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“When the oppressor is no more and destruction has ceased, and he who tramples underfoot has vanished from the land, then a throne will be established in steadfast love, and on it will sit in faithfulness in the tent of David one who judges and seeds justice and is swift to do righteousness.” Isaiah 16:4-5

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Alleluia, Christ has Risen! He has Risen indeed, Alleluia! This common refrain throughout the Easter season confesses an absolute truth. They confess briefly the words of Isaiah, that our oppressor is vanquished forever.

Oppressor? Have you ever been oppressed? We may not like to think that we are. After all, we can make our own decisions. We can do whatever we want when we want to. We do not have to follow the orders of someone else right when they tell us to do so. Yet as much as we may think that we have freedom, spiritually we have no freedom. We are oppressed, maybe not by physical forces, but we are oppressed by spiritual forces. We are oppressed by sin, by death, and by the power of the devil. Sin says to jump and we say how high? How deeply should we go down that darkened and sin filled hole? We sin day in and day out time and time again. Can we stop ourselves? No, no matter how much we may try or desire to do so.

Rather than depending upon ourselves and our own power. We depend upon the One who sits on the throne in steadfast love. That One is our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Out of His great love for us, Jesus lived a perfect life in our place. He suffered, bled, died, and rose again from the dead all for us. By doing this, Jesus has taken our oppressors, crushed their heads, utterly and completely destroyed them. Our oppressors are destroyed, they cannot control us ever again. Our sins have been forgiven by Jesus' death. The devil has been overthrown and cast down. Death has been undone. Jesus has taken our oppression upon Himself and brought us with Him to His heavenly kingdom. He rules and reigns forever and ever on the throne of David in love for us.

Oppressed? No longer! Jesus has crushed our oppressors and undone their destructive ways. When He comes again in power and glory, they will be vanished from the land forever and ever.

Your Servant in Christ,
Rev. Joshua Reinke

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Everyone who came and helped and participated at Family Night.
Marge Johnsten for opening her home for the ladies to have Bible study each Friday.
All of the people who have offered to serve the Lord as officers for Peace Lutheran Church.
Tristin Reinke, Gloria Creek and Val Martin for playing the organ during our worship services.
Elsie Huss for changing the banners and paraments.
Everyone on the Prayer Chain for their time and prayers.
All of the men who volunteer to usher.
Angelika Fisher for cleaning the church.
Cheri Magnuson for cleaning the Communion linens.
 This list is not inclusive. Please accept our apologies if we have missed giving you credit for serving the Lord in any fashion. We know that the Lord knows your service to Him.



June Anniversaries

- June 5 – Bailey and Brenna Johnson
- June 12 -- William and Ruth Rozokat
- June 15 -- Tyler and Natalie Gill

Baptismal Anniversaries

- June 1 Dennis Nivens
- 3 Maverick Meierhoff
- 9 Joshua Baumer
- 11 Jennifer Lewis
- 12 Linda Aguiar
- 14 Angela Fletcher
- 16 Alicia Fletcher
- 18 Phyllis Schaaf
- 20 Toni Nivens
- 27 Marge Johnsten

Devotions and Hymn Singing begin at The Lodge

A new outreach to our Great Falls community has been presented to our combined Trinity and Peace congregations. The Director of Activities from The Lodge Assisted Living facility, 1801 9th Street South, is requesting a spiritual activity for the residents. She is well aware of our ministry in the nursing homes that we are currently serving, which include hymn singing with scripture reading and devotion. What an opportunity to become involved in a servant activity such as this!

This monthly activity will begin Friday, June 10th from 10-11am. At this time covid immunizations are not required and masking is as desired. If you are willing to serve the Lord in this endeavor, contact Marge Johnsten or Alice Schuman.

Let us embrace the opportunity the Lord has given us. People are hungry to hear and sing God's Word!



INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- The following people are experiencing health problems:
- Ben Aagaard** – 9 year old with kidney cancer
 - Deloris Brown**
 - Jody Decker** – Fort Benton
 - Michael Drummond** – Lupus
 - Rev. Mark Grunst** of Billings who has Lewy Body disease
 - Connie Juden**
 - Rev. Erich Kaelberer** – ALS
 - Ed Ostlund**, in assisted living in Billings
 - Pam Schaaf**, Ovarian cancer
 - Becky Schlund**, MS
 - Steven Schlund**, Parkinsons
 - Ron Van Horn** – Fort Benton
 - Van Oman family** – Fort Benton

Ushers for June

- June 5----- Arnie Gidlow
- James Onstad
- June 12 ----- Greg Franczyk
- Lyle Onstad
- June 19 ----- Darrell Greenwood
- Peter Doscher
- June 26 ----- Gary Link
- Tyler Denning

Rummage Sale

The day for the rummage sale is **Saturday, June 18 beginning at 7 AM**. If you have things to donate, you may bring them to the church and place them in the deaf office or the shed. If you would like help in anyway, please call Linda Aguiar at 406-402-9521.

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♥ **During the month of June**, we will be collecting items to be given to the newly opened Family Promise which is an organization that helps families obtain stable houses or avoid eviction from their current housing by assisting them with deposit payments, rent or past due rent, or if necessary, they will provide families emergency shelter at area hotels. "Promise Place Shelter is a duplex located on the north side where we will house up to two families at a time. We are leasing these units for now to determine if this "static site" shelter model is effective in transitioning homeless families towards stability." Here is their current wish list of items for the people living in the shelter.

- Sanitizing wipes • Pillows • Ramen • Beanies • Chef Boyardee (pull-top lid) • Soup (pull-top lid) • Laundry detergent pods • Trash can liners • Backpacks • Mac & cheese microwave cups • 8 ½" by 11" office paper • 8 ½" by 11" manilla envelopes • Saltine crackers • Decaf coffee pods • Light gloves • Deodorant (men/women) • Coffee pods

Please bring any or all of these items and we will be sure they get to Family Promise at the end of June. Thank you!

- ♥ Newly elected officers are **Val Martin**, President; **Helen Lewis**, Vice-president; **Cheri Magnuson**, Secretary; **Linda Aguiar**, Treasurer. Thank you , ladies, for offering to serve the Lord with Gladness in this capacity.
- ♥ **Our planning meeting will be Monday, July 18 at 6:30 p.m.** All ladies of Peace are invited and encouraged to come and participate in the planning of the coming year's activities and servant event projects. Many new and exciting ideas will be talked about and planned!

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Friday Ladies Bible study

During the summer months the Friday Ladies Bible Class is in recess. However, Assisted Living Ministry with hymn singing and a devotion continues throughout the year. Join the monthly no host lunch on **Friday, June 24th at Boston's**, 1101 7th Street South at 11:45am. Afterward some of the diners will continue on to Highgate, 3000 11th Avenue South. Do you have children or grandchildren home for the summer? Bring them! Treat them to lunch and participation in a servant activity. Come and join in the fellowship this activity offers!

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Remember to bring your **baby bottles** from Echoz Pregnancy Center back to the church on or before **Sunday, June 19**, Father's Day.

Thank you for your continued support of this wonderful program!

Vacation Bible School set

VBS will be **June 6-10, 2022 from 9 AM to 12 noon**. The theme is **This We Believe** based on the Apostles Creed. Plans are coming together nicely and helpers are ready to go! There will be classes for kids of all ages as well as music, crafts, snacks and games!! Come and join us!! If you have any questions, please contact Linda Aguiar at 406-402-9521.

Summer Worship For Travelers

Are you going to be traveling this summer and far from a church on a Sunday morning? We have prepared a brochure called *Summer Worship For Travelers* which you can take along with you on your trip. It has a brief order of worship from *Lutheran Service Book* and a listing of all the Bible Readings for the summer months. Take one with you for the times you can't be in church this summer. Copies are on the table outside the Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf office.