



SPECIAL VOTER'S  
ASSEMBLY – TUESDAY,  
JUNE 8 AT 6:30 P.M.

**June 4 -LWML - Caring and Sharing Breakfast Meeting -**



**ALL MEMBERS** are invited to participate in a planning session on Friday, June 4 at 9 a.m. We hope to review new and old caring projects and map out a strategy for the rest of 2021. Coffee and breakfast will be served!



**Pastor Moore wrote in a recent newsletter:** “Thank you for your ongoing prayers on my behalf. Also, although the initial reports on my prostate biopsy looked favorable, one of the twelve tissue samples did come back positive for cancer. My doctor is advising me to monitor the cancer with quarterly PSA checks and yearly biopsies. It appears to be one of the very slow moving prostate cancers. I appreciate your prayers. This is another reminder from the Lord that we are dependent upon the Lord for life and breath and all our needs of mind, body and spirit, and He desires that we have an intimate daily relationship through Jesus who has conquered every foe, and desires to bless us eternally.”



**USHERS AND GREETERS:** As Sunday church services get back to normal, (Yay!) we are in urgent need of USHERS and GREETERS for each month through the end of the year! **A sign up sheet is posted in the narthex.**

**SUNDAY READINGS BIBLE STUDY:**

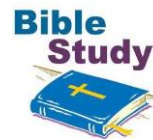
For Sunday 6/6 - Trinity I

Readings: Genesis 15:1-6; 1 John 4:16-21; Luke 16:19-31

Psalm: 33:12-22

Hymn Nos.: 748, 768, 798, 696, 797, 851

**PLEASE NOTE: Bible Study** to be held at the church at 6:30 p.m. June 2 in preparation for Special Voter's Assembly. This study will largely focus on Ephesians Chapter, 4, but will also delve into the other documents that Pastor Beltz recommended for our reading. If you have any questions please speak with Pastor Provost or one of the Elders.



**CHURCH SERVICE** - With the CDC no longer requiring masks and social distancing for those vaccinated, the Elders, Randy and Pastor have decided to get back to “normal” for our church services beginning Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. We will no longer have pews restricted with the tape, hymnals and bibles will be in the pews, communion will be at the rail in groups larger than families, common cup will be offered and gloves and masks will no longer be required. If the larger group communion is a concern for you, we will offer a second round of communion on an individual family basis as we have been doing in the past. The service will no longer be recorded but if you are watching it and want to continue to watch the video from home,



please let an Elder know and we will reinstate the recording. **ALSO More Good News: We are having fellowship and coffee after the services!**

**FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED:** If you can put cookies on a plate, pour juice in a cup, and make coffee you can become a member of the fellowship team. For those of you that do not know how to make coffee you can be trained!!!!

**A sign up sheet is posted in the narthex.**



MAY 31

Mary Anne Johnson



## SPECIAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY - We have scheduled the



**Congregational Meeting**

discussion/ visit with our circuit visitor, Pastor Beltz for Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the church in a special Voter's meeting. This visit is a result of the last Voter's Assembly where there was a motion approved to get our circuit visitor involved in the

concerns that have been raised by many members during the Voter's Assembly, letters, etc. Pastor Beltz will lead the discussion. **It is extremely important that you attend and partake in the discussion** so the end result will be satisfactory to everyone at OSL.

Pastor Beltz sent the following for circulation to our members in advance of the meeting:

I (Pastor Beltz) would recommend looking/studying Ephesians 4 as Congregation/Council/Elders and also the Ordination/Installation Vows, the Vocational Diploma and Supplement, both for Pastor Provost's duties and the Congregation's in relation to each other. I would also recommend the Installation of Officers Rite in Our Agenda, as it also makes explicit the duties of the Pastor and Congregation in Relation to Each other. You as President and the Chief Elder should spearhead the effort to get the congregation involved in this study.

What Circuit Visitor Beltz WILL and WILL NOT be doing. I WILL be an ambassador for the Scriptures. I WILL hold the Congregation of Our Savior accountable to the Scripture. I WILL Hold Pastor Provost Accountable to the Scriptures. I WILL Hold Pastor Provost accountable to his Confessional Standard and Vows. I WILL Hold the Congregation of Our Savior accountable to Their Confessional Standard and Vows (most likely Article II of your Constitution). I WILL Hold Pastor Provost accountable to His Ordination Vows and the Agreement of Duties made explicit in his Call Documents. I WILL Hold the Congregation of Our Savior

accountable to their Vows of Installation and their Agreement to the Congregational Duties made explicit in the Call Documents.

I WILL NOT entertain any other basis for considering the matters of this/these issues. The reason being, I have no authority outside of the parameters listed above. I can only work with these Words and Documents we have all agreed to uphold as faithful Christian Pastors and Congregations in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and hold us all accountable there-to.

Here, also, are the ground-rules for any meeting I mediate:

- Eagerness for Reconciliation and Unity (Ephesians 4.3)
- Kindness, Love, Charity, Tenderheartedness, and Forgiveness Will Prevail (Ephesians 4.32)
- Communicate respectfully (Ephesians 4.2)
- Honesty: We will speak the **TRUTH** in love (Ephesians 4.15)
- No assuming motives (8<sup>th</sup> Commandment)
- Lingering Anger is not an Option (Ephesians 4.26-27; 31)
- No interruptions (except for mediator/reconciler)

I hope this helps a little and gives you all something to discuss moving forward.

In Christ,  
Pastor Beltz

**Please let Pastor Provost know if any of you would like a copy of any of the materials that Pastor Beltz suggests that you review, he would be more than happy to provide it to you.**

We all look forward to seeing you at our Sunday church service and the special Voter's Assembly on June 8<sup>th</sup>. As always, feel free to reach out to an Elder with any questions or concerns.

Your OSL Elders, Doug, Darryl and Ron