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Our Saviour Lutheran Church

*is a congregation of the
Indiana-Kentucky Synod of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church
in America.*

*We welcome all
to share in life with Christ
as a community
of faith in mission.*

OSLC's Vision & Mission

*God calls us to be a community of
discipleship for all, making Christ's
love real in our daily lives.*

*Grow in faith and Christian calling
Love and serve God and neighbor
Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

Worship Online

& In-person

10:00 A.M. on Sundays

Join the Zoom Meeting or watch
live on OSLC's facebook page.

Email Sandra (sandra@osluth.org)
and she'll send you a bulletin
and a Zoom invite.

To participate in worship at 300
West Fowler on Sunday morn-
ings, please register on the home
page of the website: osluth.org

Space is limited as we ease back
into in-person worship.



Randy Schroeder, Pastor

A week of tributes to Dad

To celebrate the special man in your life, use a quote a day the week before Father's Day, or honor him with tributes the whole week after. Write one of these (or one of your own) on a card, make a message into a placemat, tape one to the bathroom mirror — get creative! Every day of the week is a good day to celebrate his love and show him yours.

“The heart of a father is the masterpiece of nature.”

—Antoine F. Prévost

“To the world you are a dad. To our family you are the world.”

—Unknown

“The best fathers have the softest, sweetest hearts. In other words, great dads are real marshmallows.”

—Richelle E. Goodrich

“Dad: a son's first hero, a daughter's first love.”

—Unknown

“A good father is one whose only reason for putting down a laughing baby is to pick up a crying one.”

—Linda Poindexter

“My father didn't do anything unusual. He only did what dads are supposed to do — be there.”

—Max Lucado

“I love my father as the stars. He's a bright shining example and a happy twinkling in my heart.”

—Terri Guillemets



Forever Changed June 2021



Grace, mercy, and peace to you from our Creator and Savior Jesus Christ.

As we begin our journey into summer and opportunities for life and rest, here are a few notes on what OSLC is up to.

Our **Council** has welcomed Erin Thompson, Buz Grady ☺. They welcomed back Kathy Heise for another three-year term, and also thanked Scott Vana and Carol Grady for their leadership for the past three years as they step away from council.

Our **Green Team** is dreaming of how to create new spaces on the grounds of our property. They have envisioned changes and additions to open our space to the community. New plans are being drawn and financial partnerships with the city of West Lafayette and City Bus are being explored.

The **Worship Hybrid Organization (WHO) Team** is focused on hiring someone to replace Bob, (Ole and Sven,) so he might be free to spend time with family and once again walk the corn fields. They are also practicing and orchestrating the best possible ways to engage people during worship online as well as those in the pews.

The **Task Force** in charge of safe return to in-person worship is continuing its responsibilities as CDC regulations, due to the pandemic, are lifted and/or modified. They seek to balance safety with our mission of being welcoming and inviting.

Shared Ministry between PLM and OSLC will begin this month. In March we, Pastor Randy and the OSLC Council, were approached by the IK Synod about hosting an Intern for the Fall of 2021/Spring of 2022 school year. After discernment of the PLM Board and the OSLC Council, we chose to try an experiment which will last until August of 2022. I (Pastor Randy) will begin to share my time between PLM and OSLC. Our intern, Candice Hinkle of Logansport, will begin at OSLC and PLM on September 1st. We will both split our time between PLM and OSLC. The PLM Board and OSLC Council hope to learn the best way forward for leadership between the two ministries.

I have begun asking some people to be on the **Internship Team**. Sandy Monroe (as of writing this) has volunteered to Chair the Team and Sherri Guido is also on board. ☺ Don't be surprised if I reach out to you sometime soon. Hosting an intern is an incredible occasion for the whole congregation. As we teach, we will learn. This is a chance for us to see ministry through new eyes and guide a seminary student through real life ministry.

As you journey into summer, please pray for all the ministry teams and this project happening at our church. We all need your support. If you have any questions or interest in them, please give me a call or email.

Peace,
Pastor Randy

That You May Live

During the pandemic, I've worshiped online with several congregations. The web address for one ends ".net/live." As I navigate to this site, I tend to read the adjective form "live," as in "livestream." One Sunday, however, the verb form, as in "Worship and live," popped into my mind. I had almost slept in and skipped that morning's service. But as I worshiped with others, albeit remotely, my spirit indeed felt increasingly alive. That whole day I felt I was *living* more fully because I'd been inspired by God's Word in sermon and song and shared in praising God with others. Worship reminds us there is something — Someone — greater than ourselves. Worship opens us to new ways of living.

Moses, after he had passed along God's gift of the Ten Commandments, including the rule to keep the Sabbath day holy through rest and worship, told the people, "Walk in obedience to all that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live" (Deuteronomy 5:33, NIV).

We too worship God regularly — so that we may more fully live.

—Heidi Hyland Mann

News & Notes

Council Highlights May 12, 2021



- Elections: President Matt Ohland and Vice President Kathy Heise
- Reopening has gone fairly smoothly so far.
- Pastor Randy will be taking a couple of weeks of vacation.
- Positive reviews for Easter “buckets.”



Altar Flowers

Now that there is in-person worship, it would be nice to have altar flowers each week. There will be a chart near the mailboxes at OSLC. You may sign up there or contact Sandra or Vicki.

Colombian Students Arrive in July!

Want to make friends with a Colombian student? A past host says Colombia's fun-loving culture has no rivals! The International Friendship Program at Purdue seeks hosts to match with a group of 30 student researchers arriving in July, here for six months. Meet monthly with your student. Contact Beth Tucker at friendship@purdue.edu to sign up!

Assisting in June

June 6	Dale Buettner
June 13	Kathy Heise
June 20	Robert & Dee Hershberger
June 27	Julie & Carl Huetteman

Our regular Stewardship Column is still on hiatus.

Look for it to return soon.

A thank you from the Ohm family

I am so appreciative of the flowers, food, cards, and calls during this difficult time. Your prayers have lifted me and my family up and I can actually feel it and it gives me comfort and strength. God is so good!

Herb was beloved by so many and he would be pleased that you are taking such good care of me.

I hope this COVID thing gets over with so that I can give each and every one of you a big hug. I am so blessed to have such an outpouring of love from my church family.

God bless you all.

Judy Ohm



OSLC Foundation Update

Our goal is to grow our principal so we can then give away the investment earnings to humanitarian causes we might not otherwise be able to support. For several years we have given about \$4,000 each year. We have been served well by the ELCA Pooled Trust and Mission Investment Fund. Most of our funds are subject to fluctuation in the stock market and our market values have gained except for a "paper loss" in the spring of 2020. Otherwise we enjoy gains in market value but are prepared for losses.

We started 2020 at \$102,000, then dropped to \$87,000 in the spring but recovered and along with new gifts ended 2020 at \$123,000.

Now into 2021 market value increased by \$2,000, and with new gifts and our quarterly distribution of \$3,000, we now stand at \$128,000. What we want to see is our earnings distribution allowing us to give even more assistance to needy causes. In the future we could possibly help fund PLM students to mission trips to Guatemala! Or we could consider your suggestions; we welcome ideas.

First Third Financial Report

For the first four months of 2021, the church received \$116,753.79 in contributions and spent \$108,887.30 on expenses. Offerings for the first four months were 104.9% of our projected income.

Thank you for your contributions to support the mission of our church.

— Finance Ministry Team

JUNE UPDATES



illustratedministry.com

Pints with a Pastor Meets June 7 & 14. High Schoolers welcome and encouraged to attend.

Wednesday Zoom with Kiddos: Every Wednesday at 4:30, elementary age kids Zoom with Dale. Family Promise kids will be joining on the first Wednesday of each month.

Virtual VBS!

The Indiana-Kentucky Synod **WILL** be hosting a virtual VBS this Summer! The dates have not yet been decided, so stay tuned for more info!

Other Resources

- **Facebook**-“Like” OSLC’s page for Sunday Worship streamed live, updates and upcoming events: <https://www.facebook.com/osluth/>
- **RightNow Media** (bible studies, devotions, video resources for individuals & families)-**FREE** OSLC membership:
<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/account/invite/OurSaviour>



- **Check out the OSLC Library!** We have books on Social Justice, Spirituality, Religious History, Music, Parenting, and lots of things in between. And the best part? It’s totally free! Just stroll downstairs, peruse the shelves, check out whatever captures your interest and return it when you are finished.”



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Mark your calendars:

- ***Sunday, June 6, following worship, Faith Formation Team meets.**
- ***Sunday, June 20, following worship, the Adult Forum planning team meets.**
- ***Pints with a Pastor meets June 7 & 14**
- ***Wednesday Zoom with Kiddos:** Meets every Wednesday at 4:30 P.M.
- ***Sunday, June 20: Book Discussion at 5:00 P.M. via Zoom**
- ***Thursday, June 24, 7:30 P.M.: Social Justice Discussion via Zoom (Book: Do Better)**

NOTE: Since some folks were unable to read and discuss this book in May, we decided to reschedule our discussion of it for June 20.

June Book Discussion

June 20, 5 P.M.

Matt Haig’s *The Midnight Library*

In *The Midnight Library*, Nora Seed finds herself faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, or realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist. She must search within herself as she travels through the Midnight Library to decide what is truly fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place.

All are welcome! We meet via zoom. Email Sandra (sandra@osluth.org) for an invite.

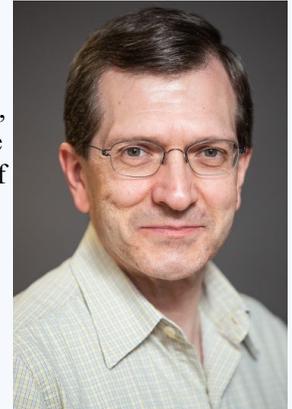


“May I have a word with you about the new summer choir outfits?”

An Update from Our Missionary

Dear ELCA Missionary Sponsoring Congregation:

I am now in my second semester of teaching online to students at Sekolah Tinggi Theologia (STT) in Pematangsiantar, Indonesia. However, I continue to live and work in Singapore. For a long time, STT was not able to apply for a work visa for me because such visas were not being granted by the Indonesian government due to the pandemic. I anticipate remaining in Singapore through the rest of this year.



I am actually blessed to be in Singapore because this country is doing a superb job of containing the spread of the COVID 19 virus. Early last year, the government imposed a “circuit breaker” which nearly amounted to a lock down of the whole country of 5.6 million people. But eventually the restrictions were eased with the move to Circuit Breaker Phase II, which allowed more freedom of movement, e.g., dining out in groups of up to 8 people, reopening of sports facilities, and having groups of people in one’s home. Singapore also has a very good electronic tracing system that can be installed as a smart phone app. “Trace Together,” as we call it, simplifies contact tracing when there is an outbreak of infection. Unfortunately, just this week there was an outbreak at one of the large public hospitals here, which resulted in several wards being locked down, staff being quarantined, and much testing of patients, staff, and visitors. But I do not doubt that Singapore will succeed in managing this outbreak given its good track record so far with the pandemic.

One of the blessings of living in Singapore is that we have been free of pandemic politics. When the government mandated mask wearing, the public cooperated. People who had contact with infected persons by and large served their “stay at home notices” obediently—with no one claiming to be a victim of political oppression. People gladly practiced social distancing, seeing it as their duty for ensuring the health and safety of all. There is no debate about vaccination; those who want it, get it. Those who prefer not to be vaccinated or cannot be vaccinated don’t get it. There is no second-guessing of the Prime Minister, the Minister of Health, or infectious disease experts. Singaporeans listen to them. Period.

Yes, westerners have long considered Singapore—the so-called “Nanny State” of Asia—a micro-manager of public behavior and attitudes. But it must be admitted that the pandemic is being competently managed here. I would note the low number of “locally transmitted” infections typically recorded each day (for a long time less than 5!). I consequently wonder whether all the political wrangling and second-guessing in western countries does not in fact contribute to skeptical public attitudes about and inept government management of the pandemic. I wonder whether the poor response to the pandemic in the West does not therefore call into question western democratic ideals and values (e.g., freedom of expression, freedom of choice, suspicion of authority) precisely because these have contributed to a bad pandemic response in the West. Certainly, it is natural for us westerners to be skeptical and wary about a lot of things, including pandemics, governments, and government responses to pandemics. But when skepticism about masks, vaccinations, and scientific evidence gets in the way of pandemic management by causing fear, conflict, and confusion, then it seems that our democratic values have their drawbacks. Accordingly, I ask: Do we need to be skeptical about our skepticism? Are there times when we should forgo our suspicion of authorities and individual liberties for the good of all society? Certainly, as Christians, we think of our neighbors first, even before our own rights and freedoms. This is what it means, in Martin Luther’s words, to be “little Christs” to others.

I am glad, however, that the pandemic shows signs of improvement in the USA. I hope that with the lifting of restrictions, we will all use our freedom to serve our neighbors.

Thank you for your service to the ELCA through missionary sponsorship. I am delighted to be in partnership with you as we seek to build up our mission partners around the world.

Best regards in the Lord Jesus Christ,
Jeff Truscott

**Family Promise Needs:
Hosting week is June 7-11**

Thank you to all who helped shop for and compile the welcome baskets for the families. Thanks to all who provided food for the families on May 17 and 19. Much appreciated!

Our next FP hosting week is coming up fast - June 7-11. We are scheduled to provide the meal on Friday, June 11. If you would like to provide food or funds for this meal, please contact Julie Huetteman, at juliehuetteman@gmail.com or 765-491-7819.

Family Promise has several openings for providing meals over the summer because several congregations discontinued support in the pandemic. If you have interest in providing more support for meals outside of our regularly scheduled OSLC hosting dates, please let me know. I can help you with those arrangements.

Please contact me if you have questions or can help with any of these activities.

Julie Huetteman, FP Coordinator
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Let's do good to all people.

Galatians 6:10, NASB



Food Finders

Volunteers Needed Now! *Hunger doesn't take a break for the summer*

As we have throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, our team continually monitors and revises food bank policies to follow those set forth by our local and state governments and the CDC for the best health practices. We have revised our mask policy to align with the most recent CDC recommendations.

Volunteers and clients who have not been vaccinated or are not fully vaccinated are required to wear a mask in our Pantry and at our Food Resource and Education Center (FREC). We encourage anyone who prefers to wear a mask, to continue doing so. We will continue providing free masks, hand washing stations and sanitizer. A complete list of policies may be found on our website.

If you are thinking about volunteering with us, we encourage you to consider your own health and safety when deciding whether volunteering is a good fit for you at this time. We understand that some of our beloved volunteers have been eager to return while others are not ready to come back yet. That is ok, we'll be ready for you when you are! In the meantime, reach out to our Sr. Volunteer Engagement Coordinator, Ceira Osberg, and ask about our "contactless" volunteer projects.

We have missed so many of your friendly faces since the pandemic began and look forward to seeing you once again. The food bank went through many changes since March 2020, and we look forward to sharing our new Fresh Market food pantry space with you as well as informing you about volunteer opportunities available with the Senior Grocery Program.

Thank you for serving with us in the fight to end hunger.

Ceira Ostberg
Sr. Volunteer Engagement Coordinator
Food Finders Food Bank



**Food Finders
Food Bank, Inc.**
fighting hunger, giving hope



Pack Away Hunger

Packing events are in full swing again! With a socially distanced set-up, masks, and other precautions, we've been able to pack more than 160,000 meals this year! Churches, businesses, civic groups and schools have all been a part of the action. In addition to traditional meal packing events, we've also added education curriculum that was shared with local Boys and Girls Clubs and local elementary and middle schools. Through this program, we're inspiring the next generation to advocate and care for the hungry in their community and around the world.

Meal distribution update

The COVID-19 pandemic caused major roadblocks to international shipments in 2020. We're thrilled to announce that once again we've begun shipping meals to our international partners. So far this year 85,536 meals have been sent to partner communities in Haiti and Guatemala to nourish children and families suffering from malnutrition and extreme poverty.

Locally we have distributed more than 21,000 meals to food pantries to aid families fighting food insecurity. More than 7,000 of those meals have gone to Indianapolis area elementary schools where they are discretely distributed through a weekend backpack program.

PACK AWAY HUNGER

Love is a commitment to seek the good and to work for the good and welfare of others. It doesn't stop at our front door or our neighborhood, our religion or race, or our state's or [our] country's border. This is one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth, as the hymn goes. It often calls us to step outside of what we thought our boundaries were, or what others expect of us. It calls for us to sacrifice, not because doing so feels good, but because it's the right thing to do.

—Bishop Michael Curry, *Love Is the Way*

Fun & Games

“Dads are most ordinary men turned by love into heroes, adventurers, storytellers and singers of song.”

—Pam Brown

Puzzle!

For this cryptogram, use the clues to decode
Proverbs 3:5, NRSV.

CLUES:
Y = T, D = I

Y K T P Y D X Y J Z

V Q K R F D Y J O V V

C Q T K J Z O K Y, O X R

R Q X Q Y K Z V C Q X

C Q T K Q F X D X P D L J Y.

Answer: Trust in the LORD with all your heart and do not rely on your own insight. Proverbs 3:5, NRSV



“Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under the trees on a summer’s day, listening to the murmur of water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time.”

—John Lubbock

In my
FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

Make this keepsake to express love for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.

What you need:

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker
- Crayons or paint

What you do:

1. In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
2. Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
3. Trace your father's foot (same one) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
4. Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
5. Sign your names and the date at the bottom.

Fun & Games



Fathers and Sons of the Bible

Proverbs 13:1 says,
"A wise son heeds his father's instruction."

In the puzzle below, find and circle the names of these fathers and their sons from the Old Testament. Names may be forward, backward, diagonal, → ← ↓ ↑ ↘ ↙ up or down. Circle them.

ADAM	JAPHETH	ISHMAEL	JUDAH	JOSEPH
CAIN	ELKANAH	ISAAC	LEVI	MANASSEH
ABEL	SAMUEL	ESAU	GAD	EPHRAIM
SETH	AARON	JACOB	NAPHTALI	SAUL
NOAH	NADAB	REUBEN	SIMEON	JONATHAN
HAM	HUR	DAN	ISSACHAR	DAVID
SHEM	CALEB	ASHER	ZEBULUN	SOLOMON
	ABRAHAM		BENJAMIN	

M A N A S S E H E S A U A W
 I B I D O H S I S S A U L R
 A E A A L A E O N H E E E D
 R L C V O O T M I S U H V I
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 E L K A N A H S T U U D A N
 C G A D H I O N H J U J D A
 I S S A C H A R P A H A A H
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 A I S H M A E L R E U B E N
 N O E M I S S N O T J L S O
 C A L E B I T E O H E U K J
 J O S E P H E N U L U B E Z



FATHERS IN THE BIBLE

God plans for our fathers to play important parts in our lives. Fill in the puzzle squares with names of important fathers from the Bible. Use the clues and verse references below to help.

- DOWN**
- King Solomon's father, who ruled over Israel for 40 years. (2 Samuel 5:4)
 - He was asked to sacrifice his son Isaac. (Genesis 22:1-2)
 - He had 12 sons. (Genesis 35:22)
 - Samuel's father (1 Samuel 1:19-20)
 - His son was Obed. (Ruth 4:21)
 - David was the youngest of his 8 sons. (Ruth 4:17)



- ACROSS**
- His 3 sons helped him build an ark. (Genesis 6:10)
 - His youngest son, Jacob, tricked him into giving away the birthright of his older son Esau. (Genesis 27:30)
 - The Father of our Lord (Ephesians 1:3)
 - His sons were not like Samuel. They were wicked. (1 Samuel 2:12)
 - David's best friend and father of Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9:6)
 - Father of Cain, Abel and Seth (Genesis 4:25)
 - He was married to Mary, mother of Jesus. (Matthew 1:20-21)
 - Father of Jonathan, he was chosen by the people as the first king of Israel. (2 Samuel 9:6)



Bread for the World's Offering of Letters

Jesus said, 'you give them something to eat' — Matthew 14:16

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. Rev. Art Simon, a Lutheran pastor who wanted to do more to help the hungry people in the New York City neighborhood surrounding the church where he served, founded Bread in the 1970s. For many years since then, Bread selects one hunger-related issue of special importance to focus on as part of its "Offering of Letters to Congress" campaign. The Offering of Letters engages churches, campuses, and other faith communities in writing personalized letters to our elected officials in the U.S. Congress. Supported with prayer, these letters are a bold witness to God's justice and mercy. Year after year, they impact the decisions made in Congress.

The 2021 Offering of Letters builds on last year's work as Bread members continue to urge Congress to expand anti-hunger programs in response to the pandemic and increase funding for nutrition programs.

- Make the expansion of the child tax credit in the American Rescue Plan permanent and available to all children regardless of immigration status. The CTC expansion will lift millions of children out of poverty, as well as help reduce hunger and narrow the racial wealth gap exacerbated by unemployment amid COVID-19.
- Increase global nutrition funding to \$300 million as part of the fiscal year 2022 Foreign Operations and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

I have been a Bread member for almost 40 years, and have participated in many Offering of Letters. It is a wonderful way to follow Jesus' command to love our neighbors, specifically our hungry neighbors. For more information, including facts & figures about hunger in the US and around the world, a sample letter to use to write your letters to Congress, Bible studies on hunger, and much more, visit www.bread.org/ol. You can also watch a brief video about Bread and the Offering of Letters here: <https://vimeo.com/539369746>



Letters are a strong witness of community concerns and personal testimonies. Over the years, these letters and emails from congregations, campuses and community groups have helped inspire our leaders in Washington, D.C., to pass legislative victories that reduce hunger in the U.S. and around the world.

Did you know...

- ⇒ 270 Million+ are facing extreme hunger - up from 135 million before the pandemic.
- ⇒ 1 in 4 kids are at risk of hunger in the U.S.
- ⇒ 40% Black and Latino families struggle feeding children.

Ending Hunger Can Start with a Heartfelt Letter

God calls us to advocate for an end to hunger and poverty.

As Christians, we are called to **seek justice, care for those experiencing hunger and poverty, and embrace our Creator's vision of hope, love, and peace.** We are called to embody it in public as we commit to live in solidarity with those who are made vulnerable by the inequities that drive hunger and poverty in the United States and around the world.

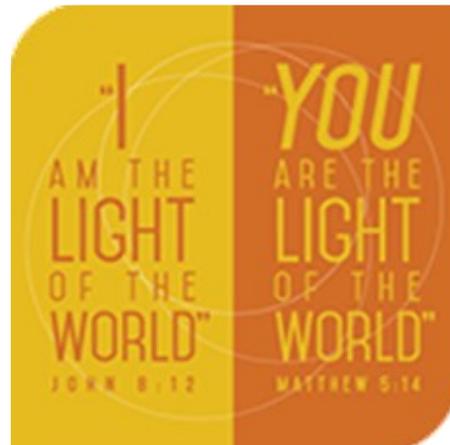
"Speak out for the rights of all who are destitute. Defend the rights of the poor and needy." (Proverbs 31:8-9)

Words of Wisdom

In January 2021, National Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman presented her poem “The Hill We Climb” at the presidential inauguration. The final lines read: “For there is always light, / if only we’re brave enough to see it. / If only we’re brave enough to be it.”

How often we long for light! In recent years we’ve agonized amid pandemic, angry politics and new awareness of racism. Some have suffered deep sorrow. But Jesus says, “I am the light of the world” (John 8:12) and invites us to turn to him. God is always bringing light into darkness, through helpers, healers, peacemakers, friends. Sometimes bravery is required to turn our focus from the negative to the positive — to see the light of God.

Jesus also says, “*You* are the light of the world” (Matthew 5:14, emphasis added) and calls us to brighten the gloom. That requires bravery, as Gorman notes, but as Christians we’re urged to look for light not just to make our own lives better but to shine into others’ lives too. The Holy Spirit gives us the needed courage — to both *see* and *be* light.



Real strength is neither male nor female but is, quite simply, one of the finest characteristics that any human being can possess.

—Fred Rogers

True, needful, kind

If you are tempted to reveal
a tale to you someone has told
about another, make it pass,
before you speak, three gates of gold;
these narrow gates.

First, “Is it true?”

Then, “Is it needful?” In your mind
give truthful answer. And the next
is last and narrowest, “Is it kind?”

And if to reach your lips at last
it passes through these gateways three,
then you may tell the tale, nor fear
what the result of speech may be.

—Beth Day, “The Three Gates” (1835)

Hanging out with Dad

I’ve always been a “daddy’s girl.” Growing up, I usually spent Saturdays in the garage with my dad. We’d build something, fix a car part or get into some trouble together.

Though Joseph wasn’t Jesus’ biological father, he certainly served as a father figure for God’s Son. Jesus followed in Joseph’s footsteps as a carpenter, but we’re told little about his childhood. When Joseph advised Jesus to “measure twice and cut once,” did Jesus mention he’d get it right on the first measure? How many craftsman tips did Jesus learn from Joseph? And did Joseph learn a few from Jesus? Surely young Jesus looked up to Joseph. What did wonder look like in the eyes of the One who invented wonder?

How am I hanging out with God on a regular basis? Am I continuing to learn his “trade”? Do I intentionally mimic his words, his kindness, his ways of loving others well? Take a minute to ponder that. Imagine yourself out in the garage with God (or in the kitchen with God, or at the computer with God). What task do you imagine doing together? What does God say to you as you look into his eyes?

—Janna Firestone

News items for the July *Evangel* are due to Sandra Vana (sandra@osluth.org) by 6/20/2021. Please type "Evangel" in the subject line.

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