

Prayer Concerns:

- **Family of Betty K. – Peace & Comfort in your loss**
- **David C. – Cancer – Pray – Successful treatment & remission – 10/15/18**
- **Patty J. – Heart surgery – Pray – Success and speedy recovery – 10/14/18**
- Gavin – Concussion from football – Pray– Speedy recovery – 10/10/18
- Duane – General health issues – Pray– All gets well soon – 10/12/18
- Emry Kay – Infant w/heart problems – Pray – Resolution & fix – 10/03/18
- Randy – Suffered setback – Pray -- Resolution/healing – 09/26/18 (upd)
- Joanne – Unresolved medical issues – Pray: Speedy resolution – 09/17/18
- Karen – Surgery – Pray: Speedy and full recovery – 09/16/18
- Amanda – Moving to Assisted living – Pray: Smooth transition – 09/16/18 (upd)
- Derek – Pain, appendectomy – Pray: Resolution, healing – 9/15/18
- Hurricane victims – Pray -- Speedy resolution to all difficulties – 9/15/18
- Renee – Medical event & hospitalized – Pray: Resolution/cure – 09/14/18
- Ron H. – Cancer – Pray -- Successful treatment/recovery – 09/09/18
- Moorman family – Lost everything/fire – Pray: Strength & Courage – 08/26/18
- Sharon & Ron Voss – Health issues – Pray -- Healing – 08/24/18
- Lila – Dizziness & falls – Pray -- continued recovery from stroke – 08/24/18
- Rose H. – Auto accident – Pray -- Continued recovery from injuries – 08/13/18
- Brian – Auto accident – Pray: Speedy recovery – 08/02/18



Consider-ables w/Max Lucado

A Prayer of Confession

Confession isn't a punishment for sin; it's an isolation of sin so it can be exposed and extracted. Exactly what is it that you need forgiveness for? For being a bad person? That's too general. For losing your patience in the business meeting and calling your coworker a creep? There, you can confess that.

Be firm in a prayer of confession. Satan traffics in guilt and will not give up an addict without a fight. Exercise your authority as a child of God. Tell guilt where to get off. *"I left you at the cross, you evil spirit. Stay there!"*

Then for heaven's sake, stop tormenting yourself. Jesus is strong enough to carry your sin. Psalm 103:12 says, *"He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west."*

Before you say amen—comes the power of a simple prayer.

Responsive Reading: Isaiah 53:4-5, 11b-12

1-6 He was stricken with infirmities...
7-12 He was struck down by God...
13-18 He was afflicted with great pain...
19-24 He was wounded for our transgressions...
24-31 He was crushed for our iniquities...

ALL: Upon him was the punishment that made us whole.

1-6 The one whose bruises heal us...
7-12 The one who is holy...
13-18 The one who serves...
19-24 The one who makes many righteous...
24-31 The one who bears the iniquities...

ALL: Surely he who served bore our infirmities and carried our diseases.

1-6 Because he poured himself out...
7-12 Because he was numbered with the transgressors...
13-18 Because he bore the sin of many...
19-24 Because he made intercession for the transgressors...
24-31 Because he died for those whom he served...

All: His service allotted him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the reward with those who follow him.



Lesson: Hebrews 5:1-4, 7-9

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and, because of his own weakness, he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. One does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" They said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the other ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So, Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."



Announce-able(s)...

Furnace-able...

The new furnace is in and operating beautifully... as the warmth (aside from the people) around you will testify ☺ --- Thanks, Lee!

Charit-ables...

+ **Operation Christmas Child** – Sharing Christmas w/needly children – See the Flyer in the Narthex!

Eat-ables...

The Annual Kroppkakor Supper will be held on Saturday, October 27th at Spring Lake Lutheran Church in North Branch beginning at 3:30 PM and running until 6:30 PM.

Autumn cleanup-able...

The annual Fall Cleanup for the church grounds is now scheduled for Saturday, October 27th commencing at 1:00pm. Questions? See Lee!

Memorial service... Betty Kuhnemund

Memorial service well be held at Ecumen, 29 October @ 1:00pm



Lutheran-ables...From "The Lutheran Handbook II"

The Top Three Uses of the Law

"You shall have no other gods." – That's the First Commandment. There are more than 600 additional commands in the first five books of the Old Testament. Additionally, there are dozens of rules in the New Testament, such as Jesus' request, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." (John 12: 34), and "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Lutherans have always understood that the law has particular functions, also called "uses." (cont'd from last week)

- 2. The second use of the law.** Latin term: *Usus Pedagogicus* ("pedagogical use"). The law teaches us (a) that we always fall short of keeping it, (b) that we are sinners, and © that we need someone to save us from sin and its consequences. That is, the laws second use drives us to Christ and His cross. For Lutherans this use is the most important use because it leads to salvation.
- 3. The third use of the law.** Latin term: *Usus tertius* ("third use"). Most Lutherans believe that after one becomes a Christian, the law is still necessary. "Third Users" believe that apart from the first use a third use must be applied in order to establish a Christian pattern of life. "Non-Third Users" argue that the third use is redundant and unnecessary, saying the first use gives Christians all they need in this regard. ... (cont'd next week)

Grin-able(s)...

Sunday School---

A teacher asked the children in her Sunday School class, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?" "NO!" the children all answered. "If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven?" Again, the answer was, "NO!" "Well," she continued, "then how can I get to heaven?" In the back of the room, a five-year-old boy shouted out, "You gotta be dead!"



Calendar...

- Next Communion – October 21st
- Fall Clean-up – October 27th; Silas Akerson baptism