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## A Message from Pastor Daniel Provost

Serve  
Love

&  
Encourage

Hebrews 10: 24-25

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#### NOTE:

THERE WILL BE **NO**  
WORSHIP SERVICE WED.,  
AUG. 12TH



A u g u s t  
C h r o n i c l e r

Dear fellow redeemed in Christ,  
The “dog days” of summer are upon us. Most of us are trying to get away to the nearest lake or other body of water, where things are cooler and calmer. Before you know it, school will be starting (at least in a modified form, in these COVID days), and daily and weekly routines will resume once again. This might seem like the best time to get away for a last chance at vacation. But, I’d like to urge you to not forget about your church when you are away from home. The needs of Our Savior Lutheran Church don’t take a vacation; in fact, the summer time is when the finances are often stretched rather thin, as the pews are emptier than during the rest of the year. Please consider how you can continue to support the ministries here at Our Savior the whole year through, but especially in this time of specific need. I’m not just talking about money here, but also time and talents – these are all part of the unified whole that is good Christian stewardship which we are called to practice.

I was reading through some of my old notes from a few years ago, when I last attended the LCMS National Convention. In Milwaukee in 2016, we were reminded that the **Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod continues to be a beacon of light**, spreading the Gospel around the world. We are blessed to have partner churches that rely upon us for guidance, support and prayers. While Christianity is at least forty years into decline in the United States and Western Europe, this is not the case in other parts of the world. We entered into fellowship in various ways with many church bodies around the world– Lutherans that believe as we do, and desire to express this unity that has been created by the Holy Spirit. **We are not alone!** Even though we might become discouraged at the events in our country, and think that the end is near for the Lutheran Christian church, this couldn’t be farther from the truth. The fact of the matter is that while the center of evangelistic activity and Christian fervor has largely moved to what is called the “global south”, it has not been extinguished. Lutherans in Guatemala, Nigeria, and Uruguay have joined together with us in a common confession of the truth of the Gospel. Jesus reminds us that the gates of hell will never prevail against His church, and that the Holy Spirit will continue to bless and expand it until the Last Day comes.

One of the most poignant moments of the convention, at least for me, was

when the leader of the small, confessional Lutheran church in Norway (not the official state church, but a group of five or six faithful pastors and congregations) addressed our convention. **[In fact, the timeliness of this is why I’m giving you this recounting from four years ago!]** He gave thanks for all of the support that the LCMS has given to the group that he represents, and for the fact that the Gospel light has not been extinguished despite the moral relativity and secularism of Western Europe. But, he did give us a warning – that **we might indeed be the next place where such clandestine, solid and numerically sparse Lutheran Christianity would become necessary and normal.** We are not promised that we will be popular for the Name of Christ that we bear; we are not promised that our church will remain large and widespread. But, we are promised that the Holy Spirit will give us the fortitude and strength of conviction to remain true to the Gospel, and to not knuckle under to the forces of evil around us. It is entirely possible that we may face a day when we are unable to worship the Triune God openly in this country. [We had a little warm up for this when the COVID epidemic prevented us from joining together for a time!] While we pray that this persecution may not come, we realize that it might be necessary, only for the purpose of strengthening our faith.

I say this not to be pessimistic, but to be prepared for what may very well be coming. The church has endured persecution, martyrdom and internal strife throughout all of human history. But, God has always preserved a faithful remnant, and He will do so in the future as well. We have His Word on it. Thanks be to God for His steadfastness and His unfailing love for us sinful men. In these COVID days, when it might appear that the light of the Gospel is fading, **let us not lose hope.** Jesus Himself tells us that the gates of hell will not prevail against His church. He alone knows what is best, and will cause it to come about. We, on the other hand, are called to be faithful – faithful to the teaching and practice we’ve received, faithful to the regular reception of the Sacrament, faithful to regular church attendance and learning in Bible study. That is what we will focus on, until Jesus calls us home.

I hope to see you in church and around the community.

In Christ’s Service,  
Pastor Daniel M. Provost

## PASTOR GONE

Pastor will be gone to continuing education class from August 10th-14th. There will **not** be worship service Wed., Aug. 12th. Please feel free to contact Randy Ervin, 641-521-5645 or an elder during this time. Ron Dlouhy, 641-831-9649; Doug Woebeking, 641-521-5645; Dar-ryl Johnson, 563-349-0230. Thank you!

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to our OSL church family for your cards, thoughts and prayers. Dawn is finished with her first round of chemo and now is starting radiation therapy for 6 weeks. Love, Dawn and Bob Mesner.

## CHURCH LAWN

Please consider volunteering to help mow our church lawn. Contact one of the following to be scheduled. Carmen Sanders 417-860-6102, Steve Hartz 521-0555 or Gary Gerds 521-0985. Thanks for volunteering!

## DIGITAL ACCESS

[WWW.OURSAVLUTHERAN.COM](http://WWW.OURSAVLUTHERAN.COM)

PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE OUR WEBSITE TO ACCESS DIGITAL SERVICES, BULLETINS, CHRONICLERS, ACTIVITY CALENDAR AND PASTOR'S BLOG

### NEW!!

PASTORS SERMONS WILL NOW BE ADDED TO OUR SITE UNDER THE RESOURCES TAB.

**CHECK IT OUT!**

## 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.

### ADULT NON-FICTION

*Title and call number*

Kiplinger's retire & thrive	306.3 Ott
Sometimes I wake up grumpy	306.7 Lin
Mom & dad don't live together anymore	306.8 Hun
Caring for aging parents	306.8 Joh
Becoming family	306.8 Lau
Making our marriage last a lifetime	306.8 Mak
Sharing family times: simple ways	306.8 Per
Self-care for caregivers	306.8 Sam
Then God created grandparents	306.8 She
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Share life's defining moments	306.87 Wei
Leaking laffs between pampers and depends	306.874 Joh
Innovative grandparents	306.874 Oco

### LWML DEVOTION ~ AUGUST 2020

Leader: We make our beginning in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn:* "Christ, the Life of All the Living" vv. 1-3 (LSB 420)

Leader: For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. *I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well (Psalm 139:13-14).*

**Response: O Loving Lord, You created each of us to be a unique person. Your loving hand formed us from the beginning. Help us to live as the unique person You created and to share Your love and mercy, especially with those who are struggling with a life issue. We thank You for the work of Lutherans for Life in providing materials to help answer questions regarding life issues.**

Leader: *Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to him, saying, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it"* (Luke 18:15-17).

**Response: Blessed Lord Jesus, You love the children, all of them, just as they are, just as you created them. Help me show Your love to all your children. Bless our mites as they provide funding for Lutherans for Life to develop digital materials to teach all Your children the value of life.**



### LWML BYTES

Life issues such as abortion, embryo experimentation, and assisted suicide affect millions of people. Digital media offers an opportunity to discuss these and other life issues with those who need to hear the message of the value of life and God's love and grace for each one of us. For information on how Lutherans For Life is seeking to provide information, go to: [www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-13](http://www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-13).

LWML Mission Grant #13 for the 2019-2021 biennium is Digital Media Development. Lutherans For Life digital media will use social networks such as YouTube, Facebook, iTunes, and Instagram to serve as a visual witness and allow Lutherans to engage people in virtual conversations regarding life issues. Check out this mission grant at: [www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-13](http://www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-13).



# THE RECIPE BOX

## ICE CREAM CAKE

From [www.thekitchn.com](http://www.thekitchn.com)

### Ingredients

2 quarts vanilla ice cream  
2 1/2 C. roughly crushed chocolate cookies  
2 c. chocolate fudge sauce  
1 quart chocolate ice cream  
1 quart heavy whipping cream  
2 tbsp. powdered sugar  
1 tsp. vanilla extract  
Sprinkles  
Magic Shell sauce, store-bought or homemade  
Maraschino cherries



### Equipment

Wax or parchment paper  
Baking sheet  
9- or 10-inch springform ring, chilled in the freezer overnight (see Note)  
Stand or hand mixer  
Spatula  
Large round cake plate or platter  
Offset spatula  
Piping bag, optional

### Directions

1. Set up your pan: Lay a sheet of parchment or wax paper on a baking sheet, and place your cold springform ring (without the bottom) on top.
2. Whip the vanilla ice cream: Whip the vanilla ice cream with a mixer for about 2 minutes, or until fluffy but still frozen.
3. Create the vanilla ice cream layer: Spread the whipped ice cream up the sides of the pan, creating a thick layer of vanilla all around. Spread the rest in the bottom, and smooth out. (A little ice cream may puddle out the bottom as it melts. This is fine; we'll take care of that later.)
4. Add 2 cups crushed cookies: Spread a thick, even layer of cookies over the ice cream and lightly press in.
5. Add 2 cups fudge sauce: Warm the fudge sauce just enough to make it easily pourable, but not too hot, then pour over the cookies.
6. Freeze for 4 hours: Freeze for at least 4 hours, or overnight if you have the time.
7. Create the chocolate ice cream layer: Whip the chocolate ice cream with a mixer until fluffy but still frozen. Spread on top of the cookie and fudge layer and smooth it so it's even with the top of the pan. Cover the top with another sheet of parchment or wax paper.
8. Freeze overnight: Freeze overnight or until completely solid.
9. Prep the cake for unmolding: Peel away the top layer of parchment or wax paper. Place a large round plate or platter over the top of springform pan, upside-down. Gently flip the whole cake over, so that it ends up on the plate with the chocolate layer on the bottom and the vanilla layer on top. Peel away the other piece of parchment. Trim away any fro-

zen bits of ice cream on the outside of the cake.

10. Unmold the ice cream cake: Gently loosen the springform and wiggle it until it slides smoothly off the cake. Dab the base gently to mop up any melted ice cream. Return to the freezer while you whip the cream.

11. Frost with whipped cream: Whip the cream with the powdered sugar and vanilla until it forms soft peaks. Use an offset spatula to spread the whipped cream all over the cake. If desired, use a piping bag to create rosettes or other decorations.

12. Decorate the cake: Add sprinkles, drizzles of Magic Shell, extra dollops of whipped cream, and Maraschino cherries, if desired.

13. Freeze until eating: At this point, the cake can be eaten, but it will melt quickly. It's best to return it to the freezer, overnight if possible. It will also keep quite a while; once the cake and the frosting are firmly frozen, cover loosely with plastic wrap and freeze for up to 1 month.

### Recipe Notes

**On springform rings:** I realize that springforms come in various sizes and we don't usually keep both a 9-inch and a 10-inch around. So use either; the cake will be a little shorter and broader with a 10-inch, and taller with a 9-inch.

**Flavor swaps:** I'm not sure I need to tell you this, but the sky is the limit with flavors here. Try mint chocolate chip with a mix of Andes Mints and Oreos in the middle. Cherry cordial ice cream with chopped fresh cherries and white chocolate drizzle. Peanut butter and chocolate with crumbled Nutter Butters. Your choice.

**Ice cream choices:** From my research, it seems that Dairy Queen uses an eggless ice cream for their cakes, so I opted for egg-free Breyers. It whips nicely, and it's fairly light, which I think works well here.

## Upcoming Events in August

AUGUST 10TH - 14TH

PASTOR GONE TO CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS

AUGUST 11TH

6:30PM TRUSTEES MEETING

AUGUST 18TH

6:30PM COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00PM ELDERS MEETING

AUGUST 21ST

**Chronicler Deadline**

AUGUST WORSHIP

SUNDAY'S AT 9:00AM

WEDNESDAY'S AT 7:00PM (EXCEPT AUG. 12TH)

TUESDAY'S IN AUGUST

**BULLETIN DEADLINE - AM**

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