Ascension Lutheran Church of Navarino

"The Visitor"

2024

"Joyfully, we invite and equip all people to share Christ's love"
The Mission Statement of Ascension Lutheran Church.

Ascension Lutheran Church
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Gracious God,
On this Mother's Day,
we give thanks for loving
mothers and all who mother
your beautiful creation.
Bring comfort to all who
struggle with this day.
Surround us now and always
with your deep,
unending love.
Amen.

Your Church Council

Glen Peebles, President	(715) 584-3029
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The council usually meets the third Wednesday of each month. You are welcome to attend.
The next council meeting will be Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

Message from the Pastor ~ Adult Bible Study Information ~ Sunday Fellowship

MAY NEWSLETTER

How can Jesus be God and Jesus at the same time? This is a good question. The Trinity; God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit; Uncreated, Infinite, Eternal, Almighty. These are some attributes we confess about God. This is from a small portion of the Athanasian Creed. My guess is that we haven't used this creed because it is one and a half pages long.

Philippians 2:5-11. I will write a portion for you beginning at verse 5, "*Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death.*

There are three persons but One God. As Philippians states, Christ Jesus became a man and obeyed God the Father. The person of God the Son has two natures; Divine and human. The Divine Son of God took on to himself the nature of a man. Remember the persons of the Trinity remain Father, Son, Holy Spirit. This is the reality of God that he brings to us. In his mysterious and majestic ways the Incarnation of God the Son took on human form. His story is our story. Jesus entered into the world he created to save us. God's ways are beyond our understanding.

Jesus came to us because he had to be a human to fulfill God the Father's Will. Humanity disobeyed God. **Romans 5:15-21;** to summarize these verses it basically says that the one man, Adam, brought sin into the world but the second Adam, Jesus, brings righteousness which leads to justification, which leads to life. We did not know that without Jesus we would be in eternal wrath forever. Only God can save us**.** **Colossians 1:15-20**; (Referring to Jesus) *For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross*.

Jesus is the Christ. Christ is a title which means Anointed One, the Messiah. The Apostle Paul writes in **II Corinthians 5:16-17**; *From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything has become new*.

What a love story between God and his children. God's gift of each day is filled with his love and kindness. No matter what the day might bring, we know that He walks with us throughout our lives. His promises are true; we are his children and he is our Father. Therefore we can say; *This is the day that the LORD has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Blessings, Pastor Marcia ✠

Sunday Fellowship

Everyone is welcome to stay for food and fellowship after worship every Sunday. A free will donation is accepted.

May 5 - Pizza
May 12 - Hot Dogs
May 19 - Ham Sandwiches
May 26 - Birthday Cake and Ice Cream

Assisting Ministers – Birthdays – Anniversaries

May 2024	Communion Helper	Reader	Money Counter
May 5 9:30 am	*No Communion*	Chris Schley	Phyllis Peebles
May 12 9:30 am	Pastor Marcia	Denelle Daniels	Rita Olson
May 19 9:30 am	Carrie Daoust	Toni Klemp	Ruthann Meiers
May 26 9:30 am	Denelle Daniels	Ava Lorenz	Glen Peebles

Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people.
Ephesians 6:7

If you would like to help out with any of the above tasks, please call the church office (715-758-8312) and we will add your name to the list. If you are unable to be here on the date you are assigned, please find a replacement. Thank you.

5/03 Wally & Amy Krueger (39 years)
5/05 Phil & Carrie Daoust (51 years)
5/06 Greg & Faith Ehrle (35 years)
5/07 Dan & Linda Bubolz (47 years)
5/10 Lloyd & Ruth Allen (27 years)
5/22 John & Amy Wudtke (31 years)

5/01	Levi Olson
5/03	Jerald Wetzel
5/04	Elizabeth Stouffer
5/08	Janel Wudtke
5/11	Judy Porter
5/11	Steve Schinke
5/12	Adam Peebles
5/15	Max Sokolski
5/17	John Wudtke
5/20	Marvin Larson
5/20	Barbara Hillsberg
5/20	Abigail Daniels
5/21	Sofia Kienast
5/22	Odessa Turnquist
5/22	Alison Kienast
5/24	Joseph Stanczak
5/29	Scott Dingeldein
5/31	Susan Kauffman
5/31	Brooklyn Olson

Church Mail – Church News – Thank You's

Ascension Lutheran Church - Thank You
Hope you know how much your thoughtfulness is appreciated.
What a great surprise last Sunday for the Easter Lily sitting on our step when we got home. ~ Beck and Rosie Pues

I'd like to thank those of you who offered up prayers and visited me while I was in the hospital. I also appreciate the continued prayers, cards, meals and visits while I recover at home. ~Everett Olson

****ATTENTION ALL 2nd YEAR COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS****

Ascension Lutheran Church has a scholarship fund that may be available to you. Applications are available in the church office.

Church Offering

Did you know you can have your weekly offering sent to the church through your bank? If you bank online, go to the Bill Pay section and click on "add a company or person" and type in the name and address of Ascension. Once the church is added as an account you can set up auto pay and your check will be sent to church automatically on a regular basis.

Home Devotionals:
"Our Daily Bread"

For March, April and May

Are available on the table by the library. Large print books are also available. There is a box for a monetary donation if you'd like to contribute towards the coast of the book.

Loaves & Fishes
FOOD PANTRY

Focus Item for May 2024:

SPAM & Tuna

Stock the Pantry Shelves – help us stock the shelves with items that help provide for families in need in our communities.

Remember... it never needs to be a brand name!

Ascension Budget

Council would like the membership to be aware of our financial status on a month to month basis.

YTD Income $23,622.60
YTD Expenses paid out $19,096.01
Income exceeding expenses $4,526.59

Our May Benevolence will go to:

African Inland Mission

Memories at Ascension ~ Miscellaneous

150th Anniversary

The 150th Anniversary committee has planned a Remembrance Sunday for September 15th. All past and present members are invited to attend the worship service at 9:30 am. In addition to a special worship service there will be a potluck fellowship afterward including recipes from past members. Part of this celebration will include past memories from our current and past members. Below is form you can complete with your special memories at Ascension. Please complete as many as you would like and forward to the church prior to September 15th. Memories cards will also be available at the church.

Memories at Ascension

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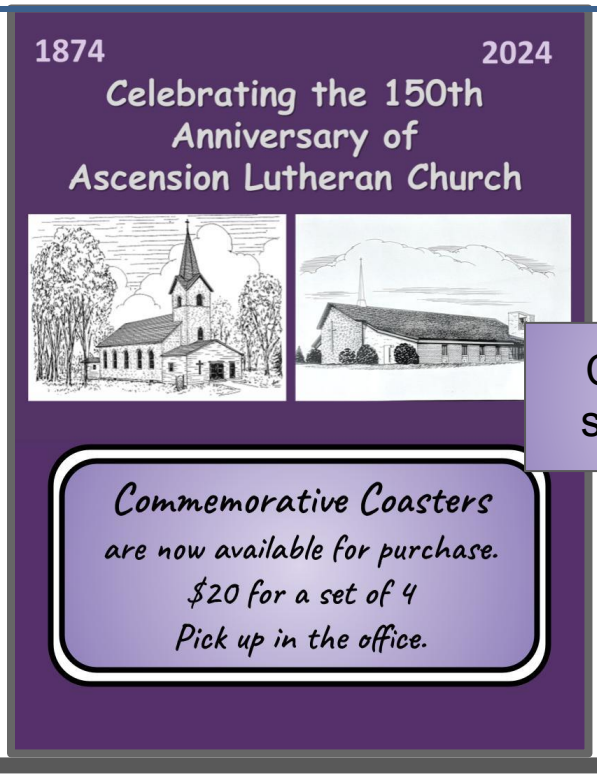
Remembered by _____



Coasters are still available!

150th Anniversary Information

Ascension's 150th Anniversary

Planning is well underway for our year-long 150th anniversary celebration in 2024!!

Throughout the year we will have information in the newsletter about our history and also old articles on our bulletins boards. We also want to highlight the many benevolences we support by featuring them during the worship service on a monthly basis. We plan on having the youth and any adult members sing for shut-ins sometime in the Spring of the year so watch the announcements for that. In October during the Polka service we want to hold a reunion Sunday and invite all past and present members to attend. Since our church was officially organized on November 26, 1874 we plan to hold a special worship service on November 3rd and invite back all our past pastors. There will also be a dinner after the service with historical pictures to view. We also plan to have a memento of our 150th anniversary available for purchase. This is just an overview of the plans with more details to follow as we get closer to 2024.

1874 Ascension Anniversary Calendar of Events 2024

January 20 - Lefse making and sale

February - A set of 4 Commemorative Coasters will be available for purchase for $20. There are many sets of coasters still available. Purchase a set for yourself or to give as a gift.

April 21 after fellowship - Sing to the shut-ins. All are welcome to join - young and old alike! Please consider joining us and spreading joy to several special members of our congregation.

September 15 - Remembrance Sunday - videos of past years will be shown after the worship service.

October 13 - Polka Service

November 3 - Special Worship Service. Our church was officially organized on November 26, 1874. We will invite former pastors to join us. A chicken dinner will be catered in.

Other projects that will be happening during the year:

- We have asked all the Benevolences we support throughout the year to come and tell us how our financial support benefits them.
- We will be putting some "'Way Back When" articles in the Visitor each month.
- The bulletin boards will be changed every month with different pictures and articles from the past.
- We are checking into putting articles in the local papers.
- Watch "The Visitor" for further updates.

The Committee:
Bommie, Kris, Denelle, Jean, Everett, Glen and Phyllis

Fundraising Information – Scrip News

Watch the Fundraising Progress on the new Poster in the Fellowship Hall for our New Asphalt Parking Lot!

Looking for Thrivent Members

Any Thrivent member is eligible to apply for two $250 Thrivent action cards per year which can be used as seed money for our fundraisers or for community service projects. We will help you with the application process and completing your final report for any project you may be involved with.

There are VandeWalle's candy bars on the table by the library for sale. They are $1.25 each. Please put your money in the envelope in the box.

If you'd like to sell a box at your place of employment or another business, please see Toni Klemp. All profits will go to the Special Projects Fund.

Fundraising Committee

Do you have a fundraising idea? We have a new form for you to complete and give to the Fundraising Committee. You can pick up a copy on the SCRIP table in Church.

Committee members: Dawn Dingeldein, Ruthann Meiers, Lois Rohrer. Fundraising supports the Church's Special Projects Fund.

MARCH SCRIP RECAP

- Cards Sold - 43
- Sales - $2,750
- March Profit - $143.40
- YTD Profit - $505.70

We still have a large number of Kwik Trip cards in stock purchased at a double discount. Please consider purchasing a card or two if you are a Kwik Trip customer.

Your purchase of these SCRIP cards costs you nothing yet your purchase earns money for Ascension. THANK YOU to everyone that has been supporting the SCRIP Program.

Via de Cristo News

SonRise Wisconsin Via de Cristo
Fall 2024 weekend will be October 17-20, 2024
Camp Fairwood, W7905 S Pleasant Rd, Westfield, WI 53964

Northern Lights Summer Ultreya
Saturday, July 20, 2024 at 10-3
9119 Church Rd, Harshaw, WI 54592
Potluck Luncheon

Northern Lights Fall Camp
November 7-10, 2024
Silver Birch Ranch
N6120 Sawyer Lake Rd, WI

Prayers for those ill, injured or hospitalized:

Alice Mueller, Dave & Sally Richter, Pat Zuiches, Arnie Kloes, Russell Kloes, Beck & Rosie Pues, Everett Olson

Online Worship Services

The weekly services are broadcast live through Facebook Live and then published to Ascension's Facebook page for later viewing.

****GOOD NEWS****

YOU **DO NOT** NEED A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT TO VIEW THE LIVE STREAM SERVICES ON THE CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE. Ascension's Facebook page is public, so anyone with internet or Wi-Fi capabilities may view it. It will appear that you will have to log in once you get to Ascension's Facebook page, but all you have to do is click the "x" on the top of the page and then you can view any service.

Ascension's website for online services: http://ascensionnavarino.com/sermons.html

The services are also audio-recorded onto CD's when possible and delivered to the homes of those without internet who are unable to attend worship.

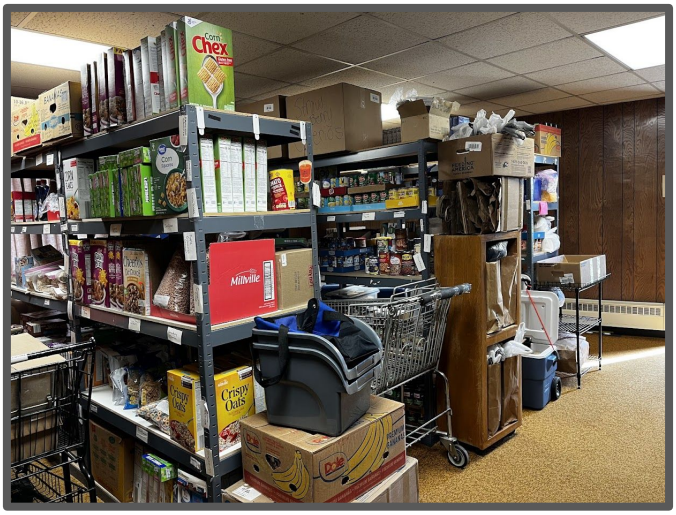
If you have something you would like to be included in the "Visitor", please have the information to the church office by the third Sunday of the month. Thank you!

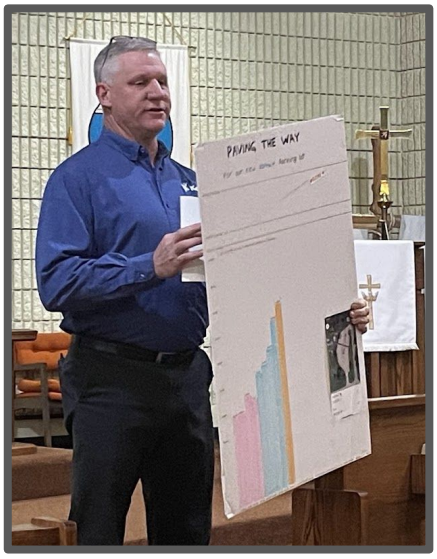
Easter Breakfast ~ March 31, 2024

Ascension Happenings in April

Baptism of Dawson Gene Stedjee. Parents, Kayla and Dylan are on the right.

Loaves and Fishes presentation by Mona Ashenbrener and Lois Rohrer ("Vanna Rohrer" as some called her!)



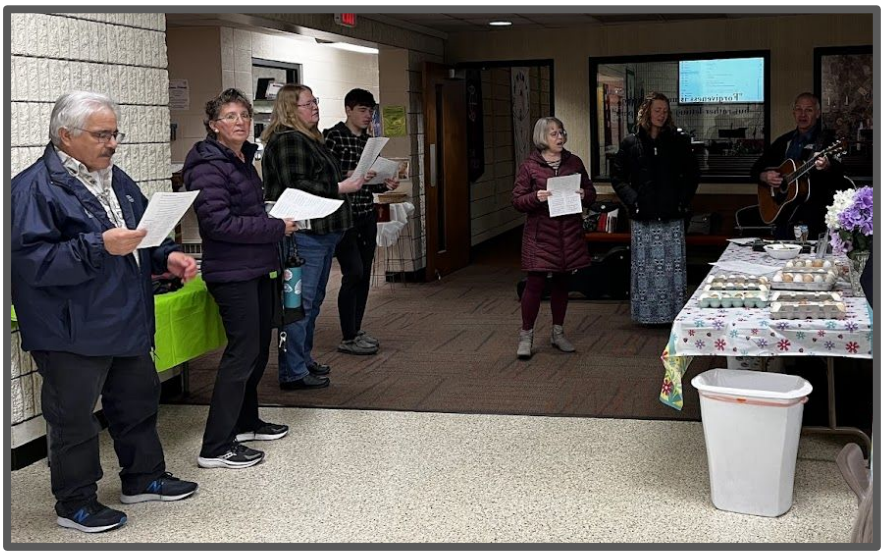


Above: The Loaves and Fishes Distribution Center

Left: Brad Schuelke updates the congregation on the progress of our parking lot

Right: Edward Coen shares information on Gideons

Singing to the Shut-ins ~ April 21, 2024



Above: Singing for Alice Mueller and Tom Wilkinson

Above: Singing for Pat Zuiches

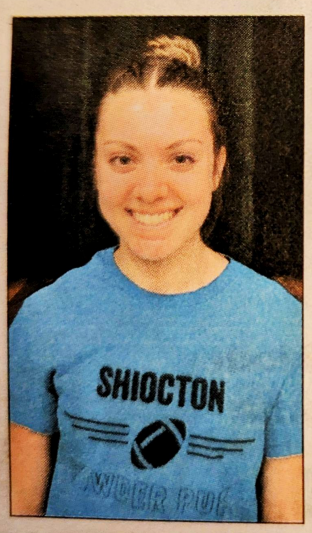
Right: Singing for Beck and Rosie Pues

Singing for Everett Olson

Community Events

Congratulations Ava Lorenz!

Shiocton track athlete breaks 44 year-old school record



Lorenz

On Thursday, April 11, 2024 at the Rosholt Early Bird Invitational, Ava Lorenz broke a 44 year-old 3200m run record held by Sally Diermeir (12:05.80) set in 1980.

Ava's time was 11:53.87, shattering the old record by 12 seconds.

Ava continues to compete at a very high level, she qualified for the State Meet last year in the 3200m run and also placed 15th at this year's State Cross Country Championships. Congratulations Ava!

The Cecil Clothes Closet is in need of children's clothes especially, but will accept adult clothing also. There are baskets set out in the church narthex for any and all donations. Thank you!

Navarino Nature Center

Go to www.navarino.org for information and to register for the upcoming events.

2024 Senior Safari Lunch & Learns

Working collaboration with Shawano County Human Services & Navarino Nature Center

Where:
Navarino Nature Center
W5646 Lindsten Road
Shiocton, WI 54170

Time:
11:00am to 1:00pm

Program Fee: Suggested $4.50 per person donation for meal.
Donations are also welcomed to support of Navarino Nature Center

April 4 Leaders in Conservation: John Muir	May 2 Frog/ Toads/ Salamanders
June 6 Leaders in Conservation: Roosevelt and Pinchot	July 11 Porcupines & Fishers
August 1 Leaders in Conservation: Aldo Leopold	September 5 WI DNR
October 3 Fall Trolley	November 7 To Be Determined

*Dates and topics may be subject to change
Registration is required by calling Heidi at 715-526-4686

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDUEL

SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST

2023 - 2024

Wednesday Oct. 11th: Admin team and Polkas
Friday, Nov. 10th : Veteran's Day Assembly
Wednesday Dec. 13th : Band and Chorus
Wednesday Jan. 10th: Raquel Strayer and ESports
Wednesday Feb. 14th: 5K
Wednesday Mar. 13th: All Things Technology!
Wednesday Apr. 10th : 4K
Wednesday May 8th: First Grade

R.S.V.P.
Amber Laude
715-758-4850 ext. 820
laudeamb@bonduel.k12.wi.us

$3.00 PER PERSON

HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS

April Council Minutes

Ascension Lutheran Church of Navarino
Council meeting minutes
Wednesday April 17th 2024

Present : Glen Peebles, Lisa Wollenberg, Brad Schuelke, Mike Homan, Pastor Mark and Pastor Marcia Sabin **Absent:** Cathy Thomas

Glen Peebles brought the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Prayer and Devotion : by Pastor Mark Sabin

Approval of last month's minutes: 1st by Brad, 2nd by Mike. Voice vote passed

Pastors report:

Holy Week / Easter Worship Services were held.
[3] Home visits with Holy Communion
[2] Tuesday Bible Studies
[1] Funeral for Luther
1st Communion Instruction

Church Council Minutes

Treasure's / Finance Report
Income through March: $23,622.60
Expenses paid: $19,096.01
Income exceeding Expenses $4,526.59

Project fund income received for March: Loud offering $150.27, Thrivent choice $1,132.00, Sunday/fellowship $220.00. Pizza Fundraiser $960.00 **[NET PROFIT] $3687.77,** CD interest $57.60, Eggs $70.00, Script program cards $2575.00, Fish Fry $3025.00
Misc. donations $80.00, **TOTAL INCOME FOR THE MONTH $8,269.87.**
Script card expense $3,855.00. **TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR PROJECTS $75,652.75.**

Reoccurring Accumulative Tools: Amazon smile rebate $420.93, Kwik Trip Rebate $526.63,Loud Offering $9,499.23, Thrivent Choice $11,915.00, Candy Bars $4,450.70, CD Interest $2,149.16.
Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Mike, 2nd by Greg Voice vote passed.

New Business: Dates for Pastors' summer vacations received and approved. Supply pastors/worship laymen being confirmed for May, June, July and Aug dates.

Old Business: 150th Anniversary: next meeting April 30th

SAM25 will be guest speaker on May 12th
NALWC will be guest speaker on May 19th

Committee Updates
Worship: Confirmation will be in the fall. Graduation Recognition June 2nd.
Youth:
Finance: Next Finance Meeting May 8th 6pm.
Property: Tree limbs have been cut up. Cemetery Cleanup TBD-Meeting held April 18th.
Fundraising: Next Fundraiser is the Brat Fry at Charlies: Monday - Wednesday May 13-15
Sign up sheets to help will be available.
Miscellaneous: Birthday Sundays: April 28th and May 26th
Next meeting Date: May 15th, 2024 at 5:30pm
Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm. Motion to adjourn by Mike, 2nd by Greg voice vote passed.
Respectfully Submitted by: Lisa Wollenberg (In Cathy Thomas's absence)

'Way Back When by Mabel Prestrud

MEMORIES *(Originally published in the May 1996 Visitor)*

- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fischer from the Town of Lessor, near Hwy. 47 built a new home in the Village of Navarino.
- Ambrose Landsverk's bout with ruptured appendix - - very serious in "those days".
- The Christmas of 1918 there were no programs because of the flu epidemic. Dr. DeCock from Angelica was often called - - folks had to go to the Village to a phone to call him. Then his horses Brought him by cutter or buggy.
- Young Folks going to Bible Camp at Onaway Island on the Chain of Lakes, Waupaca. With staff members such as Dr. Hugenvik, Dr. Morris Wee, Rev. Axel Blom and Rev. Hjalmer ("Spike") Hanson to name a few.
- Mrs. John (Caroline) Hegrud said good-bye to her loved ones at Ascension and went to Canada to live with family members there. She was brought back to Ascension for burial. (Carol Hilliker's grandmother)
- The active organization known as "Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation" and the elegant Mother/Daughter Teas they produced every May, preceded by an inspiring program.
- In the early days the pastor took care of filling the chalice with wine before communion. When the Ladies Aid purchased the tray of individual glasses it became the Janitor's job to fill the glasses. Much later an Altar Society was organized.
- Eli Hilliker spent much time and effort beautifying the Ascension Cemetery.
- Pete Blom (he lived in the house where Dedthardt's lived) built the tables for the new basement. They were very heavy and painted white.
- A tarantula was found in a bunch of bananas when Llewellyn's had the store (later Hilliker's store).
- When gas was 7 gallons for $1.00 in Galesburg!
- Charles Pues and Olga Cornelius married at Jerusalem Church on Valentine's day, 1942.
- The Mork Twins - - Royal and Leroy.
- Dawn Christianson and David Prestrud played "God of Our Fathers" on trumpets for Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schuelke's Golden Wedding - - a special request from Ben and Gladys.
- Breaking ground for the new church, July 4, 1976. Rev. Steven Larson with hands on plow.

The Mom Test

I was out walking with my 4-year-old daughter. She picked up something off the ground and started to put it in her mouth. I took the item away from her and I asked her not to do that. "Why?" my daughter asked. "Because it's been on the ground, you don't know where it's been, it's dirty, and probably has germs," I replied.

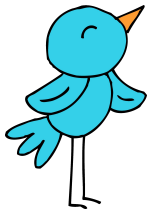
At this point, my daughter looked at me with total admiration and asked, "Mom, how do you know all this stuff, you are so smart."

I was thinking quickly. "All moms know this stuff. It's on the Mom Test. You have to know it, or they don't let you be a Mom."

We walked along in silence for 2 or 3 minutes, but she was evidently pondering this new information. 'OH…I get it!' she beamed, 'So if you don't pass the test you have to be the dad.'

'Exactly' I replied back with a big smile on my face.

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		April 30 **6:00pm** 150th Anniversary Meeting	**1** **6:30pm** Confirmation *(Last class until September)* **6:30pm** Sunday School *(Last class until September)*	**2**	**3**	**4**
5 *6th Sunday of Easter* **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Lay-Led Worship - No Communion (Pastors Mark and Marcia will be gone)	**6** **6:30pm** Bible Study	**7** **9:00am NO** Bible Study (no class until September)	**8** **6:00pm** Finance Committee Meeting	**9** **Ascension Day** 	**10**	**11**
12 *7th Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day* **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship with Speaker from SAM25	**13** **8am-5pm** Brat Fry **6:30pm** Bible Study 	**14** **8am-5pm** Brat Fry	**15** **8am-5pm** Brat Fry **4-6pm** Loaves and Fishes Distribution **5:30pm** Council Meeting	**16** 	**17**	**18** **9-11 am** Loaves and Fishes
19 *Pentecost Sunday* **8:30am** Bible Study **9:30am** Worship with Speaker from NALC Mission 	**20** **6:30pm** Bible Study	**21**	**22** 	**23**	**24**	**25**
26 *Holy Trinity Sunday* **9:30am** Worship 	**27** *Memorial Day* **NO** Bible Study	**28**	**29**	**30**	**31** 	

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