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ELDERS' CORNER

Cultivating Vision

(Excerpted from NIV "Men's Devotional Bible")

The disciples once thought that they had heard Jesus say that respectable, well-to-do, upstanding leaders could not be saved. If that were true, then their chances of being saved were not very good either. The disciples, who had not yet become visionaries, immediately gave up hope. They saw no solution; salvation was obviously out of reach. Jesus looked at them and said, "Fellas, you're right. With human beings, some problems have no solutions. But with God all things are possible." (*Matt. 19:26*)

Does your problem seem bigger than life, bigger than God himself? It isn't. God is infinitely bigger than any problem that you have or will have, and every time you call a problem unsolvable, you mock God. "With God all things are possible." Visionary people face the same problems everyone else faces, but rather than get paralyzed by their problems, visionaries immediately commit themselves to finding a solution. Almost as a reflex reaction to the problem they say, "The situation is bad all right, but no problem is bigger than God. And right now, before I get bogged down, I need to start down the path of solving it." More often than not, visionaries find a way, with God's help, to deal with their problem and overcome them rather than surrender their lives to them.

Vision is a vitally important quality to cultivate because life is really just a series of problems, challenges, trials, and disappointments. If you allow yourself to be overwhelmed by difficulties, your future is not bright. You will get stuck first on one problem and then on another...If, on the other hand you cultivate vision—if whenever you are faced with a problem, you immediately explore ways to deal with it—you will not only avert all sorts of discouragement, but you will discover just how much creativity and wisdom God wants to give his children who look to him for help.

God's peace, joy, love, and understanding be with you in His name! Amen/Yes! ✨

Brother in Christ,
Tom Heuchert



May 01	Dick Scholar
May 02	Deborah Maddison, Eliora (Ellie) Maddison, Rudy Stowell, Marilyn Wagner
May 05	Doreen Fasig
May 08	Louise Moore
May 09	Dennis Payne
May 10	LaDene Hersman
May 14	Lori Williamson
May 15	Gene Forsythe
May 17	Shelley Klotz
May 19	Jeremy Schofield
May 21	Annabelle Allen, Lucy Chaney, Matthew Foley
May 22	Cheryl Williams
May 23	Cheri Forsythe, Helen Prior
May 24	Nanci Andersen, Ellen Kristensen



May 02	Paul & Lisa DiModica
May 20	Arlin & Sharon Weiting
May 25	Randy & Danielle Tate
May 29	Dennis & Linda Bornhoft, Devin & Caitlin Miller

THANK YOU

Thank you to Mike and Becky Foley for their bountiful gift of Easter morning breakfast in Stahnke Hall for LCOS members. A delectable menu of bacon, quiche, strawberries, and biscuits and gravy was enjoyed by all who attended. The Foleys have made Easter breakfast an annual tradition and LCOS is most grateful to them for their generosity. ✨



ALTAR GUILD & FLOWER SCHEDULE MAY



May 01	8:30 am	Comm. Svc.
May 01	9:30 am	SS/Bible Study
May 01	10:30 am	Comm. Svc.
May 05	7:00 pm	Elders' Mtg.
May 08		Mother's Day
May 08	8:30 am	Worship Svc.
May 08	9:30 am	SS/Bible Study
May 08	10:30 am	Worship Svc.
May 09	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Men's Group
May 15	9:00 am	May Ministry Schedule Due
May 15	8:30 am	Praise Svc./Comm.
May 15	9:30 am	SS/Bible Study
May 15	10:30 am	Praise Svc./Comm.
May 15	3:00 pm	Adult Games & Fellowship
May 20	9:00 am	May Newsletter Deadline
May 19	7:00 pm	Council Mtg.
May 22	8:30 am	Worship Svc.
May 22	9:30 pm	SS/Bible Study
May 22	10:30 am	Worship Svc.
May 29		Summer Worship Schedule Begins!
May 29	8:30 pm	SS/Bible Study
May 29	9:30 am	Worship Svc.
May 30		Memorial Day – Church Office Closed

May 1 – Communion Svc.

8:30 AM – Peggy Payne

10:30 AM – Marianne Heuchert

Flowers: Richard Scholar's birthday

May 8 – Worship Svc.

8:30 AM – Stephanie Clavin

10:30 AM – Stephanie Clavin

Flowers: OPEN

May 15 – Communion Svc.

8:30 AM/Comm. – Susan Wilcox

10:30 AM/Comm. – Deborah Maddison

Flowers: Shelley Klotz's birthday

May 22 - Worship Svc.

8:30 AM – Kelly Olney

10:30 AM – Kelly Olney

Flowers: Dave & Debbie Wobrock
in memory of their mothers

May 29 - Worship Svc.

8:30 AM – Connie Hathaway

10:30 AM – Connie Hathaway

Flowers: Devin & Caitlin Miller's
1st wedding anniversary

MOWING IN MAY



May 7 – Art Atrops,
Jim LaBelle

May 14 - Mark Hathaway, Lucas Mayes,
Richard Scholar

May 21 - Corey Maddison, Harold Oliver

May 28 - Bill Williamson, Arlin Weiting

IT'S HAPPENING

The Men's Group is meeting on **Monday, May 9,** from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in Stahnke Hall. Set time aside for a barbecued dinner, a devotion, and spending time with other men who share your love for Jesus. ✻



SPRING HAS SPRUNG



May God bless the 25

volunteers who cheerfully

turned out to help on our

annual spring-cleaning day.

Windows and the kitchen

walls and ceiling were

cleaned, weeds pulled, and shrubbery trimmed. The

church was made ready for Easter Sunday to

enhance worship for all. ✻



May 8

**WANTED!!
YOUR THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS!**

With Pastor Eckert's retirement, our congregation will begin in the near future the process of searching for a new pastor. Initially, the Board of Elders mailed a survey to all confirmed members of the congregation in late April. We would like to have your input as to the mission goals and ministries of LCOS as well as your thoughts regarding the type of pastor who will be best suited for LCOS. The results of this survey will be utilized by the yet-to-be-formed Call Committee and shared with each pastoral candidate. Please give prayerful and careful thought to the survey and then return it to the church entrance or office by May 31. We look forward to your responses and seeing how God guides us in the months ahead. — **The Board of Elders**



FOR THOSE WHO ARE GAME



WE'RE BACK! The "Adult Fun & Fellowship" group (formerly the **Singles Group**) will meet again on **Sunday, May 15, at 3:00 PM.** Be there for some NEW

and different games as well as NEW and better prizes! And, of course, great treats. Yikes! That's a lot to promise...but you will not be disappointed. So spend your Sunday afternoon with your church family and have a lot of laughs, fill your belly, and take home some nice prizes! ✿

**Effective May 29 through
September 4, 2022
(1 Sunday Service Weekly)**



**8:30 AM - Sunday
School/Bible Study**

**9:30 AM - Communion Service
(1st & 3rd Sundays)**

**9:30 AM - Worship Service
(2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays)**

ELLEN TURNS 100!



Please join in celebrating Ellen Kristensen's 100th birthday! On **Sunday, May 22**, cake will be served at 9:30 AM in Stahnke Hall. Come eat, sing *Happy Birthday*, and sign a birthday banner. "Those who are older should speak, for wisdom comes with age." Job 32:7 ✿



A VALUABLE *command*

God instructs children how to relate to their parents.

Directions: Arrange the words in alphabetical order. Then insert the circled letters in order to complete Exodus 20:12, NIV.



son	mother	father
daughter	honor	home
respect	family	obey
	love	

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2. ○ _ _ _ _
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9. ○ _ _ _ _
10. _ _ _ _ _

ono your _ather and _our mo_h_r,
so t_at y_u may _i_e l_ng in t_e land
the L_RD _ou_ God i_ givi_g you.

EXODUS 20:12, NIV

Answer: 1. daughter, 2. family, 3. father, 4. home, 5. honor, 6. love, 7. mother, 8. obey, 9. respect, 10. son; Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

MAY 2022

CHRISTIAN MINISTERS AT LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR

DAY	TIME	ACOLYTE	ELDERS	LESSON READER	MUSIC... CHOIRS	SOUND SYSTEM	ALTAR GUILD/ FLOWERS
1 Sunday	8:30 am Comm.		Dennis Payne Jim LaBelle	Marjorie Hord		Chad Thorstenson	Altar: Peggy Payne
	10:30am Comm.		Art Atrops Mark Hathaway	Deborah Maddison		Diana Brown	Altar: Marianne Heuchert Flowers: Richard & Debra Scholar for Richard's birthday
8 Sunday	8:30 am	Emma Olney	Rudy Stowell	Becky Zielke		Ed Buchholz	Altar: Stephanie Clavin
	10:30 am		Mark Hathaway	Floyd Olson		Michael Southern	Flowers: In celebration of Deborah & Ellie Maddison's birthday (May 2)
15 Praise Sunday	8:30 am Comm.	Riley Olney	Todd Martin Dennis Payne	Lisa DiModica	Praise Team	Karl DiModica	Altar: Susan Wilcox
	10:30 am Comm.	Ali Mayes	Mark Hathaway Art Atrops	Melanie Mayes	Praise Team	Chris Allen	Altar: Deborah Maddison Flowers: Shelley Klotz's birthday
22 Sunday	8:30 am		Tom Heuchert	Jill Murdock		Terry Murdock	Altar: Kelly Olney
	1030 am		Art Atrops	Brent Clavin		Michael Southern	Flowers: Dave & Debbie Wobrock in memory of their mothers
SUMMER HOURS BEGIN!							
29 Sunday	9:30 am		Rudy Stowell	Gary Lange		Dennis Payne	Altar: Connie Hathaway Flowers: Devin & Caitlin Miller – 1 st wedding anniversary
Please phone person* at right if you are unable to serve>>>>>		ACOLYTES *Mark Hathaway 937-9675	READERS *Art Atrops 937-0485	ELDERS *Todd Martin 801-3873	CHOIRS <u>Sanctuary Choir</u> *Diana Brown 448-1990 <u>Praise Team</u> Jane Riddiough 937-5241	SOUND *Dennis Payne 934-1101	ALTAR GUILD Connie Hathaway 937-9675 FLOWERS Connie Hathaway 937-9675 FLOWER MINISTRY Noel & Clara Rowe 623-5161 (Home) 260-4212 (Cell)

**PLEASE ARRANGE FOR NECESSARY CHANGES WITH PERSON WHO OVERSEES YOUR ASSIGNMENT;
INFORM CHURCH OFFICE ONLY AFTER CHANGES ARE MADE TO SCHEDULE – 937-1116**

May 2022

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1 8:30 AM – Comm. Svc. 9:30 AM – SS/Bible Study 10:30 AM – Comm. Svc.	2	3 7:00 PM – CC Chordsmen - SH	4 10:00 – 11:30 AM - Small Group Bible Study	5 7 PM – Elders’ Mtg.	6	7
8 8:30 AM – Worship Svc. 9:30 AM – SS/Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship Svc.	9 6:00 – 8:00 PM – Men’s Group	10 7:00 PM – CC Chordsmen - SH	11 10:00 – 11:30 AM - Small Group Bible Study	12	13	14
15 8:30 AM – Praise Svc./Comm. 9:30 AM – SS/Bible Study 10:30 AM – Praise Svc./Comm. 3:00 PM – Adult Games & Fellowship	16 Ministry Schedule Deadline	17 7:00 PM – CC Chordsmen - SH	18 10:00 – 11:30 AM - Small Group Bible Study	19 7 PM – Council Mtg.	20 9 AM – Newsletter Deadline	21
22 8:30 AM – Worship Svc. 9:30 AM – SS/Bible Study 9:30 AM – 100th Birthday Celebration – Ellen Kristensen 10:30 AM – Worship Svc.	23	24 7:00 PM – CC Chordsmen – SH	25 10:00 – 11:30 AM - Small Group Bible Study	26	27	28
29 8:30 AM – Worship Svc. 9:30 AM – SS/Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship Svc.	30	31				