



Capitol Drive  
Lutheran Church  
*Sounding the Love of Christ*

# WEEKLY NEWS

May 12, 2019

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**Capitol Drive Lutheran Church -**  
*A congregation  
Sounding the Love of Christ  
by caring for the poor  
and vulnerable  
in our community*

## Welcome to Visitors

May God bless your experience in worship today! You are invited to join us as we share the Lord's Supper. If you would like to know more about us, you can chat with any member after worship. We'd also be delighted if you sign our guest register located near the church entrance. If your children need a break, they can play in the area in the back right part of the sanctuary.

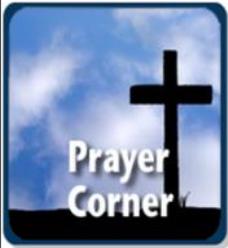
### Week of May 5, 2019

**SUNDAY Attendance: 25**

**OFFERING: \$1,503.00 (Sunday collection)  
\$505.00 (Automatic deposits)**

**Total: \$2,008.00**

Jim Katrichis; Doris Thomas; Jeff Dowling, Dave Kleinow, Alice Rick, Janette Richardson (friends of the Smoodys); Donna Eiglmeier (friend of Liz Bollmann); Ardiss Nelson; Daniel Succa (Donna Weis' nephew); McKenzie O'Conner (granddaughter of Neva and Chris Conlon; *per* Kathy Kannass); Nicole and Danari Byrd (Marie Byrd's daughter and grandson); Sherri Holt (friend of Linda Jaeger); Donna Schmidt (friend of the quilters); Ron Shikora (friend of Kathy Kannass).



*Anyone wishing to add a person to the Prayer Corner list or to remove someone with thanksgiving may do so*

*by calling the church office (414-445-1656).*

Gloria Beal sends handmade cards of comfort, condolence, or congratulations. Please call (414-282-0111) or e-mail her ([glowrm64@hotmail.com](mailto:glowrm64@hotmail.com)) with your requests to send a card.

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY  
TO EVERYONE WHO HAS  
SERVED AS A LOVING  
NURTURER!**

## Prayer for the Week

*Draw us together, Eternal One, from paths of aimless wandering. Lead us toward the community you intend. Draw the fragments of our lives together into some meaningful whole. Help us deal with present concerns in constructive ways yet point us beyond ourselves to engage with you in larger issues. Help us feel the hunger and thirst of others; then lead your church to make a caring response. May your love fill us and overflow into other lives.*

*Great God, unknown to us except in fleeting glimpses, we live for the moments when your voice is heard and your will is clear. We long to walk with you beside still waters and to lie down in green pastures. Nourish us by your Word and Spirit, that we may join the heavenly chorus singing your praises while being of some earthly good to those who cannot hear the joyful sounds. Amen.*

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## The Week Ahead

**Sunday, May 12**

***Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day***

**10:30 AM Worship**

**11:30 AM Fellowship**

**Monday, May 13**

**Tuesday, May 14**

9:30 AM Gathering Place

**Wednesday, May 15**

9:30 AM Gathering Place  
10:15 AM YMCA Exercise  
11:00 AM SPGP Bible Study  
12:00 PM Meal

**Thursday, May 16**

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast  
9:00 AM Quilters

**Friday, May 17**

**Saturday, May 18**

**Sunday, May 19**

***Fifth Sunday of Easter***

**10:30 AM Worship**

**11:30 AM Fellowship**

**12:00 PM Council Meeting**

**Monday, May 13 - John 10:1-10**

Do you know the peace and security of the Good Shepherd who watches over his own? The Old Testament often speaks of God as shepherd of his people, Israel. *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want* (Psalm 23:1). *Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!* (Psalm 80:1) *We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture* (Psalm 100:3). The Messiah is also pictured as the shepherd of God's people: *He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms* (Isaiah 40:11). Jesus says he is the *Good Shepherd* who will risk his life to seek out and save the stray sheep (Matthew 18:12, Luke 15:4). He is the *Shepherd and Guardian of our souls* (1 Peter 2:25). **The Good Shepherd and Guardian of our souls:** What can shepherding teach us about God and our relationship with him? At the end of each day the shepherd brought his sheep into shelter. They knew the voice of their shepherd and came at his beckoning. So familiar was the shepherd and his sheep, that each was called by a distinct name. In the winter the sheep were usually brought to a communal village shelter which was locked and kept secure by a guardian. In the summer months the sheep were usually kept out in the fields and then gathered into a fold at night which was guarded by a shepherd throughout the night. He was literally the door through which the sheep had to pass. The Scriptures describe God as a shepherd who brings security and peace to his people. *The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore* (Psalm 120:8). Even the leaders of God's people are called shepherds: *they shall lead them out and bring them in; that the congregation of the Lord may not be as sheep which have no shepherd* (Numbers 27:17). Just as a shepherd kept watch over his sheep and protected them from danger, so Jesus stands watch over his people as the *Shepherd and Guardian of our souls* (1 Peter 2:25). Do you know the peace and security of a life fully submitted to God? *Lord Jesus, you always lead me in the way of true peace and safety. May I never doubt your care nor stray from your ways. Keep me safe in the shelter of your presence."*

**Tuesday, May 14 - John 15:9-17**

How can love lead to immeasurable joy? Jesus tells his disciples that he is united with his Father in heaven in a perfect bond of mutual love, honor, and joy in one another. Their love is inseparable and unbreakable. That is why the Son delights in obeying the eternal Father who loves him with infinite love. The Father and Son invite all to join in their eternal bond of love and friendship. How can we enter into that unbreakable bond of love and friendship? Jesus, the Word of God who became flesh for us, shows us the way - keep my word, keep my commandments. If you abide in my word you will know my love and that love will fill you with immense joy - a joy which is exalted and unfading (2 Peter 1:3, 8). **A new command of love:** Jesus' commands are not hard or burdensome for those who know his love and mercy. The Lord fills us with his Spirit and transforms our hearts to be like his heart. Paul the Apostle reminds us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment - a new way of love and fruitful service which is empowered by his Holy Spirit. We are called to love and serve others just as Jesus has loved us with heartfelt compassion, kindness, and mercy. Jesus proved his love for us by laying down his life for us, even to death on the cross. Our love for God is a

response to his exceeding love for us through the gift of his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. How do we prove our love for God and grow in the knowledge and depth of his unfathomable love? The same way Jesus did - by embracing the way of the cross each and every day. What is the *cross* in my life? When *my* will crosses with *God's* will, then *his* will must be done. If we accept God's way of love, truth, and wisdom, then we will discover the joy and freedom of loving, serving, and laying down our lives for others, just as Jesus freely laid down his life for each and every one of us. Do you know the joy of being united with the Lord Jesus in a bond of unbreakable love and peace? **The fire of Christ's love purifies and transforms:** The love of Jesus Christ compels us to give our best not only to God but to our neighbor who is created in the image and likeness of God. God's love purifies and transforms us into the likeness of Christ. The Lord Jesus promises that those who abide in his love will bear much fruit for the kingdom of God - fruit that will last for eternity as well (John 15:16). If you seek to unite your heart with the heart of Jesus, your life will bear abundant fruit - the fruit which comes from the Holy Spirit who dwells within us - the fruit of love, joy, peace, goodness, and friendship which lasts forever (Galatians 5:22-23). *Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit and make me fruitful in your love, mercy, kindness, and compassion. May there be nothing in my life which keeps me from your love and joy."*

**Wednesday, May 15 - John 12:44-50**

What kind of darkness does Jesus warn us to avoid? It is the darkness of unbelief and rejection - not only of the Son who came into the world to save it - but rejection of the Father who offers us healing and reconciliation through his Son, Jesus Christ. In Jesus' last public discourse before his death and resurrection (according to John's Gospel), Jesus speaks of himself as the *light of the world*. In the Scriptures *light* is associated with God's truth and life. Psalm 27 exclaims, *The Lord is my light and my salvation. The light of Christ removes the darkness and reveals the goodness of God to us:* Just as natural light exposes the darkness and reveals what is hidden, so God's word enables those with *eyes of faith* to perceive the hidden truths of God's kingdom. Our universe could not exist without light - and no living thing could be sustained without it. Just as natural light produces warmth and energy - enabling seed to sprout and living things to grow - in like manner, God's light and truth enables us to grow in the abundant life which only he can offer us. Jesus' words produce life - the very *life of God* - within those who receive it with faith. To see Jesus, the Word of God who became flesh for our sake (John 1), is to see God in visible form. To hear the words of Jesus is to hear the voice of God. He is the very light of God that has power to overcome the darkness of sin, ignorance, and unbelief. God's light and truth brings healing, pardon, and transformation. This light is not only for the chosen people of Israel, but for the whole world as well. Jesus warns that if we refuse to listen to his word, if we choose to ignore it or to take it very lightly, then we choose to remain in spiritual darkness. **The Word of God has power to set us free from sin, doubt, and deception:** Jesus made it clear that he did not come to condemn us, but rather to bring us abundant life and freedom from the oppression of sin, Satan, and a world in opposition to God's truth and goodness. We condemn ourselves when we reject God's word of truth, life, and wisdom. It is one thing to live in ignorance due to lack of knowledge and understanding, but another thing to disdain the very source of truth who is Christ Jesus, the Word of God sent from the Father. Jesus says that his word - which comes from the Father and which

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<b>WORSHIP LEADERSHIP</b>	<b>May 5 3rd Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>May 12 4th Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>May 19 5th Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>May 26 6th Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>June 2 7th Sunday of Easter</b>
<b>Presiding Minister &amp; Preacher</b>	Pr. Bill Mains	Pr. Bill Mains	Pr. Bill Mains	Pr. Bill Mains	Pr. Bill Mains
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Brian Luttamus	Julane Sebastian	Bonnie Lund	Dennis Smoody	Brian Luttamus
<b>Lector</b>	Karla Iseler	Linda Jaeger	O B Beal	Jacob Musil	Linda Jaeger
<b>Musicians</b>	Robert Gee	Robert Gee	Robert Gee	Robert Gee	Robert Gee
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Bonnie Lund	Carol Hess	Gloria Beal	Julane Sebastian	Marilyn Bauer
<b>Ushers</b>	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Irene Champion	Irene Champion	Marilyn Bauer	Marilyn Bauer	Liz Musil
<b>Council Members</b>	<b>Linda Jaeger, Deb Pipkorn, Brian Luttamus, Chris Kosma, Daniel Lehenbauer, Bonnie Lund, Rose Sorrls</b>				

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**May Birthdays at CDLC**

<b>May 3</b>	<b>Dennis Smoody</b>
<b>May 8</b>	<b>Doris Thomas</b>
<b>May 21</b>	<b>Karla Iseler</b>
<b>May 27</b>	<b>Jan Smoody</b>



*This is the day the  
 Lord has made;  
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.  
 Psalm 118:24*

# May 2019

<p>April 28 <b>Second Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship</p>	29	<p>30</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place</p>	<p>May 1</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal</p> <p><i>Philip &amp; James, Apostles</i></p>	2	3	4
<p>May 5 <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship</p>	6	<p>7</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal</p>	9	10	11
<p>May 12 <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship</p> <p><i>Mother's Day</i></p>	13	<p>14</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place</p> <p><i>Matthias, Apostle</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast</p> <p>9:00 AM: Quilters</p>	17	18
<p>May 19 <b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship 12:00 Council Mtg.</p>	20	<p>21</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP WORSHIP 12:00 GP Meal</p>	23	24	<p>25</p> <p>10AM : Neighborhood Watch Meeting (Lounge)</p>
<p>May 26 <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship</p>	<p>27</p> <p><b>Memorial Day</b></p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9:30 Gathering Place 10:15 YMCA Exercise 11:00 GP Bible Study 12:00 GP Meal</p>	30	31	<p>June 1</p>