

Encounter

A Message from Pastor Mark Sundberg

What then are we to say about these things? . . . for I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:31a, 38-39)



Dear Friends in Christ,

Please read the whole passage above: Romans 8:31-39. This passage came to me in the middle of the night last night: What are we to say about these things? Of course, I am thinking about the current situation, when so much of everything we thought we could depend on has failed: physical health for some; work for many; and for all our economy, our pastimes, and our freedoms; all because of the COVID-19 pandemic. What can Christians say about these things.

Some Christians say it is God punishing us for something. This is an attitude that comes from an incomplete understanding of Scripture. God punished Israel for her unfaithfulness in the Old Testament. Yet, even in the OT there is grace: Martin Luther found solace in Psalm 130: "If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you . . ." In other words, the psalmist is saying: Lord, if you kept track of sins, who could exist in your presence? The answer is: no one! But since there is forgiveness, those who are in Christ – those who are made Christ's own by baptism are considered righteous in God's eyes. Luther found that the center of the Bible is the truth that we are justified (made right) before God by grace through faith, and not by any thing we do.

The truth is that Christians and other righteous people have suffered even though they were faithful and obedient to God. There are many examples, but Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the great Christian theologian and author comes to mind. He was hanged by the Nazis just days before the allies liberated the prison. So many other Christians have suffered in various ways. No, the God we know in Jesus Christ does not send epidemics to punish the world. We believe that Jesus through the cross has taken away the punishment that God has deemed just!

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We still need your offering!

Going forward, there are 3 ways to ensure your Giving reaches the church.

- 1) **"Drop-Off"** - days will be Tuesday & Wednesday between 10 am & 3 pm.
- 2) **Mailing** it in is still always an option.
- 3) **On-Line**, if you don't want to leave your home & have internet access, you can make one-time contributions using the on-line giving offered on the St. Andrew website. This can be done weekly, monthly or however you wish to do.

Please see the Treasury Team's article on page three.

Sermon Titles for May

May 3

Trust the Good Shepherd

May 10

The Way In Is Jesus

May 17

On-Going Love

May 24

In the World, Not of the World

May 31

The Community of the Holy Spirit

Quilters' Crossing

Last month, we were praying, as we all still are, that SOON we will all be back together again. But, we must remain safe and healthy by still being separated – apart from our families in many instances and our dear friends/brothers and sisters of our St. Andrew family – YES, WE ARE FAMILY!



Your St. Andrew “loyal” quilters are still very hard at work producing beautiful quilts that we can’t wait to see displayed all across our sanctuary and flowing out into the narthex, waiting to be shipped off to our more distant brothers and sisters! The quilters have found a way (thank you, Judy, for your leadership) working remotely and apart (distanced from each other); they have formed a “Sewing Chain” to get their work accomplished! Their hands and fingers are still moving and creating! They want to keep up their routine as much as possible and are all very anxious to be back and working together again.

A few of the faithful quilters have been sewing face masks that can be provided to those who need them for protection when we do need to go outside the shelter of our homes for essential needs. Others are still working on baby diapers, blankets and sweaters for the Baby Care Kits.

Soon, soon we will be back together.
We are all in this together.
We know by the Strength of our faith, by the love of our Lord and Saviour, we will get through this!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call
Judy Parriott (847) 986-4465.

Lyn Hayes and the Quilters

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The apostle Paul is making outlandish claims in the passage above: nothing – nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord! So, what do we say about these things? Sometimes we cannot say anything. We reserve that wisdom for God to work out. In the end we will understand. In the meantime, we are to practice love for our neighbor. We are to have faith. And we are to know that no matter what happens, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ! Even pandemics!

In Christian service,
Pastor Mark Sundberg (transitional pastor)



Bible Readings for the Month

Scriptures for May

May 3 – 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

May 10 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

May 17 – 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

May 24 – 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

May 31 – 8th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
John 20:19-23

Worship Attendance for February

As we all miss the community of being together, we hope that you have been able to view our online services from the following dates:

- 3/05 Palm Sunday Service
- 3/09 Maundy Thursday Service
- 3/10 Good Friday Service
- 3/12 Easter Service
- 3/19 2nd Sunday of Easter
- 3/26 3rd Sunday of Easter

STEWARDSHIP – OUR WAY OF LIFE HERE AT ST. ANDREW (Even if things are “Different” at this time)

We say “we believe” when we recite the Apostles Creed: “I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.” “I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.” “I believe in the Holy Spirit,.....”

Stewardship is everything we do after we say “I believe.” By grace, we have been given every good thing from above and we must be the steward/the caretaker of those things. It is not always going to be easy. It is not always going to be comfortable! In these difficult days while we are waiting to be back together again, to live our lives in a “normal” manner again, we must still keep our faith and keep strong. Having this faith is an exercise of the heart and mind. Faith is an exercise of trust that God is working for each and every one of us; this we cannot always understand. We must continue to believe and take care of each other and all that God has given to us. God is faithful, God is in control and God is to be trusted. I will say this over and over and over again!

During these coming days when we still don’t know when this current situation will end, we must continue to believe and take care of each other and all that God has given to us!

Dear gracious, God – draw me closer to you through the cross of Christ and help me to see that as a gift to share. Lord, lead me in the direction I should go to work in your Glory. Lord, help us to believe that you are in control and your are to be trusted. Let us all continue to have the strength to put our lives in your hands. Amen.

Staff Support

Staff Support continues to make sure the staff has the support it needs to function to the best of their abilities. Staff Support also is continuing to make sure that the church continues to run smoothly. Staff Support’s mission is to listen, help and encourage our staff. Our long-term goal is to insure our team continues to have clear job descriptions and the support they need to ensure their positions continue to be successful.



We still need your offering!

Are you holding off coming to Church during this Covid-19 coronavirus national emergency? Please remember that our payroll and utilities don’t stop, so we still need your offering.

So, what can you do when you don’t go out in public? Well, there is a way to give without coming to Church. It is called online giving and it will still allow you to make your offering. It is safe and secure with special protection so your identity cannot be stolen.

How do you do this? First, go to your computer and enter ‘www.standrewmundelein.com’. It will open the Church’s website and on the middle right-hand side is a section called ‘Online Giving’.

The second step, if you have never done this before, is to create a ‘profile’. You will enter your email address, twice to make sure you did it the same, then First Name, Last Name, Address, City, State, Zip code and then a Password twice. This will be your Profile and you will use your email address and password to get in in the future.

To make a single donation, click on the [Add Transaction button](#). Now you can enter the amount for Regular, Building, Benevolence, Youth, World Hunger or Chris Ed. Next enter a credit card, savings account or checking account and finish the transaction.

You can make it a one-time or recurring giving, and print a copy for your own records. That’s how it is done. And don’t forget to Log Off in the upper right corner.

This site is secure and works through Vanco Payment Solutions (cs@vancopayments.com) theirs to do it and you don’t have to share your login email address and password with them.

Council President - Update -

Good day everyone,

I hope that everyone has been able to find a way to feed their spiritual self these last couple of weeks.

The Covid19 pandemic has put kinks into everyone's life. We have all had to adjust our lives and come up with ways to keep healthy and occupied. With schools being closed we have to not only keep ourselves healthy but the younger people healthy also. We hope that the educational material that was emailed and snail mailed, has given you a little reprieve and a few creative ideas to help with the youth.

On to church business. The pastoral transition is still in full swing. The call committee has interviewed 3 candidates and will be doing a second interview with all three candidates. Let's pray that one of these candidates will be the one God wants us to have. Call committee you are still in our prayers. Please know you all are very blessed with how well you are doing in this process. Go forth with God as your guide.

As far as the church being closed, we will stay within the government guideline. The last official date for Shelter-in-Place is May 31st., at this point, Please make a note that when we are finally able to get back to church, let's have an absolute ball. Let's come together and truly praise God!!! Let's dance in the aisles, raise our hands and sing with everything we have. Give praise where praise is due.

I hope everyone is able to watch our online services. This was a great way to have a faithful service while staying safe at home. If you did not get the notices please let us know so we can remedy this. You can go to our website: Standrewmundelein.com or go on YouTube, the search address is: St Andrews Mundelein.

While we are technically closed, we do have hours on Tuesday and Wednesday for those who want to drop off their offerings. You are able to pay online if it would make it easier for you. Just go to our website and there will be a tab where you can sign up for this option. Any questions please call either Anita or me

and we will walk you through it.

During our council meeting last night, yes it was on Zoom, we have noted that we are needing Computer/tech help and creative help for upcoming projects. Some of the projects are very small and some are a little larger. But none are extremely big. If you can volunteer for any of these, please call Anita for Computer/tech help and me for creative help. Most projects could be done at your convenience. Our timelines are variable.

I want to give a great THANKS to all of the people who have been working diligently on getting our services online, Pastor Sundberg, Anita Pahlman, Daniel Manke, Chuck Fitz-Hugh, John Shubin, Annika Sundberg, Francisco Lopez Malespin, Leslie Parriott, Donn and Tana Hamm, Danny, Cindy, Tim Mivelaz, Corrine McGonagle, and Audrey Hamil. Without these dedicated people, all of us would be searching for other online services to watch on Sunday morning.

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Isaiah 26:2-4

Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, The nation that keeps faith. You will keep the perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, Because they trust in you. Trust in the Lord, the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal.

Remember, that God has plans for us. We may never know what they are so have faith that he is with us and that we can lean on him during this time. He is our rock and redeemer!!!!

Teresa Maki
Council President

Editor's Notes:

Information to share, thank-yous, articles, notes, stories or pictures, (many photographers needed!) please continue to email them to:

dehamm@comcast.net.

Please put **ENCOUNTER** in the subject header.

*Next Due Date will Be
Wednesday, May 20th*

Greetings & Salutations

Dear Members and Friends,

Greetings & Salutations in this time of “Stay-at-Home!” Praying that you are safe and well.

A couple of notes to share with you . . .

We are reminded that we have no eternal place here. We can give thanks to God for sending his only Son to us so that we may Trust in his eternal glory. Our Father has called three members to their heavenly home over the past few weeks. Harold Sandburg of the quad cities area, Bill Hamblin of Mundelein (husband of Anne & father of Jane McQuinn) and Ted Bellefeuille of North Carolina (Judy Boyd’s father).

We pray for all who grieve or are distressed at this time. May the Peace of Christ that surpasses all understanding guard their hearts.

WORSHIP:

We continue to video record worship services and post them on the home page of our St. Andrew website: <http://standrewmundelein.com>

Future, in person, worship opportunities will be shared as we continue to monitor the current social safety practices advised by the local and federal administrations. Praising & Thanking our Lord continues - just in a different setting!! We are so very grateful for Pastor Sundberg and his awesome gift of shepherding us.

If you need pastoral assistance or have any needs / concerns or questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Sundberg or me.

Pastor: cell: 224-569-0091
email: peacemark@sbcglobal.net

Anita: cell: 847-849-9118
email: anitapahlmanstandrew@gmail.com

Please identify yourself and, if necessary, leave a brief message and we will get back to you. You can also text us at the above numbers.

God is with you and so are we! Keep safe & well. Peace be with you. Love One Another. Keep the Faith!

Miss you!
Anita

Call Committee Update

Good Morning, or Good Afternoon, or Good Evening, depending on when you are reading this.

I am sure we all would prefer to be able to meet every Sunday in Church and hear an update, rather than read one. In time, with God’ grace, patience, and the continued exercise of social distancing and other steps necessary to try to protect ourselves and each other from dangers of the Covid-19 pandemic, we will be able to meet together again.

As you can imagine, the current restrictions on gathering have slowed our call process, but they have not stopped it. We have had initial interviews with each of the three candidates and have viewed recorded sermons for each candidate. At present, each candidate remains a viable option.

Of necessity! the second round of interviews will be virtual interviews and we are currently in the process of scheduling those interviews. Once those interviews are completed, we will discuss each and decide whether to continue or eliminate any candidate.

It remains the goal and accepted responsibility of the Call Committee to identify the best candidate for the St. Andrew call and to do so in as timely a manner as possible.

Take care, stay home, and stay safe.

Jeff Hayes
Call Committee Chairman

Women's Fellowship - 2020



We were so looking forward to our spring events but due to our "Stay at Home" order for Illinois, we need to honor our health and safety and not venture out.

We certainly miss visiting with one another. We will plan to visit Karina's Bakery in our next season. We will also be canceling our June dinner to Gale Street Inn since we do not currently know how the restaurants will handle guests dining in.

If we are able to meet as a group at church on Thursday, June 11, we will plan on that. Each of us will bring our own dinner, and then visit with one another! Let's stay safe and see what will happen. Hopefully, we will be able to enjoy seeing one another face-to-face then. Take care!

Barbara Binversie

People Power

PEOPLE POWER MAY 2020

Due to the current COVID restrictions, we have not scheduled anyone for People Power at this time, for the month of May. As we learn when we will again be able to worship together at church, Anita will create a schedule and distribute to those involved.

ST ANDREW CALENDAR – MAY 2020

The church is closed. As you are able, we strongly encourage you to stay home, stay healthy, save lives. Offerings and items for PADS and/or COOL may be dropped at the church on Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 10 AM to 3 PM. Call ahead and/or ring the doorbell (to the left of the door). Pastor Sundberg will greet you.

We May Not Be In The Same Boat ... But pray for those in our storm.

I heard that we are all in the same boat, but it's not like that. We are in the same storm, but not in the same boat. Your ship could be shipwrecked and mine might not be. Or vice versa.

For some, quarantine is optimal. A moment of reflection, of re-connection, easy in flip flops, with a snack and coffee. For others, this is a desperate financial & family crisis.

For some that live alone they're facing endless loneliness. While for others it is peace, rest & time with their mother, father, sons & daughters.

Some were concerned about getting a certain candy for Easter while others were concerned if there would be enough bread, milk and eggs for the week-end.

Some want to go back to work because they don't qualify for unemployment and are running out of money. Others have job security and can work from home.

Some are home spending 2-3 hours/day helping their child with online schooling while others are spending 2-3 hours/day to educate their children on top of a 10-12 hour workday.

Some have experienced the near death of the virus, some have already lost someone from it and some are not sure if their loved ones are going to make it. Others don't believe this is a big deal.

Some have faith in God and expect miracles during this 2020. Others say the worst is yet to come.

So, friends, we are not in the same boat. We are going through a time when our perceptions and needs may be completely different.

Each of us will emerge, in our own way, from this storm. It is very important to see beyond what is seen at first glance. Not just looking, actually seeing.

We are all on different ships during this storm experiencing a very different journey. But let's pray for all those that are in need.

-Unknown author

Come & Celebrate the Festival of the Holy Spirit

Pentecost Sunday Worship, May 31st

Red paraments, banners, and geraniums will grace our chancel to symbolize the presence and work of the Holy Spirit. Worshippers are urged to wear something red.

Members and friends are also encouraged to contribute toward the cost of the Red Geranium Garden for the chancel. Please use the order form at right, or sign the special flower chart on the bulletin board in the narthex.



Geranium Order Form

*Orders must be into the church office by Sunday, June 2nd
Telephone or email orders will be accepted.*

847-566-8081 or

parishadmin@standrewmundelein.com

High quality zonal geraniums from Turks nursery

___ 10 in. Geranium Plant(s) @ \$22.00 \$_____

___ 6.5 in. Geranium Plant(s) @ \$10.00 \$_____

___ 4.5 in. Geranium Plant(s) @ \$ 5.00 \$_____

TOTAL \$_____

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Your Name _____

In Memory of/ For Blessings Received

___ *I will pick up my plant(s) June 2 or 3rd.*

___ *I will leave my plant(s) for planting at church.*

Another Milestone, Graduation! SAVE the DATE

We would like to rejoice with those members of the congregation who are completing a course of study at the Jr. High, High School, College or Graduate School level in 2020. In order to have accurate information about your achievements, we would appreciate parents or students filling out the information below and returning it to the church office so that we might publish it in future newsletters.

Name _____

Phone _____

School graduating from _____

Degree _____

E-mail _____

Future Plans: _____

St. Andrew Lutheran Church VBS 2020

**Vacation Bible School
JUNE 15 - 19**

Our theme this year is
Rocky Railroad

"For I can do everything through
Christ, who gives me strength."
Philippians 4:13

Bible Story
Ananias helps Saul. Acts 9:1-19

It's FREE!! You can
register online.
We will stay in touch regarding our
future schedule.

We are also looking for several
volunteers to help lead Bible study,
crafts, snacks, music and to assist at
these stations, plus games!

Lutherdale Summer Staff Positions

Lutherdale Bible Camp, located near Elkhorn, Wisconsin, is currently accepting applications for summer staff positions. Positions include cabin leader, kitchen specialist, lifeguard, media manager, arts and crafts manager, and more. Weekly salaries start at \$225. Lodging and food are provided, along with two weeks of paid staff training prior to the beginning of camp. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. Those who are unable to commit to the entire summer are welcome to apply. For more information go to www.lutherdale.org/employment.

COOL Plant Sale

The COOL Plant Sale was a big success. Thanks to all our members who supported this sale at a time when COOL needs you the most. Please know you have helped many less fortunate during this difficult time in our history. See the plant sale flyer for information regarding the pick up of your plants. Organizers of the plant sale are making arrangements to practice social distancing when picking up the plants. Thank you again for your support!

Worship with us
by viewing
our service on line at:

Standrewmundelein.com

Call Your Friends and Neighbors...

Neighbors, friends and particularly senior citizens, are not seeing much of each other since the coronavirus outbreak and the State of Illinois stay-at-home order. Think about calling your friends and neighbors on the phone for a “cheer up” call just to let your neighbors know you care about them, especially neighbors who live alone. We can find out if their needs are being met and just provide a friendly, “God loves you” hello.



21st Annual COOL Plant & Flower Sale



NEED A FEW MORE PLANTS?
A variety of herbs, vegetables, patio pots, and hanging baskets will be available for purchase on Saturday, May 9 from 11-2.

Pick up your plants on:

**Saturday, May 9, 2020
11 A.M. – 2 P.M.**

(No early pick-ups, please)

**Bethel Lutheran Church
5110 Grand Avenue, Gurnee**

Bethel is at the corner of Fuller Road and Grand Avenue. It is located two blocks west of the Highway 21 and Route 132 (Milwaukee Avenue and Grand Avenue) intersection or four blocks east of the tollway on Grand Avenue.

Thank you for your generous support of our sale. All net proceeds benefit the COOL Food Pantry and Transitional Housing program. A receipt for the tax-deductible portion of your order will be available on the day of pickup.

thank you!

QUESTIONS? Email plantsale@coolministries.org



PRAYER VENTURES

May 2020

Please note: Most synod assemblies are not included in this edition of “Prayer Ventures” because plans and dates for many upcoming assemblies are still being determined.

- 1 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others of the Rocky Mountain Synod gathering online for a digital synod assembly. Pray that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God’s work in an ever-changing world.
- 2 There are more than 100 Asian congregations and ministries in the ELCA. We remember in our prayers these congregations, ELCA Asian and Pacific Islander Ministries and the Association of Asian and Pacific Islanders, and ask God to bless their work with distinct, unique groups and communities as part of a common yet diverse Asian community.
- 3 Jesus is our Savior, guide and shepherd, whom we have faith in and trust with leading us through life in this world and to a new life - life eternal - that we could not have imagined or created on our own. Praise God!
- 4 Give thanks for the service and witness of U.S.-based mission personnel and of young adults serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission program, who have been brought home from their work with global companions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for their physical and spiritual health and that they will continue to respond to God’s call to serve in our church, our congregations, related organizations and society.
- 5 Ask God to help us have faith in how God leads, comforts, protects, nourishes and loves us all the days of our life.
- 6 Pray that we will be guided by the spirit, manner and example of Jesus to be humble and gracious in our faith, service and daily lives.
- 7 Ask God to help us endure the risks and difficulties of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, doing good, working for justice and serving our neighbors in need.
- 8 Give thanks for the work of the ELCA Domestic Mission unit, directors for evangelical mission, synod staff, coaches and consultants, and other partners assisting congregations as they renew themselves as communities of faith engaged in God’s mission - locally and globally.
- 9 Pray that children and youth who suffer domestic abuse will experience the physical, emotional and spiritual care of concerned, skilled adults who intervene in their situations and help provide the safety, healing and trustworthy love for which they yearn.
- 10 Remembering Jesus’ words to Thomas — “I am the way, and the truth, and the life” — we pray that they will empower us to embrace Jesus as the son of God and our salvation, and fill our lives with confidence to perform works of love, mercy, justice, truth and kindness.
- 11 Pray for our outdoor ministries and their year-round and summer staff, who are working to adapt their ministries, programs and ways of serving congregations and communities during these times of COVID-19.
- 12 Pause throughout the day and give thanks for the simple things of creation that enrich your life and faith and fill you with joy and wonder.
- 13 Give thanks that God knows us intimately and listens to our prayers, and that God is our rock, refuge and source of steadfast love in all circumstances and in all places.
- 14 Pray for students of all ages as they participate in online classes, wonder about their school year, prepare for finals and graduations, and long for their normal social interactions and school activities.
- 15 Pray for synod leaders who are discerning new plans, formats and dates for their assemblies with concern for the health and well-being of leaders, voting members and others; pray the Spirit will guide their plans and strengthen their unwavering work of proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God’s work in the world.
- 16 Give thanks and praise to God that our church and lives are built on the solid, enduring foundation of Christ; pray that we, as siblings in Christ, will be bold and welcoming in our invitation to

our neighbors to believe, have faith and experience the blessings of community with us.

- 17** The love of God and the Spirit of truth dwell within us and prevail in our daily lives. Pray that with this knowledge and inspiration, we will feel encouraged to follow the commandments and ways of God and to exemplify love, truth, mercy and service in the world.
- 18** Thank God for our special relationship with the Reformed Church in America, a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997; pray for the church, its diverse ministries and its members and leaders; and pray that together we will find mutual support, new partnerships and new resources for the work of sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.
- 19** Pray that our baptism into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ will banish our fears of doing God's work in the world and will prepare us daily for sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor with gentleness and reverence.
- 20** Give thanks for parents, aunts, uncles and grandparents whose example and convictions teach children and youth the values of compassion, generosity and respect for one another.
- 21** Ascension of Our Lord While we look forward to everlasting life and being with Jesus in heaven, pray that we will live with confidence and joy in the promise of salvation and the presence of the Spirit, which sustains and equips us for the work we are called to today as people of the good news.
- 22** Remember in prayer our ELCA missionaries, global companions and international leaders. Pray for their health and well-being as well as their continuing witness and service in the world even though some of our work together may have been temporarily suspended.
- 23** Think about the blessings, wisdom, revelations and gifts you have received by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ; give thanks for each one.
- 24** Give thanks, praise and glory to God for restoring our relationship with our Creator and unifying us - beloved children of God - through the love and sacrifice of Jesus.

- 25** Memorial Day Today we remember, mourn and give thanks for the military men and women who have given their lives in pursuit of justice, peace and freedom for our country and all nations.
- 26** Pray that the Spirit of God working in us will help us value every generation for its faith, wisdom, gifts and diverse life experiences, and that we will not disparage or discount one another because of age, mistakes or differences of perspective but instead will give thanks and affirm and support one another as members of the body of Christ, which includes all generations.
- 27** Pray that we will be mindful and responsive to those who have become more lonely, isolated or distant over the past weeks and months, and that they will feel more connected and comforted as we reach out to one another and discover new ways of being in community and relationship with each other.
- 28** Give thanks for the commitment, creativity and compassion of teachers, teacher assistants, professors, educators and school staff who, facing difficult and uncertain situations, have persisted in attending to the educational and personal needs of their students - our children, youth and young adults.
- 29** Pray for congregations, Christian education leaders, youth and family ministry leaders, and volunteers preparing for summer programs, that they will deepen and stir the faith of members and reach into neighborhoods and surrounding communities with the gospel and an active spirit of hospitality and service.
- 30** Pray that our church's endeavors to foster understanding and unity between Lutherans, other Christian denominations and other faiths will yield abundant fruit for the glory of God and for healing our rifts and our brokenness.
- 31** Day of Pentecost Lift up prayers of joy and thanksgiving for how we are united in one Spirit yet manifest diverse gifts, abilities and wisdom for sharing the gospel, building up the body of Christ and serving our neighbor.

For our young readers



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Faith
In Our
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Mundelein, IL 60060

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- Faithful Giving
- Ministry Participation
- Daily Living

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All are Welcome...

*The Sunday Morning
Worship Schedule is:*

Traditional Service:
8:30 a.m.

Contemporary Service:
10:45 a.m.

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Mundelein, IL 60060

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The church has
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Our mission as a congregation is to *Share Christ*. More specifically, it is to help people come to *know* Christ, to *grow* in their relationship with Christ and his Church, and to be equipped to *serve* and *witness* in Christ's name. We would love to have you join us in this mission.