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A Message from Pastor Daniel Provost

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Dear fellow redeemed in Christ,
Normally this month's newsletter article would encourage you to continue attending church during the summer, and not to forget that you need the gifts that are offered here in Word and Sacrament as you're at the lake, at the foot of the mountains, or visiting family and friends. In a typical year, I'd remind you that two big festivals fall in the last days of May and the first week of June – the Feast of Pentecost (May 31) and the celebration of the Holy Trinity (June 7). But, there's something more important on most of our minds and hearts this year. We've officially been away from the church for 10 weeks! Yes, we've been fed with the Word through video means, and building each other up through phone calls, video chats and other technological means. I thank God for these, because without them, we'd be completely starving in the wilderness of this sinful world, open to the temptation of the devil to forget about God and all that He has done for us. **But, often this doesn't seem like enough, does it?** It's kind of like being on a strict diet of the basics we need to survive, rather than the rich feast that God has prepared for us every normal Sunday at His Table of the Altar.

I remember a few years ago (well, maybe it's closing in on 10 years, but who's counting?) when I lived in Austin, Minnesota. Many of you may know that Austin is the home of Hormel Foods, the creators and manufacturers of SPAM. If you haven't had the chance to tour the **SPAM Museum**, it's well worth your time (and it's free!). But one of the exhibits in the museum that comes to mind details the fact that SPAM was used to feed the Army troops during World War II. It was nourishing to their bodies, easy to store and transport, and supplied their basic needs. But, having it for every meal, prepared in every way possible, kinda gets to lacking something, doesn't it? I'm sure when they returned home after the war, it was refreshing for them to once again enjoy the variety of home cooking, either from their mothers or their wives. They were abundantly blessed, after serving their country and suffering all kinds of hardships, to be back once again in familiar surroundings, *with all the trimmings.*

Hopefully soon we will back together, at least in limited form, in the place that has been set aside for us to join in the Divine Service together, and receive God's gifts fully in Word and Sacrament. The Elders and

I are making plans to have this happen as soon as it's prudent to do so. **Some of you may decide that it's not safe FOR YOU** even when we do open the doors once again. **Please do not feel any pressure – this is okay!** Each of us, as adults, has to weigh the risks, and decide what our own health and pre-existing conditions are before making a decision. We are going to continue the video services for a time, so that those who don't feel comfortable coming back yet still have the Word preached to them. But, for those who are comfortable gathering with a small group of our members, it's my hope that soon this will be a viable option for the members of Our Savior Lutheran Church. Then we will be able to supplement the Word of God with something tangible in our mouths and in our hands – the very Body and Blood of Christ, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of bodies and souls. What a great day indeed that will be!

Until then, **please don't hesitate to get in touch with me**, and I will "move heaven and earth" to enable you to receive the Sacrament, either at your home or at the church. I am here to serve this congregation as the under-shepherd of Christ, being the steward of the mysteries of God. This is not a burden – I truly desire to bring these gifts to you.

And, speaking of feasts, the Lord's Supper is also a foretaste of the feast to come in heaven. No longer will we receive the forgiveness of sins and the very Body and Blood of Christ under the forms of bread and wine; rather, we will commune with Him face to face. Like a banquet feast, we will no longer have mere sustenance like SPAM, but we will enjoy the luscious goodies of heaven. Thanks be to God that He gives us a shadow of what's coming soon; even more thanks for giving us the hope of perfection and heavenly bliss when He takes us from this vale of tears to Himself in heaven. **Let this hope sustain you** in these days when it may seem like all hope is lost. We are people of expectant joy; we can give others a reason for the hope that lies within us.

I plan to see you (soon!) in church and around the community. You are all in my prayers in these difficult days, as I am confident that I am in yours. God be with you all!

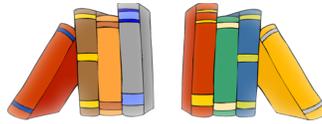
In Christ's Service,
Pastor Daniel M. Provost



LWML NEWS

Hello, Ladies of Our Savior. Just writing a note to all of you to let you know that you are greatly missed but thought of so often. I'm sure all of you are tired of the isolation and restrictions but we do have so many blessings still!! What a loving God we have that we can turn to Him with all of our troubles, our stress and our concerns. He is with us ALWAYS no matter what we are facing and how awesome is that? I know that personally my prayer life has definitely grown through all of this. With every problem and crisis, good does prevail. Have you not found yourself refiguring what the priorities in your life are? I know material things seem so trivial. It's the love of family and friends, the love of Our Savior congregation, and the gift of Christ that have helped get me through this. Keep thinking happy thoughts and know that there are lots of thoughts and prayers going out for you that you will remain healthy, safe and content. I look forward to the time when we can regather and share all of our trials and good news together. Quilting sounds like a ball right now!! Missing you all, Gail

LIBRARY NEWS



Please see if any of these titles are something you might want to check out. Put your name on the check out card with month and year in the date area. Put the card in the card box. Please try to bring the book/dvd back within a month or so.

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LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father
 who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done
 on earth as it is in
 heaven;
 give us this day our daily
 bread;
 and forgive us our
 trespasses as we forgive
 those who trespass
 against us;
 and lead us not into
 temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For Thine is the
 kingdom and the power
 and the glory
 forever and ever.
 Amen.

Congratulations!

Colton Foreck

Colton will continue to work at Hy-Vee Pharmacy this summer. He plans to attend Drake University in the fall. He has many interests, but has decided to major in history, education and philosophy. He will also be in their chorus.



*Class
 of 2020*



THE RECIPE BOX

CREAMY CROCKPOT CRACK CHICKEN

From Gail Hartz

Ingredients

- 2 lbs chicken breast
- 1 pkg Ranch dressing mix
- 1 8 oz. block cream cheese
- 1/2 -3/4 cup cooked crumbled bacon
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 4 green onions, sliced
- Buns



Directions

1. In crockpot, add your chicken, sprinkle with ranch mix and then place the cream cheese on top.
2. Cook on low for 6-7 hours.
3. Shred chicken and stir cream cheese in.
4. Add cheese, bacon, and onions and mix thoroughly.
5. Serve on buns, croissants, or tortillas.

ROASTED GARLIC PARMESAN CARROTS

From Gail Hartz

Ingredients

- 2 lbs. carrots, cut diagonally into 2-3" pieces
- 5 Tbsp butter
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan
- Parsely for garnish



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425°.
2. Grease baking sheet with cooking spray.
3. Melt butter over medium heat in large pan.
4. Add garlic and seasonings and cook for 3 mins until lightly brown.
5. Toss carrots with the garlic butter. Add parmesan cheese.
6. Arrange in one layer on sheet and bake for 22-30 mins.



We'd love to have your recipe!

If you'd like to share your recipes with the OSL Family, please submit a copy to Amanda in the office or e-mail it to oursavr@windstream.net.

PEANUT-BUTTER SILK PIE

From Marilyn Jessen

Ingredients

- 3/4 C. Peanut butter
- 4 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1 C. powdered sugar
- 1 carton cool whip, thawed
- 1 graham cracker crust



Directions

1. Beat together peanut butter, cream cheese and powdered sugar.
2. Fold in cool whip & pour into crust.
3. Sprinkle with nuts and chill until servicen.

EASY MEATLOAF

From Marilyn Jessen

Ingredients

- 1 lb. hamburger
- 1 envelope dry onion soup mix
- 1 small can evaporated milk



Directions

1. Mix together and place in greased loaf pan.
2. Bake at 350° for 45-60 min.
3. Drain grease, slice & serve.

Upcoming Events in June

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JUNE 21ST

FATHER'S DAY



TUESDAY'S IN JUNE

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