## Our Redeemer $\mathfrak{L u t h e r a n}$ Church's Monthly Newsletter



2024

## Ascension Day

The season of Easter is all about how our risen Lord has changed lives. Ascension is when Jesus returns to the Father, to send the Spirit to empower us from Pentecost onward to change lives in Jesus' name.

Easter changed everything. In the days after Easter, Jesus meets with the disciples and others. Jesus has at least 12 appearances mentioned in the New Testament. In 1 Corinthians 15:3-6 (ESV): "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ${ }^{4}$ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ${ }^{5}$ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ${ }^{6}$ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep."

With his appearances over the next 40 days what does he do? He delivers hope and gives joy. To Mary, who was in such despair, life is revealed. He shares with the disciple on the road how everything in scriptures built to this moment, with sin paid for, and forgiveness proclaimed. Nothing trumps Easter, as life defeats death. Yet Jesus is not done. And over 500 witnessed the resurrected Jesus, so that no one can dispute the fact.

Jesus tells them He must ascend to the Father. John 20:16-17 (ESV): "Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ${ }^{17}$ Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

Ascension Day is important: that Christ returns to the Father, that now He, Jesus, is present with the Father, and Jesus may now intercede for us, when the accuser tries to condemn us. So when Satan with his lies accuses
us, Jesus at the right hand of the Father, now tells the Father "my sacrifice made adequate payment to cover that sin debt."

Jesus then tells them more is yet to come. I imagine it's a bit like going to a good buffet with dessert, then being stuffed to the point of needing to roll out the door; Jesus says there is a second course. Jesus tells them about what will happen on Pentecost. And from Luke 24:48-49 (ESV): "48 You are witnesses of these things. ${ }^{49}$ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." John 14:12 (ESV): "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father."

With Pentecost, the Church of the resurrected Christ is born. The Holy Spirit is sent as promised, and the gifts of the Spirit are given, first of languages, then of healings, then of other signs and wonders. This May commemorates all of these things. We are the fruit of all these events, Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost. We have grown up in a world changed because of Jesus' death and resurrection. We have always had an advocate with the Father. From our baptism, we have always been a part of the body of Christ the Church.

This is a joyful time. Though the world would love to distract us from these life-changing realities, may we ever make these realities a reason to celebrate who Jesus is and who we are because of Him. Amen

Your brother in Christ, Pastor Nuttmann

Ascension Service Thursday, May 9th 7:30pm

## Church Family Updates

## Baptisms

Braylen Bontrager - April 14, 2024
Maddox Burkhart - April 14, 2024
Alexis Doran - April 14, 2024
Jolene Corn - April 28, 2024
Released
Scott Miller
Allen Weyland

## Address Changes

Lawanda Frees - 620 Monterey Place Manor 214
Hutch 67502
Vivian Rose - 620 Monterey Place Apt. 213
Hutch 67502

## NEW ADDRESS, EMAIL OR PHONE NUMBER?

If you have changed your address, email or phone number PLEASE let the church office know!

Call (620)662-5642, Text (620)878-8448 or Email office@orlhutch.org

THANK YOU for helping us keep our records up to date!

## Opportunities for Bible Study

Sundays at 9:45am - Adults in Fellowship Hall or Parish Hall; Children in Education Wing; Jr High in Classroom 4;
High Schoolers in Youth Loft
Mondays at 1pm - Ladies group studying Galatians "The Cost of Freedom" You are always welcome to join us. Call Judy Macleod for more information. (620)899-3981

Thursdays at noon - Men's Bible Study in Conference Room

Young Families - Thursday, May 2, 2024. 6pm in Padre Park

Women's "Chosen" Bible Study - $1^{\text {st }} \& 4^{\text {th }}$
Thursday of every month; 1:30pm in the Parish Hall

## LWML Upcoming Meetings

May 9- 9 - Mission of Love
1pm - Circle I
May 20-7pm - Circle III
May 21-1pm - Circle II
May 24-6pm - Circle 4

Thursday, May 2nd, 2024 is recognized as the National Day of Prayer. Perhaps we can extend that to an entire month of prayer (and beyond?)

We would like to remind you that all ORL members are welcome to come to the church during regular business hours and take the opportunity to pray and reflect in the sacred space of the sanctuary.

Seek solace. Recharge your Spirit. Come and pray for our nation. Come and pray about the election. Come and pray for your neighbors. Come and pray for yourself.

Hebrews 4:16 "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

Greetings to all and God's blessings. Hope Easter was a happy and joyous time for you. How can we not be joyous knowing that our sins are forgiven and life eternal awaits us.

May $27^{\text {th }}$ is Memorial Day this year. It is a National Holiday, set aside to honor and remember those in our military services who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. The first observance was May 30, 1868, and was then known as Decoration Day. In 1971, the U.S. Congress changed the name of the holiday to Memorial Day, and to be observed on the last Monday of May.

It has somewhat morphed into a day that many go to cemeteries to decorate the graves of loved ones who have passed, even though they may not have died while serving their country. It is an appropriate time, in my humble opinion to visit the grave sites of lost loved ones, family members, and friends. Those gone before us are those who have helped us become the persons we are today. Let us never forget them. Certainly, we should never forget those who gave up their lives, so that we could have what we have today. Our rights and privileges, our freedoms, and everything else we have, were earned in part by those who gave up their lives.

I was told a true story by a man I met a year ago in Missouri, about a soldier he knew. This soldier he talked about was serving in the military, and at the time, was in the desert of Saudi Arabia. He was alone in his tent, deep in thought. A photo of his wife and children nearby. He knew that on this day, his wife and children would be in church and would pray for his well-being, and safe return home.

This soldier reached into his pocket and pulled out a deck of cards. At the same time, a fellow soldier came into the tent, saw the cards, and asked if a game was about to be played. No, the $1^{\text {st }}$ soldier said, I am going to spend a little quiet time with my Lord. He went on to explain that he did not have a Bible with him as it was illegal to have in this country, and public worship and displaying one's Christian faith was also not allowed. He went on to explain that the deck of cards served as his Bible and as a Prayer book.

His explanation was this: When I look at the Ace, it reminds me that there is but one God. And the deuce reminds me that the Bible is divided into two parts, the

Old and the New Testament. When I see the Trey, I think of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. And when I see the Four, I think of the evangelists who preached the Gospel. There was Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. And when I see the Five, it reminds me of the 5 wise virgins who trimmed their lamps. There were ten of them. Five were wise and were saved. 5 were foolish and were shut out. And when I see the Six, it reminds me that in 6 days God made this great heaven and earth. And the 7 reminds me that on the $7^{\text {th }}$ day, God rested from His great work.

When I see the 8 , I think of the eight righteous persons God saved when he destroyed this Old World. There was Noah, his wife, their three sons, and their wives. And when I see the nine, I think of the lepers our savior cleansed. 9 out of the 10 never said thank you. The soldier went on to say, that when he sees the 10, he thinks of the Ten Commandments that God handed down to Moses on a tablet of stone. The Jack, or Nave as it is sometimes called, was the devil. When I see the queen, I think of the Virgin Mary, the Blessed Queen of Heaven. And when the King was shown, it reminded this soldier, that there is but only one King, the King of Heaven, God Almighty.

When Clay Cooper finished telling this story in front of hundreds of people, there wasn't but a few dry eyes in the crowd. It told me that our Lord Jesus Christ and His and our Heavenly Father is everywhere all of the time. He is in our homes, job locations, churches, schools, backyards, front yards, bars and restaurants. He and His life and stories can be found in un-traditional ways, so, if we look, we can find Him because He is there, always.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Honor those who have passed before us. Please honor those who died for us while in service to this country. They fought for many things, one of which is so that we can worship and praise our Lord and Savior, when, where, and how we choose to. Not something many in the rest of the world can say. Have a safe and pleasant Memorial Day. God Bless our Troops.

God's Blessings to All,

Dennis L. Radke


A Fellowship of Seasoned Saints

## 2024 Schedule

May 16 - Road Trip to Inman Museum
July 18 - Bible Brunch
Sept. 19 - Breakfast at Dutch Kitchen
Nov. 21 - Story Tellers - Story of Esther

## KEENAGERS - May 16, 2024 @1:30pm

We are taking a road trip to the Inman Museum. Our guide will be Lavon Bohling. We will car pool, please meet at ORL at 1 pm , we will leave at 1:10pm. Please sign-up in the atrium and indicate if you will car pool with us (cars will be furnished by the Adult Committee) Deadline for sign-up is Monday, May 13.

## Confirmation Banquet

 Thursday, May 30, 2024Confirmation Sunday Sunday, June 2, 2024

If you'd like to help Our
Redeemer sponsor the Lutheran Hour radio program here in Hutch, the cost is $\$ 60$ per Sunday. In order to continue this ministry, the Church Council is seeking donations. Would you consider adding a gift to the Lutheran Hour fund when you give your tithes and offerings? Please be sure to mark "Lutheran Hour" if you want to designate your gift for that purpose.


4 year olds - Rising 5th grade
Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
407. E. 12 th orl@orlhutch.org 620-662-5642
https://vbsmate.com/events/ORLHutchinsonKS/28747

Breakfast is served at 8:00 for just 50 cents day.
To register your child grab a form from the Atrium at the church and leave it in the basket on the table, email PrHenry@orlhutch.org, or use the link above.

ORL Food Bank Needs:

| canned fruit | spaghetti |
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| dry or evaporated milk | mac'n cheese |
| snack crackers | saltines |
| ramen noodles | spaghetti sauce |
| vegetables | toilet paper |
| pork \& beans | canned pasta |
| cereal | canned soup |
| canned tuna or |  |
| chicken |  |

Once again we are gathering new or gently used winter coats, hats, gloves, book bags, socks, \& shoes for the children at Faris School, sizes child 6 to small adult. Please hang coats on the rack in the narthex, and all other things can go in the tub. If you have questions - call Loetta at 620-899-4500 or Lynda at
 620-665-1149.


## Creation Museum \& Ark Encounter

 July 8-13, 2024Lodging: $\$ 180 /$ room/night (up to 4 people/ room)

Ark Encounter/Creation Museum combo pack: Youth (11-17 yrs) \$55
Adults $\$ 90$
Plus food for 6 days.
If you would like to be a part of this trip, PLEASE Contact the Church Office ASAP to reserve your spot(s)! office@orlhutch.org

ATTENTION MEN:<br>Pastor Nuttmann is organizing a Men's Retreat. Monday-Thursday, July 22-25, 2024 in Bennett Springs, MO

There will be time for Bible Study, fishing, hiking, and fellowshipping with other men in a natural setting. The price per person will be approximately $\$ 325$ plus meals. Please register with the office at (620)662-5642 or office@orlhutch.org If you have any questions about the retreat, please talk with Pastor Nuttmann at (620)200-2791.
Passion Play and Service Project
Tuesday, July 30-Saturday, August 3,
2024
The Passion Play and Service Project is a 5 day trip to Eureka Springs, Arkansas.


## Latex Allergy Policy for Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

WHEREAS Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (ORL) is dedicated to protecting the health and welfare of the members of our congregation; and

WHEREAS it has come to the attention of ORL leadership that there are members of our Congregation that have allergies to latex; and

WHEREAS there are steps that can be taken to protect those members with latex allergies without causing a major disruption to the ministries of ORL;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the following policy shall be adopted regarding latex products being present on the ORL campus:

1. The buildings on the property of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church will be designated as latex-free.
2. No latex products, including but not limited to, latex balloons, latex gloves, and other latex-based products will be allowed within the buildings on the property of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Mylar products will be allowed.
3. All first-aid kits at ORL will be stocked with latex-free bandages and gloves (nitrite and vinyl products are safe).
4. All art supplies and office supplies will be latex-free.
5. All gym equipment will be latex-free.
6. All outside organizations or groups using the facilities of ORL will be asked to abide by this policy. Members of the congregation seeking to use ORL facilities will also be asked to abide by these policies.
7. Items being used in the building or on the grounds of ORL containing latex at the time of the adoption of this policy will be phased out as the opportunity arises.
8. Nothing in this policy shall be construed as limiting the use of latex products on church property outside the buildings.

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|  | VERSARIES <br> irthdays |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1-Kinzley Bowen | 14-Brenna Reusser |
| 1-Kerri McGreal | 15-Trevor Beaird |
| 1-Nathan Stanton | 15-Ashtyn Schroeder |
| 2-Mary Pound | 17-Mark Stites |
| 6-Karmann Blickhahn | 19-Brennen Hertach |
| 6-Jan Cross | 19-Michael Lowden |
| 6-Mark Krone | 20-Lawanda Frees |
| 7-Christy Wenzel | 21-Carl Grimm |
| 8-Monte Cross | 23-Erikka Geuy |
| 8-Joyce Radke | 28-Aspen Ridgeway |
| 9-Jennifer Villarreal | 29-Evan Howard |
| 10-Michelle Cross | 29-Collin Schwartzkopf |
| 11-Carol Biby | 30-Verla Choitz |
| 11-Rynlee Regehr | 30-Stephanie Ebersole |
| 12-Maddox Burkhart | 31-McKinley Cross |
| 12-Ron Ebersole | 31-Elaine Griffin |
| 12-Kenneth Macleod | 31-Ethan Lambert |
| 12-Harper Warren |  |
| May Anniversaries |  |
| 1-Gary \& Mary Pound |  |
| 2-Brandon \& Janna Weber |  |
| 5-Travis \& Tara Kerschner |  |
| 8-Dennis \& Michelle May |  |
| 18-Steve \& Vickie Miller |  |
| 21-Tim \& Jana Covert |  |
| 22-Leland \& Anna Mock |  |
| 25-Larry \& Melody Freeman |  |
| 29-Jeremiah Chesworth \& Leah Corn |  |
| 29-Darrel \& Carol Neuschafer |  |
| 30-Mark \& Starla Wells |  |

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## Service Times:

Sunday Worship 8:30 \& 11 am
Education Hour 9:45-10:45 am
Holy Communion is celebrated each month in the following services:
$1^{\text {st }}$ Sunday - 8:30am \& 11am
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Sunday - 8:30am
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Sunday - 8:30am \& 11am
$4^{\text {th }}$ Sunday $-11: 00 a m$
Services are streamed live at: www.facebook.com/orlhutch/

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