



MEMORIAL LUTHERAN NEWS

July 2020

The More Things Change . . .

Change can be tough. Change can hurt. Change challenges our sense of well-being!

Change has always been a constant for us, but it seems lately as if we're having to make rapid changes in the way we do so many things. Your shopping patterns have probably changed over the past months. How often you visit other people – or at least the way in which you visit others – has likely been different for you. Many have undergone work schedule changes (some quite drastically). Our church schedule and method of interaction has been in flux of late, attempting to accommodate a wide variety of people's needs and concerns. I suspect that each one of us has lately experienced some type of life-style change – with some of these changes being quite difficult and troublesome! And all these changes just due to concerns over the Corona virus!

On another front, social concerns in our country appear to be demanding change. Companies are changing policies. Thought patterns and language choices are being reassessed. While concerns of

respecting each person's value may seem to have been thrust upon us almost overnight, they've really been simmering (perhaps actually boiling?) and needing to be addressed for years, decades, and, let me say it, for centuries and even millennia!

Who was it that said, "The more things change, the more they stay the same?" Quick online research immediately points to a 2010 Bon Jovi song, but the phrase has been around for much longer. In fact, God's had an angle on the change concerns even

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before human beings brought change to our Creator's original perfect plan.

While the world keeps changing, at least one thing has remained constant: People need God. And we need change! Yes, each and every person needs rescue. That truth remains the same through every generation. Each one of us is sinners and is incapable of repairing the catastrophic change sin has brought to our relationship with God and with one another. But the solution to the sin problem – the forgiveness of sins – has also remained the same throughout the world's history. (continued on page 3)

Stewardship Minute

God in His kindness gave each of us different gifts. If your gift is speaking God's word, make sure what you say agrees with the Christian faith. If your gift is serving, then devote yourself to serving. If it is teaching, devote yourself to teaching. If it is encouraging others, devote yourself to giving encouragement. If it is sharing, be generous. If it is leadership, lead enthusiastically. If it is helping people in need, help them cheerfully. -Romans 12:6-8

Moving Forward!

We've begun offering 8am & 11am Worship with Holy Communion; 9:30am shortened communion service; Livestream 11am Worship (also be posted on Facebook & Youtube for later viewing). For more info, call the church office or visit www.memoriallutheran.net

Building Activities?

Thursday Adult Bible Study will begin on July 2nd at 9 am. Sunday Bible Studies will be offered beginning July 5th at 9:30 am. Sunday Nite Live Kids' Events will be happening in July. See the display just inside the main doors.

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MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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JULY CALENDAR

Wed., July 1

6:30 pm High School Youth Group

Thurs., July 2

9 am Adult Bible Study
7 pm Elder's Meeting

Sunday, July 5

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Short Communion Service
11 am Contemporary/Blended Worship
11 am Livestream Worship
4:30 pm Asmus small group

Wed., July 8

6:30 pm Middle School Youth Group

Thurs., July 9

9 am Adult Bible Study

Sunday, July 5

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Short Communion Service
11 am Contemporary/Blended Worship
11 am Livestream Worship
6 pm Sunday Night Live VBS (3rd-5th gr)

Wed., 15

6:30 pm High School Youth Group

Thurs., July 16

9 am Adult Bible Study
7 pm Church Council Meeting

Sunday, July 19

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Short Communion Service
11 am Contemporary/Blended Worship
11 am Livestream Worship
4:30 pm Asmus Small Group
6 pm Sunday Night Live VBS (1st-2nd gr)

Wed., July 22

6:30 pm Middle School Youth Group

Thurs., July 23

9 am Adult Bible Study

Sunday, July 26

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Short Communion Service
11 am Contemporary/Blended Worship
11 am Livestream Worship
6 pm Sunday Night Live VBS (Pre-Sch—K)

Thurs., July 30

9 am Adult Bible Study

People To Contact:

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Doug Borchert
Dan Currier
Kasey Danley
Rich Hartmann
Mike Minarik
Peter Nord
Dan Peters
Jim Schmidt
Andy Schmuck
Allen Schoenwald
Joel Quist

Sunday Online Worship

(We are working with new equipment & still working out some of the bugs. Thanks for your patience while we grow.)

<https://m.facebook.com/MemorialLutheranSF/> or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMFrxj3Ubt55SNc3XqGJgQ>

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." - Mark 10:45

Serving in July

Serving Communion:

July 5: 8:00 am - Bhrett Baney & Larry Noah
9:30 am - Dan Amert, Doug Borchert, Rick Dierks, Tim Miller
11:00 am - Andy Schmuck, Jerome Heyd, Joel Shaver, Wayne Grothmann

July 12: 8:00 am - **OPEN** & Rich Ulises
9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Ken Wickre, Peter Nord, Terry Conrad
11:00 am - Blake Miller, Darold Danley, Kasey Danley, Mike Gilbride

July 19: 8:00 am - Doug Foster & Dan Peters
9:30 am - **OPEN**, Don Becker, Mark Schoeneman, Tim Miller
11:00 am - Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, David Fehrs, Paul Luetjen

July 26: 8:00 am - Larry Noah & Rocky Boer
9:30 am - Dan Amert, Doug Borchert, Ken Wickre, Rick Dierks
11:00 am - Darold Danley, Jerome Heyd, Joel Shaver, Wayne Grothmann

Lay Readers:

July 5: 8:00 am - Rose Foster
11:00 am - Wayne Grothmann

July 12: 8:00 am - Rose Foster
11:00 am - Cindy Hyronemus

July 19: 8:00 am - Dan Peters
11:00 am - Paul Luetjen

July 26: 8:00 am - Rich Ulises
11:00 am - Shirley Miller

Ushers:

8:00 am -
Ken Reuter,
Wayne Helgager
Darin Steffen
Terry Bendt
Rich Munch
Clayton Sonnenschein

9:30 am -
Don Becker
Dan Currier
Ken Tucker
Dean Bornitz
Joel Quist
Joel Bialas

11:00 am -
Tim Dahmen
Landon Dahmen
Rich Miller

Power Point:

July 5:
8:00 am - Charlie Peters
9:30 am - OPEN
11:00 am - OPEN

July 12:
8:00 am - Maddy Peters
9:30 am - OPEN
11:00 am - Shirley Miller

July 19:
8:00 am - Seth Peters
9:30 am - OPEN
11:00 am - Wayne Grothmann

July 26:
8:00 am - Charlie Peters
9:30 am - OPEN
11:00 am - Mike Gilbride

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." -1 Peter 4:10

Acolytes:

July 5:
8:00 am - Adam Maxwell
11:00 am - Konner Fischer

July 12:
8:00 am - Landon Sohre
11:00 am - Isa Larson

July 19:
8:00 am - Elyse Prouty
11:00 am - Noah Wood

July 26:
8:00 am - Claire Sohre
11:00 am - Jada Cooper

Accompanists:

July 5:
8:00 am - Joy Johansen
11:00 am - Worship Team

July 12:
8:00 am - Jan Noah
11:00 am - Worship Team

July 19:
8:00 am - Peggy Baney
11:00 am - Kristi Prouty

July 26:
8:00 am - Joy Johansen
11:00 am - Worship Team



The More Things Change... *(continued from page 1)*

The promised Savior, God Himself, has come to us. We are made one with our unchanging God *(and with one another!)* by the forgiveness of sins in Jesus. And His gift changes us – our attitudes toward God and toward others, our concerns, our actions.

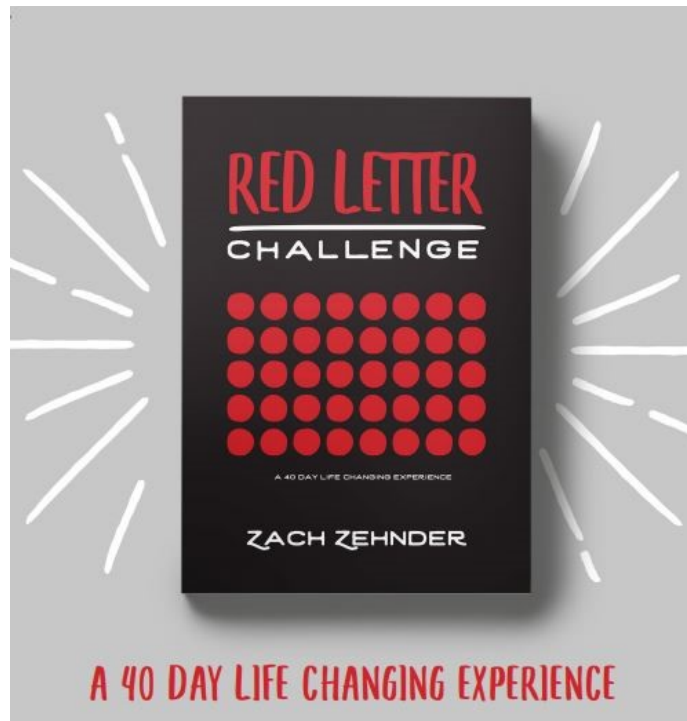
We will constantly see change all around us. In fact, every time I see something around me change, I'm reminded that there's change going on inside of me as well – change that only God has the power to address. In the short time it takes me to read this article, my earthly body has aged yet another fraction of a generation. Another portion of my life has moved from future to past. Add up all these little moments, and there's a lot of future being changed into the past. Yet, by the unchanging power and promise of God in Jesus Christ, my future with Him knows no ending point. Even through death, I will live forever with Him because I've been changed; rescued and delivered from the sin/separation problem. God's planned and unchanging constant is that IN OUR RISEN LORD JESUS CHRIST, WE LIVE WITH GOD FOREVER. Our bodies can and will die, but they will ultimately be changed (see 1 Cor. 15:51ff); raised for life everlasting with Him.

Through all the changes, God's unchanging promise of forgiveness and eternal life holds constant and holds you to Him! No latest invention or technological breakthrough can give that kind of promise! And that promise changes everything about living!

"Change and decay in all around I see; Oh, Thou who changest not, abide with me!" (LSB #878)

Blessings in Christ! – Pastor Aaron

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." - Hebrews 11:1



WHAT WOULD CHANGE IF YOU IMMERSED YOURSELF IN THE WORDS SPOKEN BY JESUS FOR 40 DAYS?

How would Jesus shape your life if you began to more intentionally put His words into practice?

Beginning Sunday September 13th, we will embark on a 40-day journey through the Gospels, hearing and doing the words of Jesus. We hope you'll come along with us!

| July Birthdays | | July Anniversaries |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1- Stacey Kuusela | 17- Bruce Leslie | 1- Randy & Laurie Clark |
| 2- Lincoln Boetel | Kristina Pike | Drew & Kelsey Cosand |
| Max Kueter | Don Reitz | Paul & Caroline Krapf |
| 3- Ron Christensen | 19- Nathan Berg | Dan & Liz Peters |
| Jan Radach | Linda Brunick | 3- Will & Kathy Dathe |
| 4- Caryl Abbott | 21- Dylon Harnisch | Don & Carolyn Reitz |
| Katie Gue | 22- Andrew Bork | 6- Jonathan & Kali Swift |
| Peter Nord | Helen Christopherson | 7- Andrew & Skye Bork |
| 5- Lori Dodge | Tom Landis | Mark & Kristy Bridges |
| Ann Leslie | Brian McFadden | Rich & Donna Hartmann |
| 6- Steff Danley | 23- Dawn Grotewold | 9- Casey & Alison Raaen |
| 7- Tom Kenyon | Kirk Lee | 10- Joe & Linda Craft |
| Georgia Raap | Tyler Ulses | Boyd & Jessica Perkins |
| Jordan St Clair | 24- Kay Stockwell | 11- Mike & Corrine Minarik |
| 8- Chad Reiffenberger | 25- Laren Lorenzen | 13- Mark & Amy Schoeneman |
| 9- Elizabeth Fraction | Bill Miller | 15- Jeff & Melanie Nelson |
| Todd Naber | 26- Trayven Cooper-Dumke | 16- Kevin & Jana Maxwell |
| Nancy Pavelko | Robb Grotewold | 18- Doug & Rose Foster |
| Mark Warwick | Doug Schaefer | Chip & Sheree Soles |
| 10- Kayla Dannenbring | Mark Schoeneman | 19- Bruce & Donna Aljets |
| Kain Kittleson | 27- Elizabeth Pruner | Terry & Sharon Conrad |
| Beverly Togel | 28- Julie Buskol | Tyler & Melissa Roerig |
| 11- Landon Dahmen | Stephanie Gibbs | 21- Ken & Mindee Birnstiehl |
| 12- Harper Miller | Hailey Miller | Wayne & Cindy Grothmann |
| 13- Max Boxdorfer | Shelly Thomson | 23- Greg & Judy Larson |
| Brooklynne Miller | Alexis Weisenbach | 24- Bill & Cheryl Cooper |
| Breanne Noble | 29- Carmen Jacobs | 25- Clinton & Jennifer Henry |
| Aryn Roerig | Joanne Landis | 27- Dean & Laren Lorenzen |
| 14- Parker Jerke | Pat Reichert | 28- Darin & Stephanie Friese |
| Karen Moore | 30- Edison Jerke | 29- Kurt & Melissa Fahy |
| Quinn Stein | Virgil Kouril | 31- Paul & Kathy Luetjen |
| 15- Sydney Hieb | | |
| 16- Rita Miller | | |
| Grant Prouty | | |



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY INSIGHTS FROM LIZ . . .

July 1st is a special day for the me and Dan—our anniversary! 20 years ago, I married Dan the man, whom I love, and who God gave me. Little did I know when I was sent to Yankton, SD on my DCE internship, that I would meet a God-filled man that would become my lifelong partner and beloved best friend. We have seen many ups and downs and traveled many hills and valleys, but through it all God has been the center of what we do. We thank God daily for blessing us together and try our best to not take that for granted. So, here's one the little things that we do each day, maybe you want to

MAY THE GOD WHO GIVES
**ENDURANCE AND
ENCOURAGEMENT** GIVE YOU
THE SAME **ATTITUDE OF MIND**
TOWARD EACH OTHER THAT
CHRIST JESUS HAD, SO THAT
WITH **ONE MIND AND ONE
VOICE** YOU MAY GLORIFY
THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR
LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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ROMANS 15:13-6

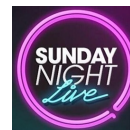
do this too with someone you love. 2@2--each day at 2:00 pm, we send a text message to each other sharing 2 things that we love about each other. Simple little things to give us endurance and encouragement in our marriage, just like Romans 15:5-6, which was read at our wedding. Happy Anniversary to us. And may you be blessed in your relationships.

SS @ Home

Families of 5th graders and below are being sent home a weekly lesson that y'all can do together at home. If you are NOT receiving this email, PLEASE email Liz children@memoriallutheran.net so we can get you on this mailing list. For now, we will continue with this till the all clear sign is given to meet together again. Stay safe!

Sunday Night Live

NO VBS this summer, BUT we will have a time just for kids on some Sunday nights coming up. We'll gather kids together for Bible story, music, crafts, games, & snack. In August, we'll be having water games, so wear your swimsuits & be ready to get wet! We will do our best to social distance by using a bigger space but limiting the age groups to different nights. Register at www.memoriallutheran.net or on FB. Volunteers are needed, contact Liz at children@memoriallutheran.net or text 605-759-4782.



Sundays @ 6:00-7:30 PM

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| July 12 | New 3 rd , 4 th & 5 th Graders |
| July 19 | New 1 st & 2 nd Graders |
| July 26 | New Preschool & Kindergarteners |
| Aug. 2 | New 3 rd , 4 th & 5 th Graders |
| Aug. 9 | New 1 st & 2 nd Graders |
| Aug. 16 | New Preschool & Kindergarteners |

Supply Needs:

Individual Bags of Goldfish Crackers
Case/Boxes of Capri Sun Juice Pouches
Cases of 16.9 oz Bottles of Water

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - Matthew 19:14

STUDENT MINISTRIES INSIGHTS FROM HAILEY JO. . .

God uses the weak. I probably need to write this on my forehead, tape it to my mirror and above my computer, so I will see it every. single. day. In a world that strives for the best, buys the best and keeps on improving on the best...it's hard not to want to be the best. God's message is totally different. Before heading into battle, God told Gideon, "The people with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel boast over me, saying, 'My own hand has saved me.'" God doesn't want to use your best. He uses you when you are tired, ill-equipped and under-qualified. Why? So that in the moments of weakness His strength and faithfulness can shine. Let's celebrate our weaknesses and God's strength that prevails.

July 2020 Student Ministry Calendar

5th and 8th grade Move Up Day!

- 5th grade move-up day: See you Wed, Sept 9th (6:30pm-8pm)
- 8th grade move-up day: July 1st at HS Small Group (6:30pm-8pm)

High School Small Group (9th-12th grade): Will meet at church every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month (July 1 & 15), 6:30pm-8pm.

High School Night Out: July 24th, 5pm-7pm. Let's get together, play some games and hang out. We'll send out more details the week of.

Middle School Small Group (6th-8th grade): Will meet at church every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month (July 8 & 22).

9:20 Sunday Bible Study (For 6th-8th grade):

I've heard the masses and have decided that starting in July, we are back together!!!!!! Let's meet every Sunday morning in the garage from 9:30-10:30am (Starts July 5).

Confirmation: A couple classes we missed in the Spring have rescheduled dates. Please email me to sign your student up for them. They are as follows:
Lord's Prayer: June 18th from 9am-12pm



8th grade Confirmation Projects: Information was sent home via email. Please let me know if

you have questions about that packet. Please make sure I receive your student's confirmation verse by July 1st. Thank you!

LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS!



THE 10TH ANNUAL DR. VAUGHN & JOANN MEYER MEMORIAL SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Where: Great Life Central Valley Golf Club Hartford

When: Sunday, August 30th, 2020
12:30 PM Register / 2:00 PM Start

Cost: \$90 Registration by July 15th
(After July 15th, add \$10)
Dinner for non golfers: \$15

How: Register in groups of four, or we can assign you a team.

Telephone: (605) 275-2024 or (605) 413-8742

Email: heidialbers.lhssf@gmail.com

This is a Best Ball Tournament.

Save the Date



CAMP CENTER STAGE 2020

Lutheran High School of Sioux Falls and Sioux Falls Lutheran School will hold their annual summer drama camp later this summer. Camp directors are discussing plans for July or early August. Stay tuned for more info! Who's interested!?

Questions? Please contact Heidi Albers at heidialbers.lhssf@gmail.com.

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Thanks for Your Support during Hearts On Fire

On behalf of everyone at SFLS, thank you for participating in the 2020 Hearts On Fire Auction! With your help, we raised over \$50,000 for our needs-based tuition assistance fund during the 2020-21 school year.

Vote in This Year's Local Best Competition

SFLS has been recognized by The Local Best as one of the top five preschools in Sioux Falls for the past 12 years. During the 2019-20 voting season, SFLS was named the #1 preschool in the city. As we prepare to enter our 44th year of hands-on, play-based early childhood education, help us make the list again by casting a vote for SFLS at <https://thelocalbest.com/vote/89194/>.

Save the Date for the Meyer Golf Tournament

The 10th Annual Dr. Vaughn and JoAnn Meyer Memorial Sioux Falls Lutheran High School Golf Tournament will be held on August 30th, 2020, at the Great Life Central Valley Golf Club in Hartford, SD. Save the date and stay tuned for additional details!

Annual Used Book Sale



August 12th - August 15th, 2020

8:00am-6:00pm (Wed.-Fri.)

8:00am-12:00pm (Sat.)

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*All proceeds support the Tuition Assistance fund at
Sioux Falls Lutheran School*

Fiction Novels Informational Textbooks Cookbooks DIY

Children's CD'S DVD'S Game CD'S

\$5 Bag Sale on Friday & Saturday

*"For I know the plans
I have for you,"
declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you
and not to harm you,
plans to give you
hope and a future."
- Jeremiah 29:11*

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Expressions Of Faith
in Jesus"*

CHANGES!!!

We have seen a few changes at church in the last couple months. Our worship services have started again. Some of you have decided to join and some of you haven't. Either way you have decided is perfectly OK. You have to do what is comfortable for you.

There have been many ways that people have stayed involved. Some of the 4-Square groups have been meeting via Zoom. They have even played a dice game! LWML ladies have been meeting virtually on Tuesday nights at 7pm. I have been participating with this and it's been a great way to see my LWML friends and catch up with them. I'm sure some of you have gathered together to visit or celebrate graduations or just to break the buildup of boredom of being home 24/7.

As the summer moves on and more events open up, please join in the activities that are comfortable for you. Whatever activity you decide to join, we will accept you with open elbow bumps! (Of course, no open arms yet!)

God bless you and enjoy July!
Colleen Keiser
Director of Ministry Involvement

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We care about:

- Relevance in Ministry
- Relationships in Ministry
- Passing the Ministry Forward
- Our Community as much as we care about ourselves