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LUTHERAN CHURCH,
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“One Generation Teaches the Next”

Dear Friends in Christ,

August is a month where lots of things change. Children and youth start back to school along with teachers and school staff. For some, it's a joyful time to reconnect with friends. For others, it's a time of grief over losing the freedom of summer vacation. Others are full of nervous anticipation as fall sports seasons kick off – with football having the spotlight for most in this part of the country. A thread in all this is the idea of education – teaching and learning done with great purpose! This month our prayer focus is for all students, teachers and school staff.

God's model for keeping knowledge in a growing place rather than losing it is for *one generation to teach the next*. When teaching doesn't happen or catastrophic events like wars destroy a generation, then much is lost that may not ever be reclaimed. (For example, how do you build a pyramid?) Specifically, God's plan is that parents teach their children as it says so clearly, “*And these words that I com-*

mand you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.” (Deuteronomy 6:6–7, ESV). The same sentiment comes in Psalm 145 “... *all your saints shall bless you! They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.*” It fills the more general application of each generation's responsibility to teach the next the most valuable knowledge in the universe – of a God that saves his people from their sins -- to reclaim them from the eventual eternal death that holds them from birth. Yes, dear Christians, we are talking about passing on the faith stories of God's holy Word. When faith knowledge and love for God and his kingdom are not passed down, disaster results. Want to see it? Just read the book of Judges. Non-teaching plays out there in the life of Israel – the nation. The people of Israel would follow God as long as a judge lived and ruled them, but as soon as

the judge died, they gave themselves over to idol worship and quit following God. It was often a forty-year cycle of following God, then forgetting God. In essence a generation. We still have that challenge in the modern world. The biggest lament every generation is that the children do not follow God like we did. But maybe the weakness is that the current generation left a poor example to follow and didn't teach the next to truly live a life loving God first. Maybe they model their faith like Israel in turning to God only when times are terrible and there's nowhere else to turn. Yet the good news is this: we teach the next generation our whole lives! It isn't just when their young. We teach them and their children and their children's children if we're blessed with such a long life. Again the book of Judges has the stories of people returning, as do the books of Kings and Chronicles. It is possible to teach the grandchildren and for them to lead their parents back to the Lord so that the whole family does faithful worship and Christian living.



May the Lord bless each of us to take responsibility for making disciples of our family members, first, and the rest of the world, too! It fits the notion that Israel is a light to the Gentiles. The parallel being, we Christians as the new Israel, every unbeliever as the Gentiles. May we be moved by the Spirit's power to teach – make disciples – of everyone we know! Amen.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Glenn

“*All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you! They shall speak of*

Evangelism: Pastor spent time on three days at the Opioid Response seminar, where we had a booth, and he made several contacts on Olive Branch ministry. We hope to do a chancel drama in coming weeks to introduce a method for using them to reach a specific person you want to tell about Jesus and invite in to the Trinity Life. *Karen & Squeakie Brown*

Education: Our summer Sunday School with attending grandchildren at Clayton and McAlester has been a wonderful success at instilling a love for God in the children. Carol Niedfeldt is starting a Thursday evening Bible study using the Lifelight series Acts with the class meeting in Pastor's living room.

Carol Niedfeldt

Youth: Hoping to start up Youth night in the fall. *Loretta Meyer*

Fellowship: We hope to schedule a Family Night in by mid-September. Potluck salad dinner Aug. 4th after worship. *Christy Baugh*

Social Ministries: The food pantry served 2 families in July.

LWML: The July gathering was to clean and polish the wood and hard surfaces in the church plus clean the pew cushions. Loretta installed a new curtain for His Place. *Loretta Meyer*

Trinity Life – Olive Branch We have to develop and purchase signage and literature ASAP for our planned booth tables at local festivals this fall. Primus got basic mediator training by the State of Oklahoma in June and is anxiously working to begin his certification mediations. He's hoping for a chance to do Christian Reconciler Practicum class when one is available close.

Stewardship: No report

Disc Golf: The club is planning a kiosk at the course entrance and in the winter, putting in 9 more holes on our East property.

Trustees: The garage behind the church where we store mowers and lots of other things was re-roofed by volunteers. Also repaired was siding damaged on the back wall by the break in. Pastor's Thrivent action team project helped pay for the roofing materials. The play house and the Ark roofs have materials staged and work pending. We're working to schedule a rebuilding of the sign retaining wall by volunteers. Dry weather is required. The red mower is working again. Remodel changes to the entryway are pending time to do them. Council authorized entryway furniture purchase. Gutter repair is possible now that dry weather has come. Need help painting the replacement wood on the garage.



BIBLE STUDY GROUPS (See calendar page for dates)

Clayton Bible Study — 1st Tuesday of the month 6:30

Man Card Men's Bible Study Breakfast, 2nd Saturday @ 8:30 at His Place

Sunday Morning Bible Class: Sundays at 9:15 am

Clayton Adult Bible Class: 2nd and 4th Sundays @ 4:45pm

Thursday Evening Bible Study: generally 1st and 3rd Thursdays at Pastor's home

MAN CARD GUIDELINES

This Man Card acknowledges your good standing as an "authentic" man in today's society. As a Man Card Holder, your conduct should always bring honor and respect to men.

This Man Card will be seized and all privileges revoked for dishonorable actions, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Using the words "cute," "adorable," and "precious" for anything other than a baby and not even then!
- Stopping to ask for directions
- Wearing your blue jeans
- Reading romance novels
- Refusing aid to a woman in distress
- Showing disrespect to God, country, and family

*You may have your Man Card restored for exceptional acts of manliness requiring courage, heart or intelligence.

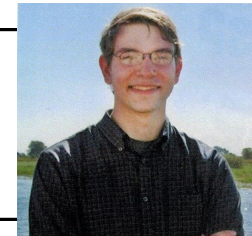
WWW.LHMMEN.COM

Next Men's Man Card Breakfast August 10, 2019

Ever wonder how science can co-exist in truth with a 6-day creation? Pastor Glenn applies his Bachelor of Science education to a video-based LHM class adding his years of research on the topic with godly, biblical insight! FREE pancake and sausage breakfast served with coffee and juice. If you don't have your **Man Card** yet attend to get one. Prayer, food, fellowship and an invigorating Bible study by Pastor Glenn will earn you an official Man Card (wallet size). We meet the second Saturday at 8:30 am at His Place. It's at the entrance to the church and disc golf course property.

Lutheran Bible Translators – Ghana!

Michael Ersland, works with the Komba Old Testament translation project. The Bible Class and Sunday school are devoting their special offerings to him and the LWML also does fundraising to support him in this ministry.



New Sunday Bible study: "Learning to Have a God Through Exodus" [starting August 4]

Pastor Glenn leads a study based on the Book of Exodus where dramatized in real life for our learning is ancient Israel's struggle to gain its independence and to show obedience and trust in God. God patiently teaches the people to trust him and be accountable for their behavior in a lifestyle that is fully dependent on him. We can learn much about loving and trusting in God with total devotion to him.

August
 5th Edward Hile
 6th Jason Billos
 6th Nicholas Valenta
 8th Regina Bauman
 30th Jeff Billos



HOT BOB HOT BOB

August
 1st Loretta Meyer
 1st Peggy Cosgrove
 8th Zachariah Edwards



August:
 Hannah & Teresa Reese

ANNIVERSARIES

August

26th Nancy & Howard Ezell



Please contact Pastor and Karen Brown when a name can be removed or changed to another category

LORD: We Implore You to Hear Our Prayers

For Healing of Chronic Ills: Maggie Brennan, (Clayton Lutheran) COPD & emphysema, Sheila Curtis health issues, Darlys Hutten, health issues, Velva Jacobson, kidney stones, Lisa Milton, COPD, Bill & Billie Moore, health issues (Connie Loman & Teresa Dove's father), Laura Moore (Primus & Veronica Moore's daughter-in-law), Ellen Paar, colon cancer, (Pastor's Aunt), Steve Phipps, Betty Rivers, Alzheimer's, Ester Valenta, health issues (Linda Valenta's mother-in-law)

Thanksgiving: For the new garage roof put on by willing volunteers, for the \$1,000 grant check from LCEF supporting out Olive Branch reconciliation ministry, for summer vacations, for support of prayer warriors for our needs, for Christians in Trinity life together.

Special Healing Needs: David Brown, recovering from Gall bladder surgery and pancreatitis, Lee Dibell rehab after hip replacement, Pastor Dibell, lymphoma & sarcoma cancers, Don Gleichman, knee, Tina Hile, hospital, Curtis Jacobson, metastatic cancer, broken bones & COPD, Earl & Irene Meyer, high BP, (Pastor's dad and mom), Lisa Milton, pinched nerves in neck, Tandy Thomas, Guillen-Barr Syndrome, (Pastor's friend),

For Strength: Harlie Breiland, (grandchild of Yagher's), Audrey Brown & family, Keith Doyel family, Curtis Jacobson family, Jason Alexander Luvenburgh & family, (infant grandson of Harold Dunlap), Donnie & Lisa Milton (Clayton friends), Primus Moore family, John Peasha Jr., family

Serving in or with the Military: Cole Jackson (Connie Loman & Teresa Dove's cousin), Andy & Robert Starry (Mary Starry's son & grandson serving stateside), 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: For all teachers and students



Trinity Prayer Warriors

If you have a request for special prayers, please contact Karen Brown 918-569-7885 or email her at karenadbrown@hotmail.com. Also call Pastor Glenn 918-916-4469 cell.

Thursday Night Cell Group Bible Study: Acts		Class scheduled to meet:
COME..to a new Bible Study	Acts of the Apostles	1st and third Thursdays + 5th in October.
	August 22, 2019	8/22
		9/5
		9/19
COME...study the Acts of the Apostles		10/3
COME...journey with Paul through Asia Minor, Macedonia and Greece to Rome		10/17
COME...to Tarasco's Mexican Food for class kick-off meal		10/31 Reformation Day
COME...at 6:00 pm		11/7
COME...August 22, 2019		11/21
(After dinner — dessert at church and class books hand-out)		12/5
Call Carol Niedfeldt for more information		12/19

Pastor Glenn Pastor's Retreat and Vacation

Pastor Glenn is attending the Annual Pastor's Retreat – leaving Sunday afternoon, August 11 and returning to

WISHERS CAPTAIN
Harold Dunlap
WOMEN ASSISTANT
Harold Dunlap

August 2019

ALTAR GUILD
Karen Yagher
GREETER
Primus/Harold

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	3 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>
4 <i>Worship 9:15 am</i> <i>Worship 10:30 am</i> <i>after Worship</i>	5	6 <i>Clayton Bible Study</i> <i>6:30 pm</i>	7 <i>Confirmation 6:30 pm</i>	8 <i>Council Meeting 5:30 pm</i>	9 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	10 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> <i>Man Card Breakfast 8:30 am</i>
11 <i>Worship 9:15 am</i> <i>Worship 10:30 am</i> <i>after Worship</i>	12	13	14 <i>Confirmation 6:30 pm</i>	15 <i>Pastor on Vacation</i>	16 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	17 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>
18 <i>Worship 9:15 am</i> <i>Worship 10:30 am</i> <i>residing</i>	19	20	21 <i>Confirmation 6:30 pm</i>	22 <i>Cell Group</i> <i>Kick-off Dinner 6 pm</i>	23 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	24 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> <i>LWML Meeting 10:00am</i>
25 <i>Worship 9:15 am</i> <i>Worship 10:30 am</i> <i>after Worship</i>	26	27	28 <i>Confirmation 6:30 pm</i>	29	30	31 ALTAR FLOWERS the month Hannah & Teresa Reese

FREE BIBLE APPS

Go online or the google play store or Apple's store to YouVersion to download free Bible apps. We recommend the English Standard Version or NIV.

Trinity Life—Olive Branch Reconciliation Ministry Outreach

If you have a conflicted relationship and wonder how to approach the other party, call Pastor, 918-916-4469. That's what this ministry is for – helping people through relationship problems. He is trained to coach you and it's fully confidential. Please try it on a small matter so you can recommend it to your friends suffering in conflict. That is the *outreach aspect* of this program. We're investing much time and money in this valuable service to please use it.

