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Worship 10:00 am
(Holy Communion on 1st
and 3rd Sundays)



Sunday Morning Worship
Service
with
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KNIM 1580 AM or 95.9 FM
10:00 am to 10:30 am

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"The Divine Service Part 3"

We are privileged to worship a God who comes to us, who serves, forgives, and teaches us during what we call "The Divine Service". For the next few months we will be looking at "The Divine Service" and its parts. The information for this article is taken from [An Explanation of the Divine Service](#) by Rev. Alan Kornacki, Jr. (Unless otherwise noted) This is part 3.

"The high and holy worship of God is faith in Jesus Christ. Such faith is created and sustained by God's Service to us. In the Divine Service, the Lord comes to us in His Word and Sacraments to bless and enliven us with His gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation, and we respond to the outpouring of those gifts. God speaks to us, and we speak His words back to Him. These two terms are sometimes called "sacramental" and "sacrificial." God sacramentally serves us through His word, and we, in turn, sacrificially serve God with our prayer, thanksgiving, and praise."

Part 3 – The Office of the Word – The Word

The Salutation

The Salutation ("The Lord be with you;" "And with thy spirit.") is more than an appropriate statement; it has been and is part of the everyday speech of God's people. In the early Church, Christians who passed each other on the street would greet each other with these words. In the context of the Divine Service, it sums up the relationship that the congregation and the pastor share in Jesus Christ. The pastor blesses the people entrusted to his spiritual care by declaring that the Lord is with them, and the people in turn remind the pastor that the Lord is also with the one who greets them in His name by virtue of his office as a called and ordained servant of the Word.

The salutation occurs every time the congregation receives an invitation or a special announcement, and seems to focus our attention on the important action that follows. For example, when we say it here, it leads into the Collect of the day, and so leads also into the reading of the Word. More will be said on this during the discussion of the Preface in the Office of the Sacrament.

The Office of the Word

The Collect

Prayer is an important part of the life of the church. The Lord taught his disciples to pray what we call the "Lord's Prayer" (Matthew 6:9-13). The apostle Paul informed the church at Philippi, ". . . in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God" (Philippians 4:6). The final moment before the Word of God is read involves a prayer called the "Collect." It carries a single petition, but with scripturally rich address to God and the reason for the boldness of the request. The earliest written reference to the Collect occurs around the year 380 AD. It was a prayer spoken by the presiding minister after the people had prayed silently, and was meant to gather these prayers and "collect" them into one. The classical pattern for the Collect has five parts:

1. The Address: the name(s) of the Person(s) of the Trinity to whom this prayer is addressed (usually the Father);
2. The Basis/Rationale: the particular characteristic of God upon which the prayer is based;

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Organist

11/3 – Nancy Jenkins
 11/10 – Nancy Jenkins
 11/17 – Pam Shannon
 11/24 – Pam Shannon
 11/27 – Pam Shannon



Greeters

11/3 – Gary & Pat
 Bobzien
 11/10 – Bill & Jeanette
 Whited
 11/17 – Pam Myers
 11/24 – Bob & Carolyn
 Henry
 11/27 – Jean Memken



Ushers

11/3 – Todd Roush
 Jonathon Roush
 11/10 – Gary & Pat
 Bobzien
 11/17 – Royce & Jan
 Duncan
 11/24 – Linda & Karl
 Ritterbusch
 11/27 – Dean Biermann



Lay Readers

11/3 – Liz Mandrick
 11/10 – Pastor Oddi
 11/17 – Chaim Jenkins
 11/24 – Jonathan Rogers

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3. The Petition: the particular blessing requested;
4. The Benefit: the goal or desired outcome of the petition; and
5. The Termination/Doxology: prayer through Jesus Christ, who intercedes to the Father for us; to the Father, who grants us our petitions; in the Holy Spirit, who gives us the faith to believe that God will answer our prayers; in their unity as one God forever (John 14:13-14). Note here the strong Trinitarian connection.

The Readings

Everything in the Office of the Word so far has been the words of all creation speaking to the Lord. Now we pause while God speaks to us. There is nothing we can do or say that compares in importance to the Word of God.

The Scriptures are a written record of what the prophets, apostles, and evangelists spoke as they were inspired by the Holy Spirit.

We believe, teach, and confess that the Bible is the inspired Word of God.

The practice of reading selected Scriptures comes from the Church's Hebrew roots, namely, the Synagogue. We see an instance where Jesus himself reads the Scriptures in the Synagogue (Luke 4:16). Scripture is meant to be read aloud, and special blessings are bestowed on those who bring this Word to the congregation and to those in the congregation who listen (Revelation 1:3). The lessons appointed for each day follow either a three-year cycle or a one-year cycle. The one-year cycle is the historic precedent, while the three-year cycle has been developed over the last 50 years. In this congregation we have used both, most recently the three-year series.

One additional note: occasionally we observe "special" Sundays, honoring such groups as the Lutheran Hour, Lutheran Laymen's League, Lutheran Women's Missionary League, and others. Often these groups send along special worship services, which include prayers, specially selected readings, and even sermons.

The Old Testament Lesson

First, we hear a reading from the Old Testament, proclaiming the death and resurrection of Christ in a prophetic manner. This reading almost always relates to the Gospel reading appointed for the day. Occasionally (especially during the Easter season) a reading from the Acts of the Apostles is substituted to emphasize the importance of the work to establish the early Christian Church.

The Gradual

The Gradual is a liturgical arrangement of portions of Psalms sung from a step (Latin: gradus) of the altar. Generally speaking, the Gradual is seasonal in nature, reflecting the theme of the Sunday. It has fallen into disuse in many places through the inclusion of choir anthems.

The Epistle Lesson

Next we hear the apostles of Christ speaking to us as they did to the first-century Church. The emphasis here is on the work of the Lord through His apostles in the early Church, bearing important, practical, serious words for daily living. Although usually taken from the letters of the apostles to local congregations, a few readings have been chosen from the Acts of the Apostles and the Revelation to St. John. Frequently this lesson does not have any direct relation to the Gospel reading appointed for the day, offering instead some variety.

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God's Blessings
Pastor Dave



- 11/3 - Roland Tullberg
- 11/7 - Lydia Estrada
- 11/10 - Todd Roush
- 11/11 - Diana Richardson
- 11/12 - Patricia Estrada
- 11/16 - Brenda Johnson
- 11/17 - Alanna Mandrick
- 11/22 - Bob Henry
- 11/27 - Liz Mandrick
- 11/28 - David Winter
- 11/30 - Samuel Estrada



- 11/4 – Todd & Karla Roush



- November 10, 2019, 5:00 pm
- Jan Duncan
 - Beth Goudge



LWML Allocates Mission Money, Starts Planning for the Holidays

The LWML met on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the church. Our hostess, Virginia McNair served a delicious peach cobbler with vanilla or butter pecan ice cream, mixed nuts, mints, chocolates and candy corn.

President, Lesley Oddi called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. There were no guests or new members. Members present were Liz Mandrick, Lesley Oddi, Twyla Hazen, Mary Ann Zanzie, Beth Goudge, Phyllis Abbott, Marilyn Bettis, Pat Bobzien, Jean Memken, Virginia McNair, and Pastor Oddi.

Pastor Oddi opened our meeting with prayer.

Jean Memken led the devotion “What's in a Name?” which focused on an unnamed woman and the lessons she helps Jesus teach to the crowd around them and also to us! The story is from Luke 11:27-28. An unnamed woman calls out praises for Jesus' mother. That in itself is unusual because woman did not normally speak out in those days. Jesus did not rebuke her but rather directed attention to receiving grace by hearing God's word and following it. God knew us before we were born and He put His name on us when we were baptized. Isaiah 43:1 reminds us; “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.” Even though we do not know this woman's name, God does.

Birthdays: Virginia McNair and Gladys Strauch – October 17th. Pastor Oddi - October 22.

In Gathering: Lutheran Campus Center

St. Joseph Zone Board meeting report – Lesley Oddi 1. Our treasurer, Virginia McNair, is held in high esteem because she ALWAYS notes the reason for the check. 2. Societies are encouraged to send in their yearly dues. Twyla Hazen made a motion to pay dues of \$6 for 18 members. Phyllis Abbott seconded the motion. It passed. 3. We are encouraged to send banner ideas for the Missouri District convention in June 2020 to Zone President Carol Sharp. 4. Pat Bobzien made a motion to pay for 25 copies of the quarterly. Marilyn Bettis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report: Report from the September meeting was approved as corrected. The September 12 Shepherd's kitchen dessert ladies should have been Pam Myers and Marcia Droege Mueller.

Correspondence: Twyla Hazen 1. Thank you from Andrea Riley for her confirmation reception. 2. Thank you from Ashley Riley for her high school graduation reception. 3. Pastor Brent Smith from Mission Central concerning missionaries who are seeking to build up their network of support. 4. LAMP ministry in remote Canada asking for a donation and sharing about their ministry 5. Thank you from Synod President Matthew Harrison for our support of missionary Joshua Lange. 6. LCMS Joint Seminary Fund asking for a donation. 7. Invitation to the Concordia Seminary Guild Brunch. 8. Program Guide from the Concordia Seminary Guild. 9. Newsletter from the Orphan Grain Train.

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LWML Allocates Mission Money, Starts Planning for the Holidays

Treasurer's Report: Report was passed out to all and placed on file for review. Jean Memken presented a bill to be paid back to the church for LWML Sunday supplies. Marilyn Bettis made the second. Motion passed. A goal poster for mites will be placed in the back of the church showing our progress toward our mite goal from our 2nd Sunday of the month collections.

Unfinished Business:

1. Treasurer's Audit Report – Beth Goudge, Liz Mandrick and Twyla Hazen will audit the treasurer's books sometime after next week. Virginia should have the bank statement by then.
2. Make name/phone number/email corrections for the program booklet.
3. There was a discussion about the use of our garage sale monies and whether to set aside a portion of the profits for our treasury. After the discussion, Liz Mandrick made a motion to keep \$536.41 from the \$2,536.41 made at the garage sale to stay in our treasury as our funds are low, and to donate \$,2000 for mission projects. Twyla Hazen seconded the motion and it passed. Discussion was held on what missions to support and how much for each. The following list was made into a motion by Liz Mandrick and seconded by Beth Goudge. The motion passed.
 - \$200 Community Services Energy Fund
 - \$100 Child & Family Services
 - \$200 Senior Center
 - \$200 Shepherd's Kitchen – to be used for special holiday meals
 - \$200 Missionary family – Cimas
 - \$200 Missionary family – Langes
 - \$200 Lutheran World Relief
 - \$200 Orphan Grain Train
 - \$300 Tim Evans – Seminarian
 - \$200 Hope Lutheran VBS

New Business:

1. LWML Sunday - Greeters - Phyllis Abbott and Marilyn Bettis; Ushers - Twyla Hazen and Pat Bobzien; Readers - first reading – Mary Ann Zanzie; second reading – Liz Mandrick; End of Service Greeters – Pam Myers and Lesley Oddi. WEAR PURPLE!
2. Pastor appreciation month is October – card was passed around to sign.
3. Poinsettias – no report at this time
4. Soup and chili supper fundraiser – set for November 3. Sign-up sheets coming.
5. LCC Thanksgiving meal – set for Sunday, November 17. It is earlier this year because NWMSU has off the whole week of Thanksgiving. Sign-up sheet will be passed around next month. Will ask Joyce Cronin for an approximate head count.
6. Pick Sunday School Children Christmas ornament. Program is set for December 8. We voted on the selections Lesley had found and the “Joy to the World” decoupage won. Lesley will get these ordered.
7. Prince of Peace at Cameron is in the process of selecting a Pastor to place a call.

Mite Box Devotion – Jean Memken Mission Outreach for At-Risk Young Women in Africa - \$100,000 Young women in Kenya and Cameroon live in extreme poverty and violence; hunger and limited education force many to sell themselves for mere dollars. Nairobi has one of the highest HIV rates in Africa. With few public resources for treatment, dying from HIV/AIDS is a very real possibility. In Cameroon, sexual exploitation, prostitution, and trafficking is so common that about 30 percent of girls ages 12 to 25 have given birth at least once. Many young pregnant women are forced from their homes, often after rape or domestic abuse. These women are outcasts with nowhere to go — not even to their church. Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) is committed to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ in these countries. Through ministry centers, LHM reaches out by sharing hope and faith in Jesus, changing the lives of these women both physically and spiritually. Through our mite offerings, “Reaching Rahab,” a Christ-centered program in Kenya, is making a difference in the lives of women and their young children who often live on the streets or in prisons. The program offers counseling and teaches life skills to help break the cycle of poverty and prostitution. Sharing Jesus and God’s forgiveness, they become reconnected to the church. In Cameroon, unwed teenage mothers and victims of sexual abuse are offered a holistic outreach program to empower and promote integration into society through education and spiritual growth. This provides the tools to prepare them for a better life.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 5 at 7:00 PM. Hostess is Marilyn Bettis. Beth Goudge is the devotion leader. In- gathering will be for the Lutheran Campus Center.

Shepherd's Kitchen - Thursday, November 14 – Beth Goudge and Jan Duncan. Liz and Lesley are making a Thanksgiving meal of turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, green bean casserole and cranberries.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. – Twyla Hazen, Secretary

So You Want to Get Rich?

My father-in-law was an amazing man. He was a brilliant doctor, a master of diagnosis. It was said that when no other doctor could tell you what was wrong with you, you made an appointment with my father-in-law. When we would be out in public with him, someone would always approach us and tell us how he had saved their life. Because of his successful practice, and some very wise investments, he amassed quite a fortune during his life.

But my father-in-law was as generous as he was brilliant, and he was a benefactor to a variety of charities, institutions of learning, and medical facilities. Parts of buildings, college scholarships, endowed chairs at universities, and the like all bear his name. I remember one day a very long time ago being in his study and he was sitting at his big roll-down desk, writing out a rather sizable check to a religious institution. I knew he really wasn't all that religious, so I asked him why he was giving so much money away. He told me the following story:

When I was a little boy, my father died very suddenly. He had been a good provider for our family, but not a particularly good planner, and so he left my mother and two sisters and me virtually penniless. We managed to survive with the help of our family, but by the time I graduated from high school, there was really no money for me to go to college. So

one day my mother headed out the door and made her way through our neighborhood, knocking on every door. She explained it was time for me to go to college and she needed their help to get me through. And help they did, giving her as much money as they could spare for my tuition. She persisted until she had enough funds for me to enroll in the local university. After graduating from there, I was able to go on to medical school and become a doctor. So you see, I would be nothing if it were not for the many people, both friends and strangers, who gave me the money to go to college. Because of the generosity of others, I am now a very rich man.

I have thought a lot about that encounter through the years. And I now can see the wisdom of his words in my own life and why God wanted me to hear them.

Because of the generosity of others, I was baptized as a baby in a very beautiful baptismal fount in an even more beautiful church in Bloomington, Illinois. That generosity spread to my children as they were brought to the very same fount to be baptized.

The generosity of others provided me with a Sunday School lesson (and teacher, of course) every Sunday of the year, where I got to learn all about my friend Jesus.

The generosity of others placed a Bible in my hands so I could read for myself about the love of my Savior.

The generosity of others provided me with a catechism and years of instruction where my faith flourished and I was able to profess that faith to my church family at my confirmation.

Because of the generosity of others, I had an amazing campus pastor and campus church, and many wonderful people who supported me while I attended school away from my home and my home church.

The generosity of others allowed me to enroll my children in a Lutheran Elementary School where they could get a Christian education every day school was in session.

The generosity of others continues to sustain me as I draw close to God in worship here at Hope with a lovely and comfortable church building, hymnals so I can sing God's praises, an organ, orders of worship, a pastor to lead the service, and all that goes into making Sunday mornings such a blessing.

Yes, because of the generosity of others, I am now a very rich woman!

As we were filling out our time and talent forms this past week (and if you haven't filled yours out, please do!), it is easy to take for granted just exactly what we commit to do. "Oh, sure, a dessert for Shepherd's Kitchen? I

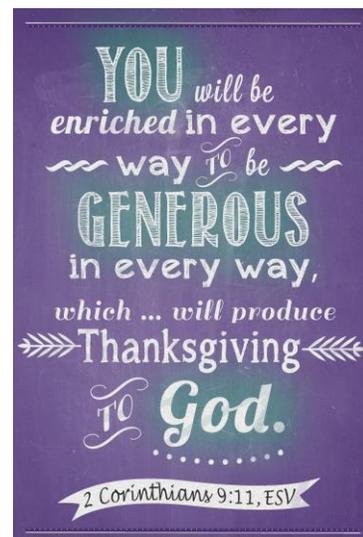
can do that. Yes, I can help with the soup supper. I suppose I can join the choir again this year." But maybe you never really stopped to think how you are being a generous benefactor to those you may never really know, but who need your help and your talents to sustain their lives, both physically and spiritually.

Stewardship is a way of life - it is God's way of life for us.

And there are blessings to be had for both the giver and receiver of our time, talent and treasures. My life has been enriched by the generosity of others, but made even richer by the blessings I have received by answering God's call to be His good

steward. I hope and pray that each one of you can relate.

And as we gather around the Thanksgiving table this month to thank God for all His many blessings, I hope you finish that thanksgiving grace with a prayer that God would lead you to be a blessing to others. So you want to be rich? Hopefully you can see that in many ways, you already are. But answer God's call with "Here am I, send me, send me!" and believe me, you will truly know what it is to be very rich indeed. A Blessed Thanksgiving to you all!—jm





Here are the items that were discussed at the last Church Council Meeting.

The meeting was attended by Larry Abbott, Dean Biermann, Larry Abbott, Mike Mandrick, Karla Roush, Royce Duncan, Pastor Oddi, and Kim Hullinger.

Elders: Dean Biermann reported they are continuing with training.

Trustees: Larry Abbott reported that he is repainting the stripes on the parking lot.

Finance: Mike Mandrick distributed a revised Time and Talent Sheet and proposed it be used in 2020. He will be working with Pastor Oddi to prepare for Stewardship Sunday on October 20.

Evangelism: Dean Biermann reported there are a few people who need to be visited.

Education: Karla Roush reported the Christmas Program will be December 8.

No reports from Long-Range Planning or Campus Relations.

Old Business:

Soup and Chili Supper: The Council recommends the proceeds of the Soup and Chili Supper go once again to the Community Energy Assistance Fund.

New Business:

2020 Budget – Royce Duncan presented the budget for 2020. After discussion of salary adjustment, it was unanimously approved by the Council.

Hope Lutheran Church



Sunday, November 3
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Tickets available in the church office

Adults - \$6 Kids - \$4 (under 5 years-free)

All Proceeds go to the
Energy Assistance Program

A Winning Team!

For the past week, Roland Tullberg and Pam Myers (pictured below) have been hitting the pavement of Maryville, selling Soup and Supper Tickets to local businesses and professionals. To date, they have sold and distributed over 200 tickets! And they are still at it today! So we should have a good crowd again at our soup supper. Thank you Roland and Pam, for your service!



News from the LCC Director

Mid-terms have come and gone and November is right around the corner. I just got home from a delicious meal by Pat and Gary, and I'm thinking about how things are changing. More chatting, more laughter...all is good! We are blessed to have three seniors with us, but we are also building a base for the future. Jean baked cookies for us to take to some students we haven't seen in a while and Marcia & Kim, Liz and Dottie, and Twyla and I are delivering them. I also have four names that ministers have given me, and I'm hoping to bribe them with cookies so I can invite them to our activities. This month will be a big month for feeding the soul, as well as our tummies! We have a hay ride and wiener roast, the soup supper, and Thanksgiving meal! Pastor D will finish up the Fruits of the Spirit Bible Study this month and then we will start on Counter-Culture Bible Studies...LGBT, marriage, abortion, sex trafficking, the poor, orphans & widows, ethnics, and immigration. Wow!! Soon it will be finals week and Christmas break, hard to believe. Thanks to everyone for their help, support and prayers.—*Joyce Cronin, LCC Director*



LCC Students Visit Basilica

On a blustery, rainy Sunday morning last month, a group of LCC students, along with our LCC Director Joyce Cronin, made their way over to Conception Abbey, site of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception for what they thought was going to be a worship service done entirely in Latin. Sadly, the worship service that day was not in Latin, but the students enjoyed seeing the beautiful basilica and learning a little about its history.



Our LCC group in the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception: Joyce Cronin, LCC Director, Guest student, Collin Schroeder, Vanessa Pappert, Ethan Luft, Wren Speaks, Aiden Muehler, and another Guest student.

A Celebration for Gladys

On October 17, long-time Hope member Gladys Strauch celebrated her 98th birthday. To commemorate that milestone, a group of women from Hope held a birthday party for Gladys in the private dining room at Oak Pointe. What a lovely way to spend a lunch hour! Happy Birthday, Gladys! God Bless You!



The birthday lunch bunch: Gladys Strauch, in the lower right corner and her friends from Hope (going clockwise) Phyllis Abbott, Jeanette Whited, Twyla Hazen, Harriet Howard, Jan Duncan, Pam Myers, Jean Memken, and Marcia Droegemueller.

As I approached a brightly lit, vertical floor plan at a mall, I noticed a woman standing in front of it for quite a while. "Can I help you find something?" I offered. As people scurried around us, she replied, "No, thanks. I'm just pausing for a moment." Then, pointing to the arrow that announced, "You are here," she said, "I need to be reminded sometimes."

Don't we all! When life gets crazy, perhaps we need to stop, like the wise woman at the mall, and remind ourselves that we don't have to try to be everywhere at once. We're "here," and that's the only place we can be. Better still, we can imagine a bright arrow pointing to where we are in life, proclaiming, "God is here!"



LWML Fall Rally A Treat for All!

Several LWML members from Hope Lutheran made their way over to Mound City on an overcast and rainy Saturday last month to attend the LWML Fall Rally and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The weather did not put a damper on the day, though, as the women from Holy Trinity provided a wonderful day of food, fellowship, worship and Bible Study under the theme, “Faith Like a Mustard Seed.” One of the highlights for me was to see the new facilities there that were so long in coming. I was especially excited to see how they converted their old sanctuary into a fellowship hall with a wonderful fully-equipped kitchen. There is a plaque outside the kitchen entry that thanks our church for the donation we gave to them during the Reformation Celebration year and explains that the money we donated went to create that wonderful fellowship/meal space. It is really a terrific addition to their facilities.

Pastor Eamonn Ferguson from Holy Trinity led us in an inspiring Bible Study about faith and our own Lesley Oddi, Zone Vice President of Christian Life, had a neat devotion that related the names of candy to various Bible verses. We also heard from Sally Handrick, the LWML Missouri District President, about progress on funding mites recipients, and the upcoming District Convention that will be in Springfield this summer.

The weather broke long enough for us to walk across the street to visit the community Food Pantry and the director of that facility told us the history of the pantry and how it is administered today. The in-gathering for the rally was given to the Food Pantry.

We ended our day there with a delicious lunch of homemade soups, salads, and desserts. In all, it was a splendid day for all who attended!—jm



Here's the new sanctuary at Holy Trinity. Zone President Carol Sharp is on the left.



Pastor Ferguson gave an inspiring presentation.



Our in-gathering will be used to stock the Shelves of the local food pantry (below).



Liz Mandrick (right) listens to District President Sally Handrick as we toured the Food Pantry in Mound City.



A Much Needed Message

National Bible Week, now observed every Thanksgiving week, got its start on a turbulent day. Founders of the National Bible Association were reading Scripture over the NBC radio network on Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, when Pearl Harbor was attacked. Because of the traumatic events, the network asked that the Bible-reading continue all day, in between news updates. Radio stations throughout America picked up the programming, allowing countless listeners to receive words from God — “who comforts you” (Isaiah 51:12) — when they needed it most.





A feast of praise

Throughout the Bible, God's people give thanks and praise for his goodness.



Directions: Draw lines to match the scriptures (all NIV) with the correct speaker.

"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philippians 1:3	Hannah
"My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Luke 1:46-47	David
"He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him." Exodus 15:2	Mary
"My heart rejoices in the LORD." 1 Samuel 2:1	Paul
"I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30	Moses

Answers: Philippians 1:3, Hannah; Psalm 69:30, David; 1 Samuel 2:1, Hannah; Psalm 69:30, David; Luke 1:46-47, Mary; Exodus 15:2, Moses;

"Do your little bit of good where you are; it is those little bits of good put all together that overwhelm the world."

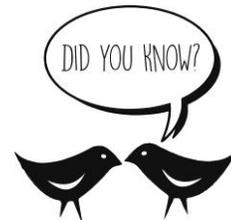
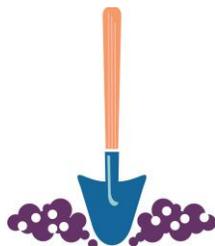
--Bishop Desmond Tutu

The Making of a Man

An atheist scientist came to God and said, "We've figured out how to make a man without you."

God said, "OK, let me see you do it."

So the atheist bent down to the ground and scooped up a handful of dirt. But God stopped him and said, "Oh, no you don't. Get your own dirt!"



-- **Jaclyn Pappert** and the Platte Valley Softball Team have had a winning season and are headed to the quarterfinals of the Class 1 High School Division. Way to go, Jaclyn!

--**Leanna Roush** and Marching Spoofhounds cleaned up at the Band Competition in Trenton on October 19. The Hounds placed first for indoor drum line; second in the field show also earning the caption award for best field auxiliary and general effect; second place for indoor color guard; and third place in parade competition. Terrific job, Leanna!

--**Andrea Riley** placed fourth in the 275 Conference Cross Country Meet on October 14 in Mound City, leading her Platte Valley team to win the Meet. Congratulations, Andrea!

--Our Bethesda residents, **Don Richter** and **Trenton Kistler** participated in the Bocce Special Olympics area meet in Kansas City and state meet in Jefferson City. Don placed second and Trenton placed third in the area unified doubles meet. And Don also placed second in doubles and second in unified doubles at the state meet. Great job, Don and Trenton!

--**Pastor Dave and Lesley Oddi** presented a session on ministering to older adults at this year's Missouri District Pastor's Conference at Lake of the Ozarks. Well done, Pastor and Lesley!