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ELDER'S CORNER

Adoption

(Excerpted from "Lutheran Hour Ministries")

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons. ... Romans 8:14-15a

Patrick is a pit bull, a breed of dog many people try to avoid.

Apparently, Patrick's owner should be included in that group. I say that because the individual, who will remain nameless in this devotion, tied Patrick to a railing in her Nevada apartment building. Then she went to visit some friends.

For a week she visited her friends. While she visited, Patrick waited. Patrick waited for his owner's return. He waited to be fed. He waited to be given some water. Eventually a mailman found Patrick at the bottom of a trash chute. By then Patrick was curled up into a ball, unable to stand.

Patrick was rushed to a veterinary clinic. The vets examined the dog and experience told them Patrick was a goner—a dog without hope. They agreed that Patrick would die as he had lived: unwanted and alone.

That's what logic said should have happened.

What did happen was quite different. The doctors felt sorry for Patrick. They gave him therapy, a special diet, and some transfusions. And Patrick responded. He put on weight. Before long, a grateful Patrick started following his benefactors all around the clinic. Indeed, appreciation became a 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week kind of job for the rescued pooch.



And at this point, I probably don't need to say that Patrick's story ought to be our story.

Because of sin and Satan we were chained up—doomed and destined to die eternally. Logically there was no other choice. After all,

Scripture says the soul that sins will die. But God's Word also tells us, in spite of this logic, a gracious God sent His only Son into this world to rescue us. By living the perfect life that was beyond us, by dying the death we deserved, Jesus took our place and carried our sins. Because of what Jesus has done for us all who have been given faith in Him will not perish but are given everlasting life.

THE PRAYER: Dear Heavenly Father, please accept the praises of those whom You have rescued. Because of Your grace, Jesus was made both our Substitute and Savior. May I be filled with a sense of gratitude for His sacrifice. This I pray in His Name. Amen.

...Yours in Christ, Todd Martin

MOWING IN OCTOBER



- Oct 1 – Mark Hathaway, Lucas Mayes, Dick Scholar
- Oct 8 - Corey Maddison, Harold Oliver
- Oct 15 - Bill Williamson, Arlin Weiting
- Oct 22 - Reese Riddiough, Nathan Schofield
- Oct 29 - Art Atrops, Jim LaBelle



Effective SUNDAY, October 2

Sunday School/Bible Study - 9:00 AM
Worship/Communion Services - 10:00 AM



- Oct 01 7 am – 1 pm Yard Sale**
- Oct 02 9:00 am SS/Bible Study
- Oct 02 10:00 am Comm. Svc.
- Oct 05 10:00 – 11:30 am Small Group Bible Study
- Oct 09 LWML Sunday**
- Oct 09 9:00 am SS/Bible Study
- Oct 09 10:00 am Worship Svc.
- Oct 10 6:00 – 8:00 pm Men's Group
- Oct 12 10:00 – 11:30 am Small Group Bible Study
- Oct 15 9:00 am October Ministry
Schedule Due
- Oct 16 9:00 am SS/Bible Study
- Oct 16 10:00 am Praise/Comm. Svc.
- Oct 16 3:00 pm Adult Games & Fellowship
- Oct 19 10:00 – 11:30 am Small Group Bible Study
- Oct 20 9:00 am October Newsletter
Deadline
- Oct 23 9:00 am SS/Bible Study
- Oct 23 10:00 am Worship Svc.
- Oct 23 11:00 am Council Mtg.
- Oct 23 Pastor Appreciation Day**
- Oct 26 10:00 – 11:30 am Small Group Bible Study

- Oct 30 9:00 am SS/Bible Study
- Oct 30 10:00 am Worship Svc.
- Oct 30 4:00 – 6:00 pm Trunk or Treat**



- Oct 03 Sue Busbee, George Kennedy
- Oct 07 Valerie Trenev
- Oct 09 Elizabeth Timm
- Oct 10 Stephen Janssen
- Oct 11 Joanna Miller
- Oct 12 Jim LaBelle
- Oct 24 David Wobrock
- Oct 27 Danielle Tate



- Oct 12 Todd & Julie Martin
- Oct 29 Fred & Kathy Lee

ALTAR GUILD & FLOWER SCHEDULE OCTOBER

- Oct 02 – Communion Svc.**
9:30 AM – Peggy Payne – Set-Up
Deborah Maddison – Take-Down
Flowers: Molly Williams in celebration of
Noleen's 60th birthday
- Oct 09 – Worship Svc.**
9:30 AM – Kelly Olney
Flowers: Jim LaBelle's birthday
- Oct 16 – Praise/Communion Svc.**
9:30 AM Becky Zielke – Set-Up
Connie Hathaway – Take-Down
Flowers: Open
- Oct 23 - Worship Svc.**
9:30 AM – Caydee Eckert
Flowers: Linda Sweeney in memory of
Karla Knight and Marie Hoffmann's
birthdays
- Oct 30 - Worship Svc.**
9:30 AM – Marianne Heuchert
Flowers: Open

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION (LWML)

LWML Rally – October 8 – Redeemer Lutheran, Atascadero—All women are invited to attend. Featured speaker will be Pam Johnson from the Tree of Life Pregnancy Center. **Registration: 9:30 – 10:00 AM** (with coffee, juice, and muffins). Lunch will be served. **Cost: \$6.00/person.** All activities will be in the Fellowship Hall basement. ☼



LWML SUNDAY – OCTOBER 9





**LUTHERAN WOMEN
IN MISSION
YARD SALE**

OCTOBER 1 - 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Please deliver your unused or gently-used donations to Stahnke Hall on **Wednesday, September 28; Thursday, September 29; and Friday, September 30.** Wednesday & Thursday hours: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday hours: 9 AM - 1 PM. Note: Donations cannot be accepted after 1 PM on September 30.

Volunteers are still needed for an hour or so to help price, organize, and prepare donations for Saturday's sale.

Male assistance will be greatly appreciated in setting up tables on Wednesday (September 28) morning; carrying out tables or clothes racks on Saturday (September 30) morning; and helping to identify donated tools, sports equipment, etc. ✿

NAME THAT GAME!

"Adult Fun & Fellowship" will be on the 3rd Sunday, October 16, at 3:00 PM in Stahnke Hall. As always, you can count on humor, conversation, and refreshments. Oh, and games, too! ✿

HELP GROW THE KINGDOM

The Flower Ministry is in need of a volunteer (couples are welcome also) for the months of June and December! For many years, LCOS has reached out to Sunday service guests who fill out a Visitor Card.



The Flower Ministry coordinates with the Altar Guild to deliver a small vase of flowers, thanking them for visiting, inviting them to return, and answering any questions they may have regarding LCOS. If you are friendly, enjoy meeting new people, and wish to help grow the Kingdom on earth, please contact Anita Lange at (805) 937-6459. ✿

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October 30, 2022 - 4-6 PM

Come walk through our Trunk Or Treat on the Sunday before Halloween! There will be treats and activities for all children. Please let us know if you will be attending by including your name on the sign-up sheet in the courtyard. You and your family are also welcome to sign up to decorate a car. If you are decorating a car, please choose a theme and plan to have an activity or a treat or prize to hand out. Just nothing too scary, please! For ideas, you can Google-search "Trunk or Treat" or visit the Oriental Trading Company at:

<https://www.orientaltrading.com/teaching-supplies-and-stationery/sunday-school/trunk-or-treat-a1-553757.fltr>

REST IN PEACE

✝ **Long-time LCOS member Shirley Eckert** passed away September 21 after a lengthy illness. May she rest in eternal peace. ✿

HOT OFF THE PRESS

The September 2022 Church Directory is now available and can be found on the distribution table on Sundays or in the church office during normal office hours (9AM - 1PM Tuesdays through Fridays). One directory per family, please. ✿



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CHRISTIAN MINISTERS AT LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR

DAY	TIME	ACOLYTE	ELDERS	LESSON READER	MUSIC... CHOIRS	SOUND SYSTEM	ALTAR GUILD/ FLOWERS
2 Sunday	10:00 am Comm.	Emma Olney	Dennis Payne Todd Martin	Lisa DiModica		Karl DiModica	Altar: Peggy Payne – Set-Up Deborah Maddison – Take-Down Flowers: Molly Williams in celebration of Noleen’s 60 th birthday
9 LWML Sunday	10:00 am		Mark Hathaway	Anita Lange		Terry Murdock	Altar: Kelly Olney Flowers: Jim LaBelle’s birthday
16 Praise Sunday	10:00 am Comm.	Ali Mayes	Art Atrops Rudy Stowell	Melanie Mayes	Praise Team	Chad Thorstenson	Altar: Becky Zielke – Set-Up Connie Hathaway – Take-Down Flowers: Open
23 Sunday	10:00 am	Riley Olney	Tom Heuchert	Diana Brown		Ed Buchholz	Altar: Caydee Eckert Flowers: Linda Sweeney in memory of Karla Knight and Marie Hoffmann’s birthdays
30 Sunday	10:00 am		Todd Martin	Lucas Mayes		Dennis Payne	Altar: Marianne Heuchert Flowers: Open
Please phone person* at right if you are unable to serve>>>>>		ACOLYTES *Mark Hathaway 937-9675	READERS *Todd Martin 801-3873	ELDERS *Mark Hathaway 937-9675	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 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**

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1 7:00 AM – 1:00 PM YARD SALE
2 9:00 AM – SS/Bible Study 10:00 AM – Comm. Svc.	3	4 7:00 PM – CC Chordsmen – SH	5	6 7 PM – Elders’ Mtg.	7	8 LWML Zone Rally Redeemer, Atascadero
9 LWML Sunday 9:00 AM – SS/Bible Study 10:00 AM – Worship Svc.	10 6:00 – 8:00 PM – Men’s Group	11 7:00 PM – CC Chordsmen – SH	12	13	14	15 November Ministry Schedule Deadline
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