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“FAITH-IN-ACTION” STORIES

God is alive and at work in our lives as individuals and as a community! There are many ways that we as individuals and as a community of believers at both Olsburg and Walsburg Lutheran churches have been blessed.

Would you like to share how God is at work in your life, your family's life, or your church community with other individuals in our community? If the answer is “yes”, please write a 150-250 word paragraph and send to Pastor Gordy (gsandquist001@luthersem.edu or Sheri Storer (sheriastorer@gmail.com).

These “faith-in-action” stories will be submitted to *The Riley Countian* for publication in the weekly Church news section of *The Riley Countian*.

Wear Red to Church June 8

Pentecost is Sunday, June 8.
Please wear the color Red to church.
Thank you.

Senior Recognition at Olsburg

Olsburg Lutheran Church will have a Senior Recognition Reception Sunday, June 8 immediately following worship. All are invited to Fellowship Hall, June 8th, to celebrate all graduating seniors! We look forward to seeing you!

Memorial Day Remembrance at Olsburg

There will be a Remembrance Service on Monday, May 26 at the Maridahl Cemetery in Olsburg. The service will be followed by a Potluck dinner held at the Olsburg American Legion Building. A freewill offering will be accepted. The offering proceeds go to the upkeep of the cemetery. All are invited.

Olsburg Lutheran Women Host Spring Cluster meeting

The Women of Olsburg Lutheran Church hosted the 2014 Spring Cluster meeting of the Women of the ELCA, Central States Synod--God's Sonflowers, on April 12. Nine churches from the Area 4--Central States Synod, including women from Walsburg Lutheran were in attendance. The theme was "Celebrating Our Heritage". Kathy Ouelette, Cluster Coordinator from Washington, led the business meeting; the program, "Can You Identify with Women in the Bible?" was led by Jan Cooper, Olsburg. A delicious Swedish lunch was served by the Olsburg women. Plans are underway for the Central States Synod Women's convention to be held at the Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, September 19-21.

The Community Food Basket

The Board of Directors of the Community Food Basket that serves all of northern Riley County outside the city limits of Manhattan, KS, thanks everyone for their continued donations and support. During the past year, the number of clients served each Saturday has increased. Without your continued support, this mission would cease to exist.

This year, besides serving clients on 49 Saturdays, we also filled and distributed 31 Thanksgiving baskets and 26 Christmas baskets. Each basket contained a complete meal including a ham or turkey for their family size plus food staples to use in making meals with the leftovers.

At Christmas, 35 children from 14 families were adopted through the Adopt-a-Family program. When the parents arrived to pick up the wrapped gifts from the donor family, they were allowed to choose several gifts from a group of items supplied by thoughtful organizations and groups. The parents were able to wrap and give these gifts from them to their children.

On November 2, the northern Riley County communities that are served by the food basket came together to move the food basket from the basement of the Riley Presbyterian Church where it had been for 18 years. All food items, cupboards, freezers, and file cabinets were moved to the facility in back of the building at 215 S. Broadway. The food pantry officially opened in their new location on November 9, 2013. What a blessing this new more efficient building is for all!

Submitted by Brenda Kientz, Jane Larson and Julie Strauss

May and June birthdays and anniversaries

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

May Birthdays

- 2 Cindy Olson (W)
- 3 Zachary Holt (O)
- 8 Bryon Nelson (O)
Crystal Strauss (W)
- 9 Sonja Sandquist (O/W)
- 10 Dan Holt (O)
Rich Vargo (O)
- 12 Cassie Miller (W)
- 13 Kim Nelson (W)
- 15 Donise Peterson (W)
- 20 Kermit Sundgren (W)
Dusty Holt (O)
- 21 Alice Marie Gibson (O)
Sandy Zoeller (O)
- 26 Raymond Anderson (O)
Shari Holt (O)
Kathy Monser (O)
- 27 Lynn Burkland (O)
- 28 Wes Holt (O)
- 28 Woody Kasselmann (O)
- 29 Donald Holt (O)
- 30 James Nelson (W)
- 31 Jordy Nelson (W)

June Birthdays

- 1 Emma Kasselmann (O)
- 2 Barbara Burkland (O)
Jordan Hagenmaier (W)
- 4 Nicki Beadle (O)
- 6 Marvin Johnson (O)
- 7 Gary Hargrave (W)
- 8 Kiffnie Holt (O)
- 9 David Gibson (O)
- 14 Laurine Catt (O)
- 15 Coleen Esping (O)
- 17 Deanna Barnes (O)
- 18 William Johnson (W)
- 19 Erin Gutsch (O)
Ruthie Stone (W)
- 20 Brooklynn Zoeller (O)
- 20 Lorraine Oman (W)
- 21 Destinee Cantrell (O)
Dena Haller (W)
- 22 Nick Cooper (O)
Monique Sandquist (O/W)
Adam Larson (W)
- 23 Josie Willimon (W)
- 24 Tyson Strauss (W)
- 28 Linda Toomire (W)
Jacob Hagenmaier (W)

May Anniversaries:

- 3 Doug and LaRae Kraemer (W)
- 4 Dustin and Jessica Holle (W)
- 5 Arlo and Wava Peterson (W)
- 7 Bill and Kathy Monser (O)
- 10 Jim and Diana Nelson (O)
- 14 Russell and Lynne Berry (W)
- 15 Donald and Rita Nelson (W)
- 15 Rob and Alicia Scofield (W)
- 16 Alan and Sharon Hubbard (O)
- 26 Jason and Jamie Hageman (W)
- 28 Gordon and Sonja Sandquist (B)
- 29 Shane and Loree Allen (W)
- 30 Gene and Mary Kay Henry (W)
- 31 Rich and Jan Cooper (O)

June Anniversaries:

- 1 Woody and Luellen Kasselmann (O)
Tom and Donica Nelson (O)
- 7 Daniel and Julie Higgins (O)
- 9 Raymond and Milly Nelson (W)
- 10 Kirby and Shelly Burkland (O)
Roger and Ruthie Stone (W)
Gary and Diana Hargrave (W)
- 11 William & Roseanne Johnson (W)
- 17 LeRoy & Claryce Bohnenblust (W)

Members in service

Thank you to these members for their service to the parish during May and June.

Walsburg

May Ushers and Greeters: Jerry and Pat Erickson; Bill, Janet and Cindy Neilson

June Ushers and Greeters: Jerry Baer; Bill and Roseanne Johnson; Ruthie Stone

May Communion Ushers: Bill Johnson; Aneta Hagenmaier

June Communion Ushers: Rita Nelson; Jamie Hageman

***May Lay Readers:** 5/4 Alicia Scofield; 5/11 Janet Neilson; 5/18 Dennis Peterson; 5/25 Milly Nelson

***June Lay Readers:** 6/1 Jane Larson; 6/8 Rita Nelson; 6/15 Lynne Berry; 6/22 Jerry Baer; 6/29 Diana Hargrave

Olsburg

May Ushers: Bill Monser, Nick Cooper, Kirby Burkland, Woody Kasselmann

May Communion Assistants: 5/4 Mary Nelson; 5/20 Becky Avery

June Communion Assistants: 6/1 Kirby Burkland; 6/15 Laura Clifton

***May Lay Readers:** 5/4 Laura Clifton; 5/11 Patty Nelson 5/18 Susan Adams; 5/25 Tom Nelson

June Lay Readers: 6/1 Becky Avery; 6/8 Bill Monser; 6/15 Coleen Esping; 6/22 Jan Cooper ; 6/29 Joyce Cantrell

May Altar Committee: Kathy Monser, Kristi Fronce

June Altar Committee: April Brenner, Shelly Burkland

***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.**

ON-GOING CEMETERY FUND-RAISER AT OLSBURG LUTHERAN CHURCH

It's never too late to get your Dillons reloadable gift cards. If you do any shopping at Dillons, using the cards will help generate funds to be used toward maintenance of the Olsburg cemetery. To get a card, please call Mary Nelson, 785-565-2488. (And thank you to the supporters using their cards now.)

Mowing Schedule

Your chance to volunteer to mow the Olsburg Lutheran Church lawn this summer is as easy as signing your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex at Olsburg. There are still several opportunities to volunteer! Thank you in advance!