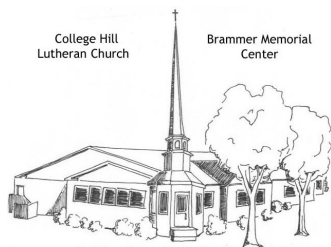


COLLEGE HILL CRIER—MAY 2006



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A Note from Pastor Ogilvie

Dear Friends in Christ,

This month, we observe one of the primary Christian festivals—one that is often overlooked or disregarded. It is the Ascension of our Lord. It marks the end of the forty days of the resurrection appearances and Jesus' return to his throne in heaven. The ascension is a key part of Jesus' work on our behalf, yet it is largely ignored. When worship is scheduled for that day, the attendance is sparse.

The Lutheran Cyclopedia (St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 1975) says this about Christ's ascension:

To the Christian the doctrine of the Ascension has manifold comforts. Faith and hope for the future of God's kingdom rest secure in the knowledge that Christ ascended and now is ever and everywhere present and governs and protects His church on earth. There is to be "a redemption of our body" (Ro 8:23); we shall "bear the image of the heavenly" (1 Co 15:49); "there is a spiritual body" (v. 44); our body shall be changed, "that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body" (Ph

3:21); "our mortal bodies" are to be "quickened" (Ro 8:11). The future life is not to be one of pure spirit; it is to be "clothed upon" (2 Co 5:2). Best of all, we shall, "see Him as He is" (1 Jn 3:2).

We live our lives as our Lord sits at the right hand of the Father, assuring us of all these blessings. The fact that Jesus ascended into heaven is just as important as the fact that He was born of the virgin Mary, was crucified and rose again. We have an advocate with the Father sitting at His right hand. Let us keep this important truth in our minds, for it assures us of Jesus' constant presence with us as well as the fact that Christ's righteousness is pleaded on our behalf.

May the joy of the Resurrection and the hope of the Ascension guide and sustain you in all you do.

In Christ,

Pastor Ogilvie

The Stewardship of Testimony

It's so easy to think of Christian stewardship as pertaining only to the three "T's" of time, talent and treasure. But our commonly used definition of Christian stewardship indicates that stewardship is about a whole lot more than time, talent and treasure. Our LCMS definition states that "**Christian stewardship is the free and joyous activity of**

the child of God and God's family, the church, in managing all of life and life's resources for God's purposes."

TESTIMONY is the "T" for this article. It might seem a bit strange to talk about the stewardship of testimony. But Jesus in-

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DESTRESSORS RETURN May 1-3

Monday—Ice cream, you scream "No more finals!" LSF Ice Cream Social, 7 p.m.

Vanilla, Chocolate, or Strawberry, your choice and a plentiful array of toppings to tantalize your taste buds and provide you a little relief from the stress of finals.

Tuesday—Come have fun with CHOCOLATE!

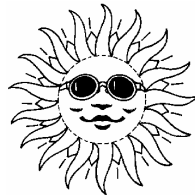
Take time out from a busy finals week and enjoy special chocolate treats. Other snacks will be offered and we'll watch a movie that involves chocolate as well! The fun starts at 7:00 p.m. Feel free to come and go, and bring study material if you must.

Wednesday—Fiesta! Olé! 7 p.m.

Join us for an evening of Mexican food and fun.

Key Cards to be Reactivated

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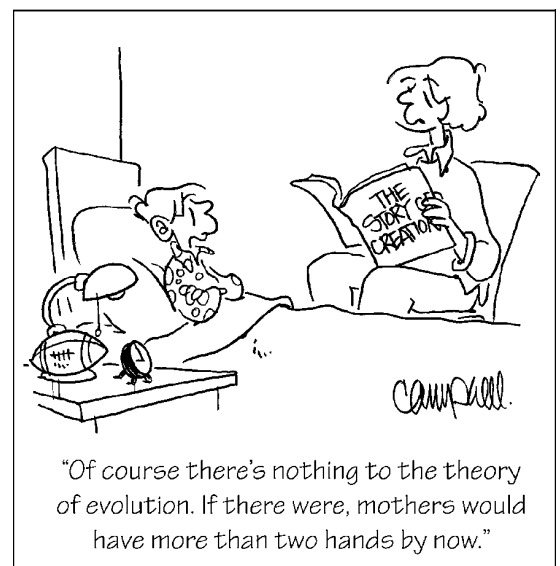
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!

Best wishes to our graduating seniors and to those who will be student teaching in the fall.

And we look forward to everyone else's return in August!

Students, will you be around this summer?

If so, please let Jill Bollinger (jill8383@uni.edu) or Pastor Ogilvie (rev.togilvie@cfu.net) know. We want to include you in whatever activities might end up happening over the summer months. Just because school is out doesn't mean the fellowship has to stop.



The Stewardship of Testimony *(Continued from page 1)*

structed His disciples of all ages to make disciples, teaching and baptizing and encouraging people to follow God's teachings (Matthew 28:18-20). He also told His first disciples that they were to be His witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8).

As modern day disciples we also desire to be faithful witnesses, saying and doing all that we can to give witness to our Lord Jesus Christ **who desires that all people be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth** (1 Timothy 2:4). This certainly ties in with the LCMS "Ablaze!" movement which encourages us together to share the good news of Jesus with 50,000,000 uncommitted or unconnected people by the year 2017 in such a way that the Holy Spirit has the opportunity to work faith in their hearts.

St. Peter in his first letter (3:15) instructs us with these words: **"But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared**

to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."

What a privilege to be able to do the work that the angels of God long to do—that is, give our testimony of the joy, peace and hope that are ours because of the redeeming work of Jesus Christ. And what added joy we will have to take into eternity when the words of Daniel 12:3 come true: **"Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."**

Christian stewardship is definitely about our use of time, talent and treasure, but it is also about our testimony as Christians. **When it comes to our testimony of the good news of Jesus, as with our other acts of stewardship, we desire to be maturing stewards who do the right things for the right reasons and strive for excellence in all we do!**

Commemorate The Ascension With Worship.

"Up through endless ranks of angels" is how one hymn writer described Jesus' ascent into heaven. Join us for worship Thursday, May 25 as we rejoice with the heavenly host our Lord's triumphant return to his place in heaven. Worship begins at 7:00 p.m.



Summer Schedule Begins June 4th

We will be switching to our summer schedule on Sunday, June 4th. Worship will be at 9:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday School or Bible study during the summer months this year. The after church coffees will continue to follow worship during the summer months.

Come Celebrate with Our Graduates

Recognition of our congregation graduates, both college and high school will be held during after church fellowship on May 14. We are pleased that Mike Ellis and Katelyn McBurney will be graduating from their respective high schools on May 21. Mike graduates from Gladbrook Reinbeck and Katelyn from Nashua Plainfield.

Conrad Hutcheson graduates from the University of Arizona with a Bachelor of Science with Honors in Physics, Astronomy, Mathematics, and Computer Science. Becky Ogilvie graduates with her MA in Music Theory and Composition from UNI.

Congratulations to them all. We are proud of your achievement.



Time to get away with an inspirational romance. Check it out on the library book cart. Also, look at the Beverly Lewis series “Abram’s Daughters.”

Evening Guild Meeting

The May meeting of the Evening Guild will be held on Thursday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at CHLC.

Ann Rueber will present our program. The topic is another of the RSO (Recognized Service Organizations of LCMS) called People

of the Book (Pobolo), our outreach mission to Moslems. It promises to be very interesting. Hostesses for the evening are Miriam Krallman and Lil Lonergan. Lil will also be sharing devotions. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.



LLL News

You may now hear “The Lutheran Hour” each Sunday at 7:00 a.m. on KXEL 1540AM. Following “The Lutheran Hour” at 7:30 a.m. is “Woman to Woman.”

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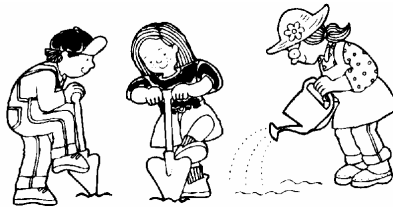
May

	7	Clint & Cindy Korte	12 years
	10	Delmar & Erna Blankenhagen	59 years
	20	Dennis & Brenda Adolphs	17 years
	29	Pastor Tom & Becky Ogilvie	13 years
	29	Mark & Anna Ranbarger	2 years
1		Harriet Paulus	
3		Delmar Blankenhagen	
8		Kaylee DeVries	
8		Ruth Natvig	
12		Keith Macomber	
17		Bev Bolte	
18		Ivan Hankins	
19		George Bowser	
19		Katelyn McBurney	
20		Tim Tjarks	
21		Eulalia Kloostra	
21		Megan Korte	
22		Troy Williams	

Sunday School News

As our Sunday School year comes to a close on the 28th of May, we wish to thank our Sunday School teachers. Jill Bollinger and Heather Birk taught the preschool class while Darci Russell instructed the first and second graders. Doris Mauer had charge of the fourth graders and Carol Lilienthal had the fifth graders in class. Additional thanks goes out to all the parents who took the re-

sponsibility to see that their children took advantage of this opportunity for Christian education. Lastly, a thanks to the Sunday School students who attended and learned. It's been a good year. Now, we look forward to Vacation Bible School and the return of Sunday School in September.



Come on Down to SonHarvest County Fair for Some Down-Home Fun!

This year's Vacation Bible School will be held July 31—August 4 from 9 a.m. to noon. SonHarvest County Fair is a week of fun on the farm! In SonHarvest County, children will discover how to grow the fruit of the Spirit. Specifically, children will learn to Grow Love, Sprout Joy, Plant Peace, Produce Patience and Pick Kindness. We will be having a great time with lively songs, skits, crafts, games, Bible stories and snacks—all

of the things that make Vacation Bible School so much fun for children. On top of that, we will be helping children grow the fruit of God's Spirit. SonHarvest County Fair can be an inspirational and educational experience for your entire family. Parents are invited to join in on Saturday, August 5th when we take a trip to the Bremer County Fair in Waverly. Plan to join us for a great time at SonHarvest County Fair!

Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent Join Hands

As many of you know all the Lutheran Churches in Black Hawk County are involved in a Thrivent cooperative venture with Habitat for Humanity, building a house on Solar Drive in Waterloo. As College Hill is involved we will be securing donations for the house in some way and also working as volunteers at the house or serving lunches to the workers. The women's Bible study group has taken the lead by providing lunch at the house on April 20th, serving 20 some workers as they raised the walls for the new

home. Please be alert for opportunities to be involved. Workers will be needed to meet the obligation of the Lutherans in the county. Thrivent is paying for 70% of the cost of the house, Habitat for Humanity is paying for 20% and the Lutheran churches are expected to pay for 10%, \$7,500.00. We will need to do our share financially as well as work hours. Thanks for considering this worthy project.

May 2006 Volunteers

GREETERS

- 7 Schumacher Family
- 14 Mauer Family
- 21 Bethany Madsen & Jill Bollinger
- 28 Bolte Family

READERS

- 14 Becky Ogilvie
- 21 Bethany Madsen
- 28 Jill Bollinger

USHERS

- 7 Tim Gamble & Dustin Mason
- 14 Keith Macomber & Dennis Adolphs
- 21 Darin Alwardt & Virgil Mauer
- 25 Virgil Mauer
- 28 Richard McBurney & Delmar Blankenhagen

FINANCIAL RECORDERS

- 7 Jo Baedke & Keith Macomber
- 14 Carla Christensen & Virgil Mauer
- 21 Denise Tjarks & Nellie Peterman
- 25 Virgil Mauer
- 28 Suzanne Riehl & Keith Macomber

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

- 7 & 21 Richard McBurney


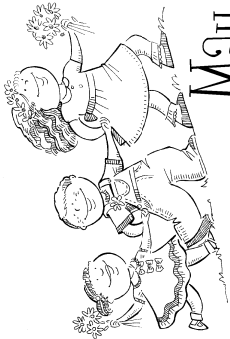
ALTAR GUILD

- 7—14 Carolyn Macomber & Charla DeVries
- 21-28 Flora Brewster & TBA

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

- 7 Ackles Family & Ogilvie Family
- 14 Board of Education
- 21 TBA
- 28 Juanita Flanscha & Orth Family

Thank you for your help in serving the Lord
and College Hill Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7:00 p.m. LSF De-stressor	2 3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class 7:00 p.m. LSF De-stressor	3 7:00 p.m. LSF De-stressor	4 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Evening Guild	5	6 UNI Graduation
7 9:00 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship With Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. Fellowship	8	9 3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class 7:00 p.m. Board of Directors' Meeting	10	11 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study	12 Newsletter Deadline	13
14 Mother's Day 9:00 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Graduates Honored	15	16	17 7:00 p.m. Parish Planning Session	18 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study	19	20
21 9:00 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship With Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. Fellowship	22	23	24	25 Ascension Day 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Worship	26	27
28 9:00 a.m. Bible Study and Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Fellowship	29  Memorial DAY Office Closed	30 7:00 p.m. Waterloo Circuit Forum	 May 2006			