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## Reflections by Pastor Kaylie

Church Life-

Christmas and Easter have come and gone. We have celebrated the coming of the Holy Spirit and the day of Pentecost. Now our Church year grows quieter as our busier summer months begin to unfold. As summer begins it is easy to stay busy day to day. Whether on the road to the next sports competition or finding chores to do around the home, we can find ourselves ignoring our spiritual needs. It is easy to get caught up in moving with the world and we can forget to take a pause and see how God is working in, for, and with our lives.

As we transition between high-energy Church holidays into the long green season of Ordinary time, may we remember the Day of Pentecost, the celebration of Easter Sunday, and the amazement of Christmas. May we take moments to pause in our busy and ordinary lives to witness the extraordinary power of God in our lives. As we refresh and reset in the sunnier months, take time this summer to dwell with the word of God, to listen for God's call, and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ (God's very real love) with

those around. Be well, get outside, feel the sun, bring the rain, enjoy the company of good friends, and know God is with you always!

May you meditate and reflect on the words of Mary Oliver's poem, *Invitation*.

Oh do you have time to linger for just a little while out of your busy

and very important day for the goldfinches that have gathered in a field of thistles

for a musical battle, to see who can sing the highest note, or the lowest,

or the most expressive of mirth, or the most tender? Their strong, blunt beaks drink the air

as they strive melodiously not for your sake and not for mine

and not for the sake of winning but for sheer delight and gratitude – believe us, they say,

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it is a serious thing

just to be alive  
on this fresh morning  
in the broken world.  
I beg of you,

do not walk by  
without pausing  
to attend to this  
rather ridiculous performance.

It could mean something.  
It could mean everything.  
It could be what Rilke meant, when he  
wrote:  
You must change your life.

## **Synod News!**

This year the Central States Synod is focused on, **The Church - What's Church Got To Do With It**. During Synod Assembly and Fall Theological Conference our Bishop and her staff will encourage us to explore what it means to be the church, the purpose of the church, how we are called to be the church (in changing and challenging times.)

Be on the lookout for updates from Synod Assembly in the coming weeks!

# June birthdays and anniversaries

*If you know of a member whose birthday is not listed, please contact the church office.*

## June Birthdays

- 1 Emma Kasselmann (O)  
Finley Balaun (O)
- 2 Barbara Burklund (O)  
Jordan Hagenmaier (W)
- 3 Amy Pultz (W)
- 4 Nicki Beadle (O)
- 6 Marvin Johnson (O)
- 7 Gary Hargrave (W)
- 8 Kiffnie Holt (O)
- 9 David Gibson (O)  
Travis Bohnenblust (W)  
Trevor Bohnenblust (W)
- 12 Owen Dick (W)
- 14 Laurine Catt (O)  
Tucker Gibbs (O)
- 15 Coleen Esping (O)
- 15 Trenton Meader (W)
- 18 William Johnson (W)  
Macy Berry (W)
- 19 Erin Gutsch (O)  
Ruthie Stone (W)
- 20 Brooklynn Zoeller (O)  
Lorraine Oman (W)
- 21 Destinee Cantrell (O)  
Dena Haller (W)  
Shelby Calloway (O)
- 22 Nick Cooper (O)  
Adam Larson (W)
- 23 Josie Willimon (W)
- 24 Tyson Strauss (W)  
Braden Hoehner (W)

- 27 Adelaide Hagenmaier (W)
- 28 Linda Toomire (W)  
Robert Poulter (O)
- 30 Jay Werner (O)

## June Anniversaries:

- 1 Woody and Luellen Kasselmann (O)  
Tom and Donica Nelson (O)
- 7 Daniel and Julie Higgins (O)
- 10 Kirby and Shelly Burklund (O)  
Roger and Ruthie Stone (W)  
Gary and Diana Hargrave (W)
- 11 William & Roseanne Johnson (W)
- 23 Jeremy and Anita Hinkle (W)

## Members in service

**T**hank you to these members for their service to the parish during June.

### Walsburg

**\*Ushers and Greeters:** Amy Feigley; Amber Befort; Bill, Janet, & Cindy Neilson

**\*Communion Ushers:** Rita Nelson; Lynne Berry

**\*Lay Readers:** 6/4 Lori Rogge; 6/11 Dennis Peterson; 6/18 Michelle Sullivan ; 6/25 Don Nelson

**\*Acolytes:** 6/4 Brody Willimon; 6/11 Izabelle Nelson; 6/18 Ryker Befort; 6/25 Jacob Hinkle

**Altar Committee:** Calley Berry

### Olsburg

**\*Ushers:** Kent Nelson; Bill Monser; Woody Kasselmann

**Assist Pastor during Communion:** 6/4 Jim Nelson; 6/18 Tom Nelson

**\*Lay Readers:** 6/4 Patty Nelson; 6/11 April Brenner; 6/18 Tom Nelson; 6/25 Ashley Rice

**\*Acolytes:** 6/4 Jarin Brenner; 6/11 Jordyn Gutsch; 6/18 Ida Kasselmann; 6/25 Kaden Gutsch

**June Altar Committee:** Becky Avery, Kathy Monser

**\*If you are unable to be present for your assignment, please find a replacement and contact the church office so the correct name will appear in the bulletin.**

## Walsburg News

Mark your calendar: A congregational picture and Council picture will be taken immediately following our worship service on **June 11**. This picture will be used in the 150th Anniversary history book. All members are encouraged to participate. Also, families are requested to either submit their own family photo or one can be taken at the church on June 11. Your family photo can be submitted to Loretta Hoerman at [lhoerman@cox.net](mailto:lhoerman@cox.net) along with names of each family member. Any questions, contact a member of the 150th Anniversary Committee.

The Outreach and Fellowship Committee is hosting a Potluck lunch following the picture on **June 11**. Table service and drink will be provided. Please stay and enjoy food and fellowship!

Walsburg Lutheran Church is excited to host "Stellar" VBS this summer! Dates will be June 19th-23rd from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Walsburg Lutheran Church VBS registration is now open. Here is the link for registration: <https://vbspro.events/p/8028fe>  
Children ages 3 (potty-trained) - entering 6th grade are welcome to attend. We do have a limit on the number of children that we will be able to host, so sign up early.

## Olsburg News

LCW is offering a \$100 scholarship to any of our youth going to Camp Tomashinga this summer. Contact Luellen Kasselmann or Kathy Monser for more information.

Olsburg Lutheran Church welcomes your child to Vacation Bible School. Please join us for a STELLAR time! Starting June 12th at 9:00am to 11:30 through June 16th. Please leave a message here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/782602783530419> or contact Linda Kasselmann if your child would like to attend. Ages 3yrs to 6th grade are welcome.

There is a donation sheet in the narthex for VBS supplies. As always monetary donations are also welcome. Thank you!

Olsburg Lutheran Church invites you to worship and brunch on June 11. Immediately following worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for brunch. During the brunch, we will honor our high school graduates, Skyler and Landry Zoeller. We look forward to seeing you on June 11!

Olsburg Lutheran Church has a Venmo account. If you would like to make your donations electronically, scan the QR code below.

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