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Fourth Sunday of Easter

VISION STATEMENT: Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

HOSPITALIZED: Jackie Belfield

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Vera Zentko, Rich Partee, Jan Long, Chris Evans, Tina Hill, Mark Samp, Grover Van Dyke, Mary Fran Wessler, Kathy Smith, Mike Schwindenhammer, Chuck Whitehead, Sarah Ly Hang, Charlotte Sparks, Donna Gogele, Louie Heuermann, Martin Behnke, Linda Samp, Darlene Marvel, Jayme Knapp, Mike Clayton, Roberta Muzzarelli (Jim Grebe's mother-in-law), Ann Schwindenhammer (sister-in-law of Mike Schwindenhammer), Connie Trunk, Rudy Bozec (brother of Linda Von Behren), for those in the military, for our Church Boards and their members, CLS staff and students, for Christians being persecuted worldwide. *THE BOARD OF ELDERS REMINDS YOU* that if you have someone you would like to be remembered in The Prayer of the Church during worship on Sundays, send an email to angie.evans@christlutheranpeo.org or call the church office (637-5309). We will renew prayers when requested.

ELDER PRAYING WITH PASTOR : Tommie Washington

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Tommie Washington, Jeff Otten, Mike Lelm

GREETING YOU BEFORE SERVICE TODAY: Laurie Hibbs

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY: Abe McIntosh, Michael VandeVoorde

ACOLYTES FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Andrew Simmons, Carter Ferro

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for the Fifth Sunday of Easter. The First Lesson: Acts 6:1-9;7:2a, 51-60, The Second Lesson: 1Peter 2:2-10, The Holy Gospel: John 14:1-14.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY: Perfect Bodies/ The Third Article

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings: \$6,625.06; MTD: \$24,001.06. Improvement Fund: \$60.00; MTD: \$280.00. Church Attendance: 135, N-2nd: 3, 3rd-7th: 5, 8-HS: 3, Adults: 50, Visitors: 2, Total: 63.

No View and Chew. We have finished Season 1 of “House of David” and will take a break.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR: to the glory of God and in memory/honor of 7 April anniversaries in the O’Dell/Wieland families.

THIS IS THE 22nd SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: 1 Peter 2:21 – “For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.” Our heavenly Father wants us to grow into the image of His Son and to follow in His steps. Jesus suffered for us not only to redeem us, but also to show us what love looks like and to leave us an example of self-giving, sacrificial generosity. “Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure.”

LWML ‘MITES FOR MISSIONS’ will be collected at the annex entrance **NEXT SUNDAY!** If you need a mite box, a supply will be available. Also, take a minute to view the LWML bulletin board outside the Community Room regarding the “One Mite”. Our mite offerings quickly add up and in 2025 totaled \$1183.13. Thank you for your ongoing support of our mission efforts!

MOTHER’S DAY DIAPER SHOWER: Peoria Area Lutherans for Life is sponsoring our annual diaper shower on Mother’s Day, May 10 th . The purpose is to collect as many disposable diapers and wipes as possible for infants and toddlers (especially sizes 4, 5, and 6); plus, adult protective underwear for use by seniors. These will be distributed to local pregnancy resource centers and senior living facilities. May the Lord of life bless you as you help us make this event a success again this year. There are boxes for collection at the front door and also downstairs in the coffee area.

APRIL 30TH, Pastor will have the Committal Service in burying Susan VanMoorlehem’s ashes, in the Lutheran Cemetery, at the top of the hill of the older section at the east end. Afterward, we are hosting a gathering at Pizza Ranch, on Brandywine, next to the Christian Center, to celebrate Sue’s heavenly 80th birthday. Please RSVP JoAnn at 309 231-3155.

“Did You Know?”

by Peoria Area Lutherans for Life: Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel motivated voices for life. The baby is a distinct and separate human being from the mother. The baby begins communicating with his or her mother right away, sending chemical signals into the mother’s body. This way her body will help the baby grow rather than attack the baby

as a foreign object. Not by chance, but by design. Created and redeemed by God Himself.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING (APR 27th – MAY 3rd)

<u>MON 04/27:</u>	Bell Choir	4:00PM
<u>TUES 04/28:</u>		
<u>WED 04/29:</u>	Chapel.....	10:00AM
	Choir	6:30PM
<u>THU 04/30:</u>		
<u>FRI 05/01:</u>	Bible Study	9:30AM
<u>SAT 5/02:</u>		
<u>SUN 05/03:</u>	Holy Communion.....	9:00AM
	Sunday School.....	10:15AM
	Bible Classes	10:30AM
	Parish Ed	11:30AM

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