

**St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church
Meyersville, Texas
May 19, 2024**

Confirmation Sunday



**I will
pour out
my Spirit
on all flesh.**

Acts 2:17

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Day of Pentecost Confirmation Sunday May 19, 2024

Greeters This Week: The Hays Family
Greeters Next Week: Youth Group
Reader This Week: Wanda Hays
Reader Next Week: Neal Moritz
Acolyte This Week: Kinley Nessel
Acolyte Next Week: Shelby Newman
Altar Guild This Month: M'Liss Moore & Virginia Abrameit
Altar Guild Next Month: Dawn Otto & Kaley Coker
Communion Assistant This Month: Johnny Jank
Communion Assistant Next Month: Glenn Ruschhaupt



Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

Worship Notes Regarding Today's Service:

For those of you who would prefer to remain in your cars, we will continue to broadcast the service on FM 101.5. You can follow the service in the bulletin as the liturgy, the organ music, hymns with the lyrics by our song leaders, and Pastor John's message will be on the broadcast. Thank you!

HOLY COMMUNION

You are invited to commune with us if, as a baptized Christian, you believe that you are a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness; that the body and blood of Jesus are truly present in the Sacrament; that this is more than a symbolic act, but a way God proclaims forgiveness to us who are repentant.

May your participation increase your faith and strengthen your love for God and one another.

(For those attending, please fill out a tan communion card.)

*The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude.
Please prepare for worship with silent meditation at this time.*

A CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN NURTURE

A service based on the six chief parts of the Catechism

AS WE GATHER

Today we celebrate the ministry of Christian nurture – the entire spectrum of things we do to foster Christian growth in people of all ages. As we celebrate, we are aware of the power of the Word and the Sacraments, and all the ways in which they are central to spiritual growth. But we are also aware of all the many people who are involved in these ministries of nurture, and we thank God for the way He uses these servants to personalize His message for each of us.

THE PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ENTRANCE HYMN: “I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry” (WOV) #770

WELCOME

Welcome to our Confirmation Service. Thank you for coming to share this service with us. This is an important day for us, a day on which we confirm our faith in our Lord. We hope that as you participate in this worship service, you can reaffirm your faith in Him along with us. **LET US BEGIN OUR WORSHIP IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE ✠ SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

WHY ARE WE HERE?

In Baptism, we become a child of God. We are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the Cross of Christ forever. As infants we were told to “Let our light shine before others that they may see our good works and glorify our Father in Heaven.” Now, as Confirmands, we may affirm these words. As children, we came to Sunday School to learn about God’s love and His Holy Word. Our Confirmation classes also helped us learn more about Jesus Christ. Today we are here because we know the Lord will love us no matter where we go or what we do and we love Him and want to serve Him.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Jesus said, “Let you light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in Heaven.”

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The Ten Commandments and Office of the Keys

Student: God says in His word, “You shall have no other gods.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.”

People: Lord, Have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy”

People: Lord, Have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “Honor your father and your mother.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “You shall not murder.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “You shall not commit adultery.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “You shall not steal.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

Student: God says in His word, “You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

People: Lord, have mercy.

(Silence for reflection)

Pastor: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said unto them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whosoever sins you remit, they are remitted unto them. And whosoever sins you retain, they are retained,”

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name he gives the power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all.

People: AMEN

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor; Let us pray.

(Silence for reflection)

Pastor: Loving Father, as we gather again around the Word and Sacraments,

People: we give you thanks for those who labor in the ministry of nurture,

Pastor: so that through the Word and Sacraments,

People: our faith may be strengthened, and our lives enriched.

Pastor: Help us to live what we believe,

People: and to reach out towards others with our nurture,

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,

People: Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

AMEN

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶ Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷ So he argued in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the market place every day with those who chanced to be there. ¹⁸ Some also of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers met him. And some said, "What would this babbler say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he preached Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹ And they took hold of him and brought him to the Are-op'agus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is which you present? ²⁰ For you bring some strange things to our ears; we wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹ Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²² So Paul, standing in the middle of the Are-op'agus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³ For as I passed along, and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by man, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all men life and breath and everything. ²⁶ And he made from one every nation of men to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their habitation, ²⁷ that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel after him and find him. Yet he is not far from each one of us, ²⁸ for

'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your poets have said,

'For we are indeed his offspring.'

²⁹ Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the Deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, a representation by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰ The times of ignorance God overlooked, but

now he commands all men everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all men by raising him from the dead.”

THE SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1:5-12

⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lo'is and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you. ⁶Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

⁸Do not be ashamed then of testifying to our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel in the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not in virtue of our works but in virtue of his own purpose and the grace which he gave us in Christ Jesus ages ago, ¹⁰and now has manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹²and therefore I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me.

VERSE (Sung)

“Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life

Alleluia, Alleluia”

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Please stand.

Matthew 7:15-29

¹⁵“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷So, every sound tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears evil fruit. ¹⁸A sound tree cannot bear evil fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Thus you will know them by their fruits.

²¹“Not every one who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²²On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ ²³And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.’

²⁴“Every one then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house upon the rock; ²⁵and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶And every one who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house upon the sand; ²⁷and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell; and great was the fall of it.”

²⁸And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

CREED

The Apostles' Creed is a statement of what Christians believe about the triune God.

The Creed is of ancient origin, tracing its roots back to the first century.

The Apostles' Creed is the Church's baptismal creed; that is, it expresses the faith into which we are baptized.

When we confess the Creed, we witness to our unity with Christians of all times and all places who confess the same faith.

When we confess the Creed, we affirm that the Church of Jesus Christ transcends the limits of time and geography.

So with the whole Church on earth, and with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we confess our faith in the God who saves us.

Please Stand.

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated.

BAPTISMAL DIRECTIVE

At Baptism the following is directed to parents and Godparents and the congregation:

“In Christ’s love you presented us for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring us to the services of God’s house, teach them the Lord’s Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As we grow in years, you should place in our hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for our instruction in the Christian faith, that living in the covenant of our Baptism and in communion with the Church, we may lead godly lives until the day of Jesus Christ.”

GUIDANCE ALONG THE WAY TO CONFIRMATION

We would like to thank Pastor John, our families, our sponsors, our Sunday School teachers, and our friends for their guidance. We have spent much time learning to get along with each other, learning to trust in the Church, its teachings and each other. Confirmation has strengthened the bonds of love in all these things.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for making these people a part of our lives. Without them, we would not be as close to you as we are. Our parents, along with our Godparents, brought us into Your Family when we were baptized. Your teachers brought, meaning into what you and Your Words are all about. They helped us understand that You will always be our friend, just like they have been. Please watch over them and let them know they are loved for everything they have done for us. AMEN

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

The following people, Gracie Diebel, Lane Moritz, and Morgan Zengerle, having been instructed in the Christian faith, now desire to make public affirmation of their faith.

In Holy Baptism you were received by our Lord Jesus Christ and made members of His Church. Now you choose to affirm the faith of the Church as your own, and to accept personal responsibility for active participation in the life and ministry of this congregation. I therefore ask you:

Do you believe in God the creator? Do you accept His Son, Jesus Christ, as your Lord and as the Savior of the world? Do you believe that this same God continues to be with you, through His Holy Spirit?

THE PLEDGE OF THE CONFIRMANDS

“I DO BELIEVE THAT God is my creator and that Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior and that the Holy Spirit will be with me now and forever and I promise to be faithful unto Him, even unto death. In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism;

To live among God's Faithful people,
to hear His word and share in his supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so answer, "YES WITH THE HELP OF GOD"

Do you intend to honor their unique gifts, support them with your prayers, attend to their spiritual and physical needs, and work with them in harmony, that God's will may be done in and through this corporate body? Do you intend to grow with them and to continually confirm and reconfirm YOUR faith?

If so answer; "YES, WITH THE HELP OF GOD."

LET US PRAY

Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made these men and women your own. You forgave them all their sins and brought them to newness of life. Continue to strengthen them with the Holy Spirit, and daily increase in them your gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, and the spirit of joy in your presence through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. AMEN.

THE BLESSING

*Confirmands Kneel. (Confirmands come to altar rail one at a time with parents. Their Bible verse is read.)
The minister lays hands on the head of each person:*

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in _____ the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his/her faith, guide his/her life, empower him/her in his/her serving, give him/her patience in suffering, and bring him/her to everlasting life.

Student: Amen

THE PRAYER (Congregation in unison)

Almighty and merciful God, complete the work that is begun in these young people today. Let their partnership with people of faith throughout the world be such that no false doctrine, no selfish desires, and no love of any material thing will lead them away from you or from the faith which we jointly hold, in joyful obedience to You and to Your Word, enable all of us to serve You more faithfully, in both word and deed, that your name may be honored and your will be done. AMEN

THE PRAYERS

Leader: Heavenly Father, as you have given us the gift of life, and the gifts of thinking and acting, and feeling, so give us the gift of you Holy Spirit.

People: That we may make of our lives a response of loving service in your name.

Leader: As you have given us new birth in baptism, so gather us together as your people.

People: That we may live as Christ to our world and witness His love to our generation.

Leader: Gather old and young, men and women, boys and girls, into common tasks for you.

People: For we are all your children, each with his own strength to contribute to your work.

Leader: Forgive our frailties, and our sinning, and our blindness to doing your will.

People: And once forgiven, strengthen us in the new life in Christ.

Leader: We ask you to help parents be your channels of guidance and caring to their children.

People: Building on their baptism the knowledge of you, their Lord, and your love for them.

Leader: We ask you to help young people accept the responsibilities of loyalty and commitment to you.

People: Strengthening our church in vitality and vision and enthusiasm.

Leader: We ask you to help young people respect those of experience who have and are now serving your church.

People: Preserving the wisdom and knowledge of the past as a firm foundation for change and development.

Leader: We ask you to make all of us the means by which you reach to the needy, the troubled, the lonely, the sorrowful.

People: That one day we may stand among those who are already welcomed into your eternal kingdom

SHARING THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY : “Let the vineyards...” **LBW p. 86**

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER **LBW p. 87**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING **LBW p. 88**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER #33 (right column) **LBW p. 90**

THE LORD’S PRAYER **LBW p. 91**

LAMB OF GOD **LBW p. 92**

Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Please stand.

POST COMMUNION: “Thank the Lord . . .” **LBW p. 92**

PRAYER AND BENEDICTION **LBW p. 94**

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

THE DOXOLOGY **LBW #565**

POSTLUDE



Celebrating their Confirmation

Gracie Diebel

Gracie is the daughter of Brian and Feather Diebel. She was baptized at St. John Ev. Lutheran Church in Meyersville Texas on July 24, 2011.

Lane Moritz

Lane is the son of Neal & Lenzi Moritz. He was baptized on November 1, 2009.

Morgan Zengerle

Morgan is the daughter of Jeff and Tamara Zengerle. She was baptized at Zion Lutheran Church in Mission Valley Texas on March 4, 2012.



Deuteronomy 5:33

“Walk in obedience to all that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.”

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 5/19	Day of Pentecost 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Adult Study Worship with Holy Communion <i>Confirmation Sunday</i>
Mon 5/20	7:00 p.m.	Finance Meeting
Tues 5/21	<i>CAMAL House Mtg. here in Parish Hall</i>	
Wed 5/22	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.	Old Stone Church Meeting Office hours Quilters
Thurs 5/23	1:00 p.m-4:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Pastor’s Office Hours Office hours ***Committee Reports Due***
Fri 5/24	<i>Graduation in Cuero, Yorktown, & Nordheim</i> 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	Office hours ***Newsletter Deadline***
Next Sun.	The Holy Trinity 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Adult Study Worship – Memorial Day Service

Have a Blessed Week!



Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors. If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John’s.
Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day’s prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.



Office hours will be posted in the weekly bulletins. If you would need immediate assistance outside of office hours, text or call Meliss at 361-649-0413. If you’d like to receive your monthly church newsletter via email, call or text the church office at 361-277-8653

OFFERING & ATTENDANCE

Sunday, May 12, 2024 General \$1,180.60, MOM \$370.00, NALC Warehouse \$100.00, Sunday School \$107.00, Cemetery \$30.00, Old Stone Church \$10.00, Building \$380.00, Youth \$10.00 **Total: \$2,187.60**
Attendance: Worship – 65, Sunday School - 6 Children, 3 Teachers, Adult Study - 7

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A COPY OF THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER BEFORE IT EVER GOES IN THE MAIL AND SAVE MONEY AS WELL?

If so, contact the church office at stjohnelutheran@juno.com or by phone (361-277-8653) with your email address and we will be happy to send you The Church Bell via your email. This will save the church money spent on postage, paper, and copying. What a great stewardship idea!!!



Mission of the Month for May

Christian's Warriors Retreat

What is Christian Warriors Retreat?

Christian Warriors Retreat (CWR) is a Christian organization committed to serving our veterans, first responders, and their loving families. Our bi-annual retreats are currently held at the beautiful El Shaddai Ranch in Yorktown, Texas. Each of our four-day retreats starts on a Thursday night and ends on a Sunday afternoon. At each retreat, veterans and first responders are invited to stay onsite completely free of charge. Their lodging, meals, and snacks are provided for through the donation of our amazing financial supporters. Leaders and volunteers at CWR serve each guest with honor and attendees are integrated into CWR's family through live music and worship, powerful guest speakers, and small group gatherings designed to serve those who serve with the love and grace of God. Our organization has plans to launch CWR retreats in new locations throughout our nation.

**For the month of May, the collection for the Rosenberg warehouse is
straw brooms & string mops.**

NALC Disaster Response

What's in a Flood Bucket?

- 1 bucket (5 gallon) with a lid – Firehouse Subs \$3.00 ea.**
(Check other restaurants, donut shops, school kitchens, etc.!)
- 1 roll paper towels – Walmart 44 cents a roll**
- 1 powder cleanser – Walmart 88 cents ea.**
- 1 floor cleaner – small! (like Pine Sol, Fabuloso) – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.**
- 1 bottle bleach – small! – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.**
- 1 pair rubber gloves – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.**
- 1 scrub brush – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.**
- 1 pair leather gloves – Home Depot 3 pk under \$6.00**
- 1 pair cotton gloves – Walmart 6 pk under \$5.00/Home Depot or Lowe's \$1.00 ea.**
- 2 contractor trash bags (3 mil) – shop around.....**
- 2 rags – Don't buy! Cut up old bath & beach towels, dish towels, wash cloths.....**

**If anyone would like to acolyte on a Sunday morning, please let
Pastor know or the office so we can include your name in the
bulletin. There is a sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board.
What a way to praise our Lord, serve at church, and have
volunteer credit on future applications (job & college)!**



UPCOMING EVENTS

Celebrating you and all the lives
you've touched,
all the memories you've made,
and the love and laughter
you've shared...
Celebrating 100 wonderful
years of you!

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Happy 100th Birthday

You are Invited to
**A 100th Birthday Celebration for
Caroline Blain
Saturday, May 25, 2024
from 2pm to 6pm
Yorktown VFW Hall
Your presence is your gift.**

Council Meeting, May 28th, 2024

On May 27th thru May 29th, we will be hosting the Primary Run-off Election in the Parish Hall. Due to this event, Council will be holding their meeting in the Parsonage on Tuesday, May 28th, 2024.

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor John will be on vacation Sunday, June 2, 2024 to Sunday, June 9, 2024.

Johnny Paul Jank & Johnna Picard will be doing the service.

We pray that he will have a relaxing and enjoyable time and come back refreshed.

We also pray for his safe travels and safe return.

Graduation Sunday



Graduation Sunday at St. John will be celebrated on Sunday, June 2, 2024. We will be recognizing all 2024 Kinder, 8th grade, High School & College Graduates during this time. There is a sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or email: stjohnlutheran@juno.com with your graduate's information for the bulletin or drop it by the church office.

St. John ~ Memorial Day Service

We will have a Memorial Day service on Sunday, May 26, 2024 to honor & remember all Military Men & Women. We have a running list for the bulletin that we have used the last several years. If someone has passed away in the past year, or you know of any new military personnel, please let the office know by calling or texting 361-277-8653 or by emailing us at stjohnlutheran@juno.com. Thank you!



REGIONAL GET-TOGETHER

The Texas-Oklahoma Mission Region of the NALC invite you to their first regional get-together July 23-25, 2024 at the Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Temple, Texas.

The Get-Together will start with dinner on Tuesday evening and conclude with worship on Thursday morning. Your registration includes accommodations, all meals, daily worship opportunities, keynote presentations, workshops, and activities.

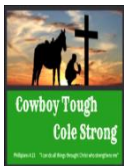
If you have questions, call Pastor Becky Thane @ 201-572-8073 or email her at BeckyThane@aol.com

There is an email posted on the Narthex bulletin board about the speaker and workshops available.

Space is limited! Register early to reserve your spot.

PRAYER REQUESTS

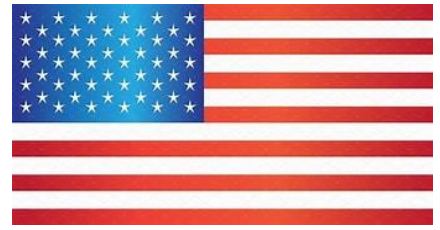
+ UPDATE + Special Prayers for Cole ❤️



Taken from Facebook Cowboy Tough Cole Strong: Hello everyone! Hope you are all doing well. Cole back up and walking again on his machine after laying off for six weeks with a broken big toe. He's been staying busy getting ready for one of his favorite events of the year—the Cole Ohrt Walk Strong Camo and Purse Bingo. He takes pride in shopping for all the men's gifts and he's known for picking some really nice stuff! I'm so proud of him for getting so involved in helping with this huge fundraiser. He truly enjoys watching his foundation help others in the community. We've all heard it said God will bring good out of any trial or tribulation but this is the first time I've ever experienced it personally. If you've ever been to this event, you've seen how God is doing exactly that on a grand scale! Before I close, I would like to ask for special prayers for three beautiful friends who are battling cancer right now. Erica was my college roommate and close friend and is fighting brain cancer. Judith is fighting colon cancer, and Ross, a missionary we met in China is fighting esophageal cancer. They are all in need of your prayers and Cole has the best prayer warriors in the world so I'm asking all of you. Thank you and God Bless. **+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+ At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list: *Healing-physical, emotional & spiritual To help family stay strong ~ Patience ~ Stay positive ~The drive to keep trying (perseverance)***

Our Military and their families:

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Fort Hood
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Florida
Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, stationed overseas (location unknown)
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force
Michael Petrash II - 1st LT, United States Army
Andrew Washington, L CPL - USMC, Pensacola, FL
Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina
Zach McBrayer - U.S. Air Force, San Antonio



PHONE PRAYER CHAIN (immediate or long term needs):

If you have a prayer request or wish to be on the prayer chain, please contact Mary Wagner (361)275-9500. We ask that when placing a name on the prayer chain, you would please call back weekly with an update on the person's condition. In case of long term prayer needs, please give monthly updates. If we do not have an update, in an effort to keep our list current and up to date, we will presume the situation has improved and remove the request after 30 days. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Please remember these individuals in your prayers: Hunter Jacob, Cole Ohrt, Mrs. Stiles, Ryon Preslar, Evelyn Diebel, Dorothy Fay Diebel, Steve Cusack, Virginia Abrameit, Bea Bagwell, Charlie Baros, Cindy (Randy's wife) Wendel, Fred "Sandy" Sanders, Robert Moeller, Ryler James Jacob, Billy Guenther, Pamela Allen; also, remember to pray for our members who have fallen away from St. John.



Nursing Home:

Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Marjorie Ideus

SOME WORDS FROM LUTHER



Without the Holy Spirit, hearts are either hardened in sins or they despair. But both are contrary to the will of God. By the Holy Spirit the godly navigate between this satanic Scylla and Charybdis and cast themselves upon the superabundant and innate mercy of God. They confess their sins, but at the same time they also confess the immeasurable mercy of God.

~ Martin Luther ~

Quoted in the Northwestern Lutheran (printed 1967)



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