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As forgiven children of God, we, the Pentecost Family of Faith, are committed to show everyone Life in Christ.

Vacancy Update

Thank you to everyone who has given our congregation president and other council members input regarding Pentecost and Living Hope working together. Our full Church Council and Living Hope's leadership team have had joint meetings in April and May in which financial and other pertinent information was shared. The Living Hope congregation met this past Sunday and has a congregational meeting coming up at the end of June. After that point, Pentecost's Church Council will formulate a concise plan to present to our congregation. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns in the meantime, feel free to contact our congregation president (Tim Hasko), vice-president (Will Smith), or any other council member.



Thanks to Mike and Judy Mueller for decorating the church grounds with flags for Memorial Day Weekend



Lucy Bitner – 06/01
 Seth Luxem – 06/01
 Terri Lisowski – 06/03
 Lindsay O’Neill – 06/06
 Kevin Greco – 06/08
 Janet Greco – 06/09
 Aiden Yeager – 06/09

Katie Eckman – 06/10
 Casey Hutchinson – 06/10
 Rachel Hasko – 06/11
 Ally Meyer – 06/12
 Zoe Smith – 06/12
 Corissa Galipeau – 06/13
 Cameron Wagner – 06/13
 Matt Luxem – 06/16
 Jack Maloney – 06/18
 Dan Mrock – 06/24
 Weston Sadowski – 06/24
 Noah Barclay – 06/27
 Karen Luchterhand – 06/28
 Rob Cooper – 06/30



Robert & Jodi Barclay – 33 years – June 2nd
Scot & Pam Sinclair – 28 years - June 3rd
Kyle & Shana Jacob – 15 years - June 7th
Dan & Laura Sadowski – 16 years – June 16th
Dan & Debbie Mrock – 11 years – June 22nd
Jeff & Gretchen Hansen – 22 years - June 23rd
Walter & Lisa Wilckens – 30 years - June 23rd
Steve & Eunice Matter – 31 years – June 27th



RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Grace Hansen
 Nathaniel Lisowski
 Seth Luxem

CONCORDIAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Isabella Lisowski



Vacation Bible School at Pentecost!

**July 31-Aug. 4,
 5:30-7:30pm.**

The theme for VBS is Twists & Turns: Following Jesus Changes the Game. Kids will play their way through VBS while learning that Jesus guides them through all the twists and turns of their lives! We are looking for volunteers to help as group leaders, youth to lend helping hands, someone to take pictures, someone to lead games, someone to lead crafts, and someone to help with snacks. Look for a sign up sheet in the narthex. We are also hoping to find families to prepare a simple dinner for one night each (tacos in a bag, burgers, sandwiches, or an idea of your choosing). Finally, please let us know if your children will be able to join us. Sign-up by June 25th. Questions? Contact Amy Luxem, or Shana Jacob.



There will be a New Bible study opportunity starting Wednesday, June 7th. We will have an 8 week bible study on The Chosen series season 1. We will use a discussion guide to walk through one episode per week. Join us in the parish house at 6pm. Any questions see Katy Wagner



Do you like to take pictures as a hobby or professionally? 1 or 2 photographers are needed to volunteer to take pictures at the LWML Tee Up 4 Mites Golf Scramble Event on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at Western Lakes

Golf Club in Pewaukee. Any questions or if you are interested in helping out, please contact Eunice Matter 414-418-0798.

Stewardship Corner

So often over the last few years we've heard about or seen things that Jenna Geyer (now King) has done as part of the Stewardship Board. There's the first ever Dessert Derby, clean-up days, changing the paraments... Last month we were able to watch a proud father (Dan Geyer) walk a beautiful bride (his daughter, Jenna) down the aisle to become Mrs. Ian King.

Congratulations Jenna and Ian

We wish you the very best.



Congratulations Isabella Lisowski Confirmed May 28, 2023



While we celebrated many joys in May, we were also saddened by the death of long-time member Martha Burman on May 10. Information we have now says there will be a service for Martha at Pentecost on May 22. Watch your bulletin for more information.

Mother~Daughter Piano Duet

May 28th saw Zoe Smith join her mother, Bekah, at the piano for a piano duet during communion.



Martha Burman



We remember Martha for her cheerful greetings to everyone who entered the church. She was one of the first ones at church each Sunday and made sure visitors as well

as members were welcomed. Collecting giraffes was one of her hobbies and she had many different ones at her house. Martha also loved children, working as an aide at West Ridge Elementary School. She enjoyed reading stories to children at church, also. We could always count on Martha to "bake" a kringle for church events.

Dessert Derby ~ June 4

Be sure to join us in the Fellowship Hall after church and vote for a winner.



June 14

The Stars and Stripes Story

This story was written by veteran John Batikis many years ago when he worked with Boy Scout Troop 400 sponsored by his VFW post. John and his troop had a flag display and gave many presentations on the history of our flag.

The origin of our nation's flag represents the story of the origin of our country. Thoughtful people look beyond our Flag to the Nation, itself...its history.

Flags that were first adopted by our forefathers were examples of their struggles with the wilderness of a new land...Beavers, Pine Trees, Rattle Snakes, Anchors, etc. accompanied by slogans and mottos such as "Hope", "Liberty," Appeal To Heaven," and "Don't Tread on Me."

By superimposing six white stripes on to the British red ensign the Colonists created the first national flag of the United States...properly called the **Continental Colors** – during the period from 1775-1777. The first Stars and Stripes (often called the Betsy Ross Flag) had a pattern of 13 Stars and 13 Stripes. This was the result of Congressional action by the resolution of June 14th, 1777. The Congressional act provided that "the Flag of 13 United States shall be 13 stripes, alternate red and white, with the union of 13 stars, white in a field of blue, representing a new constellation."

A new Star and new Stripe was added to the flag when Kentucky and Vermont were admitted in 1794. The 15 Star and 15 Striped Flag was born. This was the Flag that Francis Scott Key wrote about during the War of 1812...**The Star Spangled Banner**...This is the **only** Flag of the United States to have more than 13 stripes. After that, Congress resolved that only a Star would be added for each new State and the stripes would revert back to 13 representing the original 13 States.

Our Flag has been carried during peace time and during war time and in many parts of the world. It went to the moon during recent times. Wisconsin became a State under the 30 Star Flag. The Civil War was fought under the 33-34-35 and 36 Star Flags. The 45 Star Flag was placed on top of the world at the North Pole by Admiral Peary and Matt Henson in April of 1909. Veterans of World War I and World War II fought under the 48 Star Flag. Our current 50 Star Flag is the result of the admittance of Alaska in 1959 and Hawaii in 1960.

Since June 14, 1777, there have been 27 Official changes in the Flag of the United States.

Families in Red for Pentecost Sunday



The Hensel Family – Scott, Raynae, Tanya



The Smith Family – Will, Bekah, Zoe, Liam, Judah