THE SHEPHERD'S LOVE

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From the Pastor's Desk

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"And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught.

And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming much as to eat.

And they departed into a desert place by ship privately. And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto

And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.

And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a desert place, and now the time is far passed: send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat. He answered and said unto them, Give ye them to eat.

And they say unto him, Shall we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat? He saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? go and see.

And when they knew, they say, Five, and two fishes. And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.

And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties. And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all. And they did all eat, and were filled.

And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.

And they that did eat of the loaves and going, and they had no leisure so were about five thousand men." Mark 6:30-44

> I remember the first time I drove a car. My dad and I were in an empty parking lot. My dad had showed me what I needed to know and was sitting in the passengers seat. When I stepped on the gas I pressed way to hard and the car shot forward. I remember panicking and hitting the brakes. To me shooting forward like that was a miracle, even though I ridden in a car a thousand times it was incredible to drive. Now when I get behind the wheel I don't even think about it. It's something I've done a thousand times and is no longer that exciting. The old adage "familiarity breeds contempt" comes to mind.

> I feel like this phenomenon happens with the miracles of Jesus. When we first here them they are incredible, but after hearing of them a thousand times the shine tends to wear off. We're tempted to not be amazed at the awesome power of God. Jesus fed 5000 men, likely more as there were most likely women and children present. He fed them all from five loaves of bread and 2 fishes.

There's also something incredibly powerful in the way he does it. There's no fanfare, he simply tells the disciples what to do. He hands them food and they pass it out. Here Jesus shows them how their ministry is going to continue, how it continues today even. As Jesus performed the miracle of the feeding of the 5000, he gives the disciples his miraculous life giving word. The same word He has entrusted to us. As he has them pass out the bread, He has all of us pass out His word. This is how the sacraments too.

Jesus does the work, we simply pass out the food. The miracles of Jesus give evidence that He is the son of God. I pray that as we continue to live out our lives that God will help us continue to be amazed at the reality of what it means to belong to the Son of God, Jesus Christ, God's Peace, Nicholas Kandoll

Gracious Father in heaven,

As we gather around this table, we pause to acknowledge your loving kindness. You've blessed our plates with bounty, nourishing our bodies, and connecting our hearts. Just like the sun nourishes the earth, your grace nourishes our souls. We thank you for the hands that prepared this meal and for the soil that bore these fruits. Lord, we ask for your blessing as we partake of this food, may it strengthen our bodies, fortify our minds, and uplift our spirits. As we taste the sweetness of fruit and the warmth of bread, remind us always of your unending love and generosity. Amen.

Thank you to all for sharing your gifts and talents to make bars for the **Brad Weller Benefit**. Thank you also for working, attending, donating, visiting, and any other act of kindness. Our lives and hearts are touched by your love and support.

To God be the honor and glory. Tom, Tammy and family

STRIKING OUT CANCER ONE SWING AT A TIME!

THANK YOU so much for your love, support, and kindness as we face the reality of Multiple Myeloma. We are truly humbled and thankful for all of you! As much as we would love to not be going through the ugliness of cancer, we know that we are in God's grip, are grateful for amazing medical providers and medications, and appreciate all of the generosity from all of you! Throughout all of this, we are cherishing family time together and finding blessings and God's reminders along the way. With faith and hope, we believe Brad's cancer can be struck out one swing at a time. Every day is one day closer...



Future Kitchen Crew

We have help w/ the Confirmation Sunday dinner. These troopers came to help butter flat bread. Thank you so much. The help was greatly appreciated.







Pastor Nicholas Kandoll: (I to r) 2024 Confirmands are: Nevaeh Wehmas, Carlyle Tumberg, Tait Henderson, Anika Mursu, Lilja Pakkala, JeraLee Patterson, Creed Mursu and Kaitlyn Atkinson pc: Kristen Jyrkas



Living for Jesus

1. Living for Jesus, a life that is true,

Striving to please Him in all that I do;

Yielding allegiance, glad-hearted and free,

This is the pathway of blessing for me.

Refrain:

O Jesus, Lord and Savior, I give myself to Thee,

For Thou, in Thy atonement, didst give Thyself for me;

I own no other Master, my heart shall be Thy throne;

My life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for Thee alone.

2. Living for Jesus Who died in my

place,

Bearing on Calv'ry my sin and disgrace;

Such love constrains me to answer His call,

Follow His leading and give Him my all.

3. Living for Jesus, wherever I am, Doing each duty in His holy Name; Willing to suffer affliction and loss, Deeming each trial a part of my cross.

4. Living for Jesus through earth's little while,

My dearest treasure, the light of His smile;

Seeking the lost ones He died to redeem,

Bringing the weary to find rest in Him.

"Bible Reading Marathon, July 14-20, 2024!

Sign up to read!

Go to Facebook -New York Mills Bible Reading Marathon.

See top post for Sign Up Genius. Follow the link.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADAB23A3F9C70-49480750-2024



Read from Genesis through Revelation

5th Annual New York Mills

BIBLE READING MARATHON

July 14-20, 2024

Sunday, July 14 3:30p.m. Open with Worship 4-8p.m. Bible Reading Monday – Saturday, July 15-20, 8a.m. – 8p.m.

12 West Gilman Street, NYM

(Mike Malone's front yard)

SIGN UP

On FACEBOOK find our page - New York Mills Bible Reading Marathon. See top post for Sign Up Genius. Follow the link.

ALL AGES WELCOME | 30 MINUTE TIME SLOTS
May use your Bible or the Bibles provided at the site.
May sign up for multiple time slots.

OR Contact Sandi at 218-686-9680 for assistance.

¹⁴ If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14



Membership Dues

Membership dues for the NYM Apostolic Lutheran Church are due by the end of July

> 60\$ per single 120\$ per couple

He Giveth More Grace

Anne Flint, the author of this hymn, understood something of God's grace. Her mother died in childbirth and her father died shortly afterwards from an incurable disease. Before his death, Annie's father left Annie and her baby sister with a childless Christian couple, the Flints, who adopted them. Annie wanted to become a teacher, but in her second year of teaching, she began experiencing the symptoms of arthritis. The disease grew worse until she could hardly walk. The death of both adoptive parents left Annie and her sister alone again. Annie went to a sanatorium, but the doctors said there was nothing they could do for her.

She began writing from experience. Her fingers were bent, her joints were swollen, and often she could write only a few lines at a time. But she continued writing, praying that others might be helped through her experience. Her poems were published in magazines across the country. Annie learned what the apostle Paul had learned when God told him, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

(2 Corinthians 12:9). And she also learned that "He giveth more grace when the burden grows greater."

He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater; He sendeth more strength when the labors increase. To added affliction He addeth His mercy; To multiplied trials, His multiplied peace.

When we have exhausted our store of endurance, When our strength has failed ere the day is half done, When we reach the end of our hoarded resources, Our Father's full giving is only begun.

His love has no limit; His grace has no measure; His pow'r has no boundary known unto men. For out of His infinite riches in Jesus, He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again! (Hymn no. 505 Hymns & Songs of Zion)

"The Word is the gospel of God concerning his Son, who was made flesh, suffered, rose from the dead, and was glorified through the Spirit who sanctifies." [5] What a comfort this Gospel brings with it! By faith alone the Christian receives all that Christ gives.

"Faith alone is the saving and efficacious use of the Word of God, according to Rom. 10[:9]: 'If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.'"[6]

A man is "justified by faith alone and not any works; for if it could be justified by anything else, it would not need the Word, and consequently it would not need faith." M Luther

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Echoes of Mercy Radio Broadcast 920 AM KWAD

Sunday mornings English at 8:05 am

Sponsored by New York Mills, Spruce Grove and Menahga Apostolic Lutheran Churches

Sunday Schedule

Bible Study @9:15 Worship @ 10:30

If you choose to watch the services online and would like to donate to the church please send checks to:

Louise Amberg-Jokela 206 South Broadway #107 New York Mills, MN 56567

Thank you to everyone that has taken the time to send contributions.

It is greatly appreciated!

Meals/potluck will be served on the

first Sunday

Group 7 for July
Group 8 for August

The serving group will make the main dishes for **potlucks** (unless announced otherwise) and others are asked to bring salads or desserts.

There is a sign up sheet for Sunday coffee in the dining room.



Looking for volunteers to help with cleanup after coffee.
Thank you!

NYM Emergency Food Shelf

FOR EMERGENCY HELP CALL NYM CULTURAL CENTER 218-385-3339

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218-385-2853 (work Mon–Thurs) 218-385-3669 (home)

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763-843-3269

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218-298-0272

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LOCATION

400 S WALKER AVE NEW YORK MILLS, MN

FOOD SHELF HOURS

9:00-NOON and 4:30-6:30

July 29, 2024 August 26, 2024

Usage limit 1 time per month

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