

## THE NEW TESTAMENT PASSOVER

“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.” – Exodus 12:14

“For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s dead until he comes.” – 1 Corinthians 11:26

Over the past few months, we've explored two enduring aspects of God’s Word from the Old Testament that continue to shape our lives in the New Testament era. First, we delved into the Sabbath and then transitioned to the first day of the Sabbath we observed on the Lord’s Day. Then, we discussed the covenant of circumcision, which we now see in the New Covenant of Baptism. This month, we embark on a new journey, a discussion on the third eternal statute that God has given us- the Passover.

Now, right off the bat, what is the Passover? You may recall from reading in the Exodus that God inflicted the Egyptians and their gods with ten plagues. Each plague was against one of the

supposed gods of Egypt (the Nile god, the livestock god, the health god, etc...). The very last plague was directed at the Pharaoh himself. All the firstborns of man and animals would die in the land of Egypt. But God gave a way of escape from His judgment. Anyone who had smeared the blood of an unblemished lamb on their doorposts and lintels would be passed over (Passover). Inside that blood-covered house, the families were to eat a special meal together in preparation for leaving the land of Egypt and slavery behind. The meal consisted of lamb, bitter herbs, unleavened bread, and wine. It was this meal that would mark the passing of Israel from a group of slaves to free people of God. And it was to be a meal, forever, according to Exodus 12:14.

Now, we do not celebrate the Passover as Christians per se. So what gives? How can this be a “statute forever” if we aren’t doing it anymore? Well, we are if we pay close attention to our worship. Because on the night in which Jesus was betrayed, he celebrated the Passover with his disciples (Luke 22:15). He celebrated the vast majority of the meal just like any Jewish family would have celebrated it, until the end of the meal. After supper was eaten, a loaf of unleavened bread (think of a tortilla-like bread) was broken to symbolize the breaking of the Jews' slavery

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in Egypt and passed around. Then, a big cup of wine would be passed around for all to drink from. It was called the cup of blessing. But on the night when Jesus, the Son of God, was betrayed, he took the bread and broke it and said, "This is my body which is given for you, this do in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup AFTER SUPPER, that cup of blessing, and passed it around, saying, "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Covenant in my blood which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." From that moment on, the New Covenant was established in this eating and drinking of Christ's Body and Blood, The Lord's Supper.

It was not just a memorial meal like in the Old Testament. In other words, the New Passover wasn't just about remembering. Now, this meal had its full purpose realized by Jesus. It was a meal to remember, but also a meal where people receive Christ's Body and Blood. Paul makes this clear when he writes, "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" (1 Corinthians 10:16). And Paul also tells us that the meal is a public remembrance and confession of what Jesus did, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." (1 Corinthians 11:26).

Sometimes, people then ask, "Well, Pastor, if it is the New Passover, then why don't we do it just once a year on the Passover?" That's a fair question. It's because, in the New Testament, we realize that our New Passover in the Lord's Supper is for the forgiveness of sins (which we need all the time) and that it was given for us to do often, as Jesus says. So, the early church devoted themselves to the Apostle's teaching, the prayers, the fellowship, and the "breaking of the bread," which is the Lord's Supper. (Acts 2:42). Paul mentions that whenever the church in Corinth came together (1 Corinthians 11:20 "when you come together"), they attempted to hold the Lord's Supper (unfortunately, it turned into a drunken party c.f. 1 Corinthians 11:17ff).

So, our New Testament Passover is found in the Lord's Supper, which we are blessed to receive nearly every first-day Sabbath here at Trinity and Concordia. It is a meal that is given to us as members of Christ's Body for the forgiveness of our sins and is one of the "marks" of a Christian church and community. In this meal, you are connected all the way back to the days of Moses, Elijah, Jeremiah, Jesus, Peter, and John. We are all connected together in the victory that God has won for us, a victory that defeated much more than Pharaoh but Satan himself. Rejoice in this gift that God gives to you, His people!

In Christ,  
Pastor Jacobsen

Eli Ihnen	June 1st
Jackie Albers	June 2nd
Bailee Barnes	June 3rd
Jadelyn Didier	June 6th
Michael Mayou	June 4th
Isaac Ihnen	June 7th
Ben Ehlers	June 7th
Carol Rowe	June 9th
June Schoelerman	June 9th
Gerald Weerts	June 9th
Dan Reimers	June 10th
Susan Pohlman	June 11th
Owen Syverson	June 11th
Diane Ihnen	June 14th
Greg Grussing	June 15th
Eldon Kazemba	June 18th
Glen Kleen	June 18th



# June BIRTHDAYS

Kayla Updike	June 18th
Brian Gilmore	June 19th
Nancy Wulf	June 21st
Michael Money	June 22nd
Kenny Reimers	June 24th
Jeff Dean	June 25th
Keira Ahrenstorff	June 26th
Roseann Fisher	June 28th



# June ANNIVERSARIES

Tyson & Roshay Gath	June 4th	Ryan & Melany Laubenthal	June 11th
Myron & Bev Wiese	June 4th	Dave & Lori Stahly	June 12th
Gerald & Linda Weerts	June 5th	Andre & Michelle Abadie	June 13th
John & Deloris Hamann	June 5th	Nick & Courtney Pfleeger	June 15th
Adam & Angela Wolff	June 6th	Paul & Jody Hintze	June 16th
Duane & Esther Gaudian	June 7th	Doug & Susan Pohlman	June 16th
Ryan & Chrissy Gembler	June 8th	Dennis & Susan Voehl	June 18th
Don & Janet Majerus	June 8th	Doug & Julie Stahly	June 23rd
Roger & Bonnie Puck	June 10th		

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Chairman: Doug Pohlman  
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Trustee: Bruce Ihnen  
Elders: Don Majerus  
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Dan Reimers

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Adam Wolff  
Rod Voss  
Wade Wacker

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Vice President: Karlyne Ackerman  
Secretary: Jeanne Ponto  
Treasurer: Wanda Untiedt  
Delegates: Jeanne Ponto

Nominating Comm.: Lisa Dean  
Shirley Finnern

Education Super: Vicki Place  
Youth Group: Brian Gilmore &  
Pastor

Cradle Roll: Janet Majerus  
Organist: Shirley Finnern  
Custodian: Deanne Stowe

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Dennis Stahly

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Dolly Meier  
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SS Staff: Brian Gilmore  
*(help wanted)*  
Connie Brons, Music

Cradle Roll: Dolly Meier

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Pastor

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Organist: Shirley Finnern  
Custodians: Kelly Morgan



## Upcoming Events and Announcements

**Joint Service:** Our first summer joint service will take place on Sunday June 9th at Trinity in Sioux Valley, with a fellowship brunch, cards and boardgames to follow.

**June Women's Event:** Ladies, please join the fun fellowship and tasty lunch at Round Lake Winery! The June women's event will be on Saturday, June 8th at 11:00 am. See you there!

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**LWML District Event:** June 20-22 MN South District LWML Convention in Mankato, contact Vicki for details.

**Ladies Night Out Invite:** St. Matthew LWML is inviting all ladies to our annual "Ladies' Night Out" on June 6, 2024 at 6pm. This year we are calling it "Trip around the World". It will be held at St. Matthew Lutheran Fellowship Hall, 1505 Dover Street, Worthington. The event will be a potluck salad and dessert meal. Please bring a dish to share. Following the meal, we will have a presentation from Sophia and Jordan White. They recently completed Year Around the World. This young couple did this trip on their own! Come and enjoy a great virtual presentation and see the places they have been. Please come, bring a friend, a dish to share and your smile! We would love to see you!

**Training Opportunity:** In light of the destructive weather this spring, I have had an uptick of interest in getting more LERT trainings/refreshers going in our district through the summer. Would you please let your congregation members know that there will be a training held at Redeemer Lutheran in Sioux City on Saturday, June 15? It is open to all interested LCMS members aged 14 and up. The cost is \$35/person and will cover materials, deployment tshirt, lunch and snacks. The training will run from check in at 8:30 am (class starts 9 am) until about 3:30 that afternoon. Registration will close June 11 so we can get materials from St. Louis. If interested in this training or future trainings/ deployments, please sign up through [www.LCMS-LERT.org](http://www.LCMS-LERT.org)

**Gifts from the Heart:** LWML Minnesota South District Convention in Mankato will be June 20-22 in Mankato. At each convention, LWML members and groups share God's blessing with others through Gifts from the Heart (GFTH). Orphan Grain Train has been chosen as the recipient of GFTH for this year's MNS Convention. Orphan Grain Train is a Christian volunteer network that ships donated food, clothing, medical supplies, and other items of need to people in 71 countries worldwide. Following is the list of GFTH items Trinity LWML is collecting as our contribution:

- \* New or gently used, clean shoes - all sizes child through adult
- \* New or gently used, clean socks - all sizes child through adult
- \* Quilts, blankets, or comforters - any sizes
- \* Cash donation to pay for shipping. The average cost to ship a box of donated goods is \$11; the average cost to sponsor a full shipping container overseas is \$9,000. There is a container in the narthex to place your donation. Thank you for your generosity in helping the LWML.

## **General Announcements**

**Calendar deadline:** The deadline for the July calendar will be Tuesday, June 25th. Thank you!

**Items for sale:** Trinity LWML has cards for sale including birthday, get-well, and sympathy. Cards can be purchased individually for \$0.60 apiece or by the box. The amount is written on the box.

**LWML Mites:** We will now have the LWML Mite box sitting in the back in the narthex and we welcome all members including Sunday school students to bring your loose change on any Sunday and place in the can. We thank you for all your help.

**Concordia & Trinity group messages:** to receive messages via text, text @c83311 to 81010. Or to receive messages via email: send an emails to c83311@mail.remind.com. The Remind tool is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps us share important updates, reminders, and information with everyone at one time. All personal information is kept private. No one else can see your phone number nor will you see theirs. Contact Amanda in the office if you have any questions or need assistance.

**LifeDate:** Each quarter a new edition will be placed in your bulletin boxes. This is coming to our congregation with only the shipping costs. So if you would no longer like to receive this publication please contact the church office.

**Lutheran Public Radio:** *Sacred Music For The World* you can listen to the best of the Church's music 24/7 at [lutheranpublicradio.org](http://lutheranpublicradio.org). You'll hear hymns like "Thy Strong Word," "The Church's One Foundation," "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart," "God's Own Child I Gladly Say It," "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" and more. You can also listen on mobile devices like an iPhone, iPad and an Android phone. *Issues, Etc.* is a ten-hour weekly syndicated radio talk show and podcast. The program features expert guests, expansive topics, while extolling Christ. The program is hosted by Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Jeff Schwarz.

**Thrivent Choice:** Remember to enroll as Thrivent members your Choice Dollars. Trinity & Concordia Lutheran Church is eligible to receive Choice Dollars. Please consider us a your choice. To learn more about Thrivent Choice, visit [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 1-800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent choice" when prompted.

**Electronic Newsletters:** If you are interested in receiving the monthly newsletter electronically please send me an e-mail making the request.

**ConnectPlus:** LCEF is now offering an investment option called ConnectPlus. Please [www.lcef.org](http://www.lcef.org) or call (800)843-5233.

**Newsletters and Bulletins:** Both can be found on our web pages: [www.trinitysv.com](http://www.trinitysv.com) or [www.concordialp.com](http://www.concordialp.com). If you would like to receive your newsletter by e-mail only OR if you would like to view the body of the newsletter on-line but would like a printed calendar please contact the church office. Thank you!

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**Lutheran Ladies:** Have you scrolled through your podcasts, searching for one that catches your ear – a place you can escape to with inviting conversations, laughter, and fellowship with your Lutheran sisters? Look no further! Join Sarah, Erin, Rachel, and Bri on the sofa in the Lutheran Ladies Lounge, a podcast oasis for you, dear sisters, to sit, rest your feet, and stay a while. And on the way out, we'll check your lipstick. The Lutheran Ladies Lounge is produced by KFUE Radio and available wherever you get your podcasts. Sign up for the Lutheran Ladies' Lounge monthly e-newsletter on Mailchimp at [eepurl.com/gjya5P](http://eepurl.com/gjya5P), and email the Ladies at [lutheranladies@kfuo.org](mailto:lutheranladies@kfuo.org).

**In-Person Bible Study:** Our evening class is at Trinity Lutheran Church at 6:30 PM on Tuesdays and our morning class is at Concordia Lutheran Church at 9:00 AM on Wednesdays. The class is the same at both locations. Online morning devotions is still held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9AM. We'll continue the pattern of evening and morning studies on Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings, interest permitting. Hope to see you there!

**Electronic Ipad Organ Program:** Please let the church office or Denny Stahly know if you are interested in learning how to run the ipad for when we do not have an organist.

**Portal of Prayer:** Audio Listen to recordings of each day's Bible readings, devotion, and prayer. Devotions + Prayers Applicable, easy-to-read meditations and prayers. Over 2500 Devotions Read seven years of *Portals of Prayer* devotions. Search, Save, and Share Search past devotions by keyword, save your favorites, and share prayers. Download on the app store or get it on google play.

**Christian TV Show:** Main Street Living is now being broadcast on KCAU Sioux City, KDLT Sioux Falls, WFTC Channel 29 aka "Fox 9 Plus" and MyTV. Air time on both channels is Sunday at 10 am. The first 30 minutes are premastered episodes of the popular "This is the Life" series that was very popular in the 70's and 80's. The second half of the program is a modified Lutheran worship service that features a different Pastor each week, from the station's broadcast area. It features many aspects of church worship; with an Invocation, confession and absolution, The Apostles Creed, the week's Scripture readings, and a sermon. Hymns are sung by area church choirs. It's a wonderful evangelistic ministry that shares the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ with the unchurched and shut-in. It is also great to utilize on Sundays you are unable to attend worship online at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com). Watch your bulletins for weekly program info.

### **Lutheran Hour Ministry Upcoming Events:**

*June 2 airing* This is the Life – "Some People Need Help" – An amputee from a Veteran's hospital must learn that hurting others will not help him. Worship Service – Rev. Michael Buchhorn of Grace Lutheran Church in Wayne, NE, delivers the message "A Needed Rest" based on Deuteronomy 5:12. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).



*June 9 airing* This is the Life – Jeremy” – Deals with the relationship between a mother and a mentally challenged son who lives in a home. Worship Service – Rev. Brent Klein of Trinity Lutheran Church in Northfield, MN, delivers the message “An Unforgivable Sin” based on Mark 3:20-35. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

*June 16 airing* This is the Life – “Flight Plan” – A man has to deal with the death of a young boy with a terminal illness. Will it strengthen his faith or destroy it? Worship Service – Rev. Ross Fritz of Grace Lutheran Church in Breckenridge, MN, delivers the message “The Secret of the Slacker Sower and the Sickled Seed” based on Mark 4:26-34. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

*June 23 airing* This is the Life – “Amazing Grace” – A man who has come from a poor beginning to a rich and full life must learn not to forsake his Christian faith. Worship Service – Rev. Ricky Jacob of Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Church in Winnebago, NE, delivers the message, “The Revealing of the Sons of God” based on Romans 8:18-23. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

*June 30 airing* This is the Life – “The Selling Price” – A father and son face the issue of ethics, and how it relates to God’s law. Worship Service – Rev. Merle Mahnken of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Schleswig, IA, delivers the message, “God’s Love and Faithfulness: The Sure Foundation for Our Hope” based on Lamentations 3:22-33. Additional information is available on the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

*Lutheran Hour Ministry can now be found on these applications. A podcast subscription; subscribe at [lhm.org/podcasts](http://lhm.org/podcasts); A mobile app for Android devices and iPhones; visit [lhm.org/apps](http://lhm.org/apps) for more information; Amazon Alexa, a voice-activated assistant to play media programming; Spotify, an on-demand media streaming service; iHeartRadio, a free broadcast & internet radio platform; and SiriusXM Satellite Radio’s Family Talk Channel 131 at 10 a.m. EST every Sunday.*



**Updates Needed:** We would like to have an up-to-date listing for all our members. If you have moved, gotten married, had a child, changed your phone number, cell phone, and/or e-mail address we would like to know so that our records can be accurate. Please let the church office know. Thank you!

**Families Needed:** Lutheran Family Service is looking for additional families to be a part of our adoption program as we are serving a higher number of birth mothers looking to place for adoption. Newborn Infant Adoption Program Details: • Lutheran Family Service will travel anywhere in the state of Iowa, North and Central Illinois (2.5 hr radius of East Moline), and Eastern Nebraska (3 hr radius of Omaha) to provide adoption services. • Couples must be male/female married for at least 3 years • Couples must be active in a Christian congregation • Program is fee-based Lutheran Family Service: • Creating family through adoption for nearly 120 years • Fully licensed child-placing agency • Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the LCMS Church following all LCMS biblical principles • Free pregnancy counseling program. For more information, contact Lutheran Family Service at 515-251-4900 or [info@lutheranfamilyservices.org](mailto:info@lutheranfamilyservices.org).

**Birthdays and Anniversaries:** If you would like your birthday or anniversary printed in *The Lutheran Witness* to commemorate a birthday of 90 years or more or an anniversary of 50 years or more please contact the church office two months in advance, so that notification can be sent to the district office.

**On-line Devotions:** You may join on-line daily devotions on Facebook – we now have a home-base page on YouTube as well. Now all videos of Worship Services, Devotional studies and other events are now accessible from a common playlist. For fast access, click on “YouTube Home Page” in the “Links” Section <https://tinyurl.com/TLCACLC>

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**One Year Bible Study:** Are you interested in reading the Bible through from Genesis to Revelation? Join us online for study of the Bible in a Year. You read a little from the Old Testament, New Testament, Psalms, and Proverbs for each day of the year while receiving daily reflections from Pastor Jacobsen designed to get you to think through your readings. Simply send Pastor an email if you wish to sign up.

## **June 2024 Activities at Lakefield Senior**

### **Dining:**

Lakefield Meal Site is serving in-house and home delivered meals. Call 507-662-6714 to reserve.

Monday June 3rd Lunch & Learn with the Lakefield Lumberyard menu: honey glazed

Tuesday June 18th Lakefield Birthday Party menu: chic a la orange/rice pilaf

Tuesday June 1th Foot care call 662-6714 to schedule.

Tuesday June 25th frozen meals/only if scheduled

CLOSED!! Wednesday June 19th for Juneteenth

Half price meals for June sponsored by Farm Bureau Financial Services/Hansen Agency

Monday June 10th menu: scalloped pots/ham and pudding

Friday June 21st menu: lemon pepper chic/brown rice & pumpkin spice cake

CARDS!!!

Tuesday June 11th pinochle

Wednesday June 12th 500

Wednesday June 26th pinochle

All cards begin at 1230. Costs 10 cents to play

Call Marless at 507-662-5254 for

questions or to play.



**Elderbridge Agency on Aging:** We are an Area Agency on Aging in North Central, Northwest, and Central Iowa, currently serving a 29-county region. We provide information, guidance, and assistance in finding services for you, your spouse, parent, relative, or friend. We strive to enable older Iowans to live with dignity, well-being, and independence. For more information visit: [elderbridge.org/](http://elderbridge.org/)

**MN Relay:** If you or a family member living in MN needs help hearing when answering the phone there is help available at no cost to you. Please contact the consumer relations office (800)657-3775, e-mail: [mn.relay@state.mn.us](mailto:mn.relay@state.mn.us) or visit [mn.gov](http://mn.gov) for more information. There is also a brochure in the narthex.

**Dickinson County Hunger Coalition:** Has information on all food pantries available to residents in Dickinson County - individuals enter the office and choose their own groceries with assistance from UDMO Staff and volunteers. This includes choices of canned and boxed goods, assorted frozen meats, fresh vegetables, breads, baked goods and more. For more information visit: [dickinsoncountyhunger.com/where-s-the-food](http://dickinsoncountyhunger.com/where-s-the-food)

**Atlas of Lakes Area:** Companions and Advocates on the Road of Life. Atlas strives to be an advocate for those in need as they deal with life's relational, physical, emotional, financial, and/or spiritual struggles. We strive to love unconditionally in each mentoring relationship. Offering encouragement, hope, and support for anything you may be facing in life. In addition to support, we offer qualified referrals for addictions, relational, employment challenges, housing challenges, transportation hurdles, health issues, financial difficulties, emotional afflictions, and spiritual barriers. For more information visit: [lakesatlas.com](http://lakesatlas.com)

**Mental Health Info:**

*Trinity:* Jackson County Mental Health Crisis, Phone: 1-800-642-1525  
<http://www.co.jackson.mn.us>

*Concordia:* Plains Area Mental Health Phone: 1-800-325-1192  
<https://plainsareamentalhealth.org>

*Long Distance Counseling:* Lutheran Family Service, Phone: 515-573-3138  
Confidential, Convenient, Secure, HIPAA compliant, Christ-centered  
<https://lutheranfamilyservice.org>

**Announcements For Concordia**

**June LWML Meeting:** Trinity LWML will host a joint LWML meeting with Concordia June 10th at 1pm and 6 pm, in the Trinity Welcome room.

**Concordia Voters Meeting:** The next Voters Meeting is scheduled for Sunday June 23rd following service.

**LWML Convention:** at Camp Okoboji is June 13-15 2024. Ingatherings are: Orphan Grain Train collecting bath towels, new underwear for men colored, new underwear or bras for women and new underwear for children. Ioway collecting Hospice kits for Global Health Ministries this includes regular size bath towel, washcloth, bath sized unscented soap, toothbrush, pick-style comb, larger size nail clipper, band-aids, jar or tube of petroleum jelly 4 ounces, heavy-duty household gloves medium size. IDW Hispanic Congregations Cross Embroidered Baptism Napkins, Spanish Bibles & Notebooks (hardcover, 8 x 5, 100 pages). More detailed information on the LWML web site.

### Voters Meeting Minutes 4/14/24

Meeting was called to order by President Brons at 11:52 am. Voters present were Jodi, Larry, Carol, Russ, Dolly, Jake, Amanda, Joel, Crystal, Brian, Denny, John, Kaitlyn, Connie, Bob, Jerry, and Pastor Jacobsen. Pastor opened with a prayer. Pastor's report- Recently a funeral was held for Esther Gaudian. Plans for joint services are for Trinity on June 9th. Other joint service months will be July, August, and September, with the September joint service possibly held at Camp Okoboji. We have one graduate this year, Jamin Ehlers, and graduate recognition Sunday will be on May 12th which is also Mother's Day. Pastor will have both Minnesota and Iowa district conferences in back-to-back weeks in May. We received the official letter of transfer request for John and Kaitlyn O'Neal, motion was made and seconded to accept the transfer request, motion carried. Secretary's report- minutes of the previous meeting were read, motion was made by Russ seconded by Crystal to accept the minutes as read, motion carried. Treasurers report- printouts for finances for January through March were distributed, motion was made by Connie seconded by Carol to accept the report, motion carried. Elders report- nothing new. Education report- all going well, Last day of Sunday school will be the Sunday before school lets out for the summer, May 19th. Trustee's report- the problem of water coming in the basement needs to be addressed. Brian related he knows someone who might be able to offer help. Bob also said he knows someone who dealt with a similar problem involving the placing of tile and installation of a sump pump from Truman Minnesota whose work yielded successful results we could confer with. Old Business- John presented information he had researched on the purchase of a nice table for use at funerals for pictures or urns. We got a quote from A1 Woodworking of Spirit Lake with estimates of approximately \$1398 for a very ornate version, or around \$1000 for one more plain. Question was asked if we currently have enough in the memorial fund to cover cost of the nicer version, and was answered that we do. Motion was made by Dolly seconded by Joel to go with the nicer ornate option, motion carried. Bob called Century Link regarding our phone billings charged the last few years when we were provided no service because of downed lines. Century Link stated they will delete our current bill now that we have cancelled our service, but all the billings the past few years when we had no service would not be refunded. Bob said he will call the city office to see if they can help get Century Link to do something with the downed lines which they have refused to deal with. Amanda said she is still hoping to start sorting and boxing items soon regarding the cleaning project for the secretary's office. New Business- none. Motion was made by Russ seconded by Carol to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned with The Lord's Prayer at 12:33 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday June 23rd.

Denny Stahly – Secretary

**Hana Rae Ail Muftah**

Harris-Lake Park High School Graduate

Daughter of Ali & Amy Muftah

Hana has been active throughout high school with activities including cheer, speech and choir.

Favorite High School Class:  
Creative Writing & Math

Plans after Graduation: University of Northern Iowa Majoring in Education, Specializing in History



**Jamin Dale Ehlers**

Harris-Lake Park High School Graduate

Son of Ben & Jolene Ehlers

Jamin has been active throughout high school with Special Olympics competing in running, bicycling, unified bicycling, unified golf, and unified power weight lifting. He also enjoys showing cattle and swine in 4-H.

Favorite High School Class:  
Self Defense & Science



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**Trinity LWML Mission for June:** 2023–2025 Mission Grant No. 12, SHARING CHRIST CRUCIFIED WITH HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH, Lutheran High School of Greater New Orleans | \$35,000. The school exists by God's grace as an extension of Lutheran congregations to provide a quality physical, intellectual, and spiritual education to its students, enabling them to go to college, to be exemplary citizens, and to be equipped to make disciples for Christ. To learn more, visit [www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-12](http://www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-12)

**Gifts from the Heart:** LWML Minnesota South District Convention in Mankato will be June 20-22 in Mankato. At each convention, LWML members and groups share God's blessing with others through Gifts from the Heart (GFTH). Orphan Grain Train has been chosen as the recipient of GFTH for this year's MNS Convention. Orphan Grain Train is a Christian volunteer network that ships donated food, clothing, medical supplies, and other items of need to people in 71 countries worldwide. Following is the list of GFTH items Trinity LWML is collecting as our contribution:

- \* New or gently used, clean shoes - all sizes child through adult
- \* New or gently used, clean socks - all sizes child through adult
- \* Quilts, blankets, or comforters - any sizes
- \* Cash donation to pay for shipping. The average cost to ship a box of donated goods is \$11; the average cost to sponsor a full shipping container overseas is \$9,000.

There is a container in the narthex to place your donation. Thank you for your generosity in helping the LWML.

**Lucas Ahrenstorff**

Harris-Lake Park High School Graduate

Son of John & Emily Ahrenstorff

Lucas has been active throughout high school with football, basketball, golf, baseball, and a member of National Honor Society.

Favorite High School Memory:  
being with friends

Plans after Graduation: University of Iowa,  
Majoring in Accounting



**Kiera Ahrenstorff**

Worthington High School Graduate

Daughter of Kelly Ahrenstorff  
and Tim Ahrenstorff

Kiara has been active throughout high school with activities including tennis, orchestra, and art shows

Favorite High School Class: Art and  
Ceramics Class

Plans after Graduation:  
General Academics at Minnesota West  
possibly Majoring in Business

