

Prayer Concerns

- Family of Mackenzie – baby who died in car crash – 5/1/13
- Megan – cancer improving pray it continues – 4/28/13
- Mike – cancer discovered, pray for courage – 4/28/13
- Maddie – cancer discovered, pray for courage – 4/28/13
- Pauline – pray for successful eye surgery – 4/25/13
- Ben – on heart pump, needs new heart – 4/25/13
- Family of Ruby – loss of loved one – 4/21/13
- Family of Alice – loss of loved one – 4/21/13
- Bonnie – brain tumor found (non-cancerous) – 4/21/13
- Gracie –suffered sports injury – 4/7/13
- Lila – suffering various health issues – 3/29/13
- Steve – diagnosed with brain cancer – 3/17/13
- Cole – benign optic tumor – 3/10/13 (Updated)
- Bob – cancer of the liver and spreading – 03/01/13
- Patrick – cancer diagnosis, pray for help – 02/24/13
- Baby Marek – cancer took leg now in lung – 02/17/13
- Father Marek – diagnosed with cancer – 02/17/13
- Bill S. – Recurrence of stomach cancer – 02/11/13
- Joyellyn – suffering from multiple health issues and chronic pain – 03/10/03 (updated)
- Andrea – cancer growing, trying homeopathic– 3/10/13 (updated)

Prayer Concerns will now be kept for 90 days only.

*Entries may be updated prior to that. Please contact Jerry Youngquist by
Wednesday evening with any prayer concerns or Calendar Events –
651-237-1003 (press 1)*

Quote-ables:

“Any concern too small to be turned into a prayer is too small to be made into a burden.”

—Corrie ten Boom



Grin-ables:

An airliner flew into a violent thunderstorm and began experiencing turbulence. One nervous passenger happened to be seated next to a minister and turned to him for comfort. “Can’t you do something?” she asked. “I’m sorry, ma’am,” he replied gently, “but I’m in sales, not management.”

Responsive Reading: Psalm 67

Men: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

Women: *that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.*

All: **Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

Men: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity

Women: *and guide the nations upon earth.*

All: **Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

Men: The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

Women: *God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!*

All: **Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!**

1st Lesson – Acts 16:9-15

And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. [We arrived in] Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.

2nd Lesson – Revelation 21:9-11, 18-26

Then came one of the seven angels...saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” ...

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...And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. The wall was built of jasper, while the city was pure gold, like clear glass. The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every kind of jewel. The first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald, the fifth onyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst. And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. The city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.

Gospel – John 16:23-28, 32b-33

[Jesus said,] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.” “I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.” “I am not alone, for the Father is with me. I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Catechism Lesson: Sacrament of the Altar

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things? Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament.

Catechism (cont’d)

Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.

Who receives this sacrament worthily?

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe.

The Lord’s Prayer

The Introduction

Our Father who art in heaven.

What does this mean?

With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

The First Petition

Hallowed be Thy name.

What does this mean?

God’s name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

How is God’s name kept holy?

God’s name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God’s Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

Announcements-

One person from the membership of Salem LC is required to join the now-forming Constitution Review committee. Consisting of 4 members (2-council, 2-general), its job will be making recommendations to revise the church’s constitution if and where necessary. If you are interested, contact Jerry Youngquist or another council member. **Oh, and next Sunday is Mother’s Day!**

Calendar

The next council meeting will be at 6:30pm, May 14, 2013