

Faith's Happenings...

May, 2024

Happy Birthday

Bobbie Hildebrand	5th
Jean Ihlenburg	6th
Artie Zipp	8th
Lori Armen	11th
Joanne Best	12th
Cyndi Carley	18th
Mark Speth	19th
Kathie Wiley	24th
Jennifer Boehler	26th
William Linsberg	28th
Jay Fisher	29th

Happy Anniversary

Chris & Ann Banting	2nd
Bill & Ginny Linsberg	4th
Artie & Maryann Zipp	6th
Bill & Rosie Buccine	14th
Doug & Susan Schuemann	28th
Michael & Karen Potts	31st

If we missed your name/date, we're sorry.
Please notify Barbra in the church office
to have your special dates added.

May at a Glance

Mark your calendars now!
Men of Faith Breakfast: May 7
Ladies Luncheon: May 8



May 12, 2024



May 27, 2024

Men's Breakfast

Guys, you are invited to join us on Tuesday morning, May 7th, at Stefanos. We meet at 7:30 for some great food and fellowship. You can stay as long as you like and get to know your church brothers. No sign-up necessary.

Long Term Prayer

This prayer list is for those who need continued, long-term prayer. We try to keep the weekly prayer list short, so people named may be moved to the newsletter after a few weeks in the bulletin. If you want to add someone to this list, contact Barbra in the church office (697-3313). Please keep these folks in your prayers: Joanne Best, Kathy Kanak, John Schleede, Carl Jaspers, Lois Howell, Gary Wilkins, Scott Schultz, Alex Hoops, Tom Jackling, Ginny Linsberg, Jack Myers, Rosie LaQuay, Doug Skolski

Ladies Luncheon for May

By popular request, the May Ladies Luncheon will be held at 11:30 am on Wednesday, May 8th, at Big Bamboo. It's located on SR 776 in El Jobean. We will order off the menu with separate checks. Come for the enjoyment of fellowship and laughter!

Deadline to sign up is Sunday, May 5th. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you need more information, see or call Kathie Wiley (941-662-5383).

Some Financial Info

In an attempt to keep the congregation informed, council has decided to include quarterly financial information in the newsletter. Here are the details from the first quarter (January through March):

Total income: \$51,353.38

Total Expenses: \$50,751.50

First Quarter Balance: \$601.88



In Acts 4:12 we read, "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to humanity by which we must be saved."

As I write we are about halfway through the Easter season. We have walked with Jesus to the cross and celebrated the resurrection. Through the Easter season we continue our walk with Jesus, experiencing what a resurrected life is like here and now. Resurrection is not something we wait till "after death" to experience. Resurrection is about God's power bringing new life to us here and now.

In our May list of special days, we will celebrate our mothers, and women who have nurtured, challenged and shaped us, with Mother's Day. A week later we will celebrate Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit on the disciples. This empowered them to go out and proclaim the message of Acts 4.12, that Jesus died for our salvation and lives that we might have life now, and have it abundantly. At the end of May, we will gather for our annual Synod Assembly, with Jim and Debby Porter serving as our voting members. Finally, we will acknowledge the loss of veterans, family and friends on Memorial Day.

In all of these events we remember that God is with us and we have opportunity to proclaim the faithfulness of God, here and now, and for all eternity. May these days of springtime renewal be an encouragement in our lives, as we proclaim the hope we have in Jesus.

Blessings,
+ Pastor Brian