



DISTRICT NEWS

INDIANA

Peacemakers – Sons of God

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.” – Matt. 5:9



As stated in previous *Lutheran Witness* articles about the Beatitudes, these statements of blessing can begin to be grasped only when considered through Christ Jesus. Thus when Jesus says, “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God,” this beatitude is first fulfilled in Jesus, and then it finds a secondary fulfillment in His disciples.



Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege
District President

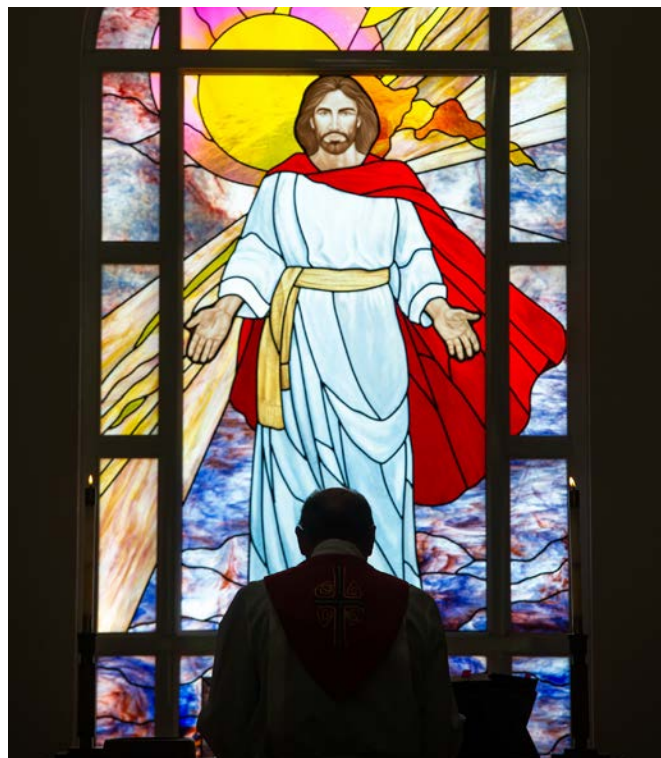
Through His Old Testament prophets, God predicted the ultimate peacemaker. When Jacob blessed his son Judah, he predicted: “The scepter will not depart from Judah ... until Shiloh comes” (Gen. 49:10). “Shiloh” basically means “peacemaker,” and it is a prophecy of the coming Christ. He will be Shiloh, the peacemaker.

Isaiah predicted the birth of this peacemaker — Messiah: “For to us a child is born ... and his name shall be called ... Prince of Peace” (9:6). Micah predicted the Christ would be born in Bethlehem, and Micah then concludes: “And he shall be their peace” (5:5a).

As He walked the earth this peacemaker–Messiah explained:

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.” — **John 14:27**

Jesus here explains that His peace is not the same as the world’s expectation of peace. The peace given by Jesus is a peace that only the Son of God could create. It is a peace with God, which Holy Scripture often describes as “reconciliation.” Thus the Apostle Paul would explain, “...in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them” (2 Cor 5:19). At the cross the Son



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of God created this powerful peace, a peace with God that results in life eternal and, in this life, results in sanctified movement toward peace (reconciliation) with one another.

Only the incarnate Son of God could create this peace, this reconciliation with God. Observe that we are peacemakers when we do Christ-related peacemaking, for in so doing we are seen to be like Jesus — sons of God. We are sons of God in our Baptism (Gal. 3:27-28), but we are uniquely recognized as such when we tell others of Christ’s cross-created reconciliation with God.

When we share God’s loving forgiveness flowing from the cross, we are peacemakers and thus are recognized to be sons of God. As a corollary, when we share and promote the resultant peace that extends to one another in Christ — a peace primarily realized in forgiving and loving one another — we are again recognized to be true peacemakers. We are then called sons of God, for we are delivering the central blessings created by the Son of God.

LCC K-9 COMFORT DOG MINISTRY



Mission of compassion

The mission of Lutheran Church Charities (LCC) is to share the mercy, compassion, presence and proclamation of Jesus Christ to those who are suffering and in need.

LCC K-9 Ministries embrace the unique, calming nature and skills of AKC purebred golden retrievers to interact with people of all ages and circumstances. LCC's K-9 Comfort Dogs serve where invited, which can include church events, school visits, chapel talks, school and library reading programs, nursing homes, hospitals and community special events.

LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs also provide a vital service to people who have undergone natural or human-caused trauma, such as hurricanes, tornadoes and mass shootings. When invited, they deploy in times of disaster and crisis to bring comfort to all those af-

ected, including first responders and the volunteers who serve them.

Together with their handlers and ministry teams, LCC K-9 Ministry Comfort Dogs are good listeners, non-judgmental and confidential. Many people will talk to a comfort



dog before talking to people. It helps them process the stress or grief that they are experiencing. Handlers are present and ready to offer compassion and prayer.

With the latest placement in August 2019 of Jared Comfort Dog at Holy Cross, Fort Wayne, the LCMS Indiana District is blessed to have five churches with six LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs and their ministry teams serving in our district.

LCC K-9 Ministries is one of presence. Is. 6:8 tells us:

Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me."

LCC K-9 Ministries include the LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs, LCC Kare 9 Military Ministry and the LCC K-9 Police Ministry. There are currently 130 comfort dogs working in 27 states.

Connect with comfort dogs through virtual visits

LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs and their handlers participate in LCC K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry® Virtual Visits. The LCC K-9 Ministry team, headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., coordinates opportunities for each ministry team to connect with others — such as individuals, teachers and students, and nurses — to stay in touch and provide support and love during these challenging times.

The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs and their handlers in the Indiana District have provided pandemic stress relief through virtual visits. They look forward to more virtual connections soon. For more information or to follow the Indiana District LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs, find information on how to visit each of them under their individual pictures on the next page.

To request a virtual visit, go to lutheranchurchcharities.org/k-9-comfort-dogs-about.html and click the link on the right side of the page.

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Facebook.com/JaredComfortDog



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Facebook.com/CalebComfortDo
Twitter: @LCCK9Caleb

Watch a moving post-deployment video showing the work of the LCC Comfort Dog teams in-action following the April FedEx shooting in Indianapolis at luthcc.org/fed-ex.



LCC Kare 9 Military Ministry

Established in August 2014, military ministry teams of veterans and dogs serve veterans, active military and their families in many ways. The presence of a dog and veteran handler serves as a bridge for compassionate ministry to those who have given so much.

LCC K-9 Police Ministry

Launched in July 2017, the LCC K-9 Police Ministry handlers are law enforcement officers (current and former) who understand the unique challenges facing those in the law enforcement community who protect and serve, as well as their families.

For more information about Lutheran Church Charities or the LCC K-9 Ministries, send an email to K9Comfort@LutheranChurchCharities.org or visit lutheranchurchcharities.org

PRAYER LIST

WEEK OF JUNE 6

- Circuit 25 – Louisville East
- Divine Savior, Shepherdsville
 - Faith, Louisville
 - Gloria Dei, Elizabethtown
 - Good Shepherd, Bardstown
 - Holy Cross, Shelbyville
 - Holy Trinity, LaGrange
 - Holy Trinity, Leitchfield
 - Our Savior, Louisville
 - Peace, Louisville
 - Resurrection, Louisville

LCMS DISTRICT: Mid-South
MISSION: Outreach Kentucky, Richmond
RSO: Bethesda Lutheran Communities, Fort Wayne

WEEK OF JUNE 13

- Circuit 3 – Valparaiso
- Faith Memorial, Valparaiso
 - Heritage, Valparaiso
 - Immanuel, Michigan City
 - Immanuel, Valparaiso
 - Prince of Peace, Valparaiso
 - St. Paul, Chesterton
 - St. Paul, Kouts
 - St. Paul, Westville
 - St. Peter, Portage

LCMS DISTRICT: Minnesota North
MISSION: Chinese Outreach, St. Paul, Evansville
RSO: Camp Lakeview, Seymour

WEEK OF JUNE 20

- Circuit 7 – Fort Wayne North
- Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
 - Faith, Churubusco
 - Holy Cross, Fort Wayne
 - Our Hope, Hometown
 - Praise, Fort Wayne
 - St. Augustine, Fort Wayne
 - St. Michael, Fort Wayne
 - St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
 - Suburban Bethlehem, Fort Wayne
 - Trinity (St. Mary's), Fort Wayne

LCMS DISTRICT: Minnesota South
MISSION: Project Timothy; St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
RSO: Camp Lutherhaven, Albion

WEEK OF JUNE 27

- Circuit 11 – Lafayette
- Grace, Lafayette
 - Luth. Church of Our Savior, Monticello
 - Redeemer, West Lafayette
 - St. James, Lafayette
 - St. James, Logansport
 - St. James, Reynolds
 - St. John, Rensselaer
 - St. John, Rochester
 - St. Luke, Rensselaer
 - St. Matthew's, Delphi
 - Trinity, Goodland
 - University, West Lafayette

LCMS DISTRICT: Missouri
MISSION: Helping Hands Initiative; St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
RSO: Cedar Lake Lodge, LaGrange

WEEK OF JULY 4

- Circuit 17 – Columbus
- Faith, Bloomington
 - Faith, Columbus
 - Good Shepherd, Franklin
 - Grace, Columbus
 - Shepherd of the Hills, Morgantown
 - St. John's-White Creek, Columbus
 - St. Paul's, Jonesville
 - St. Peter-Waymansville, Columbus
 - St. Peter's, Columbus
 - Trinity, Ellettsville
 - University, Bloomington

LCMS DISTRICT: Montana
MISSION: Burmese Ministry; St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
MINISTRY: Concordia Publishing House

WEEK OF JULY 11

- Circuit 4 – LaPorte
- Emmanuel, Wheatfield
 - First, Hanna
 - Immanuel-Tracy, Hamlet
 - Our Redeemer, Knox
 - St. John, LaPorte
 - St. John, LaCrosse
 - St. John, Wanatah
 - St. Luke, Winamac
 - St. Mark, Medaryville
 - St. Matthew, Hamlet
 - St. Paul-Denham, Winamac
 - St. Peter, North Judson

LCMS DISTRICT: Nebraska

MISSION: Lutheran Heritage Foundation; St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
RSO: Cranach Institute, Fort Wayne

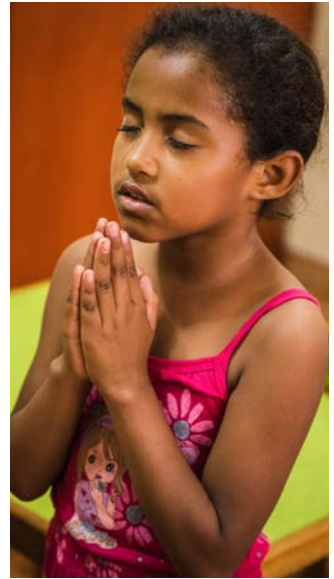
WEEK OF JULY 18

- Circuit 8 – Fort Wayne South
- Aboite, Fort Wayne
 - Bethlehem, Fort Wayne
 - Emmaus, Fort Wayne
 - Mount Calvary, Fort Wayne
 - New Life, Fort Wayne
 - Peace, Fort Wayne
 - Shepherd of the City, Fort Wayne
 - Southwest, Fort Wayne
 - Trinity (Decatur Road), Fort Wayne
 - Zion, Fort Wayne

LCMS DISTRICT: New England
MISSION: Gloria Dei Hispanic Mission; Immanuel, Valparaiso
RSO: Cross Connections, Fort Wayne

WEEK OF JULY 25

- Circuit 12 – Kokomo
- Christ, Anderson
 - Emanuel, Arcadia
 - Emanuel, Tipton
 - Good Shepherd, Kokomo
 - Grace, Muncie



- Our Redeemer, Kokomo
 - St. James, Marion
 - St. John's, Peru
 - St. Peter, Huntington
 - Zion, Kokomo
 - Zion, Wabash
- LCMS DISTRICT:** New Jersey
MISSION: Liberian and South Sudanese Ministry; Concordia, Louisville
RSO: Evangelical Lutheran Mission Society-Chinese, Evansville

Share your news with us!

We are always in need of submissions for the Indiana District Lutheran Witness insert. Why should you send them in? It helps remind us of what God is doing around the district. It is also a way to share ideas for nurturing those God has already gathered into His church and for reaching those still outside of the flock with the Good News about Jesus. It finally reminds each of us that Christ's Church is much larger than just our particular congregation.

We welcome pictures and stories of congregational events, youth events, outreach events, installations, events from your men's or women's group, servant events, anniversaries, church renovations or additions, and much more.

Please send submissions to Lisa Slack at LWeditor@in.lcms.org, or to Lutheran Witness Editor, LCMS Indiana District, 1145 South Barr St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802

The deadline for the August issue is June 15; and the deadline for the September issue is Aug. 15.

Anniversaries (50 and over)

June 1

Kenneth and Mariann Koeneman, 64
St. Paul-Gar Creek, New Haven
John II and Barbara Ryan, 64
Calvary, Indianapolis
Delbert and Alberta Tormoehlen, 62
Immanuel, Seymour

June 2

Tom and Shirley Noll, 65
Zion, Decatur
Thomas and Joan West, 59
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
C. James and Marilyn Hurt, 58
Immanuel, Seymour

June 3

Don and Marlene Day, 65
Calvary, Plymouth
Harlan and Donna Heinze, 60
St. John's, Lanesville
Kenneth and Dorothy Welther, 60
St. James, Lafayette
Mick and Diana Johnston, 54
Trinity, Dillsboro
Larry and Betty Wickert, 54
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

June 4

Gene and Donna Brunow, 61
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
Rev. George and Lois Lange, 61
Zion, Fort Wayne
Rev. Bob and JoAnne Reinhardt, 61
Luth. Ch. of Our Redeemer, Evansville
Pete and Andrea Barber, 55
Cornerstone, Carmel

June 5

Franklin and Delores Furr, 61
St. Paul, Denham
Dave and Janet Davis, 56
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Richard and Carol Glusenkamp, 56
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
Dan and Judy May, 56
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
Virgil and Janell Bowers, 50
Zion, Decatur
George and Rosemary Weir, 50
Zion, Seymour
Duane and Dona Williams, 50
Immanuel, Seymour

June 6

Rev. Harvey and Carol Lange, 69
Calvary, Indianapolis
Charles and Gladys Bartholomew, 62
Faith, Bloomington
David and Dottie Leonard, 61
Trinity, Hobart
Marlin and Shirley Culy, 57
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
Ron and Joan Preloger, 51
Immanuel, Seymour
Kraig and Linda Ahlfeld, 50
Zion, Wabash

June 7

Michael and Carol Albert, 53
Our Shepherd, Avon
Don and Sara Bultemeier, 52
Zion-Friedheim, Decatur
Terry and Barb Lunt, 52
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Larry and Judie Moore, 52
Shepherd of the Hills, Georgetown

June 8

Eston and Janet Hathaway, 63
Cornerstone, Carmel
Larry and Phyllis Bowman, 53
Cornerstone, Carmel
Edward and Viola Kern 53
St. John's, Seymour
Jerry and Karen Schoenefeld, 53
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne

June 9

David and Jan Hockemeyer, 58
St. John-Flatrock, Monroeville

June 10

Alfred and Mildred Fenneberg, 63
Immanuel, Seymour
Don and Pat Meyer, 55
Calvary, Indianapolis
Jim and Karyn Beissler, 54
Cornerstone, Carmel
Jon and Laura Stahl, 54
Immanuel, Seymour

June 11

Al and Pat Struss, 55
Calvary, Indianapolis
Steven and Donnalyn Unsicker, 55
St. John-Flatrock, Monroeville
Tom and Linda Lockmund, 54
Grace, New Albany
John and Carol Valentine, 54
Cornerstone, Carmel
Don and Janet Benter, 50
Immanuel, Seymour

June 12

Charles and Frances Nichols, 66
St. Peter's, Brownstown
Ron and Diana Toburen, 57
St. Peter, Waymansville
Ron and Bonnie Brink, 56
Calvary, Indianapolis
Bill and Sandy Culbertson, 56
Cornerstone, Carmel
Wayne and Nell Darlage, 56
Our Shepherd, Avon
Paul and Linda Noel, 56
Grace, New Albany

June 13

Arnold and Mary Schroeder, 56
Trinity, Hobart
George and Marilyn Fischer, 50
St. John's, Vincennes
Frank and Gloria Helfrich, 50
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Bob and Peggy Womack, 50
Cornerstone, Carmel
June 13
Jim and Willie Biddle, 64
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Ivan and Ardina Lepper, 62
St. John-Bingen, Decatur

Chester and Shirley Gut, 57
Calvary, Plymouth
Lee and Marsha Davis, 56
Zion, Wabash

Dan and Sandy Kendall, 56
Calvary, Indianapolis
James and April Nicely, 50
Zion, Wabash

June 14

Gene and Carol Bruns, 63
Cornerstone, Carmel
Neal and Linda Schwier, 54
Cornerstone, Carmel
Ron and Cheryl Geik, 52
Calvary, Plymouth
Ron and Cheryl Janke, 52
Cornerstone, Carmel
Fred and Robyn Scheel, 52
Cornerstone, Carmel
Fritz and LouAnn Bultemeyer, 51
St. John-Bingen, Decatur
Lyle and Suzanne Matthias, 51
St. John-Flatrock, Monroeville

June 15

Donald and Ruth Gambrel, 59
Zion, Seymour
Bob and Vicki Layman, 57
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
Bob and Manna Bruckner, 53
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
John and Betty Irwin, 53
Immanuel, Seymour
John and Judi Pape, 53
Grace, Muncie

June 16

Charles and Donna Ewen, 59
Trinity, Hobart
Earl and Mary Pottschmidt, 58
St. Peter's, Brownstown

June 17

Jim and Dixie Croxton, 65
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
Charlie and Dory Stigall, 60
Our Shepherd, Avon
Don and Beth Wade, 50
St. John's, Vincennes

June 18

Larry and Sara Jupin, 66
Calvary, Indianapolis
Bates and Judy McIndoe, 61
Cornerstone, Carmel
Rev. David and Dorothy Scaer, 61
Zion, Fort Wayne

June 18

Arnold and Faith Witte, 56
St. John-Bingen, Decatur
Harry and Dana Lemke, 55
St. Peter, North Judson
Richard and Arlene Wolfgang, 54
Zion, Wabash
Jim and Phyllis Birdwell, 50
Calvary, Indianapolis
James and Joanne Wetzell, 50
Zion, Decatur

June 19

Bill and Janet Walker, 61
Grace, Muncie

Rev. John and Gloria Hamer, 56
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
Clifton and Nancy Tatum, 51
Immanuel, Seymour
Harry and Margaret Jones, 50
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Larry and Charlene Jung, 50
Promise, Fort Wayne
Gene and Sandra Lang, 50
St. John's-Farmer's Retreat, Dillsboro
Ted and Cherie Walda, 50
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

June 20

Tom and Marvene Buuck, 68
Zion-Friedheim, Decatur
Paul and Karen Filter, 57
Trinity, Dillsboro
Butch and Betty Werner, 57
Heritage, Valparaiso
Jerry and Ronnie Widenhofer, 57
Concordia, Fort Wayne
Dick and Lois Reddemann, 56
Concordia, Fort Wayne
Rich and Nancy Burke, 51
Cornerstone, Carmel
Alan and Judy Densmore, 51
Our Shepherd, Avon

June 21

Jim and Jackie Beery, 74
Zion, Decatur
JR and Donna Wessel, 68
St. Peter's, Brownstown
Fred and Susan Fechtman, 53
Cornerstone, Carmel
Donald and Penny Letterman, 52
Trinity, Henderson
Max and Eva Middendorf, 52
St. Peter's, Brownstown
Rev. Richard and Carole Radtke, 52
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
Jim and Ellen Vance, 52
Calvary, Indianapolis
Russell and Jane Grose, 51
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Michael and Rita Luedeman, 51
Immanuel, Seymour

June 22

Pete and Jean Rump, 64
Cornerstone, Carmel
Dave and Carol Ebeling, 58
Faith, Bloomington
Herb and Barb Hoeltke, 58
Concordia, Greenwood

June 23

Wayne and Pat Smith, 64
Grace, New Albany
Mike and Heidi Ford, 55
Concordia, Greenwood
Steven and LaDonna McBride, 53
St. John-Bingen, Decatur

June 24

Ron and Carol Korte, 60
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne
Larry and Marilyn Cooper, 54
Immanuel, Seymour

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CELEBRATIONS

Dennis and Jane Jordan, 54
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

June 25

Carroll and Shirley Rands, 66
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

Gene and Lucille Stewart, 66
St. John's, Lanesville

Ed and Edna Braun, 61
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne

June 26

William and Sandra Brandt, 57
Immanuel, Seymour

Al and Charlotte Davis, 56
Zion, Seymour

Ron and Luci Miller, 56
Zion, Seymour

Marvin and Harriet Hinkle, 55
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

Dallas and Rose Johnson, 51
Shepherd of the Hills, Georgetown

Larry and Cynthia Ashbaugh, 50
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

Robert and Sheryl Judge, 50
Immanuel, Seymour

Thomas and Linda Thompson, 50
Calvary, Indianapolis

June 27

Donald and Anna Weidler, 57
Zion, Decatur

Leonard and Miriam Neumann, 56
Concordia, Greenwood

Ron and Debbie Reinking, 52
Cornerstone, Carmel

Dick and Betty Economou, 51
Concordia, Greenwood

Dean and Cindy Wass, 51
Zion-Friedheim, Decatur

June 28

Stephen and Denise Coots, 52
Grace, New Albany

Roy and Joyce Stuckwisch, 52
Zion, Seymour

Terry and Sharon Timmerman, 51
Trinity, Hobart

June 29

David and Judy Zolman, 56
Zion, Wabash

Rev. Tom and Kathy Eggold, 53
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne

Bob and Sheryl Judge, 50
Zion, Seymour

June 30

Fred and Betty Roeder, 72
Luth. Ch. of Our Redeemer, Evansville

Ralph and Doloris Beck, 70
Zion, Fort Wayne

Gray and Jill Boyd, 55
Grace, Muncie

July 1

Gregory and Ruthann Walbridge, 60
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

July 2

Mel and Lillie Rahe, 61
Shepherd of the Hills, Georgetown

William and Linda Marsh, 55
Immanuel, Seymour

July 3

Clifford and Kathryn Sierp, 73
Immanuel, Seymour

Robert and Linda Emily, 56
Immanuel, Seymour

Charles and Marian Crowder, 52
Our Shepherd, Avon

Barry and Judith Pruss, 50
St. John's-Farmer's Retreat, Dillsboro

July 4

John and Elizabeth Moeller, 56
Zion, Wabash

July 5

Ed and Peggy Davison, 53
Calvary, Indianapolis

July 6

Ed and Vee Gutt, 69
Heritage, Valparaiso

Pete Jr. and Diane Joseph, 53
Calvary, Indianapolis

Fritz and Joyce Levenhagen, 53
Epiphany, Westfield

Leroy and Judy Schoenfeld, 53
Grace, New Albany

July 7

Ralph and Ellen Kerwin, 59
Cornerstone, Carmel

July 8

Marlowe and Carol Hecht, 60
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

July 10

Richard and Glenna Weiland, 56
Zion, Decatur

Patrick and Shirley Clare, 50
Trinity, Hobart

Ken and Susan Schroeder, 50
Heritage, Valparaiso

July 11

Bill and Dottie Carlson, 57
Heritage, Valparaiso

Kerry and Sue Kennell, 51
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne

Ken and Kristi Parrent, 50
Cornerstone, Carmel

July 12

Brent and Bonnie Higgins, 52
Cornerstone, Carmel

Rev. Dennis and Linda Perryman, 52
Cornerstone, Carmel

July 14

Kenny and Joan Roop, 70
Zion, Decatur

Ray and Ruth Everson, 59
Concordia, Greenwood

Marvin and Ellen Peters, 55
St. Peter, North Judson

Allan and Mary Snyder, 53
Zion, Seymour

July 15

Weldon and Janet Leimer, 60
Epiphany, Westfield

Dan and Lora Cole, 54
Zion, Wabash

Andy and Sarah Lawrence, 54
Cornerstone, Carmel

July 16

Bill and Judy Shaffer, 61
Cornerstone, Carmel

Roger and Sue Couch, 55
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

Fred and Shirley Stuckwisch, 55
St. Peter's, Brownstown

July 17

Frank and Betty Becker, 62
St. Paul-Preble, Decatur

Waldo and Rosie Bultemeier, 57
Zion-Friedheim, Decatur

Lyle and Nelda Stevenson, 55
Trinity, Hobart

Jim and Susan Richert, 50
Calvary, Indianapolis

July 18

Dave and Anita Graef, 70
Heritage, Valparaiso

Richard and Virginia Hollman, 62
Zion, Fort Wayne

Frank and Lois Krulik, 57
St. Peter, North Judson

Glenn and Nancy Gappa, 51
St. Peter, North Judson

July 19

Carl and Helen Hoffman, 64
St. John-Flatrock, Monroeville

Roland and Patricia Kerr, 63
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

Herrell and Judy Acton, 51
Zion, Seymour

Thomas and Sonia Croucher, 52
St. John-Bingen, Decatur

July 20

Leslie and Karen Conrad, 53
Zion-Friedheim, Decatur

Richard and Betty Stanfield, 53
Immanuel, Seymour

Robert and Donna Goodwin, 50
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

July 23

Rev. Rollin and Betty Kuznik, 55
Cornerstone, Carmel

Jerry and June Walden, 54
Grace, New Albany

July 24

Rabel and Ruth Newkirk, 66
Immanuel, Seymour

Dale and Ruth Woodard, 57
St. Peter, Waymansville

Norris and Sandray Kovener, 56
Emanuel-Dudleytown, Seymour

July 25

Henry and Serene Loppnow, 62
Grace, New Albany

Dean and Linda Wenthe, 52
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

Steven and Jeanne Balash, 51
Trinity, Hobart

Richard and Judy Burnside, 51
Zion, Fort Wayne

Curt and Rhonda Irven, 51
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne

Bill and JoAnn Karbach, 51
Zion, Decatur

John and Pam Kenney, 51
Zion, Decatur

July 26

Jim and Sandy Kolter, 52
St. Paul-Preble, Decatur

July 27

Clarence and Jill Stokes, 60
Zion, Fort Wayne

Fred and Sue Snyder, 52
Trinity-Decatur Rd., Fort Wayne

July 28

Jon and Gloria Means, 59
Cornerstone, Carmel

Chuck and Joyce VanDellen, 59
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

Jerry and Marilyn Christopher, 58
Immanuel, Seymour

Jim and Jan Dunaway, 58
Calvary, Indianapolis

July 29

Ron and Donna Price, 61
Calvary, Indianapolis

Verne and Ellen Hanson, 55
Cornerstone, Carmel

July 30

Tom and Mary Ann Cowans, 59
Zion, Decatur

Gary and Karen Ross, 55
St. John-Flatrock, Monroeville

Joe and JoAnn Woodward, 55
Emmanuel, Fort Wayne

July 31

Robert and Gloria Bowen, 66
Zion, Decatur

Donald and Alice Mathias, 61
St. John's-Farmer's Retreat, Dillsboro

Mike and Jackie Fenchak, 56
Trinity, Hobart

Thomas and Karen Darlage, 55
Zion, Seymour

Floyd and Cathy Stuckwisch, 55
St. Peter's, Brownstown

Terry and Sandy Butler, 54
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

Paul and Barbara Gerken, 50
St. Michael's, Fort Wayne

Belated

May 14

Kurt and Judy Vszner, 55
Immanuel, Murray

April 3

Robert and Karen Allman, 56
Immanuel, Seymour

April 8

Harold and Joan Hackman, 65
Immanuel, Seymour

April 11

Thomas and Jerretta Bullard, 57
Immanuel, Seymour

April 21

Everett and Elvera Duwe, 53
Immanuel, Seymour

April 25

Donald and Donna Runge, 53
Immanuel, Seymour

Birthdays (90 and over)

June 1 Bill Kamman, 92 Immanuel, Seymour Jean Popoff, 92 Zion, Fort Wayne	Evelyn Bascom, 90 St. John's-Farmer's Retreat, Dillsboro	June 28 Bryce Shull, 100 Zion, Fort Wayne	July 8 Audrey Meyers, 92 St. Michael's, Fort Wayne	Helen Curts, 92 Grace, New Albany	July 25 Helen Carr, 96 St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
June 4 Alvin Terkhorn, 94 Zion, Seymour Marcia Freeby, 93 Calvary, Indianapolis Ted Reinhart, 92 St. Paul-Preble, Decatur	June 15 Jim Briney, 92 Trinity, Hobart Pauline Miller, 92 Calvary, Indianapolis	June 30 Liselotte Leming, 96 St. James, Lafayette Robert Rietdorf, 93 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne	July 9 Doris Hoffman, 96 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne	July 20 Donna Sensmeier, 98 Trinity-Darmstadt, Evansville	Frances Wells, 95 Our Shepherd, Avon Mary Louise Spice, 94 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne
June 6 Gladys Murphy, 91 St. John's, Vincennes	June 16 Maxine Christiansen, 92 Calvary, Plymouth	July 1 Clarence West, 100 Trinity, Henderson Fritz Ober, 95 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne Lucy Kniggendorf, 93 Calvary, Plymouth	July 10 Lillie Christopher, 97 Emanuel-Dudleytown, Seymour Rona Edquist, 93 Heritage, Valparaiso	July 21 Ralph Johnson, 99St. James, Lafayette Joan Pearson, 93 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne Polly Carr, 92 St. John's, Lanesville	July 26 Mary Rogers, 95 Zion, Seymour Hilda Volmerding, 91 Zion, Fort Wayne
June 7 Edna Messing, 93 St. Paul-Preble, Decatur	June 17 Maxine Christiansen, 92 Calvary, Plymouth	July 4 Marian Pardiack, 91 Immanuel, Seymour Bob Nicholson, 90 Trinity-Darmstadt, Evansville	July 11 Jean Morris, 95 Immanuel, Seymour James Paul, 92 Zion, Wabash	July 22 Peggy Prien, 97 St. James, Lafayette Phyllis Zwick, 96 Zion, Decatur	July 27 Alex Early, 94 St. Paul's, Fort Wayne Lois Boswell, 90 Calvary, Indianapolis
June 8 Maxine Knipstein, 90 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne	June 19 Eileen Weber, 99 St. Paul's, Fort Wayne Marjorie Rodemeyer, 90 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne	July 5 Gladys Ross, 99 Trinity, Hobart Helen Schneider, 90 Immanuel, Seymour Florence Sollberger, 90 Emmaus, Fort Wayne	July 13 Pat Behning, 91 Our Shepherd, Avon Anne Bruick, 90 St. Paul's, Fort Wayne	July 23 Melba Baker, 95 St. Michael's, Fort Wayne Betty Roeder, 92 Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, Evansville Poll Blubaum, 90 St. John's, Vincennes	July 31 Lavera Barlow, 97 Trinity, Dillsboro
June 10 Lloyd Sterling, 92 St. Peter's, Brownstown Martha Sizemore, 90 Zion, Seymour	June 21 Luella Holle, 95 Emmanuel-Dudley- town, Seymour Rosemary Evans, 90 Trinity, Hobart Al Jennings, 90 Cornerstone, Carmel	July 6 Lee Kerkhoff, 95 Grace, Muncie	July 14 Betty Heacox, 91 Our Shepherd, Avon	July 24 Dorothy Levihn, 92 Our Shepherd, Avon Faye Luedeman, 91 Immanuel, Seymour	Belated May 4 Carl Wohlschlegel, 93 Faith, Louisville
June 11 Sue Fremder, 93 St. John's, Vincennes	June 22 Norvin McClure, 97 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne	July 7 Burt Smith, 95 Cornerstone, Carmel Clarabelle Troike, 93 St. Peter, North Judson Helene Hegerfeld, 91 St. John-Flatrock, Monroeville	July 15 Chuck Bowling, 91 Our Shepherd, Avon	July 25 Elvera Marschhausen, 101 Cornerstone, Carmel Helen Kellermeier, 96 St. Peter's, Brownstown	April 6 Mary Schneider, 93 Immanuel, Seymour
June 12 Phyllis Zabel, 92 St. Peter's, Brownstown Anna Mary Hussung, 91 St. John's, Lanesville	June 23 Hildegard Blondell, 94 Trinity-Decatur Rd., Fort Wayne	July 8 Duane Lupke, 91 Emmanuel, Fort Wayne	July 16 Glen Inman, 91 St. Peter's, Brownstown	April 7 Elsie Kovener, 92 Immanuel, Seymour	April 20 Clifford Sierp, 101 Immanuel, Seymour
June 14 Elli Huotilainen, 95 Calvary, Indianapolis	June 24 Carola Wolf, 95 Calvary, Plymouth Betty Gotsch, 94 St. Paul's, Fort Wayne	July 9 Dorothy Rohrbach, 97 St. Michael's, Fort Wayne	July 17 Dorothy Rohrbach, 97 St. Michael's, Fort Wayne	April 23 Edna Kellermeier, 104 Immanuel, Seymour	April 26 Edna Kellermeier, 104 Immanuel, Seymour

COMING EVENTS

The Indiana District is a dynamic group of churches, schools and other ministries. Following is a list of just some of the many things coming up around the district. If your school, ministry or congregation has something you would like to submit for consideration for an upcoming issue, please contact the editor two months in advance at LWeditor@in.lcms.org.

June 10, 11
"Music Man" alumni performance—Concordia Lutheran High School, Fort Wayne

June 20
Faith, Roanoke, 25th anniversary celebration

June 24-27
39th Biennial LWML Convention—Lexington, Ky.

July 10-11
St. Peter's, Waymansville, 150th anniversary celebration

July 14-15
Indiana District School Administrators Conference—Covington, Ky.

Aug. 14-15
Trinity, Henderson, 125th anniversary celebration

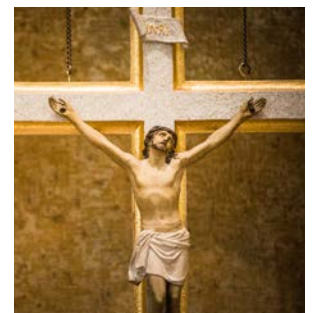
Sept. 19
Zion, Wabash, 75th anniversary service

Sept. 26
Emanuel, Tipton, 125th anniversary service

Sept. 30-Oct. 1:
Lutheranism and the Classics Conference—Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne

Oct. 19-20:
Indiana District Fall Pastors Conference—Embassy Suites, Noblesville

Nov. 22-23
Connections Teachers Conference—Grand Wayne Center, Fort Wayne



Habits to live by

Biking through the streets of our neighborhood is a joy for me. It is a delight to see the neighbors out barbecuing and kids playing different games. But what I must not forget is the car traffic. What I learned as a child was that direction signals are just as important on your bike (if not more so) as they are when you are driving. They must be incorporated into your biking habits.



Ken Schilf
Council of Resources

Another habit that I learned as a child was to pray at mealtime using these words:

“O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good: because His mercy endures forever” — **Ps. 118:1 KJV**

Note that this isn't just about food, but it is about all that God has given us. As the apostle Paul says in 2 Cor. 9:8:

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times,

you may abound in every good work.

Biblical stewardship is the teaching that these good and perfect gifts are simply trusts which our Lord has given to us to be used for the extension of the Gospel and the glory of His name.

This work is done when people step up into roles of faithful giving, so that ministries like Sunday school, VBS, visitation and care can be carried out. It is quietly and consistently seizing the many opportunities to care for the physical and emotional needs of the community in which the congregation and district serve as an outpost for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This faithful work of the steward very often goes unnoticed by the masses. But it is noticed by those who are directly touched by its results.

There have been people who have become even more generous toward their local congregation, the district missions or the work of the Synod simply because they are aware of the great need to be a light for the Gospel in this time of lingering darkness and despair because of the pandemic.



“And if you faithfully obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God. Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field.” — **Deut. 28: 1-3**

This article was inspired by a story in StewardCAST, the LCMS Stewardship Ministry monthly e-newsletter.

Confirmed!

The Geneva Mission, founded by Rev. Don Sauls, emeritus, has been holding adult instruction classes. The mission, supported by the Indiana District, working with St. John-Bingen, Decatur, celebrated its first confirmation on March 24. The service was held at St. John-Bingen. From left, Rev. Peter Brock, Isaiah Armbrrecht (seminarian), confirmands Kathy Timmons and Judy Kendrick, Rev. Christopher Maronde and Pastor Sauls.

