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"The Lantern"- June 2019

Greetings from your Pastor . . .

THE WORLD IN FLAMES

On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Spirit, through whom and in whom the people of God are created and recreated. Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church, but birth and rebirth are not without pain. The Church is in the process of rebirth.

God's dream for our future is to accept the challenge of being the church in a new way in a new day. God's ultimate interest is not in tending the institution, but in transforming the world. This reorientation means reconnecting the church with the mission God has given us, existing for others not just ourselves. We are accountable for strengthening the work entrusted to us on Pentecost.

The flames did more than dance over their heads, it set a fire in their hearts. It is a fire that has spread throughout the world and needs to be fed in each and every age. Christ's disciples often find the challenges of the age more than daunting. But like runners in a relay race, the task before us is to pass the flame on to a new generation.

Sometimes the next generation, like so many before, seems so different - so detached from the values of our own, yet I tell you they are not. Even those whom we no longer see in our gatherings have at their baptism received that same spirit that has enabled us to enter into life with God. The question is how can we help? We lift them up in prayer, not that they become like us in every way, but pray that the self-same spirit that lit a flame in our hearts and inspired us to seek its expression in our lives will find expression in their lives.

Yours in a faithful hope of a world engulfed by the Spirit's fire, in a new way, in a new day.

Pastor

Pentecost Sunday

June 9th

Please wear Red!



Holy Trinity

June 16th





Celebrations June

Birthdays:

3rd ~ Brittany Turner

4th ~ Jim Mechtel

8th ~ Lisa McLain

9th ~ Su Browne

10th ~ Korie Grogan

13th ~ Joseph LaBrozzi

14th ~ Annmarie Engle

21st ~ Rachel & Mitchell Engle

28th ~ Jackie Novatin

28th ~ Donna Reigle

Anniversaries:

6th ~ Fred & Kathi Dyroff

Servers for June

Lay Asst.:

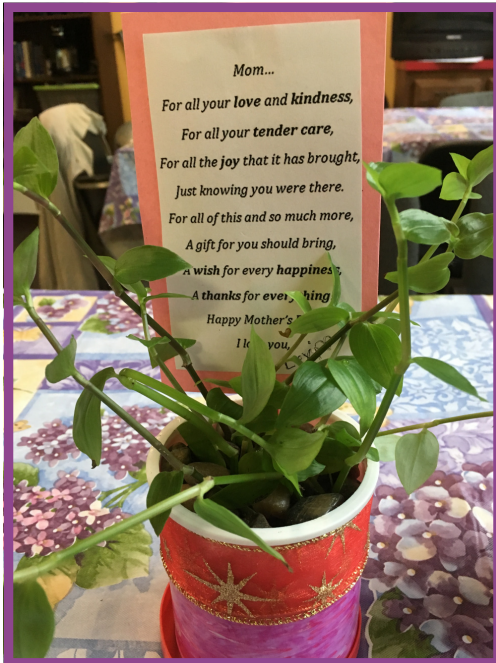
2nd: Terry Stahlhut ~ 9th: Kris Calabro ~ 16th: Todd Engle ~ 23rd: Roberta McGilvery, 30th: Terry Stahlhut

Lector:

2nd: Sharon Rollier ~ 9th: Kris Calabro ~ 16th: Todd Engle ~ 23rd: Roberta McGilvery ~ 30th: Steven Lance

Ushers:

2nd: Lana Hyer & Eva LaBrozzi ~ 9th: Carol Hepp & Sharon Rollier ~
16th : Millie Martin & Roberta McGilvery ~ 23rd: Scott & Kim Brown ~
30th: Tom & Jane Grogan



Mother's Day



Reminder ~ Prayer Concern List

Back in March I started putting a date next to the names on the prayer list in order to keep better track of how long each individual has been placed there. After a 3 month period I will be deleting that name, however, if you still want this person to remain on the list, please fill out another request and I will be more than happy to place them back on.

Thank you, Roxanne

ATTENTION!!!

**HAS YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE
NUMBER CHANGED???**

Please contact the church office at:

732-363-1599

Or email: secretary@ilutheran.net





Thank You Corner!

Thank you Jeff for the beautiful Pentecost banners you have purchased for the church. Another beautiful addition to our banner collection.

Roxanne

Mother's Day 2019 ~ continued



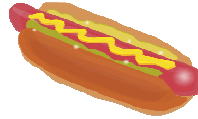


Food Pantry

UPDATE:

Our numbers continue to rise at the food pantry. In May we helped 54 families. I am hoping to put together summer baskets, which will include ketchup, mustard, hot dogs, rolls, and other picnic items. Thank you again for your continued support and donations.

Scott Brown



Pantry Hours & Dates

June 13th & 27th

10:00 AM to 12 noon

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