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Ministry Methods Do Change

Dear Friends in Christ,

In St. Paul's first missionary journey, he travelled all over Asia Minor (Turkey) starting churches in cities as he went. This was hands on ministry of face-to-face teaching and preaching to disciple the people into the Christian faith. After he was sent to prison, those same congregations were the object of his work. But it could no longer be from the same room. He wrote letters to the congregations that encouraged, taught, and led them through trials and false teachers.

Ministry styles and methods change over time in our day, as well. Certainly, it's not from persecution in prison. But changing technology and tastes and needs of the people lead us to adapt some things. For example, 25 years ago, no one envisioned doing church services with big projection screens leading the worship as most churches do today. No one saw praise bands with guitars and drums and lead singers

with their own microphones, either. No one expected a church to have a web site to put sermons on YouTube for people to watch on cell phones at their leisure.

Our congregation rejoiced to have its first full-time pastor in the early 1980s – with District mission assistance. Today, the church has seen transitions of people and the funding model has changed. The church council and elders advised and counseled me to seek additional income when an offer came for part-time chaplain work in January. I now have a position as chaplain at Hospice of McAlester for up to 10 hours a week. This is a win-win for us since I get to meet and do pastoral care for lots of new families. I get some income to keep my finances whole. The non-profit hospice gets a well-trained chaplain qualified to get certified chaplain credentials. The shift means there is less of Pastor's time available so some tasks will need to shift in the way they are done.

Also new on the horizon, a program called Consecrated Stewards is coming at our request. Ideas of stewardship are often deeply ingrained in us from our family of origin, home church (where we first came to know God), IRS tax code, church membership oaths, public service announcements from some Indian Nation, or some combination of the preceding and our own imagination. Consecrated Stewards (CS) seeks to help us understand our need to give to God. This is a step up from giving to the need (a practical concept), as many faithful people do. Nearby churches and those far away are experiencing significant improvements in giving, involvement, and spiritual maturity from CS.

Finally, we got grant funding to start a new fellowship/outreach called Movie Nights that is well proven in churches. Also exciting is that we're doing it in Krebs and Yanush (Clayton area), our satellite/mission. The differing



local dictates that we use different approaches in each, but also have great synergy with two sites. Still, the more things change, the more they stay the same. We have no changes planned for worship styles or schedule (except to accommodate Consecrated Stewards 4 or 5 weeks of sermons/Bible studies). We have the same sacramental worship and Lutheran preaching predominating on the Gospel, with deeply moving hymnody that adds to the message. If you add all this up, we can be excited for the opportunities for our devoted worshipping family. For this we praise God. Amen.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Glenn

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD!'" (Psalm 122:1, ESV)

MINISTRY NEWS

Evangelism

More friendship bags were made to give to visitors on Sunday morning and quiet bags for the children.

Denise Hosay

Education

Sunday Bible Study is still studying "The Story of Angels". We would like to invite everyone to attend this study. Class starts at 9:15 am. Confirmation will re-start in August.

Fellowship

We are forming a Fellowship committee to plan Movie Night. Any and all are welcome to help choose our monthly movie and fun theme! Keep an eye out for our premiere in late August or Early September. An-

other huge event coming soon is the Fall Festival in October. Please join us in planning this annual event! Email or call Christina at christina-wacker@yahoo.com or (520-869-2739).

That is all I have on my plate for fellowship and that is a lot! I hope you might want to be on one or both of the committees too. I promise it won't be a ton of time or work. Just let me know and thank you:-)

Christina Wacker

LWML

Our meeting will be Saturday, August 16th at 10 am.

Loretta Meyer

Social Ministries

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Psalm 19:1 Our food pantry has been restocked by some very generous members. We have assisted 10 families this month.

Teresa Dove

Youth

Youth Night meets every Wednesday at 7:30 pm. Youth do not have to be member of the church please invite anyone that might be interested.

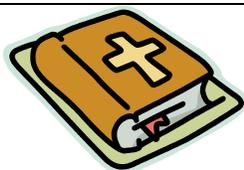
Loretta Meyer

Disc Golf

We are still having our Mini Disc Golf Tournaments every Saturday at 10 am

Pastor on Jury Duty

Pastor has been called for jury duty the weeks of August 4th & 11th. He will be in and out of the office to fulfill these duties. Please call before hand if you need to visit with him..



BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Clayton Bible Study Tues., August 5th 6:30 pm
Men's Breakfast Sat., August 9th at 8:30 am
LWML meeting Sat., August 16th at 9 am
Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am

Mark your Calendars: Circuit Convocation Aug. 17th

The Tulsa Circuit Convocation is scheduled for Sunday August 17 from 2 pm to 4:45 pm at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (located between Memorial and Mingo along the south service road of I 44).

Pastor Dwayne Schroeder, pastor at Lutheran Church of Our Savior in Bethany, OK and OK District Evangelism Secretary will lead a discussion on 'Breaking the Code in your Church and Community'. Unknowingly we establish codes that affect how we witness our faith in Christ and how we relate to others. We teach that evangelism is telling others about Jesus, witnessing is telling others what we have seen and heard while living for Jesus, and the mission we have involves understanding others before we go and tell. During his time with participants, Pastor Schroeder will (*with God's enlightening*) share evangelism techniques and propose principles while leading discussion so participants may gain insight on going and doing in the name of Jesus in the midst of a culture who does not know Christ or His church in the community around them.

We'll put out a sign-up sheet for those that would like to carpool to the event. If we get enough people interested, we can ask Lakewood to borrow their 15 passenger van.

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Strengthen Your Community

Make an impact with a *Thrivent Action Team*

If you're a Thrivent Financial member, you can lead a **Thrivent Action Team** to bring people together for a one-time project to help others be wise with money and live generously.

You can:

- Coordinate an educational event.
- Conduct a service activity.
- Organize a fundraiser.

Thrivent will provide:

- Resources to help you plan the event.
- Promotional items, including Thrivent T-shirts.
- Community Impact Card with \$250 of seed money.

Learn more at Thrivent.com/action-team and apply online.

“JOKE”

How to Get Into Heaven

“JOKE”

A man dies and meets St. Peter at the Pearly Gates. Peter says to the man, "Here's how it works. You need to have one hundred points to get into heaven. You tell me about all the good things you've done. They are all worth a certain number of points. If your total is one hundred or more, you can come in."

"Well," says the man. "I was happily married to the same woman for 52 years. I never looked at another woman. I was attentive and loved her dearly."

"That's great," says St. Peter. "That'll be two points."

"Hmmm," says the man. "This is going to be harder than I thought. Well, I attended church regularly, volunteered my time and tithed faithfully."

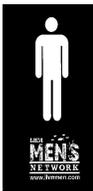
"Wonderful," says St. Peter, "That's worth another point."

"One point!" says the man. "Okay, okay. I was involved with a prison ministry for twenty-five years. I went into the prison, at least monthly, and shared Jesus with them."

"Wow!" says St. Peter. "That's another two points!"

"Only two points!" says the man. "At this rate, it'll be only by the grace of God that'll I'll ever get into this place."

"Bingo!" says St. Peter. "That's one hundred points! Come on in."



Men's Man Card Breakfast Coming to a Saturday Near You!

If you don't have your **Man Card**, yet we can help you get one. 4 men attended the July breakfast, with Primus Moore earning his Man Card. August 9 will be our next Men's breakfast. Prayer, food, fellowship and an invigorating video Bible study: "How We Got the Bible" by the Lutheran Hour will earn you an official Man Card from Pastor Glenn (suitable for carrying in your wallet). We meet the second Saturday at 8:30 am at His Place.

Mark your Calendars: Circuit Convocation Aug. 17th (Continued)

Evangelism and Outreach Agenda:

2pm Opening devotion

- Bible study: Witnessing through Vocation
- Powerpoint presentation on Evangelism 'A Code for your Church and Community'
- Review of mission/outreach projects/potential in District and Tulsa Circuit
- News items

Q&A / brainstorming?

Closing devotion

4:45pm End

* Refreshments will be available



BIRTHDAYS

- 5th Ed Hile
- 6th Jason Billos
Betsy Henson
Nicholas Valenta
- 8th Regina Baumann
- 9th Melinda Scott
- 24th Gerald Peasha
- 27th Clifton Loman
- 30th Jefferson Billos

Prayers to Remember

- 1st
- 8th
- 18th
- 27th
- 28th



BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

- Peggy Cosgrove
Loretta Meyer
- Zachariah Edwards
- Michael Collins
- Abigayle Loman
- Denise Hosay



ANNIVERSARIES

- 2nd Kathy & Mike Collins
- 3rd Jade & Cheryl Potter
- 26th Nancy & Howard Ezell



ALTAR FLOWERS

Mike & Kathy Collins



LORD, We Implore You to Hear Our Prayers:

Please contact the office when a name can be removed or changed to another category



For Healing: Winfred Boriak (Pastor's uncle), Deanna Bostick (friend of Teresa Dove), Oleta Burke (acquaintance of Teresa Dove), Colin Coats (Pastor Glenn's nephew), Debbie Galler (Pastor Glenn's cousin), Freda Gleichman (Don Gleichman's sister-in-law), Chad Hobbs (Jade Burdick's cousin), Denise Hosay, Tanesha Gibson (friend of Velva Jacobson), Kelly Jundt (Glenn Hosay's cousin), Bill & Billie Moore (Connie Loman & Teresa Dove's parents), Irene Meyer (Pastor Glenn's mother), Laura Moore (Primus & Veronica Moore's daughter-in-law), Carol Roberts (Misty Robert's aunt), Robert Yoast, Ester Valenta (Linda Valenta's mother-in-law)

Thanksgiving: For trash cans donated by Choc Brewing for the church grounds

Special Needs: Glenn Hosay (foot) , (Robert Davis (Veronica Moore's brother) respiratory infection, Velva Jacobson kidney stones, Steve Phipps, Eric Wise (Clayton) unexplained chest pain, Olivia Dodson (Mandy Loman's cousin) leukemia, Braden Page (acquaintance of Denise & Glenn Hosay) sinus cancer, William Anderton (Denise Hosay's brother-in-law) lung cancer

In Hospice: Lyle Drews (Karen Brown's brother)

For Strength: Misty Roberts, Bradford family (friends of Denise Hosay), Carlene Fletcher (Tina Hile's sister), Doyel family, Brenda Phipps, Lee Moore family, Peggy Gleichman family, Vic Jundt (Glenn Hosay's cousin), John Peasha Jr.

Serving in the Military: Wesley Blake (Karen Brown's nephew) David & Courtney Guidry (Teresa & Gary Dove's grandchildren), Cole Jackson (Connie Loman & Teresa Dove's cousin), Mike Starry (Mary Starry's son), Robert Starry (Mary Starry's grandson) Jordan, Canaan & Alivia Potter (Viola Potter's granddaughter), Teddy Stevens (Audrey Brown's brother)

For Transformation: That we are feeling empowered by the Holy Spirit to keep inviting the lost to church so that God might save them and equip his kingdom workers at Trinity as evangelists.

Prayer Focus for the Month of August: All Teachers and Students

TRINITY PRAYER WARRIORS

Please contact Denise Hosay 539-832-7623 for any prayer needs and she will start the prayer chain.

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USHERS CAPTAIN
Clyde Pigg
COMMUNION ASSISTANT
Harold Dunlap

ALTAR GUILD
Teresa Dove & Christina
Wacker

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am Holy Communion	4	5 Clayton Bible Study 6:30 pm Pastor	6 Pastor at Eufula on shut in visits Youth Night 7 pm on Jury	7 Duty	8 Pastor's day off	9 Pastor's day off Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Disc Golf Mini Tournament 10 am
10 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am Council meeting Clayton Worship 6 pm	11	12 Pastor	13 Youth Night 7 pm on Jury	14 Duty	15 Pastor's day off	16 Pastor's day off LWML meeting 10 am Disc Golf Mini Tournament 10 am
17 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am Holy Communion Circuit Convocation at Tulsa 2—4:45 pm	18	19	20 Youth Night 7 pm Secretary on	21 Vacation	22 Pastor's day off	23 Pastor's day off Disc Golf Mini Tournament 10 am
24 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am Clayton Worship 6 pm	25	26	27 Youth Night 7 pm	28	29 Pastor's day off	30 Pastor's day off Disc Golf Mini
31 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am						

Engaging Confessions

from Engaging the Aging Summer 2014

- Each morning when I awaken, I am grateful because I have been given another day to love and service in my old age.
- When I see the meaning of life in God’s love through Jesus, I find grace and strength to accept the changes in my life as I age.
- Letting go of my “stuff and self” means putting my life in God’s hands and seeking to live according to his will.
- I never stop praising God and giving Him thanks in these later years for His awesome blessings and for the lessons He continues to teach me every day.
- My faith in Jesus prompts me as an aging pilgrim to help improve someone else’s life and help make the world a better place.

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