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### Pastor's Ponderings

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

God bless America! As our country has found herself engaged in a war against terrorism, that phrase “God bless America” echoes throughout our society. You see it on billboards and signs in front of many businesses. No doubt, on July 4<sup>th</sup>—Independence Day—we will hear, perhaps even sing, that phrase over and over again. Most of us tend to react somewhat emotionally to this phrase. We want God to bless our country. But perhaps we Christians need to step back and think about the “god” addressed by this phrase. Who is this “god” whose blessings we desire for America? Who is this “god” in whom we declare our trust on our coins and currency? How are these blessings from this “god” brought about?

Most of us take it for granted that this “god” is the Triune God—God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As Christians we know He is the only God, our Creator and Redeemer, the One God who by grace sent His only-begotten Son to live the perfect life we could not, to die the death on the cross that we deserved for our sin, and who rose victoriously from the grave. We know this One true God because He has called us to faith by His Holy Spirit. Only this God can bestow blessing. But, as Dr. David Adams points out in his essay, “*The Anonymous God*,” if the truth be told, “the god of American civil religion has no name. This has not always been the case, and it may be that there will come a time in the future when it is not the case again. But for the present and foreseeable future, the god of American civil religion remains anonymous” (p.19, *The Anonymous God*, Concordia Publishing House, 2004).

God’s anonymity in American civil religion is a relatively recent development. For most of U.S. history the common understanding of the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment was that the federal government (and later the states) could not favor one *Christian* church body over the other by designating one as the state church or grant to it special privileges under the law. Christianity did however occupy a privileged position in the American consciousness and legal system. Thus when the term “god” was used in public discourse, the vast majority of Americans understood that term to mean the God who revealed Himself in the Old and New Testaments (or at least the Old Testament in the case of American Jews).

To understand how this has changed, one must first recognize an underlying shift in cultural attitudes. The American experience has always been rooted in the idea of *inclusion*. This idea of inclusion, however, underwent a dramatic change in the second half of the twentieth century. For most of American history inclusion meant *integration*. Becoming *American* meant giving up something old to become something new and better. As immigrants came to America they were expected to become one new nation and one new people in the great “melting pot.” But during the second half of the twentieth century, *diversity* replaced *integration* as the key description, and the *rainbow* replaced the *melting pot* as the metaphor for American society. In practical terms this shift has meant not merely recognizing the equality of persons of different races and the value of other cultures, but also encouraging the use of other languages, inventing new culture-affirming holidays such as Kwanzaa, and even actively promoting homosexuality as a legitimate, “alternative lifestyle.” More to the point, it has meant that all religions and all gods—and in the term “gods” the devil himself is included today—are to be equally tolerated, if not honored and respected within American culture. And furthermore, since using any name for god would run the risk of alienating someone or would appear to show favoritism, American society seems to have concluded that the spirit of religious tolerance requires that god be anonymous. He (or she or it) has no name. God is simply “god.” Calling the spirit-being “god” offends no one, we think, for it allows each person to define “god” according to his own religious understanding. This seems to preserve the First Amendment by showing no favoritism and avoids the greatest evil of our day—exclusion and intolerance.

All of this fits American civil religion, and contemporary American society, very well. It stands in fundamental conflict, however, with the historic Christian faith. Christianity affirms what we sometimes call the *scandal of particularity*. The term *scandal* comes from the Bible. It can refer to something that would cause one to stumble or fall, especially to stumble in one's relationship with God (1.e. sin). Or it can refer to something that would give offense to others. In its strongest sense it refer to Christ Himself (Roman 9:33) and His death on the cross (Galatians 5:11). Therefore the scandal of particularity is the Gospel message we have to share with the world that Jesus Christ crucified is the only way in which mankind can be made right with God. "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). It is only in His incarnation as Jesus that we worship Yahweh, the Creator and Redeemer.

As St. Paul spoke to the Greeks on the Areopagus, he noted their statue to an "unknown god" (Acts 17:22ff) and used the occasion as an opportunity to speak of the one true God. Paul understood that the unknown god had to be known. And to be known, God had to be proclaimed in terms of what He has done. That is our challenge as well. Just as Paul understood that the proclamation of the Gospel necessitated making the unknown god known, we too must give the anonymous god a name, the only name of the only true God. American civil religion wants us to be happy with an anonymous god, at least in public. **That is the one thing we can never do!** Our faith requires us to make known the name of Yahweh, the name of Jesus, and His deeds, creation and redemption. We may call upon this God, and this God alone, by name. To compromise with American civil religion on this point is to deny all that is fundamental to biblical faith. To worship an anonymous god is to worship an empty worthless god.

Surely something of such great importance to God must be important to us, no matter how much it might run contrary to the spirit of our age or the pressure of our culture. If our proclamation of the person and works of Yahweh in Jesus Christ is an offense to our culture, then it is the *skandalon* that Jesus said it would be. If, in the minds of today's prophets of diversity, it is intolerant to declare in the public square that Yahweh is the only true God, that His teaching is the only ground for morality, and that receiving His grace revealed in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is the only way to be made right with God, then we shall have to bear the cross of being thought intolerant. God has gone to great extremes to reveal His name and the deeds associated with it so we might know and worship Him properly. We cannot allow God to become anonymous.

So, the next time you hear someone say, "God bless America," don't take it for granted they are speaking of the same God you are. Use it as an opportunity to share your faith. Respond, "He certainly has. God has blessed us with many freedoms, including the freedom of religion and expression of religion." And then you can go on to tell them how the One true God has given His greatest blessing to us in His Son Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for our sins and rose again from the grave, bringing us the great blessings of forgiveness, salvation, and eternal life.

God's richest blessings in Jesus Christ!

*Pastor Moeller*

P.S. Anyone who wishes to read further on this subject should check out "The Anonymous God" from the Trinity Lutheran Church library.

### **SD District LCMS Youth Gathering**

The South Dakota LCMS Youth Gathering will be held Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at the Crossroads Hotel & Convention Center in Huron, SD. It is open to all youth entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2005 to those who will have graduated from high school in the spring of 2005. The theme for this year's gathering is "Courageous Faith/Bold Witness," the theme for the upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the South Dakota District. "Against All Odds," a professional band from Minneapolis, will lead the music throughout the gathering and put on a concert Tuesday evening. Other scheduled activities included servant events, worship, the "junk-food potluck," and games.

## **LFL of SD Annual Conference**

“Yet, O Lord, You are our Father. We are the clay, You are the potter; we are the work of Your hand (Isaiah 64:8). This is the verse that serves as the basis for the 2005 South Dakota Life Conference theme, “Word of His Hands.”

Lutherans For Life of South Dakota invites everyone to attend this annual conference to be held September 16 and 17, 2005 at Zion Lutheran Church of Sioux Falls, SD, and hosted by the newly reactivated Sioux Empire LFL Chapter. Dr. James Lamb, National Director of Lutherans For Life, will be the main conference speaker. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

## **Stewardship Thoughts**

When most Americans hear the word "July" their thoughts race to July 4<sup>th</sup> and the celebration of our independence as a nation and freedom as individuals. Freedom is a wonderful gift from our gracious Father in heaven. And yet, we know that freedom is not free! Many men and women have given their lives in defense of our freedom and we owe them a tremendous debt of gratitude. We also have the challenge of living responsibly with freedom. It is wrong to think that freedom means we are released from all responsibilities and obligations and can live our lives in any way we choose.

President John F. Kennedy in his inaugural speech in 1961 issued this challenge to all Americans: "Ask not what your county can do for you; ask what you can do for your country!" True freedom means taking advantage of the abundant opportunities to use our freedom to make this world a better place in which to live. All of us together can make a difference as we live and work together to be kinder, gentler, more compassionate people. As that old song title says: "What a wonderful world this would be!" And it would be if all of us lived out our freedom responsibly.

Yes, our freedom as a nation and as individuals comes at great cost. So does our freedom as God's stewards. Left to our own selfish natures, we would grab for all we could get for ourselves and let others fend for themselves. Christ died to save us from a life of indulging only in earthly things. St. Paul in Galatians 5:13-14 wrote: "You, my brothers [and sisters], were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Indeed, what a wonderful world this would be if we loved others as we already love ourselves. Sin keeps us from that freedom, but Christ by his sacrificial death and resurrection has broken the bonds of sin and freed us up for holy living. That's why GIVING is so important for Christian stewards. It helps to break the bondage of keeping everything for ourselves without caring much about others or about the extension of the kingdom of God. In Christ we are not so much freed from as we are freed for, that is, freed for service that honors God and blesses others. ***As maturing stewards we do the right things for the right reasons and strive for excellence in all we do!***

## **Are You Training?**

Training? Training for what? The “Bike for Life” that’s what! Join Pastor Nabil Nour and friends (including Pastor Moeller, Adel & Amy Valdes), who are thankful for the gift of life, as they bike from Armour, SD to the Alpha Center in Sioux Falls, SD on Saturday, September 24, 2005, to help raise funds for the ongoing ultrasound ministry at this crisis pregnancy center.

Participating in the ride is only one way you can help. You can pray for the project, help raise funds, donate funds, donate food for the riders, drive in the caravan, or be there to cheer the riders on. You can also ride in your own area. Just get involved somehow and see how God will bless you and your efforts to support God’s precious gift of LIFE.



## Fit for Life



Why is the world so messed up? Why does God let bad things happen to good people? If we all use the same Bible why are there so many different denominations? Does God still speak to us today? Is His Word reliable? Is it relevant for today? If these are questions that you have asked, please plan to attend "Fit For Life in Christ," an exciting course in Christian growth that presents the Word of God in new and meaningful ways. It is a course for those who are interested in membership in our church, or for anyone who wants to know what it really means to have a relationship with Jesus Christ. We

are beginning a new class soon. If you are interested in participating, please speak with Pastor Moeller, about a time that would work well for you and/or your friends.

## Prayer Link

Do you have email? If you answered yes, we need you as part of Trinity's *Prayer Link*. Members are linked in for prayer, but more links are needed. All you need to do is read the email sent to you regarding a need for our prayers and then PRAY. You do not need to forward email or contact anyone. Everyone receives the same information at the same time. If you think you can be part of this small service to your congregation, send your email address to Pat Reichert, [mmreichert@msn.com](mailto:mmreichert@msn.com) and you will be included in the next Prayer Link.

God wants us to come to Him in prayer. He listens to our desires, our thanks and our praise. Please join the Prayer Link and add your prayers.

## Needs for VBS

- Sturdy cardboard paper tubes (posters, mailing)
- Empty thread spools
- Milk jug lids
- Large empty cereal boxes
- Clear fishing line
- Large brown paper grocery bags
- Stuffed animals to be used for decorations (lions, elephants, rhinoceroses, giraffes, and zebras)
- Large coolers to use for holding lunches during the week of VBS (electric would be awesome)
- Volunteers (teachers, assistants, snacks, drivers)
- Prayers (that God would bring many eager students and provide skilled teachers)
- Students (register your children as soon as possible and invite your friends and neighbors)

## Attendance awards for Trinity Lutheran Sunday School for the Spring 2004-2005 Session

### PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Heather Totton  
Abby Totton  
Colin Kelley  
Brady Eggebraaten

### FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE

Kaitlyn Valdes  
Stephanie Rueter  
Marcos Valdes  
Tyler Rueter  
Eric Wolfe  
Megan Eggebraaten  
Austin Wolfe  
Holly Kelley

## Attendance Awards for Trinity Lutheran Sunday School for the Entire Year 2004-2005

### FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE

Heather Totton  
Abby Totton  
Colin Kelley

### Simply Giving

The Trinity Stewardship Committee would like to introduce a new program that could help you in your giving of your tithes and offerings. Through *Simply Giving*, your tithes and offering are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic gifts—weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly—the option is yours. Your gift is deposited into the church’s bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account.

*Simply Giving* is a reliable, safe way from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans to move your stewardship plan into action. To participate, all you need to do is fill out a simple form that is available at the greeter stand or from the members of the Trinity Stewardship Committee (John Barber, Tim Totton, Mary Krizan, Aimee Moeller, or Amy Valdes). If you have any other questions they are willing to help you.

### Coed Softball

We will be playing in the Hartford Area Church Coed Softball League again this year. All games will be played on Sunday nights throughout June and July. If you are interested in playing, please speak to John Barber (528-7380). Everyone is welcome to play. Everyone is invited to help cheer on the team!

July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	No games		
July 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bye week		
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christ Lutheran	Diamond C	7:45 p.m.
July 24 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Lutheran	Diamond A	6:30 p.m.
July 31 <sup>st</sup>	St. George	Diamond C	6:30 p.m.



### Welcome to Jay Nabity

Jason (Jay) Lyle Nabity was baptized and confirmed here at Trinity on Sunday, June 5, 2005. Jay is an arborist who works for Arborcare in Tea. His hobbies and special interests include reading, tree climbing, and gardening. You might recognize him as the one who climbed and cut down the big cottonwood tree that was on the east side of the church. Please welcome Jay into our family here at Trinity.

### How to Become A Member Of Trinity Lutheran

We extend the Sacrament of Baptism to all who have not been baptized—infants, children, youth, and adults. We invite those adults who are looking for a church home to come to one of our New Member Orientation classes. A new class will begin soon. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Pastor Moeller as soon as possible.

Upon completion of this class you may join Trinity Lutheran Church in one of the following ways:

- The Rite of Confirmation for those who have never been confirmed in the Lutheran Church.
- A Letter of Transfer is gladly accepted if you wish to transfer your membership from another Lutheran congregation.
- Reaffirmation of faith is for those who have been confirmed in a Lutheran church but have not been active in their former church.

### Wanted: Teachers for Summer Sunday School

We are looking for a number of volunteers who would be willing to lead sessions of Summer Sunday School, an informal group approach for children ages three through the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Students will listen to Bible stories, do craft projects, and watch videos. If we have enough volunteers to take turns, we can arrange a schedule that allows for vacations and the opportunity to be able to participate in the Adult Bible study. If you are able to help, please speak to Pastor Moeller.

## Men in the Church



*The Rev. Paul McCain reprinted this article in one of his Cyberbrethren postings. It's good food for thought! I thank God that we have a large number of Dad's at Trinity who take their role as spiritual head of the household seriously, and I pray that we would all grow in that calling by taking advantage of all the opportunities available for Christian growth through Bible study and fellowship.*

*Pastor Moeller*

Greetings Cyberbrethren:

The Holy Scriptures clearly teach that the husband and father of a home is the spiritual head of the household. God bless those faithful women of God who are carrying out this responsibility because men have failed them! Father's Day for me is a time to reflect on how well I'm living up to this solemn obligation, sacred duty and holy trust...and joyful duty. Here is an article reporting on what may strike many as obvious, but as we all know the "obvious" these days is usually far from being obvious. A survey recently released demonstrates just how important men are for the spiritual welfare of their children.

### **In spiritual matters, kids take their cues from Dad**

by David Murrow

You've heard it said that fathers are the spiritual leaders of the home. Now there's a study to prove it. Researchers from Switzerland examined whether parents' religious habits were transmitted to their offspring. They studied different variables, but one critical factor towered above the rest: the practices of the father determine whether children grow up attending church or not. And here's the shocker: the habits of the mother have almost no influence over their kids' future devotion.

Consider these findings:

- When Mom is a regular churchgoer but Dad attends infrequently, just 3 percent of their kids go on to become regular churchgoers.
- When Mom is regular but Dad never attends, just 2 percent become regular attenders.

Now, let's flip the chart. What if Dad is faithful?

- When both Mom and Dad attend church regularly, 33 percent of kids grow up to attend regularly.
- When Dad is regular but Mom only goes once in a while, the figure jumps to 38 percent.
- Here's the real bombshell: when Dad is faithful but Mom never attends, 44 percent of the kids end up as regular church attenders!

**Bottom line: in spiritual matters, kids take their cues from Dad.** If Papa doesn't go to church, chances are very slim that his children will become regular worshippers. If the kids see religion as "Mom's thing" they are more likely to become disenchanted. But if Dad leads by example, children are twenty-two times more likely to become lifelong churchgoers.

### **Swiss cheese**

You may dismiss the findings of this study because it's from Switzerland, in the heart of Christianity's "dead zone." But haven't you noticed this pattern in U.S. churches as well? Curtis Burnam, a 20-year veteran of youth ministry has seen it time and again. "Kids who are taken to church by Mom but not Dad are harder to keep in church. They tend to drop out at higher rates when they reach adolescence. They are also harder to engage when they do come to youth group. This is true for girls as well as boys."

Why are these findings so alarming? Because men are dropping out of America's churches. Consider this:

- In 1952, the typical U.S. protestant worship service drew an adult crowd that was 47 percent male. Today that figure is 39 percent -- and falling.
- On any given Sunday there are 13 million fewer men than women in U.S. pews.
- Almost a quarter of married, churchgoing women attend services without their husbands each Sunday.
- According to Barna Research, men lag behind women in every area of Christian endeavor (except the senior pastorate).
- Few churches can establish or maintain a viable men's ministry.
- The majority of churchgoing men do nothing midweek (other than pray) to grow in faith.

Two obvious questions come to mind: why are Christian churches losing their men? And why are churchgoing men so uninvolved? Jesus enthralled men. Rival faiths such as Islam inspire fanatical allegiance from young men. What's the difference?

I studied this phenomenon for five years, and wrote my findings in a book titled, [\*Why Men Hate Going to Church\*](#) (Nelson Books, 2005). If I had to summarize my conclusions in one sentence it would be this: The modern church system is not designed to do what Jesus did: reach men with the Good News.

No, today's churches, without even realizing it, create an environment where women and tots thrive, but men feel hesitant and restrained. How so? **Without even realizing it, modern churches default to a feminine spirituality.** For instance, we focus almost exclusively on Christ's gentle side. A good Christian is always soft, sweet, and sentimental, focused on family and relationships instead of goals and achievement. Common church practices such as handholding, sitting in a circle and sharing your feelings, public reading and singing make men feel uncomfortable or incompetent. Today's praise songs present Christ as lover rather than leader. I could go on.

So men depart (or go passive). This in itself is a tragedy. But the greater loss comes years later, when the next generation turns its back on church, despite their mothers' superhuman attempts to grow them into spiritual champions.

It's time to face the truth: **if we're going to pass a lifelong faith to our children, we must re-engage men.** No amount of Sunday school, VBS, or youth group will do the trick. We might as well fold up our flannelgraphs and go home. In fact, we might reach more kids by canceling the entire children's ministry and focusing our efforts on men. This strategy would, in the long run, produce more lifelong followers of Jesus.

Kids need one thing: to see their fathers following Jesus. The question is: do we have the courage to transform the local church into a place where your average guy can connect with God?

Article by David Murrow

David Murrow is the director of Church for Men, an organization dedicated to restoring a healthy masculine spirit in Christian churches. He is also author of the book, [\*Why Men Hate Going to Church\*](#)

(Nelson Books, 2005). You can learn more about David and his ministry at [www.churchformen.com](http://www.churchformen.com). The Web site contains a link to a detailed article in *Touchstone Magazine* about the Swiss study.

## Pictures

Howard Koosman is working on the SD District Centennial History book. He is looking for a picture or pictures that would represent our congregation to be included in the book. If you have one you would like to share, please contact Pastor Moeller.

**Trinity LWML, June 8, 2005**

LWML met Wednesday, June 8 at the church with Donna Bowden hosting. Eight members and Pastor Moeller attended. Pastor led another in the series of Bible studies on parables, "The Prodigal Son".

President Connie opened the meeting with a prayer for our graduates, taken from *Portals of Prayer*.

Minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$297.33 in LWML funds and \$280 in the dishwasher fund.

The report was approved.

LaRaye read "The Rainbow" a poem by Gloria Albers.

Unfinished Business:

- Brenda will host our next meeting, September 14, 2005.
- LWML will host a Tea Party July 30 at 2:30 p.m. All ladies of the congregation are and will be invited. We will serve chicken salad, crackers, fruit and coffee and tea. A short meeting will be held Sunday, July 24 to finalize plans. Brenda will be chairman of the tea.

New Business:

- Pat will call cleaners, greeters in July and Aimee in August.
- Trinity in on the Nominating Committee for the Zone Fall Rally. A nominee is needed for Zone Treasurer.
- Serving guidelines to be included in the Facility Use Handbook were discussed. MC to suggest a donation of \$1.00 per plate when we serve sandwiches, cake, coffee and juice. If families wish to have other food, we will prepare and serve what they furnish. Monies from serving will be used to buy supplies and other needs for the kitchen.
- A District LWML Christian Growth Workshop will be held at Trinity, September 24. LWML will be hosting. Planning for that event was tabled until the September meeting.
- MC to serve the Pastors Meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2005. We will furnish coffee, breakfast breads, hot dish, salad, vegetable, rolls and dessert. LaRaye, Ruth and Walt will serve.
- MC to serve the Lutheran's For Life Seminar on Saturday, June 25, 2005. For a \$5 charge, we will serve cold cuts, cheese, garnishes, salads, dessert and a drink. (Cold cuts – Connie, salad – LaRaye, Brenda; buns – Clarice; dessert – Donna, Pat). Brenda, Clarice and Walt will serve.
- MC to donate \$50 toward Vacation Bible School expenses.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer and the Table Prayer.

Pat Reichert, Secretary

Ladies of Trinity...  
You are invited to  
An LWML Tea  
Saturday, July 30, 2:30 p.m.  
Trinity Fellowship Hall  
Refreshments, Friendship, Fun with Lutheran Women in Mission,  
your sisters in Christ at Trinity.

# July 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9:00 am Stewardship Committee meeting
3 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am SS & Bible study 7:30 pm Men's Club meeting	4 6:00 am Men's Bible study	5 9:00 am Chapel at Tieszen Home 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Safari Adventure Bible study	6	7 2:00 pm Chapel at Leisure Living 7:00 pm New member class	8 7:00 pm SESD LFL at Parker	9
10 9:30 am Worship w/communion 10:30 am SS & Bible study 8:00 pm Church Council meeting	11 6:00 am Men's Bible study 7:00 pm New member class	12 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm Safari Adventure Bible study	13	14	15	16
17 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am SS & Bible study 6:30 pm Softball v. Christ Lutheran 8:00 pm Voters meeting	18 6:00 am Men's Bible study 7:00 pm New member class  <b>Safari Adventure Vacation Bible School 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.</b>	19 6:30 pm Choir	20	21 9:00 am Circuit Pastors meeting at Clayton	22	23 11:00 am SD LFL at Mitchell
24 9:30 am Worship w/communion 10:30 am SS & Bible study 6:30 pm Softball v. Faith Lutheran	25 6:00 am Men's Bible study  <b>SD District Youth Gathering at Huron</b>	26 6:30 pm Choir	27	28 2:00 pm Leisure Living  Newsletter Deadline	29	30 2:30 pm LWML Tea
31 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am SS & Bible study 6:30 pm Softball v. St. George						

## Cleaners, Greeters, Head Ushers, & Acolytes

### Sunday, July 3rd

Cleaners: DeWane & Joyce Carls, Ben & Michelle Matthies  
 Greeters: Ben & Michelle Matthies  
 Head Usher: John Barber  
 Acolyte: Megan Eggebraaten

### Sunday, July 10th

Cleaners: Richard & Donna Bowden, Loren & Marsha Letsche  
 Greeters: Richard & Donna Bowden  
 Head Usher: John Barber  
 Acolyte: Ashley Matthies

### Sunday, July 17th

Cleaners: John & Carlene Barber, Carmen Barber, Casey Barber  
 Greeters: Clarice Wixon, Stacy VanWesten  
 Head Usher: John Barber  
 Acolyte: Colin Kelley

### Sunday, July 24th

Cleaners: Leslie & Brenda Erikson, Keith & Sherry Rueter  
 Greeters: Keith & Sherry Rueter  
 Head Usher: John Barber  
 Acolyte: Phillip Oligmueller

### Sunday, July 31st

Cleaners: Talis & Laura Johnson, Tim & Kathy Totton  
 Greeters: Tim & Kathy Totton  
 Head Usher: John Barber  
 Acolyte: Dustin Kleba

### Sunday, August 7th

Cleaners: Adel & Amy Valdes, Keith & Sherry Rueter  
 Greeters: Keith & Sherry Rueter  
 Head Usher: Bryan Kelley  
 Acolyte: Emily Krizan

### Sunday, August 14th

Cleaners: Talis & Laura Johnson, Tim & Kathy Totton  
 Greeters: Tim & Kathy Totton  
 Head Usher: Bryan Kelley  
 Acolyte: Holly Kelley

### Sunday, August 21st

Cleaners: Ken & Robin Kleba, Pastor & Aimee Moeller  
 Greeters: Ken & Robin Kleba  
 Head Usher: Bryan Kelley  
 Acolyte: Patrick Erikson