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“Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.”—

Colossians 2:6-7

At the end of May, things come to an end. The school year is over, our seniors are now getting ready to start college, our 8th graders become high school students, and our confirmation class is now confirmed. Each one has been built up and established in their faith. They have received a foundation to grow and build upon. These milestones aren't the end of the line, but rather the beginning of being built up in the Lord.

It's the same for all of us who are in Christ. We have been rooted and established with Christ as our foundation. We are then called to walk in Him—live our faith out in our daily lives. Just a couple of weeks ago, the youth group went out to eat together to celebrate our seniors. We sat down and looked at menus. But what if that's all we did? What if we just read the menu and left the restaurant? That would be absurd! The whole point of reading a menu is that you get to eat!

It's the same in our Christian walk. We have been blessed with biblical preaching and teaching. That teaching should lead us to walk with Jesus. Reading His Word and then living like the world is as silly as reading the menu and not eating. Just like our students, we have been rooted and built up so that we can walk in Him. Graduations and confirmations aren't the end of our student's learning. The



Sunday morning sermon shouldn't be the end of ours.

Let's receive Him, be built up and rooted in Him, walk with Him, and thank Him for all that He has done for us!

In Christ,
Gary



F is for the faith in God he's shown me,

A means that my Dad is "always there."

T is for the training that he gave me;

H is for the happy times we share.

E means extra, endless love and patience.

R is right, and Dad's just right for me!

Put them all together, they spell Father,
and he is very dear to me!



We have been blessed with a wonderful library for many years here at Helmar! However, due to the “digital age” books are simply not being checked out anymore. We will be keeping the Christian Fiction and some Children’s Books. Everything else is being offered to the congregation through the month of June. Books and DVD’s “behind the Caution Tape” may continue to be checked out during the revamping of the library. Please remember that we are **no longer accepting any donations for the library**.

Anything on the West and North Wall (unless marked “Keep” or with Caution Tape) is free to anyone. Teen books are on the bottom shelf. There is also a magazine rack available. June 30th is the last day to get your free books, DVD’s etc. We will be packing them up and donating after that.

Three magazines, World, CT, and Lutheran Ambassador are now located on the “table” by the window in the narthex.

There are a number of DVD’s of past Easter Pageant’s, Cantata’s and Talent Shows. We have kept these back to see if anyone would like to copy them onto a thumb drive. If so, please contact the office.

Birthdays and *Anniversaries For JUNE

June 1

Nick Adams
Nancy Christian

June 2

Emma Hageman

June 4

Elmer & Nancy Leifheit*

June 5

Shawn O’Malley
Richard & Cynthia Younce*

June 7

Everly Chelsen
Tom & Linda Mathre*

June 8

Leora Chally

June 10

Melissa Hageman

June 11

Elaine Spera

June 13

Tom Adams
Kristen Mathre
Roger Toftoy

June 14

Pam Christian
Blake & Doris McManus*

June 16

Katherine Braund

June 19

Rich & Rhoda Niles*

June 20

Steve & Kristy Bunge*

June 21

Jennifer Chelsen
Jim & Sandra Vogen*

June 22

Bob & Pam Christian*
Jim & Connie Punke*
Ann Thorson

June 23

Tim Carty
Mark & Tracy Frieders*
Cole Wiesbrook

June 25

Elsie Funte
Jonah Geistler
Dennis & Joan O’Malley*

June 27

Noel & Diane Cryder*
Lisa Funnell

Don & Elsie Funte*

Beryl McKanna

Trinity Sucher

June 28

Don & Sig Davidson*

June 29

Henry Cryder

June 30

Jacob & Jennifer Chelsen*

*Wedding Anniversaries

YOUTH FRONT

This summer, we will continue to meet with both the junior high and high school groups. This year, both groups will be meeting together on Monday nights from 7-8:30pm. Our schedule for June will be:

June 3rd at Church
 June 10th at Paul and Lisa Funnell's
 June 17th at Nikki and Muriel Sucher's
 June 24th at Noel and Diane Cryder's

If kids need a ride, a ride will be available at 6:30pm at the church each Monday. Contact Gary if you need a ride so that we know how many vehicles we will need.

Our junior high will continue to meet each 2nd Friday of the month to assist with food pantry and then have pizza, devotions, and games. Food pantry begins at 5pm and we will play games until 8:30. This month, we will meet on the 14th.

High school youth group will meet on Sunday nights at 5pm to go out and serve in the community.

Beginning in June, all incoming 6th and 9th graders will move up to their new youth groups. Welcome to all of our new junior high and high school students!

Thank you to everyone who prayed for our junior high and high school students throughout the school year. You can return your prayer guides to the church narthex so that we can use them again next year. If you have any feed back on the "Pray for Me Campaign", please let Gary or a youth board member know.

There is still time to register for Family & Youth Bible Camp. Go to fybiblecamp.com for more information.

For questions, please contact Gary Maxwell at 217-417-5796 or hemaryouth@yahoo.com.

Family & Youth Bible Camp

It's not too late to sign up for Camp! It runs from July 28 through August 1 and is located in Cedar Lake, Indiana. The theme is "The King and His Kingdom".

See the bulletin board for information on the keynote speaker, teachers, and worship leader.

Register online at fybiblecamp.com or there are brochures in the narthex and lobby.



Please keep these high school graduates in your prayers as they begin to make big life decisions. May they look to the Lord for guidance. Kynsey Cryder, Minooka; Jonah Geistler, Yorkville Christian; Jared Mathre, Parkview Christian; Kaitlyn Maxwell, Newark; Madilyn Karales, Lincolnway West.



Volunteers Needed!

"Meals on Wheels" is looking for a few good souls to help them deliver meals to homebound and isolated elderly and disabled folks in Sheridan Illinois. This route delivers to five senior citizens on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Drivers would be bringing a hot meal and an additional cold meal for the recipient to eat on the following day.

You can choose which day you'd like to do, and you can bring your kids with if you'd like. You can sign up for just the summer, or sign up with a friend and alternate weeks. There are many ways to help out.

Meals on Wheels volunteers make a profound impact in the lives of the people served. The personal relationships and daily well-being checks go beyond the warmth and nourishment that the hot meal provides, offering security and peace of mind to neighbors in need.

This is a perfect volunteer opportunity for stay at home moms, active seniors, and busy professionals volunteering service over lunch. Would you be able to volunteer occasionally to help another person? For more information on this opportunity, contact Meals on Wheels at (815) 787-6219.



Just a reminder that if anyone would like to provide flowers for the altar, see the bulletin board in the narthex to sign up and for instructions or contact Shira Christian with questions. Then, if you would like something in the bulletin, get it to Sue in the office by Wednesday (or Thursday 9am).



V.B.S. 2019 July 8-12

Be sure to register, at church (paper copy) or online at helmarlutheran-church.com for this years VBS. Also, check out the FLC lobby for DVD's, CD's or ways to help. If you have any questions, contact Kary Niles.

DAD'S GREATEST JOB

I may never be as clever as my neighbors down the street,
I may never be as wealthy as some other men I meet;
I may never have the glory that some other men have had,
But I've got to be successful as a little fellow's Dad.

There are certain dreams I cherish that I'd like to see come true,
There are things I would accomplish 'ere my working time is through,
But the task my heart is set on is to guide a little lad
And to make myself successful as that little fellow's Dad.

I may never get earth's glory; I may never gather gold;
Men may count me as a failure when my business life is told;
But if he who follows after is a Christian, I'll be glad,
For I'll know I've been successful as a little fellow's Dad.

~ Author Unknown

JUNE



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 8:15am Fellowship Time 9am Worship 5pm H.S. Youth Group	3 7-8:30pm Joint Youth Group at Helmar	4	5 7-8pm Adult Bible Study	6	7 9am Ladies Prayer Hour	8 8am Men's Bible Study
9 8:15am Fellowship Time 9am Worship 5pm H.S. Youth Group	10 7-8:30pm Joint Youth Group at the Funnell's	11 6:30pm Deacon's Mtg. 7pm Trustee's Mtg. 8pm Council Mtg.	12	13	14 9am Ladies Prayer Hour 5-7pm Food Pantry 7pm Jr. High Night	15 8am Men's Bible Study
16 8:15am Fellowship Time 9am Worship 5pm H.S. Youth Group	17 7-8:30pm Joint Youth Group at the Sucher's	18	19	20 7pm Faith Circle	21 9am Ladies Prayer Hour	22 8am Men's Bible Study
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