



## ‘The Leg Bone’s Connected to the Knee Bone’

*How our faith connections unite us and make us stronger in Christ*

**A**s I think about the connections we all experience in life, I’m reminded of the old children’s song that begins, “The toe bone’s connected to the foot bone.” The lyrics are inspired by Ezek. 37:1-14, when the prophet visits the “The Valley of Dry Bones” and prophesies that they will one day be resurrected at God’s command. Even more intimate and critical than the bone connections in our bodies, however, are the connections we have with one another in Christ Jesus.

The apostle Paul writes in Ephesians, “*There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.*” (Eph. 4:4-5)

The faith connections we enjoy with one another are God’s design and His way of calling us to be His people and a part of His body. We live by the same Spirit as we daily celebrate the baptismal faith that links us together, and as we share the common purpose of serving the God who has redeemed us to be a witness in the world. In other words, the people in the congregation are important connections in your life! The elders are con-



President  
Dan May

nected to the Board of Education, which is connected to the Board of Stewardship, which is connected to the organist, who is connected to the trustees, who are connected to the pastor and so on. Each of these connections is part of God’s plan, uniting us in purpose as a congregation.

Of course, each congregation is also connected to the congregation near it and with all the congregations of the Indiana District and the entire LCMS! This June 25-26, the LCMS Indiana District meets in convention in Fort Wayne. As we do, we will rejoice in our connections with one another. Those connections run all the way from Lexington, Ky., to Gary, Ind., and everywhere in between. Our bones are attached and we strive to function as the body of Christ. In so doing, we encourage and help one another in fulfilling the purpose for which God sent us!

As we rejoice in the forgiveness of our sins, eternal life and our connections with one another, we live lives together that are a response to God’s unconditional love for us in Christ. May the Holy Spirit move us forward in carrying out the purpose for which we have been sent. Enjoy your connections!

**In Christ,  
Pastor May**

# FEEDING THE HUNGRY

*Resurrection Lutheran Church embodies convention theme*



If ever a congregation embodied the “One in Spirit and Purpose” district convention theme, it would have to be Resurrection Lutheran Church, Louisville, Ky. Aptly named, Resurrection has risen from a congregation that had previously closed and has become a thriving faith community of Caucasian, Sudanese, Native-American and African-American people. And while it began as a mission church, Resurrection is now reaching out to starving people throughout the world by sending humanitarian aid to orphans and refugees and communicating the Good News of the Gospel in war-ravaged South Sudan.

The church’s outreach is a natural extension of and compassionate response to the Sudanese people in the congregation, who initially were seeking space for worship in their native tongue. Led by Rev. John Ater, president of the newly formed South Sudan Lutheran Church Mission (SSLCM), these Sudanese people have since embraced the Lutheran faith and become members of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Rather than operating as two separate congregations, the church has made the decision to unite into one parish with two services — one in English on Sunday morning and one in Dinka on Sunday afternoon. They also offer frequent worship opportunities in a combined service, spoken in English and Dinka.

“I didn’t think that having two separate congregations was best,” the Rev. Dr. Curtis Peters said. “With everyone committed as a single congregation, we have become a picture of the oneness that exists within the body of Christ. Yes, we are different people from different nations who speak different languages, but we have found unity within the

Church.” The united parish expresses that oneness in fellowship meals, youth-group activities and vacation Bible school, as well as in its partnership with Kids Against Hunger—Louisville, headquartered on campus.

Taking full advantage of the existing facilities on campus, the congregation is renovating what was formerly a school — complete with gymnasium and kitchen — and a parsonage, turning the space into “mission control” for the outreach that extends well beyond their small corner of the world. Through Kids Against Hunger—Louisville, 14,000 volunteers have packaged and helped distribute 2.5 million nutrient-rich meals to 12 different countries since 2012. In partnership with A Child’s Hope International, 900,000 of these meals have been delivered to war-torn South Sudanese orphanages and hospitals.

The relief has sent a clear message of hope to the Sudanese churches in the area. “People are very excited,” Ater said. After a recent trip to South Sudan, Ater reports that the food is coming at a good time, saving lives that would have been lost to starvation. “So the people are very excited,” he says. “This God gift has increased interest for people in South Sudan to be part of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.”

To learn more about the outreach to South Sudan and how you can help reach these hurting and hungry people, visit [www.hopeforsouthsudan.org](http://www.hopeforsouthsudan.org).



Children in a South Sudanese orphanage gather for a meal, thanks to the support they’ve received from Kids Against Hunger-Louisville. Working in joint partnership, Kids Against Hunger and Resurrection have sent 900,000 meals in the last 15 months to this war-ravaged country.



## What are you good at?

Using your strengths to benefit God's kingdom



**Ken Schilf** for the Council of Resources

McDonald's ... what are they good at? I always thought they specialized in burgers and fries. But lately, they have expanded their menu to include café-style drinks, sandwich wraps, salads and something called "cuties." I even hear in some places they are experimenting with offering their breakfast meals all day long. Growing up in the 1950s and 60s, I never thought that McDonald's

would be open for breakfast, let alone 24 hours a day!

So what are they good at? I still like to order burgers. But when I recently went through their drive-through, I didn't see my Bacon McDouble on their Dollar Menu. "Oh, we have that," said the speaker, "we just can't fit everything on the menu." In trying to be all things to all people, they couldn't post what used to be their standard fare.

So what are *you* good at? At your church, you are probably asked to do a number of different things, as I am. Do you have trouble saying "No"?

"Hi, I'm Ken. And I have trouble saying no!"

Why is that? Will we feel guilty because we think

we're letting our church down and turning our back on Christ?

Recently, I was asked to coordinate the church's golf league. I love golf and do have administrative skills, but I felt that others could step forward. So instead of having one person do it all, we have a team of four people running the league. (How ironic — a foursome organizing a golf league!) Nevertheless, that freed me up to continue to help my church in another area — developing relationships, which I feel is one of my strengths.

So what is your strength or gift that you can use at your church to help your pastor(s) in sharing Christ with your fellow members and people in your community? 1 Timothy 4 tells us, "*Do not neglect the gift you have.*" In other words, use the gift that you have received from God to bring forth the fruits

of the Spirit, such as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (You can find this list of gifts that God has given to all Christians in 1 Corinthians 12.)

I would suggest that you not be like McDonald's and try to be all things to all people. Instead, zero in on the strength or gift that God has given you and use it to benefit God's Kingdom here on earth.



## Prayer List for June

### Week of June 1

- Northwest District
- Circuit 5
- Our Redeemer, South Bend
- St. Paul, South Bend
- Redeemer, Warsaw
- St. Paul, Mishawaka
- Prince of Peace, Goshen
- St. Peter's, Warsaw
- Mission: African Immigrants, Concordia, Louisville
- RSO: Valparaiso University

### Week of June 8

- Ohio District
- Circuit 10
- Emmanuel (Soest), Fort Wayne
- St. John, Monroeville
- Bethlehem, Ossian
- New Hope, Ossian
- Faith, Roanoke
- Prince of Peace, Hartford City
- Mission: Tamil Indian, Indianapolis
- RSO: Wittenburg Village

### Week of June 15

- Oklahoma District
- Circuit 12
- Christ, Anderson
- Emanuel, Arcadia
- St. Peter, Huntington
- Good Shepherd, Kokomo
- Our Redeemer, Kokomo
- Zion, Kokomo
- Mission: Burmese, Karen, Vietnamese, Fort Wayne
- RSO: Bethesda Lutheran Communities, Fort Wayne

### Week of June 22

- Pacific Southwest District
- Circuit 16
- Faith, Bloomington
- University, Bloomington
- Faith, Columbus
- Grace, Columbus
- St. John's, White Creek
- St. Paul, Columbus
- St. Peter's, Columbus
- Mission: Gypsy Ministry, Fort Wayne
- RSO: Camp Lakeview, Seymour

### Week of June 29

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rocky Mountain District</li> <li>• Circuit 1</li> <li>• Grace, Dyer</li> <li>• St. Paul, East Chicago</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concordia, Hammond</li> <li>• St. Paul, Munster</li> <li>• Trinity, Hammond</li> <li>• Redeemer, Highland</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trinity, Lowell</li> <li>• Peace, Schererville</li> <li>• Mission: Liberian Children's Mission</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RSO: Camp Lutherhaven, Albion</li> </ul> |
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## One in Spirit and Purpose

How Christian educators have embraced our convention theme throughout the past three years



**Dr. Jon Mielke**  
Executive Counselor for  
Christian Education

**“There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call — one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all”** (Eph. 4:4-6). We are rapidly bringing to a close another triennium. During this three-year period, God’s people have worked together to share Jesus Christ with one another and their respective

congregations through worship, Bible study and Christian education. Allow me this opportunity to pen how Christian educators have embraced the convention theme, “One in Spirit and Purpose,” throughout the past three years.

### Academic Excellence

Accreditation has helped Christian administrators and teachers partner together to enhance instruction and advance the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Through the National Lutheran School Accreditation or AdvancED/NLSA dual accreditation, young adults and children have access to the best possible Christian school in their community. All 44 district Lutheran elementary and three Lutheran high schools have achieved this status. NLSA-accredited early-childhood centers are also increasing in number in the Indiana District.

### Professional Conferences

Whether Christian educators gather together at the Indiana District Teacher, Early-Childhood, DCE or All-Church Worker conferences, these meetings afford commissioned ministers the opportunity for worship, Christian fellowship and professional growth in their particular area of ministry.

### Shared Partnerships

Our partnerships are fostered through principal and DCE cluster meetings in all four Indiana District geographical regions, through the Lutheran School Partnership and through the collective efforts of ordained, commissioned and laity working together to share Jesus. God has blessed that partnership through many building expansions and new starts, initiatives and programs.

### Student Instruction

Grounded in their Baptism, Christian educators live in peace and know that they are redeemed and restored servant leaders through Jesus Christ, their Lord and Savior. Because of this Christian instruction, young adults and children leave their schools or Bible classes more equipped to bring the Gospel message to their families, congregational members and communities.

We can be thankful, not only at the close of another triennium, but at all times, for our God is always faithful and we are heirs to His kingdom and will live forever.

## Prayer List for July

### Week of July 6

- SELC District
- Circuit 6
- Trinity, Auburn
- Immanuel, Avilla
- St. John, Columbia City
- Zion, Columbia City
- Zion, Corunna
- Clear Lake, Fremont
- Zion, Garrett
- Mission: Burmese Buddhists, LAMB, Fort Wayne
- RSO: Cedar Lake Lodge, LaGrange, Ky.

### Week of July 13

- South Dakota District
- Circuit 12
- St. James, Marion
- Grace, Muncie
- St. John, Peru
- Emanuel, Tipton
- Zion, Wabash
- Mission: Burmese Muslims, LAMB, Fort Wayne
- RSO: Cross Connections, Fort Wayne

### Week of July 20

- South Wisconsin District
- Circuit 16
- Good Shepherd, Franklin
- St. Paul, Jonesville
- Prince of Peace, Martinsville
- Shepherd of the Hills, Morgantown
- St. Mark, Shelbyville
- St. Peter, Waymansville
- Trinity, Ellettsville
- Mission: Karen (Burmese) Southwest, Fort Wayne
- RSO: Hands of Mercy, Fort Wayne

### Week of July 27

- Southeastern District
- Circuit 2
- Trinity, Crown Point
- Faith, DeMotte
- Faith, Gary
- Good Shepherd, Gary
- Our Saviour, Gary
- St. John, Gary
- Mission: Burmese, Southwest, Fort Wayne
- RSO: Lutheran Child and Family Services, Indianapolis
- RSO: Camp Lakeview, Seymour



## SUMMER CAMPS

Uniting friends and families through faith, fitness and fun

A sky full of stars, the beauty of God's creation in the forest, the splash of a friend's cannonball — all this and more await youth and families at many summer camp opportunities this year. Swimming, fishing, canoeing, archery, horseback riding, zip lines, challenge courses — the list goes on and on. Through all these activities, our two affiliated camps — Camp Lutherhaven and Camp Lakeview — provide more than just a chance to dive into all kinds of summer fun. We also invite everyone to unite in one purpose — experiencing Jesus' extraordinary love for all people!

In Heb. 12:2, we are told to “[look] to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.”

Camp Lutherhaven and Camp Lakeview help kids and families do just that, offering life-giving and life-changing experiences in the process. Picture this ... children, youth and families from different walks of life coming together with one purpose to...

- ▶ **Grow as individuals.** Who am I and where is my life headed?
- ▶ **Advance interpersonal skills.** Make new friends and interact in a healthy, Christian community.
- ▶ **Establish self-confidence and self-esteem.** Learn what I'm good at and be supported and appreciated for who I am.
- ▶ **Develop leadership potential.** Apply what I've learned and help others along the way through words and actions.
- ▶ **Explore faith.** Understand and pursue God's relationship with us through Jesus Christ.
- ▶ **Have tons of fun.** This almost goes without saying, but our well-trained, Christian staff make sure there's nothing boring about any camp experience — from eating breakfast to diving into the waters of Lake Muncie or Lutheran Lake.

Working within the confessions of the LCMS, both of our camps also enhance the ministry of our churches by providing the setting and resources for uniting and strengthening the faith of God's people. We do that by providing Christian experiences of growth, inspiration and recreation for people of all ages through a variety of year-round outdoor ministries. We hope that all families will consider joining us at either location as we look into God's Word and see the promises, journeys, trials and faithfulness of Christ this summer.



Grandparents, have you ever thought about sending your grandchildren to camp? A camp experience makes a wonderful gift! To learn more about our camps, please visit [www.camplakeview.com](http://www.camplakeview.com) or [www.lutherhaven.org](http://www.lutherhaven.org).

# CELEBRATIONS

## June & July Anniversaries (50 and over)

- Apr. 1** – Mr. and Mrs. Erman Shoemaker, 59, Trinity, Vallonia  
**Apr. 20** – Mr. and Mrs. Larry Coolman, 52, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**Apr. 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wick, 68, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**Apr. 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Ron Radeke, 57, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**Apr. 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goeglein, 64, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**May 1** – Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hayes, 61, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**May 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Diederich, 56, Zion, Garrett  
**May 3** – Mr. and Mrs. John Zabel, 63, Concordia, Greenwood  
**May 6** – Mr. and Mrs. John Hay Sr., 65, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**May 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyer, 50, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**May 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Jim Walston, 61, Trinity, Dillsboro  
**May 29** – Mr. and Mrs. John Lose, 67, Faith, Louisville  
**June 1** – Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Koeneman, 58, St. Paul (Gar Creek), New Haven  
**June 1** – Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan, 58, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 1** – Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Tormoehlen, 57, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Knipstein, 59, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**June 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Noll, 59, Zion, Decatur  
**June 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pollock, 53, Zion, Decatur  
**June 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Donald Spray, 52, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 2** – Mr. and Mrs. James Hurt, 52, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 3** – Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Mater, 65, Grace, New Albany  
**June 3** – Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Heinze, 54, St. John, Lanesville  
**June 3** – Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Korff, 54, Trinity, Darmstadt  
**June 4** – Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Laaker, 60, St. John's, Farmers Retreat  
**June 4** – Rev. and Mrs. Gene Brunow, 55, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 4** – Mr. and Mrs. David Leonard, 55, Trinity, Hobart  
**June 4** – Rev. and Mrs. Robert Reinhardt, 55, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**June 5** – Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bohnke, 66, St. John, Monroeville  
**June 5** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Busse Jr., 60, Zion, Decatur  
**June 5** – Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Furr, 55, St. Paul, Denham  
**June 5** – Rev. and Mrs. David Albertin, 50, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**June 5** – Mr. and Mrs. Richard Glusenkamp, 50, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 5** – Rev. and Mrs. Daniel May, 50, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 6** – Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Lange, 63, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 6** – Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, 54, Redeemer, Seymour  
**June 6** – Mr. and Mrs. Thomas West, 53, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 6** – Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Bietz, 51, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 6** – Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Culy, 51, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 7** – Mr. and Mrs. James Merriman, 62, St. Paul (Preble), Decatur  
**June 7** – Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hall, 57, Immanuel, Avilla  
**June 7** – Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koss, 56, Grace, Muncie  
**June 8** – Mr. and Mrs. Eston Hathaway, 57, Carmel  
**June 8** – Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hill, 57, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 9** – Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Emkes, 69, Zion, Seymour  
**June 9** – Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hercamp, 58, St. John's, White Creek  
**June 9** – Mr. and Mrs. Dick Posewitz, 53, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**June 9** – Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hockemeyer, 52, St. John, Monroeville  
**June 9** – Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schwengel, 52, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**June 10** – Mr. and Mrs. Dean Blackwell, 55, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 11** – Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Klinkstiver, 61, Grace, New Albany  
**June 11** – Mr. and Mrs. Carl Witte, 60, St. Peter's, Fort Wayne  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hackman, 66, Zion, Seymour  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Art Dising, 61, Concordia, Louisville  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kanning, 61, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols, 60, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Bill Culbertson, 50, Carmel  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brink, 50, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Noel, 50, Grace, New Albany  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Schroeder, 50, Trinity, Hobart  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Darlage, St. Peter, Waymansville  
**June 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Toburen, 50, St. Peter, Waymansville  
**June 13** – Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Horine, 56, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 13** – Mr. and Mrs. Homer Keifer Jr., 56, Zion, Woodburn  
**June 13** – Mr. and Mrs. Tom Steiner, 51, Faith, DeMotte  
**June 13** – Mr. and Mrs. John Walls, 51, Grace, New Albany  
**June 13** – Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kendall, 50, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Walter Somers, 63, Trinity, Darmstadt  
**June 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Walt Baur, 61, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**June 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bruns, 57, Carmel  
**June 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Larry Woodruff, 54, Zion, New Palestine  
**June 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fenneberg, 51, Zion, Seymour  
**June 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graft, 64, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fenneberg, 57, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gambrel, 53, Zion, Seymour  
**June 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Layman, 52, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mikulka, 52, Trinity Memorial, Merrillville  
**June 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kysar, 69, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Don Mansfield, 67, Trinity Memorial, Merrillville  
**June 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nielsen, 65, St. Peter, North Judson  
**June 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ewen, 53, Trinity, Hobart  
**June 16** – Rev. and Mrs. Harold Linn, 53, Concordia, Louisville  
**June 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Albert Umbach, 53, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**June 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pottschmidt, 52, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Klenke, 65, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pruss, 65, St. John's, Farmers Retreat  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. James Croxton, 59, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Omer Hackman, 59, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Ken Springer, 59, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Ron Glaser, 55, Concordia, Louisville  
**June 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Herb Stugart, 54, Carmel  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Peter Vitkus, 66, Carmel  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Larry Jupin, 60, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Bates McIndoe, 60, Carmel  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Russell Owen, 55, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schultz, 55, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Starke, 55, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 18** – Rev. and Mrs. Richard Wilkie, 50, St. John's, Farmers Retreat  
**June 18** – Mr. and Mrs. William Walker, 55, Grace, Muncie  
**June 19** – Mr. and Mrs. Ted Baer, 50, Carmel  
**June 19** – Rev. and Mrs. John Hamer, 50, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoppe, 67, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. Tom Buuck, 62, Zion, Friedheim  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Filter, 51, Trinity, Dillsboro  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. Denis Peters, 51, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. Butch Werner, 51, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. William Kirsch, 50, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**June 20** – Mr. and Mrs. David Zolman, 50, Zion, Wabash  
**June 21** – Mr. and Mrs. James Beery, 68, Zion, Decatur  
**June 21** – Mr. and Mrs. Al Wick, 63, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 21** – Mr. and Mrs. Junior Wessel, 62, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 22** – Dr. and Mrs. Charles Freudenberg, 63, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**June 22** – Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Griffiths, 58, Zion, Decatur  
**June 22** – Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Boyer, 58, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 22** – Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rump, 58, Carmel  
**June 22** – Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hoeltke, 52, Concordia, Greenwood  
**June 22** – Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Werling, 52, St. Paul (Gar Creek), New Haven  
**June 23** – Mr. and Mrs. Ed Durr, 59, Concordia, Louisville  
**June 23** – Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith, 58, Grace, New Albany  
**June 23** – Mr. and Mrs. Donald Rekeweg, 53, Zion, Woodburn  
**June 24** – Mr. and Mrs. Donald Witte, 65, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 24** – Mr. and Mrs. Harold Atkinson, 59, Zion, Wabash  
**June 25** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fischer, 66, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**June 25** – Mr. and Mrs. Gene Stewart, 60, St. John, Lanesville  
**June 25** – Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Braun Sr., 55, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 25** – Mr. and Mrs. Carroll L. Hooton, 55, St. Paul's, Cross Plains  
**June 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Don Macke, 67, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fish, 55, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 26** – Rev. and Mrs. Richard Lewer, 55, Zion, New Palestine



# CELEBRATIONS



## June & July Anniversaries (50 and over)

**June 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Al Davis, 50, Zion, Seymour  
**June 26** – Mr. and Mrs. Ron Miller, 50, Zion, Seymour  
**June 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Alton Reininga, 73, Trinity, Darmstadt  
**June 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scheumann, 62, St. John (Bingen), Decatur  
**June 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Bill Arnold, 56, Faith, DeMotte  
**June 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Vince Backs, 51, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**June 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Don Weidler, 51, Zion, Decatur  
**June 27** – Rev. and Mrs. Leonard Neumann, 50, Concordia, Greenwood  
**June 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bieberich, 68, St. Paul (Preble), Decatur  
**June 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Dale Burbrink, 57, St. John's, White Creek  
**June 28** – Rev. and Mrs. Gerard Isenberg, 57, Trinity Memorial, Merrillville.  
**June 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Dan Grotelueschen, 51, Zion, New Palestine  
**June 29** – Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kasting, 57, Redeemer, Seymour  
**June 29** – Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Otte, 57, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 29** – Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith, 52, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 29** – Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Al Wills, 51, Trinity Memorial, Merrillville  
**June 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roeder, 66, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**June 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lewis, 59, Faith Louisville  
**June 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Parker Sr., 52, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 1** – Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller, 64, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**July 1** – Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Augenstein, 59, Martini, New Haven  
**July 1** – Mr. and Mrs. Richard Noblitt, 65, St. John's, White Creek  
**July 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Don Kroeger, 60, Carmel  
**July 2** – Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rahe, 55, Shepherd of the Hills, Georgetown  
**July 3** – Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sierp, 67, Immanuel, Seymour  
**July 4** – Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Levenhagen, 50, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**July 4** – Mr. and Mrs. John Moeller, 50, Zion, Wabash  
**July 5** – Mr. and Mrs. Joe Krauter, 63, Carmel  
**July 5** – Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Huston, 62, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**July 6** – Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gutt, 63, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**July 6** – Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dybcio, 62, Faith, DeMotte  
**July 7** – Mr. and Mrs. William Bartels, 70, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**July 7** – Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kerwin, 53, Carmel  
**July 8** – Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Schroeder, 70, Emanuel, New Haven  
**July 8** – Mr. and Mrs. David Baals, 54, Emmaus, Fort Wayne  
**July 8** – Mr. and Mrs. Marlow Hecht, 54, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 8** – Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Trautman, 53, Carmel  
**July 9** – Dr. and Mrs. Norm Townley, 60, Carmel  
**July 9** – Mr. and Mrs. Don Nicole, 55, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 10** – Mr. and Mrs. Richard Glenna, 50, Zion, Decatur  
**July 11** – Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stahlhut, 70, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**July 11** – Mr. and Mrs. Ron Pivarnik, 56, Faith, DeMotte  
**July 11** – Mr. and Mrs. William Carlson, 51, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**July 11** – Rev. and Mrs. Curtis Peters, 50, Concordia, Louisville  
**July 12** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bradtmiller, 63, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 13** – Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Brewer, 58, Zion, Decatur  
**July 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Roop, 64, Zion, Decatur  
**July 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hoppe, 62, St. Peter, North Judson  
**July 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Domrow, 58, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Ray Everson, 53, Concordia, Greenwood  
**July 14** – Mr. and Mrs. Wally Stremming, 53, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**July 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hathaway, 65, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Victor Terkhorn, 65, Immanuel, Seymour  
**July 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Bill Featherston, 57, Faith, DeMotte  
**July 15** – Rev. and Mrs. Weldon Leimer, 54, Epiphany, Westfield  
**July 15** – Mr. and Mrs. Fay Richert, 60, Martini, New Haven  
**July 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Don Karbach, 66, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schafer, 60, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**July 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Trewartha, 60, Epiphany, Westfield  
**July 16** – Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morrison, 55, Zion, New Palestine  
**July 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Frank Becker, 56, St. Paul (Preble), Decatur  
**July 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Bultemeier, 51, Zion, Friedheim  
**July 17** – Mr. and Mrs. Richard Evans, 51, Emmaus, Fort Wayne

**July 18** – Rev. and Mrs. David Graef, 64, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**July 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scheimann, 61, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 18** – Mr. and Mrs. Denny Richmond, 51, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 19** – Mr. and Mrs. Roland Kerr, 57, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 21** – Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Hormann, 59, Zion, Friedheim  
**July 21** – Mr. and Mrs. John Mueller, 53, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 22** – Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Van Keppel, 54, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**July 23** – Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rosendaul, 60, Concordia, Louisville  
**July 23** – Mr. and Mrs. John Schamber, 54, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 24** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doenges, 61, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**July 24** – Mr. and Mrs. Rabel Newkirk, 60, Immanuel, Seymour  
**July 24** – Mr. and Mrs. James Fisher, 50, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**July 25** – Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stahl, 61, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**July 25** – Rev. and Mrs. Henry Loppnow, 56, Grace, New Albany  
**July 25** – Mr. and Mrs. Donald Knopf, 56, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 26** – Mr. and Mrs. James Bauman Sr., 57, Zion, Garrett  
**July 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Jim Deppen, 56, Concordia, Louisville  
**July 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Knudtson, 52, Grace, New Albany  
**July 27** – Mr. and Mrs. Herb Koerselman, 52, Concordia, Louisville  
**July 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Jon Means, 53, Zion, New Palestine  
**July 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Christopher, 52, Immanuel, Seymour  
**July 28** – Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dunaway, 52, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**July 29** – Mr. and Mrs. Ronal Price, 55, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**July 29** – Mr. and Mrs. Paul Meyer, 54, St. Paul, Cross Plains  
**July 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Dale Carrell, 65, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**July 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hess, 60, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brandt, 54, Zion, New Palestine  
**July 30** – Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cowans, 53, Zion, Decatur  
**July 31** – Dr. and Mrs. Richard Schnute, 66, Carmel  
**July 31** – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowen, 60, Zion, Decatur  
**July 31** – Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mathias, 55, St. John's, Farmers Retreat  
**July 31** – Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Deig, 50, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**July 31** – Mr. and Mrs. William Harris, 50, Zion, Woodburn

## Calendar of Events

**June 14 – 27...** Christ Academy – High School, CTS, Fort Wayne

**June 15 – 19...** Basic Level Organist Workshop, CTS, Fort Wayne

**June 22 – 26...** Intermediate Level Organists Workshop, CTS, Fort Wayne

**June 25 – 26...** Indiana District Convention, Grand Wayne Center, Fort Wayne

**July 9 – 12...** Phoebe Academy – High School, CTS, Fort Wayne

**July 23 – 24...** Ind. District Administrators' Conf., Brown County State Park

**Nov. 9 – 10...** Indiana District All Worker Conference, Sheraton, Indianapolis

# CELEBRATIONS

## June & July Birthdays (90 and over)

**Apr. 7** – Evelyn Ross, 95, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**Apr. 24** – Estelle Wick, 91, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**Apr. 28** – Marvin Schroeder, 94, Emanuel, New Haven  
**Apr. 29** – Dot Crosbie, 94, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**May 5** – Glenna Turner, 94, Trinity, Dillsboro  
**May 5** – Emmagene Sellers, 93, Trinity, Dillsboro  
**May 8** – Rev. Lee Butz, 90, Epiphany, Westfield  
**May 11** – Bernice Freeman, 92, Zion, Garrett  
**May 20** – Elfrieda Kuespert, 90, Emmaus, South Bend  
**May 20** – Arnita Schroeder, 90, Emanuel, New Haven  
**May 21** – Anne Wyss, 92, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**June 2** – Alvera Hockemeyer, 92, St. John, Monroeville  
**June 2** – Lillian Gollnick, 90, St. Peter, North Judson  
**June 3** – June Bartels, 92, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**June 5** – **Hans Schultz, 107, Zion, New Palestine**  
**June 7** – Libby Bleeke, 91, St. Paul (Preble), Decatur  
**June 8** – June Diehm, 94, Immanuel, Avilla  
**June 8** – Flora Matzat, 91, St. Peter, North Judson  
**June 13** – Doris Hultgren, 91, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**June 14** – Richard Lottes, 92, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**June 14** – Dr. Walter Maier Jr., 90, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 17** – Doris Mills, 98, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**June 18** – Margaret Lambring, 91, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**June 18** – Elda Smith, 92, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 19** – Eileen Weber, 93, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 20** – Marjorie Hoerner, 96, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 20** – Margaret Wolf, 93, St. James, Logansport  
**June 21** – Agnes Pingel, 90, St. Peter, North Judson  
**June 22** – **Ellen Nottingham, 102, St. Paul's, Evansville**  
**June 22** – Herman Strakis, 93, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**June 22** – Beatrice VonDielingen, 92, Immanuel, Seymour  
**June 22** – Norvin McClure, 91, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 23** – Helen Fields, 90, Trinity, Elkhart  
**June 23** – Virginia Shively, 91, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 23** – Dolores Tunin, 90, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 25** – June Albaugh, 99, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**June 28** – Harold Thieme, 98, Zion, Decatur  
**June 28** – Alton Reininga, 97, Trinity, Darmstadt  
**June 29** – Marceil Doctor, 94, St. John, Monroeville  
**June 29** – Dorothea Rinker, 93, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**June 29** – Ruth Davis, 90, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**June 30** – Peg Looney, 90, Carmel  
**June 30** – Paul Schnute, 90, Trinity, Darmstadt  
**July 1** – Wilma Loniewski, 91, Immanuel, Michigan City  
**July 2** – Bill Doron, 96, Carmel  
**July 2** – Leona Becker, 91, Trinity, Hobart  
**July 3** – Katherine Brown, 93, Trinity Memorial, Merrillville  
**July 4** – Doris Klage, 93, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 5** – Phyllis Dietel, 93, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 5** – Gladys Ross, 93, Trinity, Hobart

**July 5** – Louise Dearmin, 92, Carmel  
**July 6** – Doris Prochnow, 98, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 6** – Shirley Dommer, 93, Trinity, Hobart  
**July 7** – Vern Adams, 92, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 8** – Leah Timler, 93, St. James, Logansport  
**July 8** – Eugene Ahlfeld, 91, Zion, Wabash  
**July 9** – Mary Burrow, 96, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**July 9** – Margaret Kelly, 96, Trinity, Hobart  
**July 9** – Arthur Voelker, 91, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 10** – Donald Schaber, 94, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 10** – Mary Ressinger, 93, Carmel  
**July 10** – Laura Rinehart, 92, St. Paul's, Evansville  
**July 10** – Ken Springer, 90, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne  
**July 11** – Fred Busche, 92, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 11** – Lorraina Schwartz, 92, Zion, Seymour  
**July 11** – Jean Morris, 90, Immanuel, Seymour  
**July 13** – Betty Koons, 92, Zion, New Palestine  
**July 13** – Mildred Burger, 90, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 15** – Sally Lilley, 90, Faith, DeMotte  
**July 17** – Lillian Kundert, 95, Our Redeemer, Evansville  
**July 17** – Warren Schueler, 94, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 19** – Marjorie Buls, 91, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 20** – Paul Maves, 92, Our Shepherd, Avon  
**July 20** – Donna Sensmeier, 92, Trinity, Darmstadt  
**July 20** – Otto Heimann, 91, Concordia, Louisville  
**July 21** – Elizabeth Riedemann, 94, Carmel  
**July 22** – Phyllis Zwick, 90, Zion, Decatur  
**July 23** – Paul Schneider, 95, St. John, Lanesville  
**July 24** – Helen Kellermeier, 90, St. Peter's, Brownstown  
**July 24** – Elvera Marschhausen, 95, Carmel  
**July 24** – Wilda Tinsley, 94, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne  
**July 24** – Naomi Erb, 93, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 25** – Bob Koschmann, 97, Carmel  
**July 25** – Pauline Imbody, 93, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 25** – Erna Smith, 91, Zion, Woodburn  
**July 25** – Helen Carr, 90, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 26** – Ardis Lunsz, 96, Emmaus, Fort Wayne  
**July 26** – Luella Reidenbach, 90, Heritage, Valparaiso  
**July 27** – Alice Affolder, 96, Zion, Decatur  
**July 28** – Amelia Auman, 98, Emmanuel, Fort Wayne  
**July 28** – Hildegard Conrad, 96, Zion, Decatur  
**July 28** – Robena Torwelle, 91, St. John's, Farmers Retreat  
**July 30** – Dorothy Benzinger, 96, Zion, Woodburn  
**July 30** – Maxine Bienz, 93, St. Paul's, Fort Wayne  
**July 30** – Helen Wehmiller, 90, Immanuel, Seymour  
**July 30** – Dorothy Benzinger, Zion, Woodburn  
**July 31** – Hazel Haberhern, 94, Calvary, Indianapolis  
**July 31** – Norm Reinking, 93, Holy Cross, Fort Wayne.  
**July 31** – Mildred Shurboff, 91, Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne.



## Deadline for submissions

The deadline for the September issue of The Lutheran Witness is July 10. Your stories and pictures are most appreciated. Please send them by:

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