NEWSLETTER

June 2022

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God our Father and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen

The Lord has established three institutions for order in this world. They are the family, the Church, and the civil government. All three, as we have seen, have come under attack.

The father has been considered unimportant in many instances. Fathers and mothers, usually know different facts about their children. Both parents loving and interested in different aspects of their children's lives. Youtube videos portray fathers as ignorant and uninterested in their children's life.

Statistics show the importance of having a father in the household. Across the nation, over 18 million households are fatherless. Nearly 1,000,000 of those homes are in Pennsylvania. What happens when a father is absent from the home? One and five children live in a poor or near poor home that with is without a father. 63% of child suicide occur, 85% of behavior disorders, 90% of runaways, 71% of high school dropouts, 70% of those in juvenile detention centers, 75% of youth-aged and substance abuse, and 75% of rapists come from fatherless homes.

The next question is, did you fall into the trap the world has set up for you? As you read the statistics did you think that by highlighting the problems of fatherless homes and we were slighting mothers? That these statistics downplayed the importance of a mother in the household?

If you did, this is one of the ways in which the world has attacked the family, that you may not even have realized that you had come to accept. The world wants this. It wants us to believe that if we say father is important that it is a sexist comment implying a negative view of her mother's role. If you didn't think that by highlighting the importance of the fathers role we were slighting women or singleparent moms, God has blessed you with discernment on this issue. Every member of the family is important.

Every member of the family has a role. Father, mother, husband, wife, sister, brother, son, and daughter are all important in the family that God has given us.

God has called each one of us to the role that we fulfill in the family.

Happy Father's Day!

SDG,

Pastor

News of Lutheran Education!

Working in partnership with God's people to raise up a new generation of faithful Christian men and women!



JOIN OUR GIVING DAY!

Support us and give back on June 3, 2022 12am-12am

For more information, go to NepaGives.org

Thank you for your support of all the great things happening at The Lutheran Acdademy!

NEPA GIVES - Friday, June 3rd

The Lutheran Academy is joining 250+ other area non-profits in Northeast PA for a 24-hour day of giving. We hope you will consider making a donation to The Lutheran Academy **on June 3rd** to help us wrap up the school year and be part of this history-making event.

Donations can be made that day via check or cash, or for your convenience via our NEPAGives fundraising page.

There will be incentives for us all day long, matching gift opportunities, and as a school we will be running promotions for YOU to be eligible for when you donate.

A full list of incentives and promotions is on our website, Facebook, and NEPAGives fundraising page.

Please share with those you know who have a heart for education and would like to be part of this historic day.

Our fundraising page can be found at: www.nepagives.org/organizations/thelutheran-academy

UPCOMING EVENTS

Academy Awards Night, Wednesday June 1st at 6:30pm. All are invited to this event where we recognize the students' academic achievements for the 2021-22 school year.

8th Grade Graduation, Monday, June 6th at 6:30pm Join us as Aliyah, Essance, and Nathan graduate from The Lutheran Academy.

Field Day Pics

Pray without ceasing - I Thes. 5:17

Remember to ask: "How can I pray for you?"

Honoring Our Seniors

On Sunday, June 5th at the 10:30am service, we will recognize and honor our graduating high school seniors:

- * Nora Betts
- * Monica Fornaszewski
- * Isabelle Kramer
- * Zachary Wilson

Join us for worship that Sunday to help us honor our seniors and enjoy refreshments after the service.

A Minute of Bible Study

Numbers 22 - Balaam went against the Lord. Three times his donkey took action to avoid Balaam's death. Not seeing the danger, three times Balaam beat his donkey. It was then that God opened the mouth of the donkey, so that he might ask Balaam, why he was being beaten by Balaam? Take a few moments this month to read the story of Balaam and find out how God dealt with Balaam.



Meatloaf Dinner Fundraiser

Thank you to ALL who supported this fundraiser by volunteering their time, making a dessert, or purchasing a dinner. A special thank you to Jim Calpin for once again doing the cooking!

+ HYMN OF THE MONTH: Spread the Reign of God the Lord #830

Born in 1774, this hymn's author, Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmeier, served as the head of an all girls school. Jonathan also served as a professor of Homiletics and Education beginning in 1815. In 1819, he received an appointment to be a town preacher and Deacon. He would serve in this capacity for the next 21 years. Bahnmeier received notoriety for his preaching. His interests focused on missions, Bible studies, and education. He died at the age of 67 after being paralyzed.

Bahnmeier's hymn "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" causes us to reflect upon the Trinity. His verses point us to God as creator and Redeemer and the Holy Spirit as our guide to heaven. We then see a shift. Jonathan now points us to the mission field. The harvest is great and the workers are few. The prayer is for God to motivate us in the last verse.

"Lord of harvest, Great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind."

May God so rouse us that hearts and minds and all our parts may worship and serve Him.

JUNE

<u>Birthdays</u>	
Emiline Black	9
Tanya Babbitts	12
Ky Betts	26
Jim Calpin	29
Nicole Calpin	29

<u>Baptism Birthdays</u>

John Babbitts III	6
Amy Betts	8
Alfred Betts	23



Summer Hours Begin June 19th

On Father's Day weekend, we will begin summer hours with ONE worship service on Sundays at 9:18am.

Court Case Update

A few months ago we shared with you a story concerning a challenge to the freedom to speak our faith. On March 30, at 1 p.m. the Helsinki District Church handed down its



decision. The case the prosecution of Rev. Dr. Juhana Pohjola, a bishop in the Evangelical Lutheran Mission Diocese of Finland and Dr. Paivi Rasanen member of the Finnish Parliament and a medical doctor. Bishop Pohjola is the author of a pamphlet entitled "Man and Woman He created Them:

Homosexuality and the Challenge to the Christian Concept of Man." Among the topics addressed is that the Bible teaches that homosexuality as a sin. These words accurately discussing the Biblical message were labeled hate speech. The Helsinki Court unanimously found otherwise Though the decision will probably be appealled, the decision at this point is the case is closed.

We praise God for this decision and for the freedom to communicate His truth.

To all the Ladies!

On Sunday, July 24, we will have a lite lunch and LWML project event after church. Please plan to attend and bring all your friends, churched and unchurched. Susan Bell will be our special guest as we work to revitalize our LWML group here at Peace Lutheran Church.



The coloring page in the newsletter each month can be turned in and we will send them to the residents at The Gardens at Greenridge where our beloved Audrey Russell lives.



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PRAYER CALENDAR Praying for NC churches and for God to call men into the ministry.	AR I for G	od to call	Rev. Steven Newburgh, Ascension Lutheran Church, Charlotte, NC	2 Augustana Lutheran Church, Hickory, NC	3 Rev. Eric Hollar, Bethel Lutheran Church, Claremont, NC	4 Rev. Jason Dart, Calvary Lutheran Church, Jacksonville, NC
Grapel for the Deaf Lutheran Church, Fi Charlotte, NC Luth H	Luth H	T Rev. Alexander Fisher, Christ Lutheran Church, Hickory, NC	8 Rev. Michael Geml, Concordia Lutheran Church, Conover, NC	9 Conover Nursing Home, Conover, NC	Crown of Glory Lutheran Church, Salisbury, NC	Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Greensboro, NC
Epiphany Lutheran Rev. C Church, Greenville, Ev. M NC Luthe Luthe	Rev. (Alerr Ev. M Luthe	Hev. Girma Beyene Alemu, Ethiopian Ev. Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church, Cary, NC	5 Faith Lutheran Church, Kinston, NC	Family Life Center of Concordia Lutheran Church, Conover, NC	│	8 Rev. Richard Jones, Grace by the Sea Lutheran Church, Nags Head, NC
20 Rev. Donald Anthony, Grace Lutheran Church, Gree Concord, NC	Grac Gree	2 Grace Lutheran Church, Greensboro, NC	22 Rev. William Beyer, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Clayton, NC	23 Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Newton, NC	24 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Statesville, NC	25 Rev. Wayne Puls, Hope Lutheran Church, Wake Forest, NC
27 Rev. Michael Rev. Merker, Jordan Lak Lutheran Church, Luthe Apex, NC De	Rev. Luthe De	28 Rev. Mark Schlid, Lake Norman Lutheran Church, Denver, NC	29 Loving Savior Lutheran Church, Greensboro, NC	30 Rev. Timothy Steele, Messiah Lutheran Church, Wilmington, NC		