

# Good Shepherd News & Notes

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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Setting One, Two, and Four include a **Prayer of Thanksgiving** after the Sanctus. This is really an extension of the Proper Preface, giving thanks to God specifically for the Lord's Supper. The opening words, "Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth," follow a traditional Jewish form of prayer found frequently in the Bible (Ephesians 1: 3-14). In this context, "blessed" means "worthy of praise."

## LORD' PRAYER

Jesus taught the **Lord's Prayer** to His disciples (Matthew 6: 9-13; Luke 11: 2-4). He invited them to address God as He did and together with Him as "Our Father." Baptized children of God have this great privilege (Romans 8: 14-17). The seven petitions are a comprehensive model for how we should pray. We know we will be heard when we use the prayer Jesus gave us. This prayer appears in virtually every rite of the Christian Church.

The **Doxology**, "For Thine is the kingdom . . . ," is not part of the prayer Jesus taught but is an early Christian liturgical response. These words of praise are based on David's prayer (I Chronicles 29: 11-13). The Doxology appeared in very early texts (e.g.,

*Didache*) and soon found its way even into copies of the Bible.

In Setting Three, we see the original pattern. The pastor, standing in the place of Jesus, prays the Our Father as a table prayer before the Lord's Supper, just as Jesus prayed on Holy Thursday before giving His Supper. The congregation voices their agreement and praises God with the Doxology and Amen. In the other settings, the pastor and congregation pray the whole prayer together as a family prayer. Many ancient Christians understood "Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses" as a reference to the Sacrament. Together with the Words of Our Lord, the Lord's Prayer is *consecratory*, setting aside the bread and wine for holy use (I Timothy 4: 4-5).

*~taken from Lutheranism 101: Worship (Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, MO) 2017, pg. 100-101.*

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL/ SUNDAY SCHOOL

VBS has been cancelled for this summer. We do look forward to possibly restarting Sunday school classes on August 16th. More information will be forthcoming soon.

Dear Members of Good Shepherd Lutheran,

Greetings in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ! I am overjoyed and honored to have been extended the privilege of being assigned my vicarage at Good Shepherd. Since it has pleased Almighty God, through the work of the Vicarage Placement office to send me to your congregation to complete the next step in my formation as a pastor of Christ's Church, I with great joy and happiness accept my assignment to be your new vicar.

My effective starting date will be July 15, 2020, where I will shadow Vicar Golden for a few weeks. My official start date will be August 1, 2020. We are planning to move to Lincoln in early-to-mid-June; I will supply you with further details once more firm plans have been put into place. . .

I have been happily married to my wife, Amy, for almost 5 years (our anniversary is September 19th). Amy's home town is Lincoln and we met while attending Wayne State College. She has a degree in Early Childhood and has years of experience working with kids. We have one daughter, Winry (pronounce WIN-ree), who will be 1 year this August 23! She is a happy, bubbly baby who puts a smile on everyone's face. She is a blessing.



We are looking forward to being back in Nebraska. My prayer is that the Lord will bless our work together to His Glory!

Yours in Christ,

Timothy D. Steele II

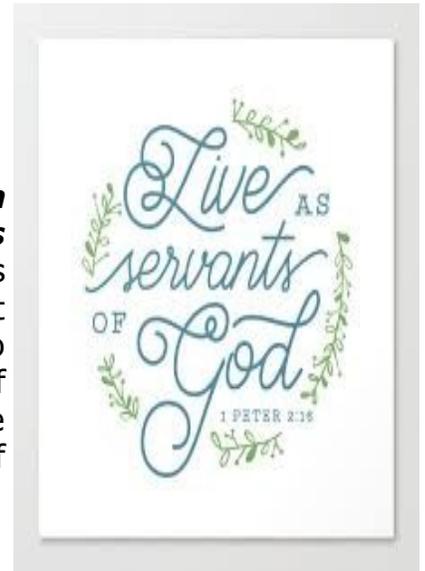
## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK



- **All** who are battling the coronavirus and the families of those who have died from the virus, families who are struggling with issues of childcare, lost income, postponed events, etc.
- **Ron & Janet Amack**, with severe memory issues (Janet) and medical issues (Ron)
- **David Montgomery**, friend of Bob Van Valkenburg, battling cancer.
- **Sheldon Wolff, age 15**, waiting for a double lung transplant.
- **Barb Poppe**, with short-term memory issues.
- **Jan Poppe**, sister-in-law of Pastor Poppe, recovering from knee surgery.
- **Marge Kelly**, in hospice care at The Legacy.
- **David Stolzenburg**, friend of Joe Roberts from Shickley, NE, hospitalized with Covid 19.
- **Jerry**, the uncle of the daughter-in-law of Terry Princ, hospitalized with the Covid-19 virus at age 80.
- **Shane Mackavicka**, friend of Gary & Debra Baker, self-quarantined with Covid 19.
- **Vern Jansky**, husband of Adrienne, recently diagnosed with cancer.
- **The family of Michael, nephew of Joe Velasquez**, who was taken to his eternal home.
- **The family of Renae McCrory**, cousin of Karen Kammann, who was take to her eternal home.
- **Thanksgiving** for the safe birth of **Meredith Rose Atkins**, granddaughter of Rev. Mark & Katherine Williamson.

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**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: I Peter 4: 10 — "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."** God's grace is His undeserved mercy toward us. And what do we have that is not a gift flowing from God's grace? He means for us to use all these gifts in service toward our neighbor. And chief among the ways we serve one another is to support the Church's work of bringing more of God's grace to more of God's people. And that's what it means to be a steward!



## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK (May 24— May 31):**

People celebrating birthdays are:

Daren Turek	Chris Peters
Gail Stachura	Maddy Wagner
Brielle Kirk	Paulette Luebbe
Kacy Meyer	Alayna Peters
Tom Barefoot	

Couples celebrating anniversaries are:

Nick & Tracy Bauer  
Mark & Sara Nispel

**LIFE MOMENT:** The loving Creator's presence and power surmounts every impediment to life and sanctifies all its impairments. He works new life in those as dead as stones (Ezekiel 36: 26), abundant life among those as abandoned as exiles (Ezekiel 36: 24, 28), and everlasting life for those as bereft as beggars (Ezekiel 36: 29-30).

## **JUNIOR CONFIRMATION**

Good Shepherd will be confirming our class of 2020 confirmands on Pentecost, May 31 at the 10:30 am service. We are encouraging some of our members to sign up for the 8 am service, if this works for you, in order that the families of our confirmands would be able to be present for the confirmation service. Thanks!

## **U.S. CITIZENSHIP QUIZ**

12. Which of the following is not a branch of government?

Executive  
Legislative  
**Financial**  
Judicial  
None of the above

13. What stops any one branch of government from becoming too powerful?

Executive Orders  
The United Nations  
The National Security Agency  
**A system of checks and balances**

Journalists and the national media

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
WEEK OF MAY 10, 2020

WEEKLY BUDGET NEED  
\$ 10,740.00

ATTENDANCE: 144

OFFERING: \$ 6,510.13

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14. Under our Constitution, some powers belong to the federal government, and some powers belong to the states. Which is not a power of the federal government?

- Print money
- Provide drivers' licenses**
- Declare war
- Create an army
- Make treaties

15. Who was president during World War I?

- Woodrow Wilson**
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Richard Nixon
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- George H. W. Bush

16. Who did the United States fight in World War II?

- Germany
- Japan
- Italy
- All of the above**
- None of the above

17. How old must a citizen be to vote for President?

- 16, 17, **18**, 21, 25

18. What is the economic system in the United States?

- Socialist
- Communist
- Capitalist**
- Mercantilist
- Laissez-faire

19. Which state does not border Mexico?

- California
- Arizona
- Nevada**
- New Mexico
- Texas

20. Which of the following is NOT an American Indian tribe in the United States?

- Cherokee
- Iroquios
- Sabine**
- Sioux
- Apache

21. When is the last day you can send in federal income tax returns?

- January 1
- May 20
- December 31
- April 15**
- July 4

22. What is the political party of the current president?

- Republican**
- Democrat

23. What is the capital of the United States?

- Philadelphia, PA
- New York, NY
- Juneau, AK
- Annapolis, MD
- Washington, DC**

24. What do the stripes on the American flag represent?

- The number of signatures on the Declaration of Independence
- The number of signatures on the Constitution
- The original 10 colonies
- Nothing
- The original 13 colonies**

25. Which of the following is NOT a federal holiday?

- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Election Day**
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day

**Passing score on this quiz is 15 out of 25 correct answers.  
How many correct answers did you get?**