



## Weekly Word Week of April 28, 2024

### **SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY:**

#### **3) PROMISES FOR GOD'S PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE PEOPLE: THE BOOK OF JOEL**

A plague of locusts... a call to repent... the day of the Lord... the Valley of Judgment--all proclamations the prophet Joel made to God's ancient people. When they took Joel's message to heart and turned to God, he answered in his rich love and abundant mercy. God promised them blessing, the outpouring of his Spirit, salvation, and refuge. The promises God made to his people of the past are promises he makes to us in the present and to his future people. Join us Sunday mornings (**May 5, 12 & 19**) for a three-week Bible study on the Old Testament book of Joel. Hope to see you there!

### **CONFIRMATION**

Sunday is confirmation at Zion. Please pray for our newest communicant members as they take their vows of faithfulness to the Lord.

#### *Confirmation Class of 2024*

Brady Alvarez	Vivianne Rewolinski
Brendan Luey	Aspen Schlachter
Aidan Lundeen	Aubrey Uebelacker
Taylor Nack	Ellie Weidner

### **BAPTISM**

This week we publicly recognize the baptism of Sutton-Rose Guerrero McCormick. We rejoice that she is adopted as God's child through water and the word. May God keep her in his loving care now and in eternity!

### **DIVINE CALL**

Pastor Schwartz has been led to decline his call to Christ Lutheran Church of Pewaukee. Thank you to everyone who spoke with and prayed for him and his family during this time. Please continue to pray for the ministries of both Christ and Zion.

### **LLHS SPRING MUSICAL**

*Disney's High School Musical On Stage*

Fri-Sat, **Apr 26-27** at 7pm and Sun, **Apr 28** at 2pm.

Join us for this popular production filled with singing and dancing and familiar tunes in our comfortable new theatre seating. K-8 students are only \$5. Choose your performance and purchase tickets online at [LLHS.org/drama](http://LLHS.org/drama).

### **NATIONAL PRINCIPALS' DAY**

Zion would like to celebrate one of our own! On **May 1** please take a moment to say thank you to our hard working and dedicated Principal, Mr. Grambsch. We appreciate the blessings God brings to our school through his ministry.

### **MARRIAGE WORKSHOP**

Zion will be offering a marriage enrichment seminar for married and engaged couples called "Lifetime Lasting Love." The purpose of this weekend workshop is to dig into God's Word with a pastor and other married couples to give and receive encouragement in your life as a married couple.

The sessions run on Fri night, **May 3** from 7pm-9pm and Sat, **May 4** from 8:30am-1pm and includes refreshments and brunch.

If interested or just curious, speak with Pastor Schwartz.

A \$25 fee per couple covers the costs of materials and food.

To register, go to [www.zioncolumbus.org/lifetime-lasting-love](http://www.zioncolumbus.org/lifetime-lasting-love).

### **ZION SPRING CONCERT**

Everyone is welcome to join us on Tue, **May 7** for Zion School's Spring Concert. The concert is performed twice at 1:30pm and 6:00pm. The whole school is a part of the concert. We will have some snacks and fellowship after the second performance. We look forward to performing for you.

### **ASCENSION SERVICE**

Thu, **May 9** at 6:30pm, Zion is hosting an Ascension service with St. John's in Juneau. Following the service we are having a "sweet and salty" gathering. We need volunteers to provide snacks. If you are able to bring a treat, please see the sign up sheet in the narthex. Call/text Hannah Zuberbier at 920-948-1113 with any questions.

### **FREE CYCLE**

Drop off your free, clean, unbroken items to the school gym on **May 23** from 5pm-9pm or **May 24** from 10am-6pm.

No large or heavy items. Come and go as you please.

Contact Tina [tinster57@gmail.com](mailto:tinster57@gmail.com) with questions or if you are interested in helping out with this free event.

The Free Cycle will take place on **May 25 & 26**.

### **ZION YEARBOOK PICTURES**

We are gathering pictures for our 2023-2024 school yearbook. If you have any pictures from this school year to share, please send them to Megan Schwartz via text (preferred) 262-374-4154 or email to [mschwartz@zioncrusaders.com](mailto:mschwartz@zioncrusaders.com).

We are also looking into finalizing a print option for this year. If you know of a company that can print yearbooks, please reach out to Megan Schwartz.

### **TEACHER AND OFFICE AMAZON WISH LISTS**

To view or order items from the wish lists please visit Zion's website [zioncolumbus.org](http://zioncolumbus.org). Click on the "Support" tab under the School heading. We appreciate your support of our school!

## ***BUT WAIT... THERE'S MORE!***

Visit [zioncolumbus.org](http://zioncolumbus.org) - click on **MEDIA** to view the full Weekly Word, Monthly Messenger, weekly services and more! Find the Crusader Chronicle under the School tab.

**Like and Follow us on Social Media!**

[www.facebook.com/Zion.ColumbusWI](http://www.facebook.com/Zion.ColumbusWI)

[www.youtube.com/@zionlutherancolumbus6149](http://www.youtube.com/@zionlutherancolumbus6149)



## ***COLUMBUS/ FALL RIVER FOOD PANTRY***

We serve Columbus and Fall River residents by appointment. We're located in the back of the Columbus Community Center, 125 N Dickason Blvd, Columbus.

For those in need of food during the month of May, please contact the Zion Food Pantry at 608-419-4878 to schedule an appointment. If you would like to donate: non-perishable, non-expired food donations may be dropped in the bin at Columbus Pick 'n Save and monetary donations may be deposited into the Food Pantry's savings account at Farmers and Merchants Union Bank. If you have questions, please contact Colleen at 920-210-6266. More information about the Food Pantry is available here: [www.cityofcolumbuswi.com](http://www.cityofcolumbuswi.com). Thank you for your support!

## ***STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE***

Sat, **May 11**, the Columbus and Fall River letter carriers will be collecting food for the Columbus/Fall River Food Pantry. The pantry relies on this food drive to get shelves stocked and ready for summer!

Please note: The Pantry has plenty of corn, green beans and cereal. All other non-perishable, non-expired items are greatly appreciated!

## ***CHURCH DIRECTORY***

To have your family photo added or updated in the Zion online church directory please email a current picture to [office@zioncrusaders.com](mailto:office@zioncrusaders.com).

Our directory includes contact information and family photos of the members of our church. If you would like to have access to this online directory, please visit [instantchurchdirectory.com](http://instantchurchdirectory.com) and use the email address we have on file. Once we have received enough pictures, printed copies will be available upon request.

## ***TASTE OF MISSIONS***

Taste of Missions will be held **Jun 15** at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, WI. Come and learn all about WELS mission work around the world, meet the missionaries, and sample ethnic foods. Find more details here: [tasteofmissions.com](http://tasteofmissions.com)



## ***NEWSLETTERS***

Newsletters are printed when available and placed on the counter in the church entryway.

- WELS TOGETHER (synod information)
- The FEDCON (Lakeside Lutheran High School)
- PULSE (Luther Preparatory School)
- Alpha Resource Center (marriage support, divorce transition and resources)

## ***OUR WEEK WITH CHRIST***

### ***SUNDAY • Apr 28***

- Worship, with Communion (8:00a)
- Confirmation Examination (9:15a)
- Worship, Confirmation with Communion (10:30a)
- ♦ Grades 5-8 sing (10:30a)

### ***MONDAY • Apr 29***

- Food Pantry Volunteer meeting (Sanctuary) (5:30p)
- Stewardship & Building Committee meeting (6:30p)

### ***TUESDAY • Apr 30***

- Outreach meeting (6:30p)
- WELS Wind Ensemble (7:00p)

### ***WEDNESDAY • May 1***

- Bell Choir (6:00p)
- Adult Choir (7:00p)

### ***THURSDAY • May 2***

- K-4 Field Trip
- Ladies Aid (11:30a)
- Worship, with communion (6:30p)

### ***FRIDAY • May 3***

- 1-4 Track Meet
- Bible Breakfast (6:00a)
- Donuts with Dad (7:00a)
- Marriage Seminar (7:00p)

### ***SATURDAY • May 4***

- Marriage Seminar (8:30a)

### ***SUNDAY • May 5***

- Worship, with Communion (8:00a & 10:30a)
- Bible Study (9:15a)
- \*Sunday School (9:15a)

**\*indicates activity is at school**

TV Service is shown on Charter Cable Channel 980 Tuesday at 9am and 2:30pm

**Check online for our service upload each Sunday:**  
[zioncolumbus.org/sermons](http://zioncolumbus.org/sermons)

## ***OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE***

### ***Worship Attendance***

Apr 18 & 21: 350  
Online Viewing: n/a

### ***Bible Study Attendance***

Friday Bible Breakfast – 16  
Sunday Morning — 62  
Teen Bible Study — 8

### ***Sunday School***

26

### ***Offerings of Thanks:***

Needed Weekly to fund the 2023-2024 Budget:  
**\$17,431.00**

### ***Received - Apr 18-21***

**\$15,660.46**

### ***Shortage for the week:***

**-\$1,770.54**

### ***Running Shortage***

Since July 1  
**-\$129,681.38**

### ***Money borrowed from FMUB for General Funds***

**\$10,000.00**

### ***Building Tomorrow Together***

Offering:  
**\$8,606.75**

### ***Building Tomorrow Together***

Feb 4, 2024 - Present  
**\$357,927.12**

***Christ's love compels us!***

### ***Online Giving***



**Reminder:**  
**Please write your name and membership # on your contribution envelope so that it is credited to the correct account. Not sure of your membership number? Contact the office: 920-623-5180. Thank you!**

## LLHS SUMMER CAMPS & LEAGUES

If your elementary students like football, basketball, running, soccer, golf, volleyball, wrestling, or STEM, Lakeside has a summer camp for them! These camps offer instruction and fun among fellow Christians. Sign up is also available for summer baseball and softball leagues as well as Jr. Warrior football that begins in August. Start at [llhs.org/apps/pages/summerK8](http://llhs.org/apps/pages/summerK8)

## LPS SUMMER CAMPS

Luther Prep is excited to offer many different summer camps starting in June! Registration is now open!

Visit [lps.wels.net/summercamps](http://lps.wels.net/summercamps) for more information and to register.

Please contact

LPSCAMPS@LPS.WELS.NET

with any questions.



**June - July 2024**

**STARTS FROM \$35**

**phoenixFUN**

- JUNE 16-19 Overnight Boys BB (Gr. 8-9) \*BB = Basketball
- JUNE 19-22 Overnight Boys BB (Gr. 6-7)
- JUNE 22-23 Overnight BB Parent Child (Gr. 3-6)
- JUNE 23-26 Overnight Girls BB (Gr. 7-9)
- JUNE 24-26 Co-Ed Soccer Day Camp (Gr. 5-9)
- JUNE 26-29 Co-Ed Phoenix Adventure Camp (Gr. 6-8)
- JULY 7-10 Overnight Girls Volleyball (Gr. 8-9)
- JULY 8-9 Overnight Boys Wrestling (Gr. 5-9)
- JULY 10-13 Overnight Girls Volleyball (Gr. 6-7)
- JULY 13-14 Overnight BB Parent Child (Gr. K-3)
- JULY 15, MON Football Day Camp (Gr. 6-9)
- JULY 15-18 Basketball Day Camp (Boys Gr. 3-5, Girls Gr. 3-6)
- JULY 15-18 Volleyball Day Camps (Gr. K-2) (Gr. 3-5)
- JULY 15-18 Tennis Day Camps (Gr. K-2) (Gr. 3-5) (Gr. 6-9)

**register TODAY**

LPS.WELS.NET > ATHLETICS > SUMMER CAMPS

## WELS NIGHT AT THE BREWERS

Tickets range from \$10 to \$23, depending on the seating area. Visit [brewers.com/wels](http://brewers.com/wels) to get your tickets.

**WELS NIGHT AT THE BREWERS**

**FRI, 7/12 7:10 PM**

**ORDER NOW**

[wels.net/brewers2024](http://wels.net/brewers2024)

## WELS & ELS SINGLES MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

If you're on Facebook, please visit:

<https://facebook.com/groups/wels.els.singles>.

For monthly updates on events and outings from the WELS & ELS Singles Group sign up for emails here:

<http://wels-els-singles.com/subscribe/>

## TWICE IS NICE RETAIL STORE NEWS - MAY 2024

[www.twiceisnice.shop](http://www.twiceisnice.shop)

**Shop:** Look for some Mother's Day gift ideas! Did you know the store sells outdoor plants each spring? Stop in and check out the variety. We're easy-to-find and open Mon-Sat from 10-4pm: just a minute east on the Hwy 18 exit off the 26 bypass at 907 W. Racine St., next to the Jefferson Piggly Wiggly. Come check out the new spring & summer inventory!

**Volunteer:** Do any of these sound like an area you'd enjoy handling or being on a team of volunteers for? The training is easy, the work is fun and volunteers are oh, so needed! Please consider and give the store a call to hear more about it; ask for Manager Megan at 920-674-6868:

- Halloween costumes (sorting and pricing)
- Christmas (sorting and pricing wall hangings, etc.)
- Sorting and pricing table tops
- Sorting and pricing stockings & hats
- Coats (sorting and pricing)
- Sporting goods (sorting and pricing)
- Crafts and Sewing (sorting and pricing)
- Pet Supplies (sorting and pricing)

Sorting nights in May are 6-8pm on **May 14 & May 28** - no experience needed. Bring a friend, have some fun and do some vital work! The store is also looking for cashiers to fill in while some volunteers need some medical leave; again, we will help you with everything you need to know to help this very important and active work!

We welcome recent new volunteers, including Marilyn Clausen (St. John's, Jefferson), Audrey Fischer (Zion, Columbus), Renee Messerschmidt (St. Mark's, Watertown), David Moyer (Our Redeemer, Madison), Diane Moyer (Our Redeemer, Madison), Nicole Schroed, plus LL students Easton Morris-Robinson (Immanuel, Farmington), Caleb Moyer (Our Redeemer, Madison), Kayden Zech & Kourtney Zech (Lord of Love, DeForest). Know them? Ask them about us!

**Donate!** Keep those donations coming! Ring the doorbell behind the store from 10-3:30pm any day we are open.

Questions? Call during open hours, ask for the day manager.





**National Conference**  
*on Worship, Music, and the Arts*  
**July 30–August 2**  
*Carthage College, Kenosha, Wis.*

[welsworshipconference.net](http://welsworshipconference.net)



**YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES**  
 EMPOWERED TO PROCLAIM  
 Acts 1:8

WELS Women's Ministry Conference  
 July 28-30, 2024

[welswmconference.net](http://welswmconference.net)

**LET'S TALK!**

Share your thoughts on Breast Cancer Screenings

**BE A PART OF A BREAST  
 HEALTH & MAMMOGRAM  
 RESEARCH STUDY**

- English & Spanish Options
- Flexible Virtual Meetings
- Qualifying Participants Earn \$75

For more information call 608-263-2052,  
 email [wren@fammed.wisc.edu](mailto:wren@fammed.wisc.edu) or scan the  
 QR code



MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full-time **Early Childhood Assistant Teacher** and a part-time **Men's Basketball Assistant Coach** and a part-time **Athletics Equipment Manager**. Interested individuals should apply online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).



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Contact us today:

507.354.8221  
[mlc-wels.edu](http://mlc-wels.edu)



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CHRISTIAN AID AND RELIEF

I want to share our  
**Father's compassion**

WELS Christian Aid and Relief shares our Father's compassion through disaster relief efforts, humanitarian aid, community grants, and personal relief grants.

**SHARE OUR FATHER'S COMPASSION**

**Give online.**  
Scan the QR code with your phone's camera or visit [wels.net/support](http://wels.net/support).

**TELL Network**

[teach.tellnetwork.org](http://teach.tellnetwork.org)

**TELL**  
TEACH THE WORLD

Teach the world,  
Teach with TELL

TELL (English) students from around the world are joining our online leader training program to lead groups of their own where WELS does not have a presence. Learn more!

God is the "Father of compassion," as St. Paul says in 2 Corinthians 1:3. Nowhere is compassion more clearly seen than at the humble manger, blood-stained cross, and empty tomb of our Lord Jesus Christ. When God saw the helpless, hopeless state of us sinners, he leaped to action.

One way to praise God for his compassion is to show compassion to others. WELS Christian Aid and Relief does this in four different ways:

- Disaster relief—assisting those who have been impacted by a disaster
- Humanitarian aid—funding projects through WELS Missions at home and abroad
- Community care and compassion—providing matching grants to WELS congregations engaged in compassion ministry in their communities
- Personal relief grants—supporting members in crisis when the need goes beyond the ability of the congregation.

Learn more at [wels.net/relief](http://wels.net/relief).

### **FANCY SCHMANCY 2024**

You're invited to the 4th Annual Fancy Schmancy Dinner on **Jun 1, 2024**, at Camp Phillip! Join us for an evening filled with generosity and giggles, all in support of a fantastic cause — raising funds for our beloved Camp Phillip. Indulge in delectable appetizers, and peruse our silent auction treasures. From an authentic autographed Packer football (the entire 2023 team) to a Raising Cain's gift basket, there's something for everyone! There will also be a delightful dinner and brief program. See how your generosity is making a difference. Plus, all proceeds will go toward installing a mini golf course. Imagine the joy and laughter as campers of all ages and abilities putt their way through this inclusive activity, promoting social interaction, physical activity, and skill development.

[www.campphillip.com/fancyschmancyfundraiser](http://www.campphillip.com/fancyschmancyfundraiser)



TELL (English) students from around the world are joining our online leader training program to lead groups of their own where WELS does not have a presence. Watch as TELL (English) students share their excitement and commitment for learning God's Word. TELL Network provides all instructors a stipend for teaching two to three hours per week for a six-week session as well as all teaching materials based on the TELL method. You'll use Zoom and WhatsApp to train future group leaders and church planters around the world. For more, watch the short [video](#). Visit [teach.tellnetwork.org](http://teach.tellnetwork.org).

WELS Lutherans for Life  
8501 W. Lincoln Ave,  
West Allis, WI 53227  
414-727-8176  
www.ALife2.com  
Contact@ALife2.com



## April Is Abortion Recovery Awareness Month

*Abortion wounds are emotionally deep and can be spiritually deadly. After an abortion, both women and men can experience regret, guilt, and sadness. These complex emotions can manifest themselves in many ways – fear, anger, and/or depression are not uncommon.*

*What's also **not** uncommon are the number of people within the church with an abortion in their past. More than one in three women and five in ten men were in church at least once a month at the time of their first abortion.*

*There can be far-reaching psychological, emotional, and spiritual ramifications for people who have chosen abortion. While women endure the physical effects of the abortion procedure, both women and men must live with the consequences of the decision. Too often women and men suffer alone, in silence.*

*WELS Lutherans for Life has been providing spiritual guidance, comfort, hope, and healing in Jesus Christ with the Gospel since 1982. The organization operates a Pregnancy Medical Clinic in Milwaukee. They minister to women and men who are currently, or who have been, involved in a unwanted pregnancy situation.*

### Regret your abortion?

More than 1 in 3 women and 5 in 10 men were attending church at least once a month at the time of their first abortion. After an abortion, women and men can experience regret, guilt, and sadness. These complex emotions often manifest themselves in fear, anger, and/or depression.

If you, or someone you know, has had an abortion we offer a safe place to process these complex emotions and heal from your abortion wounds.

We invite you to find restoration & hope in the arms of Jesus Christ. Contact us today and begin your journey to healing. **Text 'HEALING' to 414-465-2246 or email [help@apsmke.com](mailto:help@apsmke.com).**

## YOUR CHOICE

DOES IT STILL  
TROUBLE YOU?

Women and men who have been involved in an abortion may suffer guilt, depression, or denial.

If you regret a past abortion you aren't alone.

Hope and healing are possible.

Free, confidential support is available.  
For information reach out  
414-727-8177 or [contact@apsmke.com](mailto:contact@apsmke.com)





**LWMS "Befriend A Mission" Assignments**  
Beaver Dam Circuit  
January, 2023- December, 2024

**WORLD MISSION**

**Native American Ministries- East  
Fork School – APACHELAND**

**Miss Elsa Ponath**  
**P.O. Box 1145**  
**Fort Apache, AZ 85926**

**Birthday:** January 4

**E-Mail:**

elsap@nativechristians.org

**Website:** [www.nativeChristians.org](http://www.nativeChristians.org)

**HOME MISSION – VIRGINIA**

The Way Lutheran Church  
c/o Pastor Matthew Rothe  
1104 Anderson Street  
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

**Pastor Matthew Rothe** 6/25  
**& Wife Emily** 4/13  
**1104 Anderson Street**  
**Fredericksburg, VA 22401**

**Anniversary:** 8/8

**Children:** Julian 5/12/17  
Gabriel 5/31/19  
Mila 1/26/22

**E-mail:**

MattRothe@TheWayChurchVA.com

**Website:** [www.thewaychurchva.com](http://www.thewaychurchva.com)

**HOME MISSION-**  
**PENNSYLVANIA**

Ascension Ev. Lutheran Church  
4768 Union Deposit Rd.  
Harrisburg, PA 17111-3729

**Pastor Benjamin J. Berger** 11/2  
**& wife Becca** 11/20  
**320 N. 72nd Street**  
**Harrisburg, PA 17111**

**Anniversary:** 10/14

**E-mail:** [pastorbenjb@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbenjb@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.ascension-wels.net](http://www.ascension-wels.net)



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