



Crown of Life

LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

— Growing in Christ —

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June
2018
Newsletter



Dear Friends in Christ,

The Month of June has long been associated with weddings. In the musical *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, these words are found in the lyrics of the song *June Bride*: *Oh, they say when you marry in June you're a bride all your life, and the bridegroom who marries in June gets a sweet-heart for a wife.* I cannot say that holds true for all June marriages, but I know it holds true for Gale and me. I would hope it would prove true for all marriages, regardless what month they were married.

*...Christ also loved the church
and gave Himself up for her...
that He might
present the church
to Himself glorious,
not having spot or wrinkle
or any such things,
but that she would be
holy and without blemish*

Ephesians 5:25, 27

When it comes to our spiritual walk with the Lord, it is like a marriage. **Ephesians 5:25-27** "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless."

Yes, Christ is the bridegroom and the church is His bride. This is literally a marriage made in heaven. It is a relationship that lasts until the end of time. It is a relationship that will find its fulfillment in the marriage feast in heaven. It is a celebration that takes

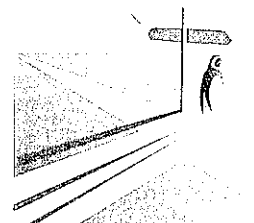
place every time we come together to worship, and hear His Word, and take a "seat" at the banquet table He prepared for us by giving us His body and blood in the bread and wine.

As we are on the threshold of summer, Satan works overtime to get the weather and summer activities to distract us from this most important gathering-worship. Please do not take a vacation from church, and when traveling take time to do a net search for the closest LCMS congregation.

At the Crossroads

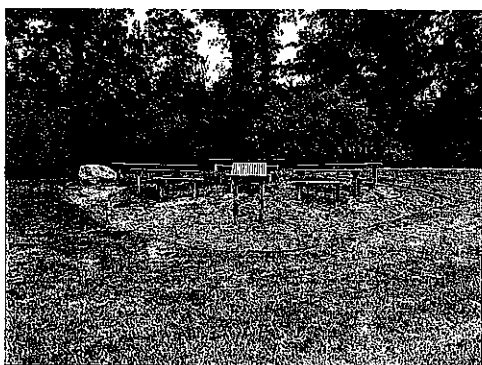
On June 17, immediately following our worship service, a Partner in Ministry (PIM) meeting will be held. We are all truly partners in the Gospel. Paul writes in Phil. 1: 3-6 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, *because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now*. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

I do believe we are at the crossroads! You will get an update on what our action teams have been up to regarding the next 3-5 years at Crown. And then tough questions will need to be asked and answered. Some of those include: involvement in worship, carrying out the work of the Lord, budget, weekly giving, and more. How these questions get answered will go a long way in determining Crown's future.



Continue to pray for the ministry of Crown. Pray for our action teams and this upcoming meeting. I praise God for your partnership in the Gospel and eagerly look for your participation in this meeting.

Outdoor Worship (weather permitting)



On June 24, at 9 a.m., we will hold an outdoor worship service. The purpose is to use our outdoor worship space, but more so, to invite the community and your friends to join us. Please bring lawn chairs, blankets, or other means for being comfortable for this service. Dress code will be summer casual. Due to the nature of the service, communion **will not** be celebrated. (If the weather does not cooperate we will move the worship service inside).

If the response is good, we have already set the last Sunday of July and August as our next outdoor worship services. Your prayers for reaching the community, and our members, are encouraged. Please plan to join us for this special opportunity.

Handwritten signature of Pastor Ky.



In May, we supported VFW Post 4659 in hosting a day for homeless veterans. This event was a great success, allowing these veterans a day away from the unfortunate conditions of their daily fight for survival. They all arrived on a military bus from the Detroit area and were given a large bag upon entering the Post and immediately headed to the donation tables and chose items. They chose from playing cards, horseshoes and other games. Veteran Benefits Counselors were available to provide information. A hot all-you-can-eat meal was provided and served by the members of our Ladies Auxiliary

Thanks to your member, Lyn Raschke, for opening this opportunity to help those who served our us.

“Please accept a heart-felt thank you from Post 4659 and the homeless veterans for the items you gathered. They all found a new home with Veterans who once served our Country, but now find themselves in unfortunate circumstances.”

Phil Gannis, Homeless Veterans Chairman and Mike Crampton, Commander Old Settlers Post 4659

We are very excited about our upcoming blood drive with the American Red Cross that will be held on July 10th from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We wanted to share with you a new tool that Red Cross has launched called RapidPass, which allows you to help save lives in less time.

We encourage you to read about RapidPass and give it a try for our upcoming blood drive. With this new tool you can complete your pre-reading and health history questions online from the comfort of your home or office, and reduce the time you spend at the blood drive by up to 15 minutes.

It's simple!

1. Visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass
2. Read the information
3. Answer the questions
4. Print the pass or email it to yourself

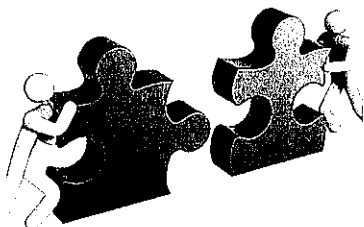


Important to know - RapidPass does not take the place of an appointment. To further reduce your wait time on the day of the drive, make sure to schedule your appointment ahead of time. The steps to redeem your RapidPass must be completed the day you donate. If you do not bring the printed pass with you to your donation or cannot show it on a mobile device you will be asked to complete the questions again.

We hope to see you at our upcoming American Red Cross blood drive!



Summer Fellowship: Each congregation is doing their own treats. Sign up sheets are posted again . You may also wish to bring items to place in the freezer for a later Sunday. Please place in refrigerator marked “COL Fellowship and it will be stored. Thank you



Worship Action Team 6:30 p.m.
June 5, 26

Member Care Action Team 6:30 p.m.
June 5, 26

Communication Action Team 6 p.m. June 12, 26

Community Action Team 5:30 p.m.
June 5, 12, 19

Education Action Team 6:30 p.m.



June Crown Jewels Activities: Ladies of Crown and Living Word, please join us on Sunday, **June 3rd**, to tour the Gov. Warner Mansion/Museum and Gardens in Farmington. We'll meet at Crown at 11:30 a.m., lunch at the highly recommended Mi.Mosa restaurant near the museum, and then tour the Mansion and grounds. More details and sign-up sheet on Crown Jewels board in the narthex.

June 14 7:00-9:00 p.m. Enjoy the musical talent of Dave Bennett at the Hess-Hathaway Concerts in the Park.

Crown Jewels Planning Potluck! - Mark your calendar for **Saturday, June 30th at noon**. We will meet in the fellowship hall to share a meal and share ideas for activities to complete the rest of 2018! There is a sign up sheet on the Crown Jewels Board. Bring a dish to pass and join us. We would like your input and participate in attending these events.

Comments from Council

“Thumbnails” to hit the highlights of the May meeting

Preschool: After a successful fun filled year, we look forward to our fine arts mini-camps in June.

Financial: Modifying report to better reflect the contributions of members only. Looking at the whole income vs expenses we are (\$8652.05).

Pastor's Report: Looking to set up an information meeting for membership on a variety of topics

Communications: Continued training on email, Facebook, and email enhancements.

Education: VBS is the focus now. We continue to look for volunteers. Please review narthex table.

Technology: Music and microphone enhancements for the worship service are completed.

Spiritual Care: Two outdoor services, on our grounds, are planned for the summer. June 24th is the first

Properties: Smaller jobs are completed. Looking to tackle outside projects this summer.

Printed minutes are posted in the Fellowship Room and printed copies are available for you in the narthex.

Summer exercising that benefits Crown of Life and many others.



Here We Ride

Raising Money for Crown of Life and the Here We Stand campaign

Run, walk, ride the Little Traverse Wheelway that skirts the beautiful waters of the Little Traverse Bay. Click this link to get information about this drive.

<https://herewestand.michigandistrict.org/campaign>



A group of members may form a team and work together to complete 500 miles by walking, running, and/or biking during the 5 month period (May-September 2018). This event is an opportunity to come together as well and enjoy summer of physical activity.

Both events allow the funds divided 50/50 between the congregation and the campaign.

BE PART OF THE CROWN OF LIFE TEAM!

Sign up on the narthex bulletin board.



Our Michigan District of the LC-MS has been granted a wonderful opportunity to **host a worship service at MIS** (Michigan International Speedway) on Sunday, June 10. The worship will commence at 10 am and end a bit before 11 am. The tent will hold 450 people. Tickets for the race are \$55 with \$5 being donated back to the District. Go to michigandistrict.org for more event and ticket information. You can attend the worship service without purchasing a ticket. But you will not be able to exit the parking lot until the race has started.

Crown of Life Lutheran Church exists to joyfully introduce people to Jesus Christ, the Lord of Life

Vacation Bible School



Crown of Life and Living Word Lutheran Churches have combined their talents this year to share an awesome week of discoveries. We welcome you to join us for reminders of how Jesus rescues us when we are shipwrecked due to life's storms! Please click on the link below to register your children and/or to volunteer yourself and middle or high school students to help make this event a success.

This is the link for the webpage.

vbspro.events/p/crownoflife-livingword

Preschool

preschool@crownoflifechurch.org

Mary Gruber, Director and Lead Teacher

Summer Mini Camps

June 13: Drama: Kids' Adventureland

June 20: Dance, Wiggle, and Jump

June 27: Doremi Music

9:00-11:45 a.m.

Enroll online:

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OUR MISSION

To joyfully introduce people to Jesus Christ,
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Facebook

June

<http://crownoflifelutheran.org/calendar.html>

Click link below to see our events.

- ◆ **INTENTIONAL INTERIM PASTOR:** Rev. Norm Koy
- ◆ **MUSIC DIRECTOR:** Mrs. Pia Broden Williams

Divine Service Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Resuming in fall...

Choir Practice Thursdays 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School & Adult Bible 10:00 a.m.

Evening Bible Study Mondays 7:00 p.m.

Morning Bible Study Tuesdays 9:30 a.m.

Church Office Hours
 Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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