

## Prayer Concerns:

- 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
- Randy – Big improvement – Pray: Continued success – 09/02/18 (upd)
- 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
- Butch – Moved to assisted living; pray: successful transition – 07/14/18(upd)
- Dave J.– Hip surgery – Pray: Quick return to normal living! – 07/10/18
- Lori – Early cancer diagnosis – Pray: Speedy/complete cure – 07/09/18
- Scott – Kidney/pancreas transplant – Pray: No rejection – 07/09/18
- Kevin – Recovery from prostate cancer– Pray: Total remission – 07/07/18
- Keith – Lung cancer found, new treatment – Pray: Effective treatment – 07/07/18
- Larry – Cancer found, chemo, surgery – Pray: Remission– 07/07/18(upd)
- Mariah – Tumor removal was complete; no residual cancer– 06/30/18(upd)
- Vern – Heart issues – Pray: Successful treatment – 06/30/18
- David – Mental illness issues – Pray: Successful treatment/control – 06/22/18
- Alyce – Surgery– Pray: Successful outcome & speedy healing – 06/14/18



## Consider-ables w/Max Lucado

### Through the Valley of Death

It seems most people think death is to be avoided or postponed and ignored. But God promises that death will be swallowed up in victory! (1 Corinthians 15:54). Jesus rose from the dead, not just to show us his power, but also to lead us through the valley of death. Recently I discovered it's possible to record a message for my tombstone. And if I do, this may be what you'll hear: *Thanks for coming by. Sorry you missed me, but I'm not here. I'm home. Finally home! At some point my King will call, and this grave will be shown for the temporary tomb it is. You might want to step to the side in case that happens while you are here. Hope you've made plans for your own departure. All the best, Max. Yeah, I know it needs some work! But while the wording might change, the promise never will. "Death has been swallowed up in victory!"*

## Responsive Reading: Psalm 1:1-3

- ALL:** **Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked.**
- North: Happy are those who don't take the path that sinners tread.  
South: *Happy are those who do not sit it in the seat of scoffers.*
- North: Their delight is in the law of the LORD  
South: *On his law they meditate day and night.*
- ALL:** **They are like trees planted by streams of water...**
- North: ...which yield their fruit in its season...  
South: *...and their leaves do not wither.*
- ALL:** **In all that they do, they prosper.**



## Lesson: James 3:17-18, 4:7-8

The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.

A harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.



## Gospel: Mark

Jesus was teaching his disciples, saying to them, *"The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."* But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, *"What were you arguing about on the way?"*

But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest.

He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, *"Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."* Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, *"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."*

Jesus went with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." Then, he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." He sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

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## Announce-able(s)...

### Feast of St. Francis of Assisi-



We, at Salem, will hold a Pet-Blessing Service in accord with the subject feast on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:30. All animals are invited ☺

### Gratitude-ables...

Huge thanks to: Lee Debele for volunteering to coordinate furnace service with Scandia HVAC. Also to Rod Williams, Nicholas Williams, and JT Lindholm for helping cleanup the "paint job".

### Interest-ables...

Thurs, Oct 11th, at 6pm, Options for Women (North Branch's Pregnancy Resource Center) will hold its annual banquet and fundraiser (a free-will donation will be taken). Further information and a sign up sheet will be coming - Watch for it!

### Charit-ables...

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

### Halloween-able...

Please talk with Pastor Rob about interest in a Halloween party and *All Saints/Souls* prayer service the evening of October 31<sup>st</sup>

## Living Well with Diabetes Workshop

This 6-week **FREE** workshop is designed for people with Type 2 diabetes to help them identify tools and develop skills to manage their diabetes on a day-to-day basis. It includes information about monitoring blood sugars, understanding symptoms and complications of diabetes, meal planning and reading labels, understanding how physical activity affects the body, dealing with stress and relaxation techniques, plus much more!

**This workshop will be held at the Chisago County Community Center also known as the Senior Center beginning in late October.**

**Register Today - Space is limited!**

Visit [www.yourjuniper.org](http://www.yourjuniper.org) & "Find a Class"

Or Contact: Alyssa Fritz

Email: [alyssa.fritz@chisagocounty.us](mailto:alyssa.fritz@chisagocounty.us)

Contact Phone: 651-213-5241

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

Due to the large number of "Announce-ables" this week, the Lutheran-ables will continue next week.

## Grin-able(s)...

A minister was opening his mail one morning. Drawing a single sheet of paper from an envelope, he found written on it only one word: "FOOL." The next Sunday he announced, "I have known many people who have written letters and forgot to sign their names. But this week I received a letter from someone who signed his name and had forgotten to write a letter."



A minister waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him in front of the service station. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump.

"Preacher," said the young man, "I'm sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip."

The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

## Calendar...

- Next Council Meeting – October 9<sup>th</sup>
- Next Communion – October 21<sup>st</sup>