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# First Edition

*“Growing God’s Family by Serving”*



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Clear Lake, Wisconsin

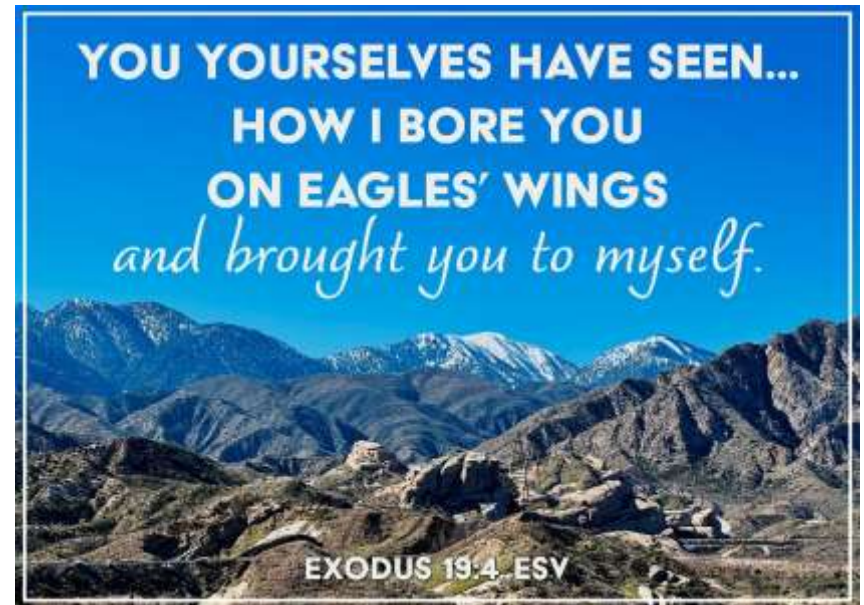
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## Let's Identify Ourselves

We were out practicing night driving. A car passed us but quickly turned around and got behind us. A few seconds later we saw the red and blue lights. We pulled over and the officer came up. He asked for a license and registration. And explained we only had our fog lights on. After a warning we were back on our way.

A few weeks back I went to vote at the village hall. I stopped at the desk and was asked for my drivers license. After comparing addresses on the voter's registration list with my license, I signed in and was ready to vote.

Those are two examples where identification is very important. But how does one identify themselves as a Christian? We can put a fish symbol on our auto bumpers. Many people wear cross jewelry. Of course the most important identification is the way we live. Christians will want to identify who they are by their obedience to Christ. The Magna Carta of Christian discipleship is the Sermon on the Mount found in Matthew Chapters 5-7.

We have another opportunity to identify ourselves. Neil Larson has designed some very nice clothing which is now available to purchase. There are order forms in the church office for youth and adult sizes for various types with our new church logo. You can see a sample t-shirt with this article. Besides shirts there are also sweatshirts.

We thank Andy Wyss for the cross design. From all the different people, represented by the stained glass background, the cross makes us all one. You will see the church name surrounding the logo as well as our mission statement on the cross – Growing God's Family.

Just as you identify yourself in other ways noted above, we hope you will be excited to share your faith with these new clothing items. Let people know you belong to a faith community as you invite them to join you in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. It can be a simple evangelism tool if you think about it. Let people know you are not ashamed to be a Christian.

When placing orders through the office, payment will be received up front by check made payable to the Clear Lake Schools. You can place an order anytime the office is open.

In Christ,  
Pastor Bryan

**Note:** Our first batch of orders was received in May but another batch will be received through the Summer.



## IMPORTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

Announcing – a new summer concept:  
“J.A.M. Sessions” (Jesus And Me)



Once a month in June, July and August, Sunday School children will gather together for some large group fun and games! The typical Sunday morning timeline will be followed:

- Meet at 9:45 in the blue room for music celebrations.
- At 10:00, children will move to the sanctuary until the children's sermon is completed.
- Then some large group activities, fun and games will take place either outside or in (depending on weather and activity).
- **Mark your calendars for June 4, July 9 and August 6!**



*Kindness is  
in your blood*

### Blood Drive

#### Clear Lake Community First Lutheran Church

811 South Avenue W

**Friday, July 28, 2023**  
**11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

To sign up download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org), or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



THANK YOU TO  
SUMMER  
WEDNESDAYS  
CONCERT  
SERIES  
THE CITY OF  
AMERY

FAMILY FUN FEST

**HOPE  
aLIVE**

MICHAEL PARK, AMERY, WI

5 PM TO 8:30 PM

**JUNE 7**

ALL AGES WELCOME  
**FREE FOOD  
FREE MUSIC  
GIVEAWAYS  
FREE GAMES**

BLESSED BE THE GOD AND  
FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS  
CHRIST. BECAUSE OF HIS  
GREAT MERCY HE HAS GIVEN  
US NEW BIRTH INTO A LIVING  
HOPE THROUGH THE  
RESURRECTION OF JESUS  
CHRIST FROM THE DEAD

## First Lutheran Church



**Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>; 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM**  
and  
**Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>; 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

### RUMMAGE SALE ITEMS NEEDED

Thank you to all the generous donations and to all the people who help to make this a profitable sale! With that being said...Please be mindful if you are dropping off an item that will cost us to dispose of if it does not sell and be there to pick it up after the sale. Let's make this the best year ever and have fun!

#### WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:

- NO CLOTHING
- NO TELEVISIONS
- NO STEREOS (SMALL RADIOS ARE OK IF THEY ARE WORKING)
- NO MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (WALKERS, COMMODE CHAIRS, CRUTCHES, BEDPANS, ETC.)
- NO LARGE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT SUCH AS TREADMILLS, ELIPTICALS, ETC.
- NO LARGE FLOOR HUMIDIFIERS, DEHUMIDIFIERS
- NO LARGE HEAVY VACCUUM CLEANERS (SMALL WORKING & CLEAN ONES MAY BE ACCEPTED)
- NO COMPUTERS, MONITORS AND EQUIPMENT
- NO CAR SEATS (BOOSTER SEATS ARE OK)
- NO SLEEPER SOFAS
- NO STACKS OF COMMERICAL CHAIRS
- NO LARGE ENTERTAINMENT OR HUTCH TYPE FURNITURE

Donations can be brought during office hours and put in the far Sunday school rooms. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mary Porter at 715-263-2949.





## Clear Lake Community Vacation Bible School

Sun., August 13<sup>th</sup>-Wed., August 16<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

For 4-year-olds through completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Hosted this year at First Lutheran Church  
811 S Ave W (near CR gas station off Hwy 63)

Register online **TODAY** for this fun,  
**FREE & faith-filled event!**



Scan this code OR go to  
<http://www.firstluthclearlake.com> & click on

**REGISTER FOR VBS**

QUESTIONS? CALL 715-263-2846

Clear Lake Community VBS is sponsored by the following area churches

United Covenant    United Methodist    First Lutheran

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS




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| 3: Jared Levendoski<br>Carrie Buhr<br>Mary Benware<br>Michael O'Shea | 13: Jeanne Briesemeister<br>Michael Johnson<br>Patrick Haley |
| 4: Walker Jarchow<br>Dan Cain  | 14: Gary Twining   |
| 5: Harold Tronrud  | 16: Melvin Ramsey  |
| 6: Jill Buhr<br>Lilly Hanacek  | 17: Kim Murray   |
| 7: Robert Champion<br>Amy Strobach<br>Carl Alvermann                 | 18: Hazel Cain<br>Pat Hennessy<br>Kristin LaBeree            |
| 8: Addison Christensen   | 19: Aubree Schramski<br>Joshua Kaczmarek<br>Andy Dimler      |
| 10: Russell Sloan<br>Ryan Kerns<br>Jack Petersen                     | 21: Dale Wirth   |
| 11: Jack Somsen  | 22: Piper Bylander<br>Bristle Ninke                          |
|  | 24: Xander Simon   |
|  | 25: Janet Krueger  |
|  | 27: Richard Lambert, Sr.                                     |
|  | 28: Sherry Buhr<br>Mark Gilbertson<br>Charles Buhr           |
|  | 29: Kelly Kobernick<br>Nicole Fritz<br>Seth Cain             |

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### Bible Quiz

What does God compare to rain "watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater"?

A. The justice of the nations  
B. The work of God's people  
C. The message of Isaiah the prophet  
D. God's word



Answer: D (See Isaiah 55:10-11, NIV.)

# JUNE WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**ALTAR GUILD:** Diane Paulson & Lydia Humpal

## **GREETERS**

Carol Kobernick, Elaine Solum and Larry & Mary Jo Lien

## **READERS**

4 Natalie Petersen            18 Lacey Kamm  
11 Patti Wyss                 25 Ashly Ninke

## **COUNTERS**

4 & 11 Kevin Kamm & TBD  
18 & 25 Kevin Kamm & Tim Wyss

**COMMUNION ASSISTANT:** Kevin Kamm

## **USHERS**

4 & 11 Denny Benson  
18 & 25 Richard Selvig

## **FELLOWSHIP SERVERS**

4 Denny Benson                18 Richard Selvig  
11 Bob & Barb Anderson     25 Don & Sheila Dipprey

### **Little Dresses for Africa • Britches for Boys • Dignity Program for Girls & Women**

Thank you for the donations of pillowcases and packaged bias tape – Please continue to bring them in. Kits are on the table in the entry for anyone to take home and sew. Kits include the bias tape and elastic, feel free to embellish the dresses if you desire. Kits for boys shorts include cut out shorts and elastic. Our Sani-pad project has taken a “new twist”. We are only cutting out fabric and sending the cut out fabric pieces to women in Honduras who are paid to sew them together and distribute to girls and women, so they can go to school and work. Without a pad, women are forced to stay home. Please by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Anyone who would like help learning how to sew dresses or britches can call for a lesson: Linda McIntire at 715-441-7359 or Jo Nilssen at 715-928-2202.



### **Memorials Given to the Memorial Garden Fund**

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Rodney Fall	Mike & Rosemary Johnson
Craig Benware	Mike & Rosemary Johnson

### **Memorials Given to the Sunday School Fund**

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Rodney Fall	Larry & Mary Jo Lien
Jerry Gilbertson	Bob & Brenda Campion
Jeff Brandt	Bob & Barb Anderson
Ed Monette	Bob & Barb Anderson
Rodney Fall	Gene & Sharon Kuhl
Vern Engebretson	Gene & Sharon Kuhl

### **Memorials Given to the Unspecified Fund**

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Rodney Fall	Ed & Darlene Neitge
Rodney Fall	Brad & Jo Nilssen
Vern Engebretson	Brad & Jo Nilssen
Jerry Gilbertson	Brad & Jo Nilssen
Dave Engfer	Brad & Jo Nilssen

### **Memorial Given to the Building Fund**

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Jim Marfell	Judi Desmond & Family

### **Memorial Given for Puppet Ministry**

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Mike Jungmann	Lois Campion



# JESUS' FAMILY TREE

Matthew records a timeline of Jesus' family dating back to Abraham.  
Do you know who is in Jesus' family tree?

*Directions: Use Matthew 1:1-17 to order the genealogy. Then put the letters in order in the boxes to answer the question below.*

- T. Uzziah the father of Jotham
- O. Jacob the father of Judah
- N. Jacob the father of Joseph
- E. Elihud the father of Eleazar
- U. Boaz the father of Obed
- F. Abraham the father of Isaac
- R. Solomon the father of Rehoboam
- E. Josiah the father of Jeconiah



*How many generations were there from Abraham to David, from David to the Exile, and from the Exile to Jesus, the Messiah?*

1    2    3    4    5    6    7    8

Answer: FOURTEEN

## NEWS & NOTES



We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Hunter Eckwall EOD Air Force, Tom Sullwold (brother of Dick Sullwold), and Sherry Thompson (daughter-in-law of Gloria Thompson). *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

**SYMPATHY:** Our sympathy is extended to the following on the death of a loved one:

- Kristi Niles (father, Craig Benware)
- Family of Jeff "Tex" Brandt
- John Jungmann (brother, Michael Jungmann)

**BAPTISM:** Maverick James Hoffman, son of Thomas Hoffman and Samantha Kelly



**Youth & Family Canoe/Kayak Trip** on Saturday, July 15th! You are invited for a day on the Namekagon River with a picnic to follow at Dennis & Cindy Nelson's cabin in Trego, WI! Come for the whole day or just for the picnic fellowship & fun! ALL ages are Welcome! (Please note: Youth ages 12 and under MUST be accompanied by an adult.) Register by Sunday, June 25th! To register, see the link on our church Facebook site or scan the QR code.

### FINANCES

#### General Fund Update

Total offering as of May 14<sup>th</sup> (\$16,769 needed monthly)    \$5,492.00

#### Mortgage Fund Update

Total offering as of May 14<sup>th</sup> (\$4,621 needed monthly)    \$2,921.00  
Bremer Mortgage Remaining Balance    \$669,950.34