

THE Journey

Pastor's Letter



By Pastor Ben Golisch

“Destroy this Temple...”

The scene had to be remarkable. Who else ever behaved this way? Who else dared to challenge the religious powers that be like this? Who was this man?

The setting was Passover. Jesus, a little while after his baptism, after his 40 days of fasting and temptation, after his first miracle of changing water into wine at the wedding of Cana, made his way down to Jerusalem for the annual festival of deliverance. And, in the place where reverence for God should be at its peak, all he saw were cattle, sheep and doves being sold for a hefty profit. He saw people coming for deliverance being burdened by those who should be setting them free.

You can almost imagine the anger building inside him. This table taking advantage of that pilgrim; that table bartering for an extra shilling from this pilgrim; complaints about the travel; complaints about the quality of this animal or that sacrifice. Very little

discussion about the grace of God or the power of God or even the will of God, except when it was manipulated for financial advantage. In this most sacred time, it became all about money!

Don't get me wrong. Money is necessary. We need money to do this and that. Personally, I like having money. But money has a way of luring our eyes off of what is MOST IMPORTANT. Jesus reminds us, *“Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well”* (Matthew 6:33).

Then Jesus did something so uncharacteristic of the Jesus we've come to know. *“He made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.”* (John 2:15) O Jesus, so sweet, O Jesus, so WILD!

We might wonder why Jesus did this. His disciples connected this event with a prophecy: *“Zeal for your*

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Important Dates:

- **April 2** (Palm Sunday)
- **April 6** (Holy Thursday)
- **April 7** (Good Friday)
- **April 9** (Easter) - Easter Brunch - 7:30-8:30 am
- **April 14:** Family Music Fest & KML Schools Art Fair - 5:00-9:00 PM
- **April 22:** KML Gala - *An Evening in Paris* - 5:00 PM

Pastor's Letter (Continued)

house will consume me" (Psalm 69:9). To that end, we can understand. It is out of love for the Father and his Father's house that he was motivated to clean up this filth. Still, we might wonder, "Did this really change anything?" Were those money changers back at it the next day? The next festival? They certainly were there two years from now when Jesus repeated this same behavior the Monday of Holy Week. What did it really accomplish?

Certainly, the Jews in authority wondered about what Jesus did. "*What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?*" (John 2:18) In other words, "Just who do you think you are? Obviously, you claim some right to act as some moral authority. What right do you have?"

Jesus' answer is precious. "*Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days*" (2:19). With these words, Jesus tells us exactly why this mattered. Of course, they did not understand what he meant in the moment. They thought only of this building of stone, wood and cloth. We see this misconception again when they used Jesus' words against him during his trial before Caiaphas, although misquoting him (Mark 14:58).

John himself explains, "*But the temple he had spoken of was his body*" (2:21). That's what all of this comes back to. The physical temple, the sacrifices, and the Passover festival all pointed to Jesus and the perfect sacrifice of his body on the cross. This place of worship and praise was all about God's ultimate deliverance through the promised Savior. This whole festival was about Jesus and his work of redemption as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. No wonder he was so upset at its abuse! He knew what it meant for himself. He knew what it meant for us!

As we move into Holy Week and the celebration of the resurrection, it is important that we remember

both halves of what Jesus said. "*Destroy this temple...*" All of this would culminate with Jesus' death on the cross. "*... and I will raise it again in three days.*" His death would not be the end. There was also a resurrection to come. (His disciples would later remember his words after his resurrection.) Despite the murderous intent of his enemies, God would work good out of it—the saving of souls, the saving of our souls.

Two years later—Holy Week—Jesus would repeat his action of cleansing the temple. Hopefully, it would call to mind the things he had said two years prior. For Jesus came to give up his life that we may have life, that we may have eternal life though his death and resurrection. The destroying of his temple meant the reconstruction of the temple that is our bodies in Christ. Because he lives; we live. Hosanna in the Highest!

~ Pastor Ben Golisch

2023 Door Offering Schedule

- **April 20 & 23 (Slinger Food Pantry-1)**

Years ago, our congregation decided not to help residents in need directly but to work through the local Slinger Food Pantry. Therefore, twice a year we collect items and money for the Slinger Food Pantry. April is the first of those months. The Slinger Food Pantry is open to all Washington County residents (proof of residency required). Hours are: Mondays, 10:00am-12:00pm & Wednesdays, 3:00pm - 5:00pm.

- May 4 & 7 (150th Anniversary)
- June 1 & 4 (Camp Phillip)
- July 6 & 9 (Lutheran Science Institute)
- August 3 & 6 (Time of Grace)
- September 7 & 10 (Education Fund)
- October 5 & 8 (Sunday School Children's Gifts)
- November 2 & 5 (Slinger Food Pantry-2)
- December 7 & 10 (New Beginnings and Charis Gift Trees)

Worship Opportunities

Thurs. at 6:30pm and Sun. at 7:45am and 10:30am (Communion on the 2nd and 4th weeks)

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES: Wed. at 10:30am | Adult and Teen Classes: Sun. at 9:10am

Monthly - Worship / Preachers / Themes

Because of the many special services this month, please see the notes below.

- **March 30** = His Final Steps Led to a Donkey (*Pastor Ben Golisch*)
- **April 2** (Palm Sunday) = Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Choir
- **April 6** (Holy Thursday) = His Final Steps Led to the Upper Room (*Pastor Ben Golisch*)
- **April 7** (Good Friday) = His Final Steps Led to the Place of the Skull (*Pastor Ben Golisch*)
- **April 9** (Easter) = His First Steps Led Outside His Tomb (*Pastor Ben Golisch*)
- **April 13** = Bask in the Glow of the Resurrection (*Pastor Ben Golisch*)
- **April 16** = Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Choir
- **April 20 + 23** = Life Sunday (*Pastor Jeff Samelson*)
- **April 27 + 30** = "Peace Be with You" (*Sr. Vicar Aaron Bush*)

Notes:

April brings special worship opportunities. We have two choirs coming this month. The Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Choir will lead us in worship Palm Sunday (April 2). The Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Choir will lead us in worship the first Sunday after Easter (April 16). Since the choirs do not perform on Thursdays, Pastor Golisch will lead the services those

nights. The WLS choir service will be in the chapel. The KML Choir service will be in the gym. Both choirs were invited because of our Anniversary celebrations.

Also in April, Pastor Jeff Samelson of Christian Life Resources will be here for our Life Sunday. He will also lead us in Bible study that day.

SPECIAL SERVICES:

Holy Week Schedule

- **April 6** (Holy Thursday) = 4:00 & 6:30 pm services with communion (NOTE: Communion at the railing)
- **April 7** (Good Friday) = 1:00 & 6:30 pm services
- **April 9** (Easter) = 6:30 am Sunrise; 9:00 am Festival (Sunday School singing); 10:30 am Festival; Easter Brunch = 7:30-8:30 am

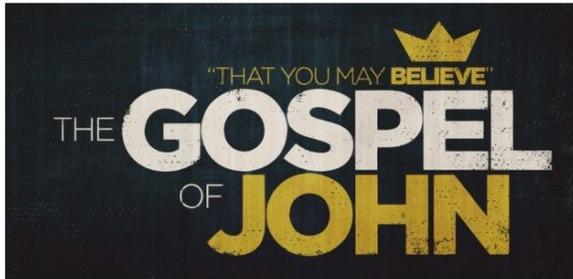
Current Membership Changes

- **Baptisms:** Mackenzie Waechter, Sarah McLaughlin, Reed & Peyton Kruger [all on 3/5/23]
- **Transferred in:** Noah Marquardt from Garden Homes, Milwaukee
- **Transferred out:** Noah & April Marquardt to Redeemer, Cedarburg; Sharon Crooks to Zion, Theresa
- **Released:** Randy & Sherrell Bertoni
- **Removed:** Dylan & Gavyn Alsteen, Jean Schmechel, Lonnie Thoe (all moved out of state, no forwarding contact); Ellawyn Booth, Kameron Hajek, Riley Johnson, Carter & Noah Junk, Breckett Moll, Breckin Okruhlica, Justin Streicher, Angelina Tarantino (all children baptized here years ago with no recent contact by non-member parents)

Bible Classes



WEDNESDAYS, 10:30-11:30 am in the CFC Commons



We continue to walk through the Gospel of John. Things are heating up. Opposition to Jesus is

growing. Jesus continues to confront such opposition. All of this is leading to Holy Week, but not until the fall.

It's never too late to jump into the study. So much of John's Gospel is unique to John. John writes about faith versus unbelief, light versus darkness, life versus death. All of these things are relevant to our Christian life today. Come, join us! (The treats are good, too.)

SUNDAYS, 9:10-10:10 am in the CFC Commons



In March, we started a new study: Ten Lies about God.

You've very likely experienced something like this: During a serious conversation, a person says something about God that just doesn't sound right. Sometimes you can recognize that what the person believes is a horrible distortion of the truth. Sometimes you aren't so sure. "God wants me to be happy." "I don't need the Bible or worship to have a relationship with God." "God helps those who

help themselves." When you take a careful look at those statements, you realize how dangerous they are.

Our Bible study, 10 Lies About God, addresses ten popular lies about God that people often hide behind to sidestep the truth that there is a God to whom they are accountable or to avoid admitting the reality that they are sinners who need a Savior. It will help us recognize and respond to these deceptions that keep people from experiencing the peace and joy that comes through forgiveness in Christ.

Here are the specifics:

- **April 2** = Ten Lies about God: "God Helps Those Who Help Themselves"
- **April 9** = NO CLASS – EASTER BREAKFAST
- **April 16** = Ten Lies about God: "God Has Made Death a Natural Part of Life"
- **April 23** = SPECIAL CLR Bible Study by Pastor Samelson (TBD)
- **April 30** = Ten Lies about God: "A God of Love Wouldn't Send People to Hell"



Wish List & Improvements Updates

Even as we continue to monitor our current financial challenges, we continue to collect for Wish List items. Since Wish List items are donated outside of the budget and set aside in savings, the money is in hand and can be used when ready. For Maintenance items, this becomes a call of the Church Council. If the money is not there, we obviously can't do it, unless wisdom necessitates. Please direct any questions to our Church Council members.

- So far, just under \$20,000 has been collected for the replacement of the discolored exterior panels for the stained-glass windows (our Anniversary Offering project for 2022). That puts us about \$5,000 short of the estimated cost. Once that money is raised, we can move forward on this project. Hopefully, inflation will not cause this price to go up even more. *(WL)*
- The cemetery sign is nearly completed. We need to wait until the ground thaws to pour the foundations. We hope to dedicate this project Memorial Day. Since material costs

have gone up, we will need to raise a couple thousand dollars of additional funds to fully pay for the project. *(WL – partially funded)*

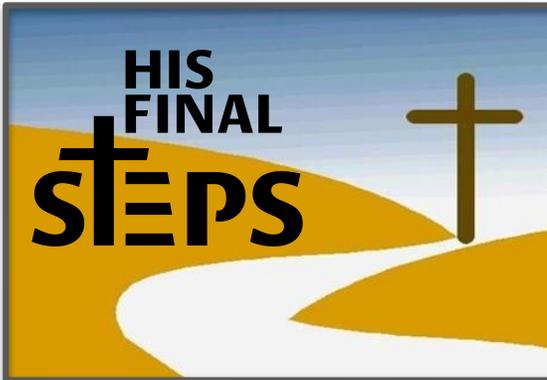
- Since our upper parking lot has been repaved four years ago, there has been some soil erosion on the northwest side. We are hoping to fix that problem around the time we lay the foundation for the cemetery sign. *(M – budgeted)*
- The ice tape project along the north side of the church and the east side of the bell tower did not get installed before winter, therefore it is on hold for this year. A congregational member has committed to funding the project whenever it become feasible. Although there are some increased energy costs, the Council feels it is important for the long-term wellbeing of the structure. *(M – budgeted)*

Key: WL = Wish List items, I = higher-cost Improvements, M = Maintenance items

Finance Update *In an effort to keep you updated concerning our congregational finances, we will include a weekly financial update in the bulletin (budget vs. offerings). Then, once a month, we will give an update on expenses vs. income.*

Church Mortgage Progress & Update

- As of March 1, 2023, our church mortgage balance stands at \$730,626.83
- Our monthly loan payment is \$7041.00 since refinancing with Thrivent Financial at a lower interest rate.
- Due to the great generosity of several congregational members (using red special offering envelopes which are applied to principle over and above the usual loan payment) we have seen a rapid decline in our loan liability.
- December 2022 we received an additional \$8685.00 towards principal
- January 2023 we received an additional \$3682.50
- February 2023 we received an additional \$5195.00
- Many thanks to all who continue to bless our church with these gifts especially during these trying times. Our congregation is truly blessed.



Thank you! to all who served (Church Board, Choir, Bible Class, Care Committee, Sunday School, Ushers, Dartball) and participated in the supper fellowship in between the Lenten services last month.

Care Committee



This month we celebrate Easter! What a blessing to celebrate and give thanks by serving others. Our team continues to send cards, visit, and call on our St. Paul family members to stay connected. We are an extension of God's love and embrace the opportunity to support and encourage those who are in need. *"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"* **Matthew 25:40.**

Our committee is comprised of members of our St. Paul congregation. We work to stay in touch and make connections with those considered "shut-in" or on our church prayer list. We have dedicated members on our team that are busy sending cards each month for birthday and anniversary well

wishes, in addition to thoughtful prayers for recovery and encouragement. Just the mere act of kindness in sending a card can make all the difference. We are blessed to receive positive responses that help us to know the work we do is important, as well as necessary to keep our church family connected. Often we hear how God blesses us in order for us to be a blessing to others. Have you ever thought about it? What blessings do I have that I could be a blessing to others? It could just be you said what someone needed to hear, or an act of kindness you didn't even think about, because that's just you. We don't have to do something big or over the top, we just need to support one another with a joyful spirit that lets our light shine. *"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."* **Matthew 5:16.**

If you or someone you know would appreciate a visit, a conversation, a card or a prayer, please contact the church office. The committee normally meets monthly on a Saturday morning in the commons area (Fireside room) at 9am. Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 15th. For questions or more information about the committee, please contact **Mrs. Terri Garbers** at 262-305-2894.

150th Anniversary & other Upcoming Events



St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church
Slinger, Wisconsin

April:

Throughout the month, all members will have an opportunity to sign up for the celebration dinner on May 21st. The final date for signup will be Monday May 1st.

On the 2nd The Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Choir will be here for the Sunday Services. As of this time it is unknown if the services will be in the chapel or possibly in the CFC gym. Those details are still being worked out.

Pastor Golisch will conduct a regular service on Thursday [March 30th].

On the 9th, the congregation will celebrate the Easter Resurrection, with services at 6:30AM, 9:00AM and at 10:30AM. Easter Breakfast will be served from 7:30AM till 8:45AM.

On the 16th, the Kettle Moraine High School Choir will conduct the 7:45 and 10:30 Services. These services will be held in our CFC Gymnasium due to the anticipated number of attendees.

On the 23rd, the St Paul Christian Life Resources Branch will celebrate Life Sunday with Rev Jeffery Samelson as our guest preacher for all services and Bible Class. After the conclusion of each service, we will kick off the New Beginnings Baby Bottle Drive. Branch members will be on hand to assist in handing out the bottles, with a return date of June 18th – Father's Day.

May:

May 1st: Final day to sign up for the anniversary dinner.

On the 7th, we have our Confirmation Sunday during the 10:30AM service and Examination the Thursday beforehand.

On the 14th, the congregation will have regular services, but the service will highlight and honor all Mom's.

21st – 150th Anniversary service/dinner/program:

- No regular worship on Thursday the 18th.
- 9:30AM: Celebration Service in gym; our guest preacher will be our former pastor, the Rev. David Cooper.
- 10:45AM: Congregational photo, taken via a drome on west chapel hillside – weather permitting.
- 11:00AM: Snacks in commons, while gym setup for dinner
- 12:00PM: Dinner by Bryan's Catering. Meal will be baked chicken and beef burgundy tips, potatoes, rice, vegetables, salad and finished off with cake from Grand-Dad's Bakery.


 Little Learners

 Childcare News:

This month our Bible stories and songs are centered on Lent. These stories remind us of God's awesome power and love. We've been practicing some new songs including "Jesus Loves the Little Children" and "Do You Know Who Died for Me?".

Some themes this month included Dr. Seuss, St. Patrick's Day, rainbows, color mixing, and spring.

This month, the Sunshine enjoyed reading books and activities about spring, Easter, Dr. Seuss books, and St. Patrick's Day. Sunshine enjoyed creating green shamrocks, spring tree art and a Cat in the Hat picture. Sunshine practiced rhyming and learning about spring. In math, we have been practicing pattern making, and number



recognition games. In literacy we've been practicing rhyming and letter recognition and tracing letters in sand. The Sunshine class is looking forward to planting some seeds and watching them grow in our indoor greenhouse. Rainbow created a "Cat in the Hat" picture and practiced letter recognition and pattern making. Sunshine and Rainbow have been enjoying a St. Patrick's themed sensory bin. We've been enjoying playing in the snow when the weather is nice. Some favorite gross motor activities include Pokémon tag, shadow tag, and rainbow color relay.

School Age News:

School age bible themes this month have been about the stories of faith and love. We've been enjoying a variety of spring and St. Patrick themed math and literacy themed centers. School agers have been enjoying some new centers, including a ball and cup toss game, paddle tetherball, and badminton.

 3K Notes:

The preschool children did a wonderful job of singing "Father, I Adore You" and "Jesus, Strong and Kind" in church last month. Our Bible lesson focus was the Easter Story and we learned the amazing truth that Jesus died on the cross to take all of our sins away. A few other 3K classroom activities included learning about colors, creating rainbow colored pictures, and listening to books about spring. To help us keep Jesus in our hearts during Easter, we used watercolors to paint a cross. Our preschool families enjoyed visiting and exploring the Fond Du Lac Children's Museum together during our field trip last month as

well. The bus ride to the museum was so exciting for the 3K students! Wishing you and your family a very blessed Easter. -Jamie Herbst



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Little Learners (continued)

4K Notes:

March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. We are learning about tally marks by tallying our lion and lamb days this month. The weather has given us a little bit of everything, but we are still preparing for spring. We made kites and rainbows that hang from the ceiling of our classroom. We are learning about many different animals and dinosaurs. We are studying the miracles of Jesus in our Bible stories this month. We enjoyed sharing Jesus' love for us through our songs in church!



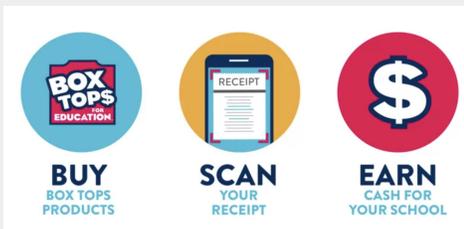
Sunday School Notes:

- The Sunday School children will be singing during the 9:30 a.m. Easter Service. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for all children in attendance following that service. There are no classes held that day.
- Our last day of Sunday School is May 14th. The final day will include memory work and attendance awards. We invite all parents to attend and join in the fun that day.
- Even though Sunday School has finished the week before, children will sing on Anniversary Sunday (5-21-23) at the 9:30 a.m. service. Please make plans to be in attendance for that event.

Box Tops for Educations

You will find more of the new blue Box Tops for Education labels which

only qualify for reimbursement when you SCAN YOUR RECEIPT within 14 days of purchase using their phone app. **DO NOT CUT out the new blue label AND DO NOT PLACE IT in the school collection box.**



Sign up for free at [BTFE.com](https://www.btfte.com) or visit [BTFE.com/FAQs](https://www.btfte.com/FAQs) with any questions you might have.

IMPORTANT NOTE: When creating a login on the Box Tops app and linking your record to our school to receive earnings, be aware that our school is listed as: ST PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL (*you will NOT find the listing under Little Learners!*) – use the 53086 zip code to locate our school's listing so we receive proper credit for the Box tops through the app.

April Word Search

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Can you find all the words list?

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| EASTER | JUDAS |
| PALM SUNDAY | TEMPLE |
| PASSOVER | KINGDOM |
| APRIL | HOLY |
| JERUSALEM | RESURRECTION |
| RISEN | TOMB |
| CHRIST | PEACH |
| MARY | JOHN |

Bible Trivia

Test your Bible knowledge with a little Bible trivia. See page 13 for the answers.

1. What is the 3rd Commandment Bible verse? _____
2. What is significant about Palm Sunday? _____
3. What holiday is being celebrated when Jesus makes his return to Jerusalem? _____
4. When Jesus died there was darkness in the land. How long did it last? _____
5. Who was the first person to see the risen Christ? _____



Christian Life Resources' Branch Updates (continued)

CLR's LeRoy Reed Memorial Golf Outing is Friday, May 19

• Hosted annually by CLR, this event is dedicated to the memory of LeRoy Reed, former CLR board chairman and member of St. Paul, for his commitment to the work of Christian Life Resources. Join us on Friday, May 19, at Ironwood Golf Course on the links of the natural rolling terrain in Sussex. Registration will open soon at: christianliferesources.com/golf-outing. We would love to have you join us for a great day of fun and fellowship. Enjoy 18 holes of golf with cart on this lush and beautiful course. Shotgun start, four-person scramble format, free range balls, lunch, and dinner. Contests too. Men and women are invited. Plus hole and event sponsorship opportunities.



KMLHS Updates



Join Us for An Evening in Paris!

Register TODAY to attend KML's 2023 Gala, An Evening in Paris!

We invite you to join us at KML to experience *An Evening in Paris* on **Saturday, April 22, 2023**, a night filled with all the romance, delicious food, and charm that beautiful Paris offers. Enjoy food, fellowship, games, and live and silent auctions as the KML gym is transformed into the City of Light and Love.



Proceeds benefit the **Let's Grow Together** campaign (<https://www.kmlhs.org/grow/>) and the student assistance fund.

More info & registration at kmlhs.org/gala.

- **Early Bird by March 26:** \$115/person
- **After March 26:** \$135/person
- **Wine Tasting Add-On:** \$30
- **Bourbon Tasting Add-On:** \$35

To participate in the wine and/or bourbon tasting, **purchase the add-on when buying your tickets.** The options to do so will show up when registering each individual.

Final Registration Deadline: April 2

KMLHS Updates (continued)

KML Gala (Continued)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! YOUR help is needed to help make KML's *An Evening in Paris* gala a success! There are lots of openings available in many different areas. Sign up to volunteer at kmlhs.org/galavolunteer.

Gala Donations & Sponsorships

We invite you to partner with us in making this year's gala a success through your donation of items for our silent and live auctions and sponsorships.

KML is **NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS** for the gala in the following categories:

- Paris or French themed gift baskets/packages
- French wine or champagne
- Bourbon and wine pull donations
- Experiences (sports, theatre, travel, etc.)
- Electronics
- Gift cards/certificates
- Sports items
- Outdoor & family games
- Spa products & services

To donate one or more items, please print out and complete the item donation form (available online at kmlhs.org/gala) and include it with your item(s) when you drop them off or mail them to KML. **Item donation deadline: April 12, 2023.**

MANY SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE! Visit kmlhs.org/gala to view the many sponsorships available and secure yours today! **Sponsorship deadline: April 2, 2023.**

Thank you for your generous support of the KML ministry!

Family Music Fest

Join us at KML on **Friday, April 14, from 5:00-9:00 PM** for *The Wild Wild West* at Family Music Fest. Monies



raised at this event will go toward the improvement of technology within the KML Music Department. This event features elementary and high school musical performances, games, live auction, and Art Fair projects from our Lutheran Elementary School students. Food options include a fish fry, concession items, and a dessert bar. Join us for a night of music, food, and family fun!

- Adult admission: \$5
- Child/student admission: FREE
- Fish dinner: \$15
- Adult admission with the fish dinner: \$18

Donations of fancy desserts for our live auction would be happily accepted! We would ask that food items be dropped off in the KML Main Office on Friday, April 14, from 12:00-3:00 PM if at all possible. Refrigerators and freezers are available if your dessert needs to be kept cold. We are also in need of desserts like cookies, bars, and pies for the dessert bar.

If you would like to donate or would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Mrs. Angela Hohenstein (angela.hohenstein@kmlhs.org). You can also visit kmlhs.org/fmf for donation forms, volunteer sign up forms, and more information.

We hope to see you for some fun in the *Wild Wild West* on April 14!



CHRISTIAN LIFE RESOURCES
— FOR LIFE • FOR FAMILY —

Christian Life Resources' Branch Updates

**Life Celebration Services: Apr. 20 and 23;
"Change for Life" Baby Bottle Campaign Kick-Off**

St. Paul will focus on the gift of LIFE in services on Thursday, Apr. 20 and Sunday, Apr. 23.



Pastor Jeff Samelson, CLR's Director of Ministry Advancement, will serve as the preacher during the services. The CLR Branch of St. Paul plans to kick off the annual "Change for Life" baby bottle project that weekend; this effort will benefit New Beginnings—A Home for Mothers.

Pick up a bottle and consider a donation of change, cash, or a check. Bottles can be turned in on Father's Day, June 18.

BIOGRAPHY: REV. JEFFREY L. SAMELSON

Rev. Jeffrey L. Samelson began his service as Christian Life Resources' Director of Ministry Advancement in April 2021, having served on the CLR National Board for the previous four years. He came to



CLR with experience both in and out of the parish: he was the pastor of Christ Lutheran Church (WELS) in Clarksville, Maryland from 2000-2021, and prior to studying for the ministry spent five years in the U.S. Foreign Service as a consular officer, serving at the embassies in Singapore and Bogotá, Colombia. He has a bachelor's degree in Political Science from Washington University in St. Louis (1988), an MDiv. from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary (2000), and is a Fellow of the International Academy of Apologetics, Evangelism, & Human Rights (2018).

Rev. Samelson's role at CLR includes establishing opportunities for Christian service and equipping Christians affected by the erosion of life and family values. Applying the truth of God's Word on pertinent life and family issues, his responsibilities will include a regular schedule of preaching engagements, education on the broader scope of the CLR ministry, monitoring of life issues, and leadership as a contact for the affiliate organizations of CLR. Rev. Samelson's service continues a long family involvement: his father was one of the founding members of the first affiliate of Christian Life Resources. Rev. Samelson resides with his wife, Charlene, in Grafton, WI.

**Bible Trivia
Answers**



MARCH

1. Revelation
2. Matthew, Mark, Luke, John
3. You shall not make idols.
4. Washed their feet.
5. Peter



APRIL

1. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain
2. Palm Sunday marks Jesus Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem.
3. The Passover.
4. Three hours - from 12PM to 3PM.
5. Mary Magdalene

KMLHS Updates (continued)

KML Plant Sale

The KML Charger Club is currently offering \$20 gift certificates to Groth's Country Gardens for purchase through the KML SCRIP Office. (These certificates are a fundraiser for the Charger Club and DO NOT offer a rebate toward your SCRIP tuition account.) Gift certificates expire June 30, 2023.

The KML SCRIP Office is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

Thank you for your support!



KML Let's Grow Campaign Update



To follow the Let's Grow Campaign go to <https://www.kmlhs.org/grow/>



But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen. -2 Peter 3:18

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March Celebrations

Happy Birthday!							
1-Apr	Baranyk, Bernice	13-Apr	Schneider, Jozi D. (Jozi)	28-Apr	O'Marrah, Collin P.		
1-Apr	Kohl, Susan (Sue)	13-Apr	Wetherall, Jerry R.	28-Apr	Mier-Valero, Julissa J.		
1-Apr	Prahl, Lisa C.	15-Apr	Buboltz, Susan M.	<th colspan="2">Happy Anniversary!</th>		Happy Anniversary!	
2-Apr	Epstein, Cody	16-Apr	Gehring, Shirley A.				
2-Apr	Korbar, Linda D.	17-Apr	Hron, Bryanna P.				
2-Apr	Wetherall, Kristine J.	17-Apr	Volkman, Katarina E.				
3-Apr	Fleischmann, Jennifer M.	18-Apr	Balkevich, Scarlett V.				
3-Apr	Gundrum, Lois	21-Apr	Mertz, Debra J.				
3-Apr	Jurgensen (Barnes), Tracy L.	22-Apr	Miller, Amanda				
4-Apr	Peters, Sandra E.	22-Apr	Thorn, Marion H. (Marion)				
4-Apr	Seidel, Rachel M.	23-Apr	Hamann, David C.				
6-Apr	Epstein, Brady	23-Apr	Kohler, Elizabeth A.				
7-Apr	Bamke, Mark J.	23-Apr	Braun, Gavin R.				
8-Apr	Tomaz, Ryan P.	24-Apr	Voigt, Kenneth W.				
9-Apr	Meissner, Harold E. (Sonny)	26-Apr	Mathiak, Karl E.				
12-Apr	Metzger, Tamyé E.	26-Apr	Taylor, Katelynn (Kate)				
13-Apr	Rongstad, Brenda M.	26-Apr	Benedum, Donna M.				
		27-Apr	Dornacker, Patricia C. (Pattie)				
		28-Apr	Hawkins, Jacob L.				
				1-Apr	Griffin, Lori and Donald A.		
				5-Apr	Reiter, Donald A. (Don) and Cheryl A.		
				7-Apr	Velic, Kathryn A. and Andrew J.		
				11-Apr	Metzger, David G. (Dave) and Tamyé E.		
				13-Apr	Kerlin, James (Jim) and Shawn		
				14-Apr	Mizgalski, Michael P. and Louise B.		
				20-Apr	Baumeister, Ricky and Becky		
				20-Apr	Redinger, Anna M. and Leonard Harold		
				22-Apr	Wetherall, Jerry R. and Kristine J.		
				23-Apr	Mathiak, Karl E. and Helena C. (Lena)		
				25-Apr	Selle, Thomas G. and Frances M. (Fran)		
				25-Apr	Thom, Harry and Jeannette		

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Thursdays at 6:30pm
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Classes: 9:10am
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LWMS = Lutheran Women's Missionary Society
WELS = Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Palm Sunday 7:45/10:30am Worship WELS Choir 9:00am Sunday School 9:10am Bible Classes 6:30pm Foundations Singer Food Pantry Donations Eids	3 10:00am Pastors Circuit Mtg @ Hillsburg 3:00pm Foundations 6:00pm Choir	4	5 8:30am Staff Meeting 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 10:30am Bible Class (G) 1:00pm Autumn Oak Service	6 Holy Thursday 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 4:00 & 6:30pm Worship (G) Communion	7 Good Friday 1:30/6:30pm Worship (G) NO PRESCHOOL; CHILDCARE AND OFFICE CLOSED	8
9 Easter Sunday 6:30am Sunrise Service (G) 7:30-9:00am Breakfast 9:00am Festival Service (G) 10:30am Festival Service (G)	10 1:00pm Anniversary Cmte Mtg	11 8:00am Executive Cmte Mtg	12 8:30am Staff Meeting 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 10:30am Bible Class (G)	13 Easter 2 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 6:30pm Worship (G) MAY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE	14	15 8:30am LWMS Circuit Spring Rally, Good Shepherd, West Bend 9:00am Care Cmte Mtg 7:00pm Dartball Banquet
16 Easter 2 7:45/10:30am Worship KML Choir 9:00am Sunday School 9:10am Bible Classes 6:30pm Foundations	17 3:00pm Foundations 6:00pm Choir	18 5:45pm LL Staff Mtg 6:00pm SS Teachers Mtg	19 8:30am Staff Meeting 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 10:30am Bible Class (G)	20 Easter 3 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 6:30pm Worship (S)	21 9:00am Pastor @ District Council Mtg @ Muskego	22 8:00am Spring Clean-up
23 Easter 3 7:45/10:30am Worship (S) Lite Sunday/Baby Bottle Distribution 9:00am Sunday School 9:10am Bible Classes 6:30pm Foundations Communion	24 3:00pm Foundations 6:00pm Choir	25 8:30am KM Pastors Conference in Mequon	26 8:30am Staff Meeting 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 10:30am Bible Class (G)	27 Easter 4 9:45am/12pm LL Chapel 6:30pm Worship (B)	28	29
30 Easter 4 7:45/10:30am Worship (B)	7:45/10:30am Worship (B) 9:00am Sunday School 9:10am Bible Classes 6:30pm Foundations (8th Graders)					

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