



LIVE IN REVEILLE, NOT IN TAPS

Psalm 148:14

Do you live in taps? Or, do you live in reveille? The answer to this question affects the way the Christian wakes up and faces each day. It's very wise to listen to a Man who steps out of His own grave.

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**The 2nd Sunday of Easter
(April 24, 2022)**

The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. Thank you.

+ DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 4 +

Greetings & Announcements

Opening Hymn: *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It* #594

Holy Baptism: Lucas Steven Bonnell

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and

grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

The pastor addresses each candidate:

P How are you named?

R *[Name]*

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of each candidate while saying:

Sign of the Cross

P *[Name]*, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold *[name(s)]* according to Your boundless mercy and bless *[him/her/them]* with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in *[him/her/them]*, which has been inherited from Adam and which *[he himself / she herself / they themselves]* *[has/have]* committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that *[he/she/they]* be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, *[he/she/they]* would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to

pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.

P Is it your intention to serve name of candidate(s) as sponsors in the Christian faith?

R *Yes, with the help of God.*

P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.

C **Amen.**

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The pastor places his hands on the head(s) of the candidate(s).

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even T evermore.

C **Amen.**

Sit

P [Name(s)], do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P [Name,] do you desire to be baptized?

R *Yes, I do.*

The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:

P [Name,] I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life T everlasting.

C **Amen.**

The pastor places a white garment on the newly baptized while saying:

P Receive this white garment to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

The pastor lights a baptismal candle from the paschal candle and gives it to the newly baptized while saying:

P Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

A In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you [a member / members] of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and [an heir / heirs] with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our [brother(s)/sister(s)] in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C **Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.**

Stand

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted [name(s)] the new birth in Holy Baptism and made [him/her/them] [a member / members] of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and [an heir / heirs] of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as [he/she/they] [has/have] now become Your [child/children], You would keep [him/her/them] in [his/her/their] baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure [he/she/they] may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of the virgin Mary. We thank You for the life of this child entrusted to our care. Help us remember that we are all Your children and so love and nurture [him/her] that [he/she] may attain to the full stature intended for [him/her] in Your eternal kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Peace T be with you.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 148

¹Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the | heavens;*
praise him | in the heights!

²**Praise him, all his | angels;*
praise him, | all his hosts!**

³Praise him, | sun and moon,*
praise him, all you | shining stars!

⁴**Praise him, you highest | heavens,*
and you waters above the | heavens!**

⁵Let them praise the name | of the LORD!*
For he commanded and they were cre- | ated.

⁶**And he established them forever and | ever;*
he gave a decree, and it shall not | pass away.**

⁷Praise the LORD | from the earth,*
you great sea creatures and | all deeps,

⁸**fire and hail, | snow and mist,*
stormy wind fulfill- | ing his word!**

⁹Mountains and | all hills,*
fruit trees and all | cedars!

¹⁰**Beasts and all | livestock,***

creeping things and | flying birds!

¹¹**Kings of the earth and all | peoples,*
princes and all rulers | of the earth!**

¹²**Young men and maidens to- | gether,*
old men and | children!**

¹³**Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is ex- | alted;*
his majesty is above earth and | heaven.**

¹⁴**He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for | all his saints,*
for the people of Israel who are near to him. |
Praise the LORD!**

Kyrie

LSB 204

**C Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

**C To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated**

At God's right hand on high—

**For You alone are holy,
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

First Reading

Acts 5:12–20

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Revelation 1:4–18

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: *O Sons and Daughters of the King* #470 vv 1, 4, 5, 6, 8

Sermon *Live in Reveille, Not in Taps* Psalm 148:14

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Offering: Offering Basket is at the door.

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

LSB 209

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

C **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Sit

Distribution Hymns:

Distribution Hymn: *O Living Bread from Heaven* #642

Distribution Hymn: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* #549

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

**C O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: *Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!* #474

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The 2nd Sunday of Easter



Psalm 148:14

Live in Reveille, Not in Taps

It's the first Easter evening. This should be a time of rejoicing, but the disciples were afraid. Why were the disciples afraid and locked up in a room?

"Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me." Thomas usually gets the bum's wrap. However, all the disciples had the same problem. They couldn't believe their eyes! Jesus was standing there right in their presence.

Put yourself in Thomas's shoes. If you staked everything you had, including your life, on following someone only to see Him hanging dead on a cross, what would your attitude be?

Christ Jesus breathes His Holy Spirit onto His disciples. What is the Holy Spirit's activity in Genesis 1? What does this tell us about Easter? How does this apply to you as a baptized child of God?

Notice the difference between the disciples' posture, or attitude, when they were in the locked room, and their posture in Acts 5 after seeing the risen and exalted Christ in person.

Those Serving in our Services
The week of April 24, 2022

Preacher **Rev. Michael Redeker**
Organist **Marilyn Smith**
Acolytes **Wednesday 6:00pm Zoie Wagner**
 Sunday 9:00am GG Ammon and Hadyn Bunnell
Elders **Sunday 9:00am Duane Lofton and John O'Connor**
Ushers **9:00am Otto Ratz, Dale Ryden, Wade Schultz, Ken Currey**
Greeters **9:00am June Johnson and Beth Weber**
Videographer:

Correction to the Maundy Thursday Rite of 1st Communion Candidate list: Kenny Dimmick should have been listed instead of Shyloh and Emma Mason did not participate. Sorry for the errors.

Calendar for the Week
of April 24, 2022

Sunday **9:00am Lucas Stephen Bonnell Baptism**
 9:00am Facebook Live
 10:30am Revelation Bible Study - Fellowship Hall

Monday **2:00pm-8:00pm Pictorial Directory - Fellowship Hall and Gym**

Tuesday **Winkle—Edwards, CO**
 2:00pm-8:00pm Pictorial Directory - Fellowship Hall and Gym
 4:00pm-5:00pm Junior High Youth MPR
 5:30pm-7:00pm Senior High Youth MPR

Wednesday **8:30am Chapel**
 9:00am Bible Study of Leviticus9:30I
 2:00pm-8:00pm Pictorial Directory Fellowship Hall and Gym
 6:00pm Church/Communion

Thursday **6:30pm Handbell Rehearsal—Balcony**
 6:30pm Online Bible Study--Leviticus

Friday **9:00am-10:30am, Pre-School Rescheduled Bike-A-Thon-South Parking Lot**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK
OF APRIL 24, 2022**

IN ORDER NOT TO LEAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT OUT OF THE BULLETIN, PLEASE USE THE “LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL OF MESSIAH BULLETIN-NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION FORM” FOUND IN THE RACK OUTSIDE THE OFFICE DOOR. TURN IT INTO THE OFFICE WHEN COMPLETE. THANK YOU! Don’t use little pieces of paper, they tend to get lost in the shuffle.

The 7th/8th grade class is seeking donations to cover gas costs for their class trip to Colorado Springs and back. In Colorado Springs they will be visiting Garden of the Gods, the Zoo, hiking, and swimming. Donations of any amount would be greatly appreciated. Thank You – Kathy Reed.

We are also seeking donations for Letha Wallace’s moving expenses to Grand Junction in June. Letha has accepted the call to be our 7th/8th grade teacher.

Date Period: 4/13/22 - 4/19/22	Amounts
Weekly Donations	\$38,906.96
Weekly Need	\$20,411.00
Month to Date	\$89,665.96
Monthly Need	\$81,642.00

BIKE-A-THON Pre-school fund raiser has been **RESCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH FROM 9:00 – 10:30AM!!**

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – Fund Raising continues. If you would like to donate, please write “**scholarship**” on the memo line of your paper or “online” check. Thank you!

YARD SALE FOR 2022 will be early this year. The dates are July 14th, 15th, 16th. We will be accepting donations beginning May 23rd in the gym, Monday thru Friday from 9am to 4pm. The first week of set-up will start Monday, June 27th. Please consider helping with set-up, even if you only have an hour or two. It is a great opportunity to

make new friends and OH! the treasures you might find. LUNCH will be provided for helpers. ***Last year's yard sale proceeds of \$8,600 were distributed to the: School, Preschool, Youth Group, Nursery Roll, Messiah Mav's. Birthright, ARC, VFW, Goodwill, Salvation Army, Van repair, Miniblinds for 3 offices, Dirt Work for the playground, Security Camera and signage on 11th and Teller***

SPANISH TEACHER NEEDED FOR THE NEXT YEAR – We are in need for a Spanish teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of a Christian who would be able to teach 10 hours a week in the afternoons, please have them contact Karen Mead. Please keep your ear to the ground and help us discover who God has set aside for us.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS – Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at www.thrivent.com or by calling 800-847-4836

BASKET AUCTION! Our annual Basket Auction is coming May 6. We'd love to have you come and bid on baskets to help us raise money. Another way you can help is donate YOUR OWN THEMED basket. We would need the basket by May 4 together with a list of items in it and a basic valuation. Questions, call the church office, 970-245-2838, and leave a message for Karen Skoog or email Karen Skoog at karens@messiahlutherangj.org.

A REMINDER that the cut-off date for donations for our Ladies Guild Bakeless bake sale is APRIL 30. We want to express our gratitude for all the offerings and blessings we have received from all of you. Blessings!

THANK YOU to the ladies that clean and polish the wood in the sanctuary, narthex, and choir loft twice a year. A small group meet on a Saturday before Palm Sunday and Reformation Sunday each year to do this task. What a blessed time for fellowship and service in the Lord's house. If you would like to help us, contact Kathy Hollatz, 970-245-6845.

BIRTHRIGHT UPDATE: Birthright's guiding principle is "It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born." Their motto is "We love them BOTH, mother and baby." Their current needs are diapers sizes 4 and 5 and wipes. They could also use towels and bath supplies, boys clothing (preemies through 12 months), girls clothing (preemies through 24 months), socks size 12 months through 24 months. All donations are always appreciated. Thank you for your support.

SHE HAS A NAME: "SheHasAName" is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping girls in Kenya get out of poverty-based prostitution. For several years this organization has led trips to Kenya to support and serve, bringing Christ's presence to the people who need it. Because of COVID-19, there has not been a trip since 2019, but this year from June 15 – 18 a group will be going. As a college student with my heart in ministry, this is an opportunity to good to let pass. If

you are willing to donate financially to help this trip happen, I would be beyond grateful! Of course, I am willing to work for support as well, so if you have a job for me be sure to let me know! The total trip cost will be between \$2,500 and \$3,000 and it is advised to have ticket cost covered by the end of April (\$1,200-\$1,500). Be on the lookout for fundraisers and please contact me if you would like to help support me or any other students! To learn more, you can contact me at 970-985-5660 or Email: cjpowell48@gmail.com.. Thank you

OUR NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: We have been blessed to have an extra day to make appointments, April 27. To make your appointment please go to the church website, click on the word LINK. You will be directed to the scheduling times—fill in the blanks, submit the information—then show up for you picture on April 27. You may also contact Beth Weber at the church office, 970-245-2838, for help. The photographers will be here April 25, 26 and 27. To complete your experience, we need greeters on those days to welcome you prior to your pictures being taken. Maybe you aren't having your picture taken but want a picture in the directory, please contact Beth Weber in the church office, to volunteer to greet or to have your picture taken by a member of the office staff.

HELP PLEASE!!! We need MAY COMMUNION CLEAN-UP VOLUNTEERS AND JUNE COMMUNION SET-UP VOLUNTEERS!! SIGN-UP IN THE NARTHEX OR CALL LAURA RYDEN AT (970) 260-6766.

ATTENTION LADIES OF MESSIAH: The Western Zone LWML Spring Workshop is April 30th from 8:30am to 1:00pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Rifle, CO. This is our LWML usual spring workshop. There will be a special presentation from Ashley Brush, Ablelight Colorado. We will meet at church Saturday, 4/30 at 7:15am to carpool. If any questions, call Helen Bonner at 970-241-3417 or Marsha Brodak at 970-712-7192.

MESSIAH MERCH is here! The only items that are missing are the hats due to shipping delays. Pickup your order in the church office. We will let you know when the hats arrive.

WHAT'S IT LIKE TO RING A HANDBELL! Come and find out! Just for fun, come to the balcony after church May 1, or on Thursday, May 5th at 6:30pm to give the bells a ring. Ages 15 and up, men and women are welcome.

NACHO BAR MAY 1st at Four Winds. Thank you to all who donated and participated in the successful Potato Bars in February and March. **We will be serving one more meal this school year and have decided to serve a Nacho Bar** that will include hamburger, chicken, seasoned beans, nacho cheese, jalapenos, salsa, and for dessert there will be Mexican spice cookies. The college students will be on summer break soon. The meal service will pick back up in August. Watch for updates as we plan for next year's students.

COME ONE!!! COME ALL!! TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022, 6:30PM. JOIN US AND ENJOY A DELIGHTFUL EVENING AS OUR STUDENTS PRESENT MGT (have you seen "AGT" America's Got Talent?) You'll be glad you came!!!!

WORDS OF GRATITUDE:

As I am new to the “job” of being the “go to” person on the grievance committee, I would like to take just a moment and thank all who have made this transition easier for me. We have had three memorial luncheons in the past few weeks and there have been so many who have helped. I would like to acknowledge each one of you. However, I am afraid I will forget someone, SO THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH! YOUR TIRELESS GIVING HELPED TO SERVE THOSE FAMILIES AS THEY BENEFITTED FROM THE SHARING OF YOUR BOUNTY WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL. Your Sister in Christ, Ruth Kinnett

VBS STORAGE---Extended Day Room VBS is JUNE 13-17 FROM 9:00AM TO NOON!!!!

MESSIAH’S RADIO MINISTRY - Sunday mornings at 8:30am – 9:00am on radio station 1100AM/KNZZ. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at 9:00am. If you would like to be a sponsor for our radio ministry, contact the church off, **970-245-2838**.

PRAYER REQUESTS – *“But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at weber4342@acsol.net.