

# Faith's Blessings

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## PSALM 139

You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.

<sup>2</sup> You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

<sup>3</sup> You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup> Before a word is on my tongue, you, Lord, know it completely.

<sup>5</sup> You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

<sup>7</sup> Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

<sup>8</sup> If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

<sup>9</sup> If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

<sup>10</sup> even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

<sup>11</sup> If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,"

<sup>12</sup> even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

<sup>13</sup> For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup> I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

your works are wonderful,

I know that full well.

<sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place,

when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

<sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book  
before one of them came to be.

<sup>17</sup> How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!

<sup>18</sup> Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand—

when I awake, I am still with you.

### What do we expect from God on a daily basis?

Psalm 139 is one of my personal favorites as it speaks to the presence of God in our lives even before we are born. No matter the season of our lives – or the season of the church calendar - God is there. In the midst of our days, our work and our play; however, we sometimes forget to “see” Him there.

How many times have we looked at the sunset, admired the landscape of the rolling hills, smiled at the simple joys found in the laughter and play of our children and grandchildren, or the wagging of a furry companion's greeting, and realized God's gift to us in each of these moments? How many times have we walked by someone with barely a hello or a nod or a wave, not seeing them as God sees them — a beloved child of God?

How many times have we gathered around the table to enjoy a meal, conversation, fellowship, and not thanked God for family, for friends, for community? How many times have we walked through the halls of the church as just a means for getting here and there, to and for, without recognizing, acknowledging, and remembering the work of our hands from years past, in days present, and in our hopes for the future? Do we see, recognize, acknowledge, and remember God's blessings found in each of these on a daily basis; do we see the wonder of it all? Do we live, work and play —in holy anticipation—looking forward to how God might reveal himself this day.....



From the halls of Faith - The Church Calendar - Grades 3 & 4, 1983

Author and blogger John Van de Laar notes that “Pentecost Sunday is a pivot point in the Church Calendar. It's mostly celebrated as a stand-alone event in the year, but it marks a significant shift.

This is the day we move from the first half of the year, where the focus is on Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection, to the second half of the year, where we focus on how to live as Jesus did.

The gift of Spirit at Pentecost is the gift of sight to see the wonderland of God's reign.

It's the gift of longing to see that world become a reality among us.

And it's the gift of courage and strength to begin to live the way of Christ here and now.

And for me there is great value in celebrating Pentecost as a season rather than just an event.”

This is an important event/season to look forward to. Maybe we, too, can find new ways to celebrate the gift of sight to see the “wonderland of God's reign” and “see” Him here...there...and everywhere....in the midst of our days, at work and at play, living in holy anticipation with a desire to know God even more.

In grace and peace,

+Pastor Kathy



During the month of May, we lift the following in prayer:

Katie Hill, Kevin Foster, Joey Richards, Scott Larimer Craig Walker, Clifford Spangler, Faith's Homebound Members and all those suffering from Covid-19.

### **Pastoral Care**

Pastoral care visits are a means of bringing the presence of Jesus Christ into the lives of our community of Faith at times of acute illness, pending surgery, long-term care and rehabilitation of care, as well as hospice care. We rely on family members, friends, and neighbors to let the church staff know when someone is in a hospital or other facility; please call the church office 814-443-3179 and provide the name of the individual, name of hospital or care facility, and room number if known; and it is also helpful to give time/date of surgery. After office hours you may call Pastor Kathy directly at 814-483-3097.

Thank you,  
Pastor Kathy

### **Second Offering**

The second offering for May was collected for Relay for Life, \$135.00 dollars was collected.

The second offering for June will be collected for Somerset Flag on June 12th.

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Flower and bread sign-ups are on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you are able, please check and see which Sundays are still available.

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### **Heartstrings Collection**

For the month of June we will be collecting **Large Print Puzzle Books**. Your donations can be placed on the table in the back of the sanctuary.



# Happy Birthday

## CELEBRATING IN JUNE

Kayla Miller	June 1	Janice Williams	June 2 <b>90 years old</b>
Brian Rose	June 3	Ronald Schrock	June 4
Misti Jo Breegle	June 6	Oliviah George	June 6
Bailey Trevarrow	June 6	Mathias Clark	June 7
Kristin Brant	June 9	Melissa Maust	June 12
Kendra Nist	June 13	William Brant	June 17
Debbie Nist	June 17	Kathy Rhoads	June 17
Duane Sheeler	June 17	Michael Sulkowski	June 18
Donald Raupach	June 19	Cyrus Walker	June 20
Brian Will	June 20	Kathryn Hill	June 23
Gerald Brant	June 24	Katelynn Swank	June 24
Danielle Gilbert	June 25	Jeffery Ream	June 27
Cody Lenart	June 28	Randi Miller	June 28
Craig Walker	June 28	Karen Zerfoss	June 29
Paul Mosholder	June 30 <b>99 years old</b>	Jeanette Shaffer	June 30

# Happy Anniversary!

## CELEBRATING IN June

William & Mollie Walker	June 7	<b>14 years</b>
Lee & Jean Shaffer	June 9	<b>48 years</b>
David & Cynthia Miller	June 10	<b>43 years</b>
David & Denise Custer	June 17	<b>52 years</b>
Jodi & Daniel Miller	June 18	<b>28 years</b>
Randall & Karen Zerfoss	June 20	<b>37 years</b>

## Mark your calendars ...

**June 5th—Pentecost Sunday;** Bring a red geranium to decorate the sanctuary and wear red! ALSO; We will be honoring all graduates at this worship service. Please contact Pastor Kathy or Michelle to let them know the details about your graduate. Everyone is invited to a reception in the fellowship hall immediately following.

**June 12th—** Baptism, Koltin McClellan

**June 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>—**Faith's Kids Camp

**June 26th—**Baptism, Milo and Keith Clark

**August 1st—**Synod Day at DelGrosso's Amusement Park

**August 21st—** Synod Day at the Curve



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**There are many opportunities for you to be involved in worship at Faith Lutheran and your church needs you!**

Greeters—Can you be that friendly face to our visitors? You will help pass out bulletins and assist with the offering.

Altar Guild—This behind the scene jobs prepares the communion table before services.

Assisting Minister – help the Pastor lead worship – this includes reading the prayers throughout the service, assisting with baptisms, distributing Holy Communion.

Bell Ringer - The bell is located in our church belfry above the entrance to the fellowship hall; it is rung by pulling ropes. This is done ten minutes before worship services begin and again when it is time for worship.

Pourers - help the Pastor and Assisting Minister serve communion during service.

Cuppers – hold the communion cup trays during communion.

Reader for the day (Lector) —Reads the scripture lessons.

Choir Members always welcome – all ages!

**We hope you will prayerfully consider serving on Sunday mornings. Everyone has spiritual gifts that are meant to be shared. Please speak with Pastor Kathy about your interest in doing so.**



## June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> HeBrews Bible Study 10:30am	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5 Pentecost</b> Worship 9am SCS 10:30am Graduate Reception	<b>6</b>  WELCA 7pm	<b>7</b> Caring Workers 10am	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> HeBrews Bible Study 10:30am  Council 7pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12 The Holy Trinity</b> Worship 9am with Baptism of Koltin Ryan McClellan SCS 10:30am <b>2nd off (Somerset Flag)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Caring Workers 10am	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> HeBrews Bible Study 10:30am	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19 Pentecost 2</b> Worship 9am SCS 10:30am  Father' Day	<b>20</b>  Kids Kamp 9a-3p	<b>21</b>  Kids Kamp 9a-3p	<b>22</b>  Kids Kamp 9a-3p	<b>23</b> HeBrews Bible Study 10:30am  Kids Kamp 9a-3p	<b>24</b>  Kids Kamp 9a-3p	<b>25</b>
<b>26 Pentecost 3</b> Worship 9am with Baptism of Milo & Keith Clark SCS 10:30am	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Caring Workers 10am  <b>*Second Offering is for Somerset Flag</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> HeBrews Bible Study 10:30am	<b>Heartstrings Collection Item: Large Print Puzzle Books</b>	

NO YOUTH IN ACTION IN JUNE....SEE YOU AT KAMP!!



**We thank those who are willing to serve**  
**for the month of June**

**June 5**

Altar Guild	Patti Trent & Carol Schrock	Reader	Annalina Brant
Assisting Minister	Will Brant	Acolyte	Annalina Brant
Greeters	Brant Family		
Council Person	Joe Swank Sr.		

**June 12**

Altar Guild	Patti Trent & Carol Schrock	Reader	Cindy Miller
Assisting Minister	Bill Hoffman	Acolyte	Olivia George
Greeters	Patti Trent & Louise Spangler		

**June 19**

Altar Guild	Patti Trent & Carol Schrock	Reader	Brock Bowers
Assisting Minister	Darren Walker	Acolyte	Jack Loeffert
Greeters	Joe & Sami Swank		

**June 26**

Altar Guild	Patti Trent & Carol Schrock	Reader	Randy Fieg
Assisting Minister	Jane Pugh	Acolyte	Dylan Pyle
Greeters	Dave & Jane Pugh		

**Please remember that if you cannot be here and have  
a “job”, find a replacement!**

**Synod Day at  
DelGrosso's Amusement Park  
Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>**

**All ages,  
young to young at heart,  
are welcome to join us  
for a day of fun at the park  
with an afternoon worship service.**

**\$21.95 per person  
All-Day Fun Pass includes  
Laguna Splash Water Park**



**More information to follow!**

**Watch your worship bulletins and newsletters for further details.**

**Laguna Splash Water Park  
Open at 11am - Close at 7pm**

**DelGrosso's Park Rides  
Open at 12 Noon - Close at 8pm  
Picnic Grounds Open at 8am**

**A Pavilion has been reserved  
for us to eat and worship together.**



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**Synod Day at the Curve**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup>**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Tailgate Picnic prior at the Synod Office**

**Postgame Fireworks**

**Tickets \$7**

**More information to come!**

**Please sign up so we can order your tickets!**

**Make checks payable to "Faith" and  
give to Michelle or Pastor Kathy**



**SUNDAY, JUNE 5<sup>th</sup>**

**PENTECOST**



Help celebrate the  
birthday of the  
church

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bring a red  
geranium to decorate  
the sanctuary and  
wear red!

We invite children and adults to the Sacrament of Baptism.

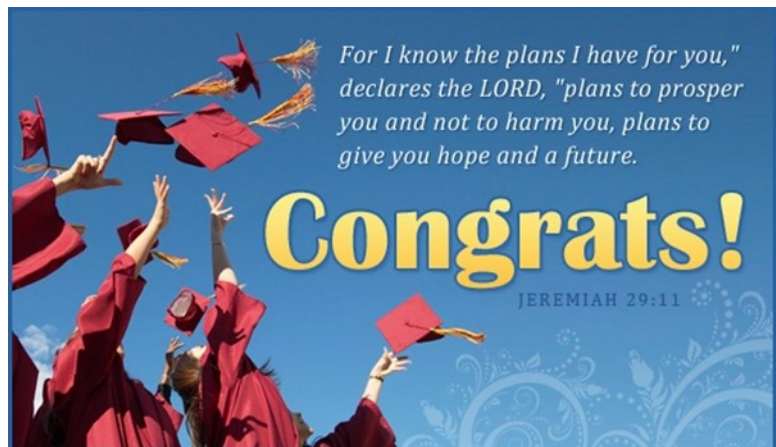
If you or your children have not been baptized and would like to do so this Sunday,  
please contact Pastor Kathy.

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**HONORING OUR GRADUATES**

We will also be honoring our 2022 Graduates during our worship  
service. A reception for them will immediately follow in the Fellowship  
Hall. Everyone is invited to come and honor our 2022 graduates.

Please contact Pastor Kathy  
or Michelle in the church  
office to let us know your  
graduate's name, date of  
graduation, grade (college,  
high school, preschool, etc.)  
and school





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Sunday Worship 9 am

Sunday Church School 10:30 am