women of the ELCA Visitor

Emma Crossen, stopped at Resurrection for a visit in August. Emma works in Chicago for Women of the ELCA as Director for Stewardship and Development. She spoke with us about Katie's Fund and encouraged us to consider planning a 'Bold Women's Day'. She wrote an article about Katie's Fund which was printed in the May 2013 Gather magazine. You can view it on line if you search Emma Crossen, Women of the ELCA.



Pictured: Emma (*seated*), Evelyn Clark, Pastor Elizabeth Cummings, Candy Saxton

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In Memory

Irene M. Dockter

(May 18, 1924 - March 26, 2013)

Dockter, Irene M. long time, faithful Resurrection member and homemaker, formerly of McLaughlin, SD, passed away March 26, 2013. Pastor Elizabeth Cummings conducted her funeral service at Resurrection Lutheran Church, Haysville. Irene was preceded in death by her brother, James Putnam. She is survived by her loving family, husband, Walter, sons, Lyle (Bobbie) Dockter, of Wichita, Neil Dockter and Nyle (Debra) Dockter, all of Haysville, brothers, Archie Putnam Duane Putnam, both of Cloquet, MN, Donald Putnam, of Wickenburg, AZ, sister, Lorene Borin, of Cloquet, MN, grandchildren, Keith, Tara, Ciera, Brett and Sophia. A memorial has been established with Parkinsons Disease Foundation, 1359 Broadway, Suite 1509, New York, NY 10018. Sign Guest Book.



Cast your cares on the LORD and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken.
Psalm 55:22

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Helen Leseberg

JOHNS ISLAND, South Carolina - Helen Ruth Leseberg, 99, died peacefully June 6, 2013 following a short illness. Ruth was born in Denison, TX, on September 6, 1913 but spent most of her adult life in Kansas. She retired from St Francis Hospital in Wichita, KS as a Unit Clerk and was an active member of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Haysville, KS where she enjoyed singing in the choir.

Following the death of her husband Willis and her son David she relocated to the Charleston area in 2005 to reside with her daughter and son-in-law, Karen and David Braddon of Johns Island. Other survivors include her granddaughters Kiera Henderson and husband Scott of Mt. Pleasant, SC, Elizabeth Sosa, Hollywood, SC, grandson Nathan Love and wife Brandie of Florence, SC, niece Arlena Kramer, Denison TX, sister-in-law Florence Morrow, Villa Park, CA and 5 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at 10:30 am on Friday June 14, 2013 at Bethany United Methodist Church in Summerville, SC. Funeral services and interment were conducted jointly by Pastor Elizabeth Cummings and Pastor Tim Leaf with Resurrection's choir singing at Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Wichita KS. Memorials may be made to Bethany United Church, 118 West 3rd Street South, Summerville, SC 29483.

Leona Ewert

HAYSVILLE - Ewert, Leona, 94, died Sept. 28, 2013. Graveside service 1 p.m. Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at Waco Cemetery, Waco, KS. Leona is preceded in death by her parents, John and Caterine Laubhan; husband, Marlin Ewert; sons, Ron and Richard Ewert; 3 siblings. She is survived by her daughter, Sharon (Gary) Sutton; 5 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; daughter in-law, Pat Ewert. Memorial: Susan G. Komen for the Cure , PO Box 650309 Dallas, TX 75265-0309

****INVITE****

Rally Day, A Very Busy Sunday!

Sunday School Teacher Blessing



Randy Doll, Nikki Christiansen, Rhonda Doll, Lisa Atcheson, Karolyn Braun, Jan Albertin, Hope Tjaden, Eric Braun, Pam Porsch, Loretta Holmes

Taco Bar Lunch

Following worship, our dedicated, generous Sunday School teachers surprised the entire congregation by serving them a taco bar lunch!

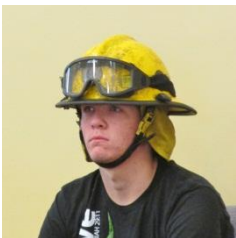


Clean-up and Dessert

After lunch, we adjourned to Riggs Park for Clean Up The Park detail. At the clean park, ice cream and popsicle dessert was then served on a very hot day!



'Hat Day'



St. Francis Animal Blessing

5 Kittens, 2 Dogs, 4 Horses, 2 Stuffed Animals, and Lots of Fun!



**Prayer and Care Team –
Rejoice for the Kogi Tribe**

Recently our prayer team received an email from Linda with this news: On September 25, the Kogi checking team finished the final translation check of the Kogi New Testament! They thank God for His presence and enabling during each of the committee sessions and also thank us for our prayers and standing together with them in this process. HUR-RAY!! This news is indeed cause for great rejoicing and thankful prayers to God!

Perhaps you recall a newsletter article several years back about Linda, a Wycliff Bible translator who has spent most of her life working with the Kogi Tribe, a primitive society in Colombia. She has lived with the Kogis, in a mud/straw hut at first, to learn their language, develop an alphabet and a written Kogi language, then teach them to read so the Word can be brought to that people.

Through the years many prayers have been answered. Great progress has been made despite opposition in several areas. Kogi families have 'taken hold of Jesus' as they say and have been baptized in Kogi Christian churches. Kogis have written hymns. Health care has improved. Several Kogi men have graduated from college in Bogota and have returned to their villages to teach their people. As the New Testament has been translated, painstaking checks with translation teams of educated Kogis have been held to make certain that words and phrases are able to be understood by the largely primitive Kogi people. God has heard and answered our prayers and the prayers of many others for Linda, her mission and for the Kogi Christians.

Linda told us that there is still a lot of work to do on details for layout and printing. Their goal is to have the text ready for voice recording by the end of the year and then do layout in early 2014. Linda is delighted to report that "Faith Comes by Hearing" plans to record the Kogi New Testament early next year for the many illiterate Kogis and God willing, the printed and audio versions of the New Testament will be ready for distribution a year from now!

Linda has a prayer request for us: Pray God will enable the Kogi church to prepare Kogi hearts to receive the published New Testament. Will you join our prayer team as we pray for Linda and the Kogis?

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

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WELCA Ark River Valley Cluster

The fall Area 5 Women of the ELCA (WELCA) Cluster meeting was held at Reformation Lutheran Church on October 19th. During the business meeting the gathering voted to combine this



group's biannual meetings into one springtime meeting. The next meeting will be held at Cross of Glory Lutheran Church in Derby, date to be determined. Alice Burnett, who represents Area 5 on the Central States Synod WELCA Board told of the 2014 WELCA Triennial meeting in Charlotte, NC next July and announced that Area 5 women will gather September 19-21 at Fort Arrowhead in Lake of the Ozarks. It was announced that Loretta Holmes is Area 5 WELCA chair for 2014!



Phyllis Burdge and Decatur, her service dog, presented the program. Phyllis, who was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in the mid 80's shared her stories of hope, struggle and victory, crediting God's presence and healing. In

1988, Phyllis worked with then state senator, Jerry Moran to write the first Kansas service dog legislation, which was made law. Decatur is her 4th service dog and the dogs have helped her recover from being bed ridden for over 12 years to doing a 'Walk-About' from Kansas to Florida and back, sharing and listening to other's stories of struggle, encouraging all she meets!

Spot Light on Bert Kirkpatrick

Bert is currently involved in writing his auto biography with a section on ancient history. He tells of a photo of his Great Aunt Sue as a youngster sitting on the lap of the outlaw Jesse James and also that his maternal grandmother was a bootlegger.

But you want to read about Bert, and here he is. Bert was born at home in Kansas City, Missouri and added that the doctor who came to deliver him was 'in the cups'. He had a younger sister, Margaret, who died suddenly at age 25 due to an aggressive pneumonia. He has a son, 2 daughters, 9 grandchildren & 4 great-grandchildren. Bert came from an unchurched home and due to his parents' divorce bounced around as he grew up. In second grade, Bert & Margaret were sent to a boarding school, which he hated. While Margaret settled to live with their paternal grandparents, Bert shifted from living with his Mom or Dad and was relocated several times: Dubuque, Iowa, Tucumcari, New Mexico, California, and Chicago, Illinois. When he started 8th grade he faced yet another move and change of schools, Bert opted to join his sister and then also lived with his paternal grandmother through high school.



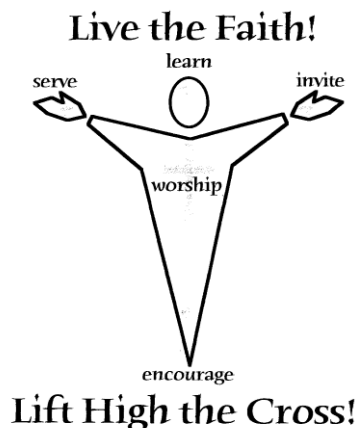
Before he lived with his grandmother, Bert would often visit her and his sister on weekends. It was then and there that he began attending a Sunday school with Margaret. It was at a small Lutheran church which the pastor, Dr. Lack, had founded by knocking on doors inviting people to worship. At this church he was baptized and confirmed. In 8th grade, Bert was part of Ward Parkway Lutheran Church's second confirmation class and even though he began confirmation studies a bit late, Bert recalls he scored 100% on the written exam and survived a public exam. That Kansas City congregation later moved to the KS side and changed their name to *Resurrection* Lutheran Church.



Bert feels that the Holy Spirit has called him all through his life, even leading him as a boy to play at a Salvation Army playground which led to attending Sunday school. At his former church, Bert served as the senior deacon for 12 years and conducted services in the pastor's absence. On the first Sunday that he attended Haysville Resurrection, Bert sat in a back pew, wishing to remain anonymous. When lightning struck and took out the organ, there was a shocked silence. Then Bert continued singing "Praise the Lord, Let the People Rejoice" in a loud, strong voice....so much for remaining anonymous! Bert remains very active in our church, beginning by preaching even before he had officially joined. He, along with Anita Johnson and Evelyn Clark, started the present Prayer Team. He calls himself a 'pinch hitter' serving on the Altar Guild and as an unofficial WELCA member. Bert represents our church by conducting a monthly communion service at the Haysville Health Care Center and has conducted two memorial services for residents there. He calls the residents "inmates" and joins them for dinner on occasion.

Graduating high school, received their Victor Wilson scholarship to Kansas City University or Yale! In his first semester of college he made the Dean's List, the top 10%. He elected to enter the navy though he was in love with and soon married his high school sweet heart, Vicki. In the navy, Bert

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM
MONTHLY MIDWEEK WORSHIP 7:00 PM
(fourth Wednesday of the month)