



The Churchman

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We are called together by the Holy Spirit around Word and Sacraments to glorify God the Father, creator of all things, through our Lord Jesus Christ. We trust God to nurture lives of faith and hope as we serve and give witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation of the world.



Beginning in June

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule for
Summer 2019
beginning June 23rd through
September 1st.

Holy Communion at 9:15 a.m.

The regular Sunday morning worship,
education, and choir rehearsals schedule will
resume on Sunday, September 8th.

Time for Mercy

This sermon was preached on the Third Sunday in Lent, March 24th, 2019. The assigned texts were Isaiah 55:1-9 and Luke 13:1-9.

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live (Isaiah 55:1).

There had been a riot in the Jerusalem temple. Pilate's soldiers had moved quickly to end it with a blood bath swiftly killing several devout Galileans from the north who were saying their prayers in the Holy City.

There had also been an accident at the construction site of a water tower near the Pool of Siloam, a project for which Pilate had

embezzled monies from the temple treasury in order to build. The tower apparently toppled before being finished, killing eighteen construction workers.

Now, if we were interested in the reasons for these tragedies, I'm sure we could think up plenty for both—Pilate's bad temper being one, and some faulty engineering being another. And, of course, people simply being in the wrong place at the wrong time being another.

The Galileans were outsiders killed by a brutal dictator among the millions throughout history whose lives have been taken by cruel, oppressive tyrants. The Jerusalemites were insiders just going about their daily lives and doing their jobs who were killed, more or less, by a natural disaster among the millions of people throughout history who have perished in earthquakes and floods, disease and famine, accidents and fire.

Life happens.

“Now then, Jesus, maybe you'll agree that those Galileans suffered so horribly because they were worse sinners than all the rest of us. After all, knowing what we know about the folks from Galilee, no prophet ever came from there; in fact, nothing good can come from Galilee (cf. John 1:46).

“And maybe you'll also agree, Jesus, that those workers at the construction site of Siloam must have been worse offenders than all the others in Jerusalem; otherwise, they wouldn't have been standing ‘in the wrong place at the wrong time.’”

Now, as well as then, there is this prevailing notion, that when tragedy strikes, it must have been ignited by something having to do with us—what we have done or what we have left undone, as we sometimes say in our prayers of confession. We simply must have somebody to blame. There must be a cause for every effect, so says “enlightened” scientific reason.

The great teacher of the church Thomas Aquinas warns us that “to pry and dwell on our neighbor's faults in order to despise him is vicious.” Likewise, C. S. Lewis, in *Mere Christianity*, writes that “all the worst sins are spiritual [not physical]: the pleasure of putting other people in the wrong, of bossing and [condescending] and backbiting; the pleasures of power, of hatred... .”

When bad things happen to good people or to bad folks alike, I suppose it's only natural for us to ask, “Why? Was it because of something they did... or did not do?”

Somebody or something must be at fault which, when you pause for a moment to think about it, is a very cruel set of questions and assumptions for suffering people. But I've noticed that the question, “Why?” is most often a form of protest against random suffering when there appears to be no explanation, rather than a question that is truly seeking to understand some set of circumstances. The question “Why?” is often a protest against life as it can sometimes be.

The question “Why?” can also be an affirmation that there is plausibility to the universe and that suffering must be related to some

reasonable explanation, because we depend upon our lives being ordered, predictable, and based upon cause and effect.

“Why?” Well, the answers may not satisfy us.

“God makes his sun to shine on the good and the bad; his rain to fall on the just and the unjust” (Matthew 5:45). Both the good and the bad get both sunshine and rain. And, by the way, “my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord. “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts” (Isaiah 55:8, 9).

The two tragedies which Jesus recounts in this reading remind us—not that we need reminding—that we are vulnerable creatures; and, to be honest, we can presume very little, and we can do even less to preserve ourselves.

“So,” prays the psalmist, “teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom” (Psalm 90:12).

The Galileans who died in Pilate’s massacre were no worse sinners than anybody else. The construction workers who were killed by the tower that collapsed were no worse than anyone else—just your average groups of people who happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time.

As the older Slovaks among us used to say, “This is life.” There is often a randomness to human suffering.

Now, oddly enough, Jesus warns those who are asking such questions, “No, I tell you, but unless you change your hearts and lives, you’ll die just as they did.”

“...To pry and dwell on our neighbor’s faults in order to despise him is vicious.”

Maybe Jesus is suggesting that we need to worry less about the sins of others and more about our own need for confession. Maybe we ought not mistake our good fortune as evidence of God’s special blessing. Things are not going well for us just because we think we’re doing such a fantastic job of managing our lives.

It’s claiming very little to say, “I’m a sinner.” Anybody can say, “I’m a sinner.” But to name our sins before God who loves to love sinners is something completely different.

As the Irish poet and playwright, Oscar Wilde, quipped, “If your sins find you out, why worry! It is when they find you in, that trouble begins.” Or as Paul phrased it, “Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more” (Romans 5:20), then following quickly with the rhetorical question, “Does this mean we should sin all the more?... No way!”

Finally, Jesus tells a little story comparing God to a farmer who said to his landscaper, “Take a look this lousy excuse for fig tree. It’s been here for three years and no figs.” This unfruitful fig tree appears to be a real loser, as some would say, taking up sunshine and good soil for three years for nothing.

The verdict: “Cut it down.”

But the little gardener pleads for the tree, “Please, let it alone—let it go, even forgive it—then, let me dig around it and put some manure on it.”

Jesus says that God is like this. Give it more time.

The reasonable, sensible decision would be that, “The tree has had enough time. It’s had its chance. Time’s up. Take the ax. Cut it down. Throw it into the fire. Get rid of it. It’ll never amount to anything.”

Rarely is this God reasonable.

Always, it seems, this God is merciful.

There is still time for mercy.

Mere length of years is no guarantee of a fruitful life. Just as an early, untimely death cannot diminish the good fruit of a person’s brief span of life.

“So, teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.”

“The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin...” (Exodus 34:6).—*djl*

A Candle Against the Wind

*I know that I have life
only insofar as I have love.*

*I have no love
except it come from Thee.*

*Help me, please, to carry
this candle against the wind.*

—Wendell Berry



From the Worship and Music Committee

The Worship and Music Committee would like to thank everyone who was involved with preparing and serving our Wednesday evening soup suppers during the Lenten season as well as those who served as cantors and leaders during the services of Evening Prayer which followed the suppers.

Thanks also to everyone who was part of making the Holy Week and Easter services so meaningful this year. Special thanks to Jane Lauritsen for leading our youth choir; Kristine Boike and Isabelle Boike for playing the violin and cello, Aidan Altavilla for providing timpani, Sam Lauritsen for playing the trumpet, and Sheryl Hallmann for organizing the Easter breakfast and Easter Gospel Reading.

We continue to ask God’s blessings upon Pastor Dennis and Parish Musician David Richards for their inspiring work in leading the Lenten, Holy Week and Easter services.

Our summer Sunday worship schedule will begin this year on Sunday, June 23rd and continue through September 1st. Holy Communion is celebrated at 9:15 a.m. The regular schedule resumes September 8th.

—Charles Matthies
Worship and Music Committee



Congratulations, Graduates!

On Sunday, June 16th the congregation will remember in prayer and recognize those related to the congregation who are completing courses of study and graduating this spring from middle school, high school, college, graduate and professional schools. We would like to have a complete list of the names of our graduates, the schools from which they are graduating, and a little about their future plans—all of which could be included in the Sunday bulletins and the summer issue of the newsletter. Please speak with Pastor Dennis or Karen Rouleau if you know of graduates and can provide some information about them. We also would hope that as many of our graduates as possible could be present at worship that Sunday.



Birthdays

May 1: Dennis Lauritsen	May 18: Brian Bucz
May 5: Henry Quest	Colin McShane
May 6: Jonathan Drahos	May 19: Sean Jones
May 7: Charlene Patula	May 27: Kristina Patel
May 11: Jake Collins	May 28: Timothy Sender
Karole Gaydusek	Sarah Wilson
Jane Lauritsen	May 29: Thomas Myers
May 13: Joseph Hassel	May 31: Thomas Murray
Kenneth Hurbanis	

Anniversaries

May 8, 1971: Walter and Judith Cudecki
 May 15, 2009: Jeffrey and Lisa Triska
 May 15, 2010: George and Catherine Pagurko
 May 23, 1993: Earl, Jr. and Rita Mika
 May 25, 1968: John and Shirley Kostelny
 May 28, 1995: Jennifer and Benjamin Smith
 May 29, 1994: Jillian and James Collins

Happenings

Lux Cantorum Concert
 Sunday, May 5th, 4 p.m.

Ladies Altar Guild
 Thursday, May 9th, 12 noon

Riverside Preschool at Sts. Peter and Paul Graduation
 Thursday, May 23rd, 7 p.m.

Congregation Council Meeting
 Thursday, May 16th, 7:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous meets weekly on
 Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m.
Co-Dependents Anonymous meets weekly on
 Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.
AA Big Book Study Group meets weekly on
 Saturday mornings at 11 a.m.
AA Group meets weekly on
 Saturday evenings at 7 p.m.

*All groups meet in the large classroom on the lower level
 (first classroom on the right off the main dining hall).*

Directory Changes...

Carol Triska
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News from the Riverside Preschool at Sts. Peter and Paul

Dear Friends,

We can't believe the school year is almost over. Thank you to all in the church community for all your help, support and kindness throughout the year. We are truly blessed to be part of your community.

The month of May will be filled with a celebration for the preschool moms and healthy eating. We will end the year with a program filled with colorful songs and a graduation ceremony for our graduates along with an educational field trip to see the llamas at Cosley Zoo. Sure to be fun!

—Lisa Manganiello, Preschool Director



Sunday Worship Schedule

9:30 a.m. Confirmation and Sunday Kids' Class
 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
 11:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal

Choir Rehearsals
 May 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th at 7:30 p.m.

Make Your Reservation...

The Riverside Masonic Lodge, 40 Forest Avenue in Riverside, will host a Blood Donor Day on Saturday, May 11th. Doors will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Appointments are recommended and can be made by calling LifeSource Blood Services at (847) 803-7943. Walk-ins are also welcome on the day of the drive. Please bring identification showing your name, date of birth, and one of the following information items: Social Security identification, driver's license, state ID or passport.

The Women's Guild of Trinity Lutheran Church in Chicago will be hosting its Spring Salad Bar Luncheon on Wednesday, May 15th at 12 noon. The menu will feature hot entrees, salads and jello molds, bread and rolls, coffee, tea and lemonade, and desserts. Tickets are \$15. Reservations may be made with Vera Menich at (847) 823-1802.



In Riverside
Monday, May 27th at 10 a.m.
St. Mary Parish Center
126 Herrick Road

Memorials and Honorariums

✠ For the Church ✠

Retired Members of Local 134, I.B.E.W., in memory of +Nick Sasuta+.

Cynthia Sajid, for archival research.

Milan Oklepek, in memory of dear wife +Deanna+ on the anniversary of her passing.

Anne Gavac and family, in loving memory of parents and grandparents +Zuzanna+ and +Pavel Hluchy+ and brothers and uncles +John Hluchy+ and +Samuel Hluchy+.

Bess Weglarz, in memory of +Anne Babinec+, +Anna Kolarik+, and +John Kolarik+.

Jan Small, in memory of mother +Suzanne Janovic Bartizal+ and grandmother +Zuzanna Janovic Pribula+.

Keith Lencko, in memory of +Irene H. Boor+.

Esther Meksto, in memory of husband +Edward+ on the first anniversary of his passing.

Lauren Luissow, in memory of +Nick Sasuta+.

Larry and Ruth Bakalich, in memory of +Nick Sasuta+.

Charles Matthies, in memory of parents +Theodore+ and +Elizabeth Matthies on the 70th anniversary of their marriage on March 20th.

Michael and Tamara Wood, in memory of +Shirley Wood+.

Steven and Donna Baer

✠ In memory of Fred Tornil ✠

Mark and Liz Rouck

Walter and Cynthia Holt

Francis and Sharon Jakuba

Mildred Mendel

Saundra and Peter Spilotro

Donald and Dianna Trepp

Maria Chladek

Betty Kany

Edward and Joanne Sefara

Anne Gavac

Miroslav and Cecile Lazar

Paul Galdun

John Galdun

Emil and Helena Galdun

Jezek Family

J. Miklova

John and Shirley Kostelny

Ann Vana

Milan Oklepek

Frank and Ann Kmet

Roman Dobre

John and Janet Broussard

Anna Svehla

Anonymous

Globetrotters Engineering Corporation

Maria Mankos

Pavel and Vera Zeathammel

Suzette Sison

Anonymous

Marik Family

Anonymous



A Sermon for the Funeral of Frederick Tornil

This sermon was prepared for the Liturgy of the Resurrection and Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Frederick Tornil (baptized Vladimir Krman) held on Wednesday, March 13th.

Lord, our God, by the light of the resurrection of your Son you have helped us see that we shall not sleep in death forever. Look upon the sufferings of your Church, so that our hearts may rejoice in your saving help and sing you songs of praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...” (I Peter 1:3).

Like some of you, I first became acquainted with Fred by way of some email exchanges. Initially, he and I had met each other on several occasions at Christmas Eve services, Easter Vigils, and various special events hosted by the congregation. I had occasionally seen Fred riding his bicycle around Riverside during late afternoons in spring and autumn. I had also heard about his heroic adventure 66 years ago today on March 13th, 1953.

However, I became better acquainted with “Vlado” when he began reaching out to me with emailed photography of beautiful landscapes and seashores, videos of various scientific discoveries and miraculous scenes from outer space, as well as some very funny cartoon frames, some originating from various stories of the Bible which were among the best “church funnies” I’ve come across—very much akin to Gary Larson’s *Far Side* cartoons of years ago. These Vlado had humbly labeled “Very Basic Humor” but which had an auspicious, two-year run in the congregational newsletter.

Eventually Vlado would send photos of special family occasions including scenes of birthdays, anniversaries and backyard celebrations as well as historic photos of everything Czechoslovak, even a homegrown Slovak commercial for some *brindza* (sheep cheese, I learned) which was quite hilarious. Together, we viewed it several times.

So Vlado and I began a long and warm correspondence. Then, when he was in the middle of that painful, dreary series of unsuccessful knee replacement surgeries and recoveries, which left many of his enjoyable physical activities severely curtailed, we would visit together in rehab centers. He seemed very grateful to pray together and to share the Lord’s Supper.

Among his challenging faith questions and nagging doubts, I learned that Vlado was an heir to a long, distinguished religious legacy through the generations of his Krman ancestors (Daniel Krman, founder of the Lutheran congregation in Myjava, Slovakia, has his place in stain glass, together with Jan Hus and Svetozár Hurban-Vajanský, at the Woodside entrance to Sts. Peter and Paul). The faith of his childhood and youth had not faltered or failed Vlado through some rigorous challenges in life. For him, no matter his physical condition, there was always hope for another day, something more that needed to be done around the house, firewood to be cut, another bike ride, an approaching harvest of fruits, vegetables and chestnuts, celebrations and anniversaries. I often thought, “Vlado seems to have received an extra dose of stamina—more than most.” And the fierce longing for liberty—born of our faith traditions—had provided him courage to keep crossing the thresholds from captivity to freedom.

In recent years, Rose and Vlado have welcomed Jane and me into their home where we have chatted near the fireplace that Vlado built and enjoyed late afternoon picnics on the patio which Rose had prepared. We’ve toured the orchards, chestnut groves, and vegetable gardens on the grounds—reminiscent, I suppose, of the place where Vlado had grown up and perhaps Rose had known from their childhoods and youth.

Then, at long last, a few years ago Vlado took the risk of divulging one of his most guarded secrets—the location of the “happy hunting grounds” for Morel mushrooms during the month of May. But after several outings, all I was able to report to Vlado and Rose was, “I tried. I think I may have found a stem or two.”

“You were too late!” Vlado replied. “You gotta get out there when the May apples are setting on.”

“I’ll try again in a few weeks, Vlado,” I’m thinking. “Maybe this year.”

I am deeply grateful today for Vlado and Rose’s hospitality and for the budding friendship that we shared during these years together in communion with creation and the church. So often in life, there is much that will attempt to crush a person’s faith, not only imposed communist or other ideological dogmas, but also the injuries inflicted by the practices and persons of the church. And sometimes, we must be carried for a while by the faith of the saints past and present. I’m convinced that the flaming center of faith from our childhood and youth can often carry us for a lifetime—a light not quenched by the twists and turns of life.

As I’ve thought about Vlado’s life since his passing in February, words from St. Paul’s letter to the churches at Philippi come to mind, “Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you” (Philippians 4:8-9).

Vlado was a man with a world-wide wealth of experiences, a person who had learned how to do a multitude of engineering feats, a friend and lover of the earth and its variety of fruits, a student and teacher who never stopped learning, an unsung singer of some of the most beloved folk songs, and a family man who earnestly desired to provide for Rose and their sons.

“Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.”

We stand for a moment today to gaze with thankful eyes upon a baptized brother in Christ, a stalwart companion with us in our pilgrimage on earth whose course in this life has come to a finish.

There is grief. And there is gratitude.

On the night of his betrayal, as he is preparing to leave this world on Friday, Jesus says to his friends, “So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

“In sorrow we must go, but not in despair. Behold! we are not bound forever to the circles of the world, and beyond them is more than memory” (J.R.R. Tolkien).

Even the sorrow of death can sometimes give way to the deep, abiding and indescribable joy of gratitude. Those who are absent from us can strangely become present to us in new ways as they dwell among the communion of saints and as we commune with them at the Lord’s Table.

“We do not lose heart,” Paul wrote to the Corinthians. “Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal” (II Corinthians 4:16-18).

The promise Jesus gives us is that we will not be separated from him who loves us, “On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and me in you” (John 14:20).

Even in death, which seems to be the end of all things, the Eternal God is with us, making a place in the everlasting abode for us who await that final Easter morning when we shall awake at home at last in the likeness of Jesus’ resurrected glory (cf. I Corinthians 15).

“...And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:7).

Memorial Flowers

March 17th: In memory of loving father and grandfather +Joseph Vandlik+ on the 105th anniversary of his birth on March 19th by remembering children Mary Jo Meyers and Mark Vandlik and their families.

March 24th: In memory of +Theodore+ and +Elizabeth Matthies+ on the 70th anniversary of their marriage on March 20th by remembering son Charles.

In loving memory of dear husband, father and grandfather +Edward Meksto+ on the first anniversary of his passing by remembering wife Esther, children and grandchildren.

March 31st: In loving memory of +Deanna Oklepek+ who passed away on Easter Sunday, April 1st, 2010 by remembering husband Milan.

April 14th: In loving memory of parents +Gustav+ and +Mary Ivaska+ by remembering daughter Ludmilla Kovalsky, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

April 28th: In celebration of Steve and Beverly Podzamsky on the 70th anniversary of their marriage on April 23rd.

In celebration of Jerome and Helen Gaydusek on the 58th anniversary of their marriage on April 29th.

Fall Fest Rummage and Bake Sale October 12th, 2019

Donations are being accepted for the Annual Fall Fest Rummage and Bake Sale. These items need to be clean and in good working condition; and we kindly ask that no clothing, computers, TVs, or software be donated. Items may be brought to the church on Sunday Mornings or during the week when the church office is open. A classroom in the lower hallway is posted for donations. For more information, or if you have questions, please contact Vera Borysek at (708) 562-2307.



March 2019

Current, Benevolence and Freewill Offering

Budgeted Offering: \$2,597.00

<u>Date</u>	<u>Offering</u>
3/3	\$2,174.00
3/10	\$2,787.00
3/17	\$2,740.00
3/24	\$1,671.00

Now for the Dawning

(John 20:1-18)

*Now for the dawning, now for the morning,
now for the chasing of sorrow's night,
now for the rising, now for rejoicing,
now for darkness fleeing before light,*

*now for beginning after the ending,
now for the rolling of stone from tomb,
now for the dancing, now for the praising,
now for breaking the grip of gloom,*

*now for the greening, now for the flowering,
now for the garden bursting with life,
now for the singing, now for the sharing,
now for the peace in place of strife,*

*now for the laughing, now the embracing,
now for the joyful freedom of heart,
now for the healing, now for the caring,
now for nourishing the weaker part,*

*now for forgiveness, now for redemption,
now for repairing that which was torn,
now for the mercy, now for the justice,
now for the plowshare made from the sword,*

*now for believing, now for the hoping,
now for our lives and creation made new,
now for the giving, now for the serving,
ever celebrating what God's love can do.*

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From an Early Easter Homily

Let all the pious and all lovers of God rejoice in the splendor of this feast; let the wise servants blissfully enter into the joy of their Lord; let those who have borne the burden of Lent now receive their pay. The Lord gives rest to those who come on the eleventh hour as well as to those who have toiled since the first: yes, the Lord has pity on the last and serves the first. . . . Come you all: enter into the joy of your Lord. You the first and you the last, receive alike your reward. You rich and you poor, dance together; you sober and you weaklings, celebrate the day. You who have kept the fast and you who have not, rejoice today. The table is richly loaded: enjoy its royal banquet...; let no one go away hungry. All of you enjoy the banquet of faith; all of you receive the riches of the goodness of the Lord. For Christ is risen, and death is abolished; Christ is risen, and the demons are cast down; Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice; Christ is risen, and life is freed. To Christ be glory and power forever and ever.

—John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople
(died 407 A.D.)

Coffee Hour Hosts are Welcome!



A sign-up page is now available at the west entrance to the dining hall for hosting Sunday morning coffee hours. Hands-on orientation for hosting these events will be provided by Janet Broussard, Ann Head or Sue Skudrna. Please speak with any of the three for further information.



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Parish Musician	David Richards

Voice and Piano Recital and Reception

Students of Jane Hinlicky Lauritsen will present
a Spring Recital on Sunday, June 9th
in the Sanctuary at 2:00 p.m.

A reception will follow in the dining hall.

MAY WORSHIP SERVERS

May 5th:

Greeters: Walter and Judith Cudecki
 Acolyte: Aidan Altavilla
 Assisting Minister: Charles Matthies
 Comm. Minister: Beverly Tarbox
 Lectors: Gary and Jocelyn Drahos
 Ushers: Gregg Valek and John Kostelny

May 12th:

Greeters: Ann Kmet and Annette Kozik
 Acolyte: Abby Tarbox
 Assisting Minister: Vicki Michaels
 Comm. Minister: Carrie Watkiss
 Lectors: Jane Lauritsen and Kristine Boike
 Ushers: Gregg Valek and Paul Watkiss

May 19th:

Greeters: Edward and Joanne Sefara
 Acolyte: Ben Myers
 Assisting Minister: Brandon Michaels
 Comm. Minister: Tom Myers
 Lectors: George Valek and John Broussard
 Ushers: Gregg Valek and Janet Broussard

May 26th:

Greeters: Charles Matthies and Fred Kuzel
 Acolyte: Sebastian Myers
 Assisting Minister: Tom Myers
 Comm. Minister: Lois Mika
 Lectors: Robert Melnyk and Katie Melnyk
 Ushers: Donald Haase and Johnathan Haase

Sacristan and Altar Care:

Carole Pollitz and Carl Busch

Worship Servers Please Note...

...that if you are unable to keep your scheduled date, please arrange for a replacement and call the church office with the change. Thank you.

We are in need of congregation members and friends to serve as acolytes, ushers and nursery attendants. If interested, please speak with Pastor Dennis or a member of the Worship and Music Committee.



JUNE WORSHIP SERVERS

June 2nd:

Greeters: Larry Crachy and Karen Kubik
 Acolyte: Bryan Galdun
 Assisting Minister: John Broussard
 Comm. Minister: Brandon Michaels
 Lectors: Tom and Vicki Michaels
 Ushers: Janet Broussard and Gregg Valek

June 9th:

Greeters: John and Janet Broussard
 Acolyte: George Valek
 Assisting Minister: Carrie Watkiss
 Comm. Minister: Martin Pennino
 Lectors: Claire Watkiss and Isabella Myers
 Ushers: Fred Kuzel and Gregg Valek

June 16th:

Greeters: John and Shirley Kostelny
 Acolyte: Aidan Altavilla
 Assisting Minister: Tom Michaels
 Comm. Minister: Tom Myers
 Lectors: Keith Altavilla and Dale Hawes
 Ushers: John Kostelny and Walter Cudecki

June 23th:

Greeters: Carl Busch and Carole Pollitz
 Acolyte: Abby Tarbox
 Assisting Minister: Charles Matthies
 Comm. Minister: Kathy Ganschow
 Lectors: J. T. and Beverly Tarbox
 Ushers: Gregg Valek and Paul Watkiss

June 30th:

Greeters: Donald and Elaine Haase
 Acolyte: Ben Myers
 Assisting Minister: Vicki Michaels
 Comm. Minister: Beverly Tarbox
 Lectors: Paul and Carrie Watkiss
 Ushers: Donald Haase and Johnathan Haase

Sacristan and Altar Care

and Esther Meksto



Outdoor Service...
 on a Sunday in July.

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