

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

A new pastor was visiting one of his church members who was in the hospital. The pastor was a young man, fresh out of seminary and still wet behind the ears as a minister. He was visiting this elderly man named Joe, and Joe was extremely ill. He wanted to talk to his pastor about his funeral service and the pastor wanted to talk about anything else – the weather, baseball, politics, or anything else he could think of.

Finally, the pastor asked, "Joe, doesn't it bother you? Aren't you frightened?" Joe smiled and said, "Preacher, I know I'm not going to make it, but I'm not afraid. I have a confession to make. I've taken a peek at the back of the book." "What do you mean?" the minister asked.

Joe said, "You didn't know me 10 years ago when I had my first heart attack. They called it cardiac arrest. I can remember the medical team thinking I was dead. I can also remember the tremendous feeling of being surrounded by God's love. I was revived by the doctors, but ever since that day I have been unafraid to die. I've been there and it doesn't frighten me. I know that one day soon I am going to go to sleep and I believe that when I awaken, I will once again be surrounded by God's love."

That's the message of Easter. The tomb is empty. Christ is risen. Jesus is alive. And because of this, we too, shall live!

We have seen the back of the book! We know the end of the story! In Christ our Risen Savior we have forgiveness for our sins and eternal salvation. When Christ comes again on the Last Day, our bodies will rise from the grave and we will live, body and soul, with our Savior forever in heaven. What a comfort it is to know that our future is secure in Jesus. What a joy to know that our loved ones who have died in Christ, believing and trusting in Him alone for salvation, will be waiting for us when our time comes to go home. What a great family reunion that will be. And it will never end!

Happy Easter!

Pastor Steve Voigt

Official Acts

<u>Ushers</u>

<u>9:30 a.m.</u>

Phil Murphy, Capt. Steve Dasher
Traci Murphy Maria Riley
Dave Valdes Marge Valdes

Karen Winefeld

Altar Guild

Lynda Kopp Georgia Cucinello Lisa Frederick Leann Meyer

Greeters

May 4

9:30am—Rick & Jodi Winn

May 11

9:30am—Ruth Baer & Sue Dettmann

May 18

9:30am—Mike & Julie Pergande

May 25

9:30am—Sandra Randazzo & Audrey Wilde

Address Change

Laura Vogt 1056 S Imperial Dr. Hartland, WI 53029 Phone: (414) 517-6892

SPECIAL GIFTS

Boiler Fund	\$50
Easter Egg Hunt	\$120
Helping Hands Food Pantry	

MEMORIALS

Carol Prange Estate—\$11,134.02

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mother's Day Roses

Show your mom or grandmother how special she is!

Purchase a long-stem red rose on Sunday, May 11, for \$2.

All proceeds benefit Wisconsin Right to Life!

May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00am Bible Study	7:30pm AA Meeting	3
8:30 Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:30am Bible Study 10:30am	Happy 52nd Anniversa Keith & Marcia Rosyne		8:30am NW Chapel 1:30pm Communion Service	8 10:00am Bible Study 2:00pm St. Anne's Worship	9 NW—No School 7:30pm AA Meeting	76th Anniversary Of Covenant
Third Sunday of Easter 3:30 Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:30am Bible Study	12	13	Happy 93rd Birthday Herb Onasch!	16 10:00am Bible Study 6:30pm Mission &	16 7:30pm AA Meeting	17
0:30am Sunday School Mothers' Day & Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30 Bible Study 9:30am Worship	19 1:30pm Prayer Team	20	21 8:30am NW Chapel	Ministry Council Meeting 22 10:00am Bible Study	23 7:30pm AA Meeting	24
0:30am Bible Study 0:30am Sunday School Fifth Sunday of Easter	Pastors' Confe	rence—La Crosse		2:00pm St. Anne's Worship		
25 0:30am Worship appy 62nd Anniversar Henry & Judy Weiss!		27	28 8:30am NW Chapel	29 10:00am Bible Study	Northwest Field Day 7:30pm AA Meeting	Happy 50th Anniversar Dan & Jana McDonell

APOR Life Walk 2025

On Saturday, June 21 Hosted by Elm Grove Lutheran

Events include the welcome, opening prayer service, and walk. The day will end with prizes, music, and lunch.



Registration opens May 1. Visit aplaceofrefuge.org to register

lf our greatest need had been information God would have sent us an educator

lf our greatest need had been technology. God would have sent us a scientist

lf our greatest need had been money. God would have sent us an economist

lf our greatest need had been pleasure. God would have sent us an entertainer

But our greatest need was forgiveness. So God sent us a Savior!

Chuck Swindoll, The Grace Awakening

Birthdays

May 2

Mike Weiss

May 3

Debbie Braatz

May 5

Marcia Hottinger

Robert Zickert

May 6

Alex Gottsacker Jr.

Laura Vogt

Carol Wenzel

May 7

Herb Onasch

May 8

Dawn Degnan

May 11

Bryan Meyer

May 12

Dawn Wangard

May 13

Tim Wrangell

May 14

Pastor Steve Voigt

May 15

Jerry Anson

May 22

Stephanie Voigt

May 25

Tiffany Dasher

May 30

Everett Dassow

Pastor Kermit Ratcliffe

May 31

Linda Krueger

Anniversaries

May 5

Keith & Marcia Rosynek

May 9

Jack & Grace Brockel

May 16

Brian & Deborah Johnston

May 24

Dylan & Mary Jo Johnson

May 25

Henry & Judy Weiss

May 27

James & Megan Dills

Dave & Margie Valdes

May 31

Dan & Jana McDonell

LWML Spring Rally

Mother's Day Mercy Mission Donations for A Place of Refuge

As we prepare to celebrate Mother's Day, we have a special opportunity to show love and support to the mothers at A Place of Refuge. We are collecting essential items and gifts to bless these moms and their little ones.

Needed Items:

- Infant sleepers, socks, and bibs
- · Infant washcloths & bath towels
- · Infant board books or toys
- Reading or coloring books with crayons for infants' siblings

The collection will end on May 4th to ensure delivery in time for Mother's Day. Please consider donating and helping us make this a special time for these families.

Thank you for your generosity and kindness!

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Join us for the Heart to Heart Event, a beloved gathering that attracts over 150 people every year! This is your chance to experience:

Cultural Food

Vibrant Dances

Inspiring Choir

Meet Ethnic Pastors

Local Christian faith based Vendors

Poor Prizes and so much more!

Best of all? It's **FREE**! Don't miss out on this incredible celebration of faith, fellowship, and cultural diversity.

Sign up today! Spots are filling up fast.
We can't wait to see you there for a day of joy,
connection, and inspiration!

Saturday, May 3

Hosted by
Mt. Olive Lutheran
Starting at 8:30am

Bible study by Pastor Voigt

Presentation by Jenny Stollenwerk from Journeys Lutheran School

United in Christ: Celebrating Our Unique Stories



"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male or female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:28 (E SV):

Saturday, May 17, 2025 St. John's Lutheran Church 7877 N Port Washington Rd Glendale, WI 53217

8:30 am to 2 pm



For more information or RSVP contact: jamellis2003@yahoo.com

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