



Newsletter of College Hill Lutheran Church and Brammer Student Center

What Happens When We Die?

The following article from The Lutheran Study Bible is a brief explanation of what happens when we die.

A human is made up of body and soul (Matt. 10:28; cf 2 Peter 1:13-15). When a human dies, his soul is separated from his body. His body decays, but his soul—and thus he himself, his ego, or personality—lives on. If a person trusts in Jesus for salvation, his soul will live in joy with God, awaiting the resurrection, the last judgment, and eternal life. If a person is wicked and unbelieving his soul will live in torment, awaiting the resurrection, the last judgment, and eternal condemnation.

In 2 Corinthians 5:4-8, St. Paul describes the body as a “tent” in which he—that is, his mind, personality, soul, spirit, or however one might describe the center of one’s person—dwells. He says that when he and believing Christians die, they will be “away from the body” (literally, “out of the house of the body”) and yet still “at home with [present with] the Lord.” These passages show clearly that the center of one’s personhood, which other passages call “the soul,” can exist separately from the body, and that at death the soul is separated from the body. Cf Lk. 8:55; 23:46; 1 Pt. 3:18-19; Php. 1:23-24; Rev. 6:9.

What about “Soul Sleep”?

In John 11:11-14, our Lord Jesus describes the death of His friend Lazarus as “sleep.” But note: the wicked who die have “no rest” (Isaiah 57:20-21; Rev. 14:11). Death is a “rest” or “sleep” for the godly (Rev. 14:13, drawing from Psalm 95). Thus, the Church calls the places where the godly are buried “cemeteries,” that is, “dormitories” or places of sleep, and the Church believes that the godly do indeed “rest in peace.”

But while the body sleeps, the soul is awake. For example, in Luke 16:19-31, the soul of the rich man in Hades prays (to no avail) that the beggar Lazarus would relieve his suffering or return to earth to warn his family. The soul of Lazarus, on the other hand, is “comforted” (v. 25). Both the rich man and faithful Abraham are awake, conscious, and speaking. Scripture sometimes indicates that the departed souls are unaware of the what takes

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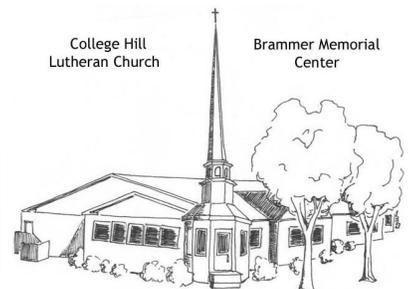


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place on earth (e.g., 2 Kings 22:20; Job 14:21; Isaiah 57:1-2; 63:16). Yet it should not be concluded from this that they are unconscious. The soul of the rich man was not unconscious, nor was the soul of Abraham (Matthew 22:32).

In considering “soul sleep,” however, we must distinguish between those people who affirm that the souls of the righteous are comforted and experience God’s presence and those who think that the souls of the righteous experience nothing, or worse, are obliterated. As long as the comfort of the righteous souls is affirmed, expressions about the dead being asleep are not dangerous. But the view that the souls of the righteous experience nothing, or that they are dissipated or annihilated, however, are false, unscriptural views.

Glory and Condemnation on Judgment Day

What is the last judgment all about? Scripture teaches that in heaven there are varying degrees of glory and in hell there are varying degrees of condemnation, or judgment (Matt. 10:15; 20:23; Luke 14; John 19:11; 1 Cor. 15:40-42). We should not think about Judgment Day as though it is the first time that the godly will be distinguished from the wicked (2 Peter 2:3-4, 9; Jude 6), or as though it is the first time that the godly will experience the blessed presence of God. But it will be the first time the godly fully experience God’s presence in their glorified bodies (Luke 16:19-31; John 5:24).

Instead of thinking about Judgment Day as the first time a distinction is made between the righteous and the wicked, we should see it as the final and full awarding of rewards and penalties (2 Cor. 5:10). Judgment Day is about the fact that we, in our bodies, will receive the things done in the body. Those who have done evil in the body will receive condemnation. Those who, in the body, have believed in Christ, have been forgiven of their sins, and have new life by God’s Spirit, will receive rewards. Judgment Day is the full and final awarding of rewards and penalties, not the beginning of that awarding.

Everlasting Life with Christ

As we have begun to live with Christ here on earth in the Church through His Word and Sacraments, so we will continue to live with Him after we die. Death is not an interruption of this fellowship with our Lord. Our life with Christ continues, even after death, even before the resurrection. Our departed friends and family members who lived with Christ here below by faith in His cross for. Their forgiveness even now live with Him and are comforted. Because our life with Christ is not interrupted by death, death for the Christian may be sweet and joyful, even in the midst of tears. (*The Lutheran Study Bible*, p. 1750)

Ever in Christ,

Pastor Wegener

V | D The Word of the Lord
M | A Remains Forever 1 Peter 1:23

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

EASTER MEAL FOR A FAMILY in need! All food items need to be given in original unopened packaging. I plan to buy a gallon of milk, box of butter and a carton of eggs to cover those ingredients in recipes. If you'd like to provide something for the meal, please bring one recipe and all the remaining ingredients for that recipe that I am not providing and a disposable baking dish. Please respond to this email if you choose to participate so we have a variety of food with no duplicates. Please have all your ingredients to the church by **noon, Sunday, April 10**. This meal will be delivered to a family in need just in time for Easter.

April 13 - at 6:00 p.m. - Pizza with Easter Egg Hunt to follow! PLEASE RSVP so I have enough eggs for the children and pizza for everyone. If you have a family or friend that you'd like to invite, go for it! Just let me know about it so we have enough for them, too! Feel free to bring fruit and veggies to share and bring your own beverages. Water will be provided. Can't wait to see you all there!

May 1 - FAMILY BIKE RIDE: There will be a family bike ride on Sunday, May 1 at 2:00. We will meet at Washington Park in Cedar Falls which has a playground, restrooms, and picnic tables.

SAVE THE DATE! We'll be traveling to **Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca** on **Sat., June 11th** this year! Please join us for lots of fun from **9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**. We'll climb the rock wall, ride the horses, play some games, swim in the pool, etc. Bring your own lunch -- meat to grill, if you'd like. As usual, a free will offering is being asked, but otherwise, there's no cost. Just bring the whole family and join the fun! Please let Brandi Sharkey know by May 31st if you'll be attending. Knowing ages of participants will be helpful. Any questions, just ask Brandi (sharkey.jb@gmail.com or 319.984.9027). Hope to see you all there! :-)

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

April 3-6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group with Pastor.

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April 16 help set up and prepare Easter Breakfast

April 17 Serve Easter Breakfast

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PLEASE SIGN-UP TODAY if you plan to partake of the Easter Breakfast, Sunday, April 17, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. We will plan for extra, but would like to have a fairly accurate idea of how many plan to attend. The sign-up sheet will be on a back table in the social hall or see Douglas or Penni Lilleskov. There is also a signup sheet to donate muffins, coffee cake and fruit etc. Thank you.

FAMILY FRIENDLY BIKE RIDE

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COME JOIN US FOR LITTLE BACH'S MUSIC TIME

DO YOU HAVE OR KNOW ANY LITTLES THAT LOVE MUSIC AND JESUS? Bring them to Little Bach's Music time! Held at College Hill Lutheran Church, your littles will have fun moving, playing rhythm instruments, learning hymns, and making musical crafts. Typically held the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 10 AM. Contact Deaconess Faith Swenson with questions at deaconess.swenson@gmail.com. Here are the upcoming dates: April 7, April 21, May 5, and May 19.

SAVE-the-DATE: Kevin Hildebrand, Kantor and organist at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, will be presenting an organ workshop on Saturday, April 30, at College Hill Lutheran Church. More details will be coming!

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RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES: Thanks to everyone who helped in one way or another with our last drive. We had 31 total donations with a goal of 21. We have hosted eight blood drives for a total of 223 blood donations. Our next drives are on May 12th from 12-4 & August 23 from 12-4.



DO YOU ENJOY MUSIC?

College Hill Music Conservatory invites you to attend our Spring Music recital on Sunday, April 24, at 6:30 PM. We will have performances by some of our conservatory students, Little Bach's children, and teachers. Recital is at College Hill Lutheran Church (2322 Olive. St., Cedar Falls).

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Ladies Bible Study is continuing to meet at 1 PM on Thursdays. We have more copies of the book and would love for any lady of the congregation to join us! It is OKAY if you missed the last couple months. You can hop into the study whenever virtually or on zoom. If you need more information or have any questions please contact Deaconess Faith at Deaconess.Swenson@gmail.com or her Cell (218) 329-8515.

LWML has done some spring cleaning in the church kitchen and have found utensils and other kitchen items that are no longer needed. Please check out the tables in the Parish Hall for any items you may want. You may leave a free will offering in the LWML church that is located on the end of the table if you wish.

THE 2022 CHURCH MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY'S are available for each family to pick up in the Parish Hall anytime. Directories have the name of each family on it, so be sure to pick up yours today.

PERSONAL CARE KITS During this season of Lent, Sunday School families are collecting personal care items to give to those in need around the world. Week 5 collection is focusing on *Nail Clippers*. There is a box labeled in the Social Hall for you to put your donations in. ***Lent- A Season of Hope.***

EASTER LILIES. It is time to order lilies for the Easter season. The cost is \$11. There is a form to fill out found on the table by the coat rack in the Parish hall if you wish to have an acknowledgment in the Easter bulletin. Last day to order will be April 10th.



LCMS U COLLEGE STUDENT ACTIVITIES

APRIL 9 - MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

Join us for the reading of The Last Will and Testament of Roland Kingsley, April 9 at 6 p.m. at College Hill Lutheran Church. Each player has been invited by the family attorney to attend the reading. Characters and instructions for each character will be handed out to each participant by Wednesday, April 6 at LCMS U Bible Study. Please RSVP before then and invite your friends! The sign-up sheet is downstairs at church.



APRIL 23 - PRESIDENT'S CUP KICKBALL GAME

Help us battle against the students of St. Paul Lutheran Chapel from the campus ministry at the University of Iowa in our annual President's Cup Kickball Game. The official game time is 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 23rd and will be held at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. A sign-up sheet will be available downstairs at the church.

APRIL 29 - PARKING LOT PARTY



The year is almost over, so let's party! Bring your friends and join us for food and games on Friday, April 29th in the parking lot and yard at College Hill Lutheran Church. Food will be served at 6 p.m.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN PROJECT AT COLLEGE HILL LUTHERAN CHURCH



DURING THE MONTH OF JULY.

The Orphan Grain Train is a recognized service organization of LCMS and has been a vital program in providing clothing, medical supplies and life's necessities in time of disaster in the US and in shipments to needy countries throughout the world. Having its beginning with a shipment to Latvia 1992 organized by Rev. Wilke in Norfolk, Nebraska. Orphan Grain Train remains headquartered there and has collection and shipment sites throughout the Midwest and other states. In Iowa we have a collection site at CLEMONS, IOWA. Northeast Iowa now has a place to take gifts and donations to be used by needy. We are joining this humanitarian effort by collecting items for OGT during the month of July. Please gather your donations, place them in garbage bags and bring them to the church and place them in the Sunday School room to the far right, west end by the stairs. Items will be taken to Clemons after the first of August. This is an ACT NOW project only one month in length. What are the items needed? Here's the list.....

CLOTHING (good used or new) Adult: men or women; Infant and Children's: ALL UNDERWEAR MUST BE NEW, (Customs Officials will levy fines if used underwear is sent in our shipments) SHOES (clean, wearable) SOCKS (good used or new), coats, summer and winter wear.

CLOTHING ACCESSORIES-(good used or new) Hats, gloves, scarves, belts, purses, wallets.

INFANT SUPPLIES Cloth and disposable diapers, layettes, stuffed toys.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES: Bandages and tapes, Bed and bath linens, sheets (adult and crib), Hospital beds (hand crank with vinyl mattresses), prosthetic limbs, walkers, wheel chairs, crutches, canes, stethoscopes, blood pressure cuffs, hospital gowns/clothing.

DRUG STORE ITEMS: almost any non-prescription item you can buy in a drug store, shampoo, sanitary products for women, tooth brushes, tooth paste, diapers for adults and babies.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: back-packs (student sizes), coloring books, crayons, new ball point pens, pencils, writing paper, notebooks, construction paper, glue sticks, blunt scissors, washable markers, rulers, pencil sharpeners sports equipment such as soccer balls.

NON-BREAKABLE KITCHEN ACCESSORIES: pots and pans, plastic plates, knives, forks and spoons.

QUILTS, COMFORTERS, BLANKETS, TOWELS AND WASHCLOTHS (all sizes are needed).

CASH DONATIONS TO PAY FOR SHIPPING: \$11.00 per box, \$6,500 overseas container.

MISC.-Bicycles, tools, hard and soft toys (no battery operated) paper or plastic shopping bags. You name it, they need it.

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GREETERS

- 3 Kurt and Rachel Krueger
- 10 Jeff and Brandi Sharkey Family
- 17 Zach and Cherisse Wilson Family
- 24 Doug and Penni Lilleskov

USHERS

- 3 Tim Gamble
- 10 Kurt Krueger
- 17 Paul Feldt
- 24 Benedict Bacher

LIVE STREAM OPERATOR

- 3 Sam Kleiss
- 10 Casey Roegner
- 17 Keller Wilson
- 24 Micah Versemann

ORGANIST

- 3 Kolleen Hosford
- 10 Rachel Krueger
- 17 Simeon Hasselbrook
- 24 Rachel Krueger

ACOLYTES

- 3 Michael Wegener
- 10 Jalen Haugen
- 17 Javan Wegener
- 24 Julien Haugen



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|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 6 Micah Wilson | 19 LaDawn Hankins | 24 Johanna Baedke |
| 6 Matthias Sharkey | 20 Maggi Wilson | 26 Tammy Nicholson |
| 10 Kevin DeVries | 23 Gunner Rasmusson | |
| 14 Sylvie Lobdell | 23 Naomi Sharkey | |



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| 13 Steve & Carol Faber | 9 years |
| 20 Ron & Deb Hacker | 38 years |
| 24 Jenny & Jake Haugen | 12 year |
| 27 Duayne & Barb Shepard | 31 years |

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <h1 style="font-size: 4em; margin: 0;">April</h1> <h1 style="font-size: 4em; margin: 0;">2022</h1>						
LENT 5 8:00 a.m. Spoken Divine Service 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:15 a.m. Potluck 6-8 p.m. Youth Group with Pastor	4	5	6 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. Bible-Study-	7 10:30 a.m. Little Bach's Music 11:00 a.m.-Hymn Study 1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study	8 8:30 a.m. Holy Absolution 9:00 a.m. Chapel	9 LCMSU Murder Mystery Dinner
PALM SUNDAY 10 8:00 a.m. Spoken Divine Service 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:15 a.m. Refreshments 11:15 a.m. Evening Guild Meeting	11	12 Pastor's Conference May Newsletter Deadline	13 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. Bible-Study-	Maundy Thursday 14 11:00 a.m.-Hymn Study 1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Divine Service	Good Friday 15 8:30 a.m. Holy Absolution 9:00 a.m. Chapel Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service	16
EASTER 17 8:00 a.m. Divine Service 9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast	18	19	20 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. Bible-Study-	21 10:30 a.m. Little Bach's Music 11:00 a.m. Hymn Study 1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study	22 8:30 a.m. Holy Absolution 9:00 a.m. Chapel	23 LCMSU President's Cup Kickball Game
EASTER 1 24 8:00 a.m. Spoken Divine Service 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:15 a.m. Refreshments 4:00 p.m. Conservatory Recital	25	26	27 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. Bible-Study-	28 11:00 a.m.-Hymn Study 3:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study	29 8:30 a.m. Holy Absolution 9:00 a.m. Chapel LCMSU Parking Lot Party	30 Organ Workshop