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**It's May, It's May,  
the Busy Month of May**

All our Sunday Services continue to celebrate  
the Easter Season with bells and processions.

In addition to this:

**May 1<sup>st</sup>** at Reformation is **Profession of Faith** for our catechumen, Haven Liebmann and John Larson at the 9:30 a.m. hour in the Church with a cake reception to follow. Remember your catechetical examination and confirmation?

**May 4<sup>th</sup>** is **Call Day at Concordia Seminary**  
**Vicarage Service 3:00 p.m.** (Justin Pahl (Jennifer & baby Julia); a possible Vicar for Reformation;  
**Call Service 7:00 p.m.:** Candidates - Duane Meissner (Elizabeth), Erik Schmidt (Heidi, Ethan, Daniel, & Kathryn), and David Herald (Graduate Student).

**May 8<sup>th</sup>** is **Confirmation Day** in the late service for Haven and John; thanks to Lois Schoech for making the confirmation banners for and with our confirmands; (also **Mothers Day** diaper drive begins for Thrivestlouis.org)

**May 15<sup>th</sup>** is **Good Shepherd Sunday** – Rev. David Adams is guest preacher and officiant (Pastor Pelsue in PA for 75th Anniversary Bethel, Glenshaw)

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>** is **Armed Forces Day** in support of our LC-MS Military Chaplains and ministry to our LCMS military personnel and their families.

(May 29th is Memorial Day)

(May 31<sup>st</sup> is The Visitation -no services but you may wish to read Luke 1:39-45 for devotional consideration on this day)

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** **Ascension Day Service** at 7:00 p.m. with Ice Cream Social to follow in Parish Hall



**SPECIAL UPCOMING SERVICE**  
**THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**  
**Divine Service**  
**Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Ice Cream Social to follow**

**WOMEN'S GUILD**

**MEETING**

The Women's Guild Meeting will be on **Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 12:00p.m.** The program will be a book review by Barbara Mannes. Devotion will be given by Yvonne Spitz and the hostesses are Mildred Wotli and Norma Grau.

**RUMMAGE SALE POSTPONED!**

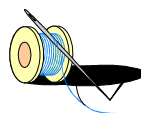
The Women's Guild has postponed their Rummage Sale until a **later date to be announced.** They need more items to sell – even antiques and jewelry. The more items they get the more money they will bring in to help pay for a new carpet in the narthex and hallway. Please help them raise a lot of money by giving them your re-sellable rummage, toys, games, clothes, books, sporting goods and material. We will announce when you can resume bringing your rummage to church. Thanks!

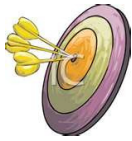


*Brenda Hargett*

**CARE & SHARE**

Care and Share will meet on **Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**





## MEN'S CLUB DARTBALL COMPETITION

The Peace Men's Club has challenged the Reformation Men's Club to a Dartball Competition on **Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** at Peace Lutheran Church, 737 Barrackview Road. All men of the congregation are invited to participate. Please sign-up on the Fellowship bulletin board.

## EAGLE PROJECT FOR CHURCH!



Martin Liebmann and the Youth Group of COR need your help! As his Eagle Project, the last task required for him to get his Eagle rank, Martin is leading the Youth Group of COR in building an entertainment center for the church. However, they can't do it alone! A total of \$550 is needed for this project. If you would like to help, please give your donation to church indicating "Eagle Scout Project" on your donation. Blank envelopes are on the church welcome stand along with a donation box. Thank you.

*Martin W. Liebmann, IV*



## SEND ME ST. LOUIS SATURDAY

*"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven." – Matthew 5:16*

**On Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**, our church has committed to join with hundreds of Lutherans and other Christians across the St. Louis region to let our light shine by serving our communities as a part of Send Me Saturday. Projects are available at 12 sites throughout the area ranging from light home repair, to gardening, to carpentry, to landscaping, to cleaning, and more. There are projects suited to everyone regardless of age, ability, skill level, or experience. If you have the heart to serve, this event is perfect for you!

Those who participate will begin the day with a brief devotional and breakfast from 8:30-9:00 at their project site, followed by project work from 9:00-1:00 and lunch/celebration from 1:00-2:30. As a result of your prayer support and volunteer service, by the end of Send Me Saturday, seniors will be living in safer homes, cemeteries and green spaces will be beautified for the enjoyment of all, and our neighbors will know that we serve them because, in His love, God serves us.

Registration is open until May 11<sup>th</sup>. The learn more, and to register, please visit [www.sendmestlouis.org](http://www.sendmestlouis.org). The welcome your prayers and participation!

## BOARD OF EVANGELISM ACTIVITY



We hope to be visiting and welcoming people who move into our church neighborhood. Save the dates – the second Saturday of each month beginning in May thru October. The first two are May 14<sup>th</sup> and June 11<sup>th</sup>. We plan to meet at the church at 9:00 a.m. Teams of two or three will select the addresses obtained which are most appropriate, visit the home (2 or 3), leave same info on the church, then return to the church for informal discussion and planning. Watch the bulletin board for more info and the sign-up sheet.

Also, there are various repetitive jobs coordinated by the church secretary or committees which we would like you to be aware of and possibly assist with when possible. Some possibilities are:

- ❖ NEWSLETTER & BULLETIN ASSEMBLY
- ❖ CARE OF THE CHURCH NURSERY
- ❖ CARE OF THE FLOWER BEDS
- ❖ AND MANY MORE!

Please call Pat Stelzer if you would like to find out about volunteer opportunities in the church or if you know of a future project that needs volunteers (314-843-5757).



## FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** – Family movie time after the 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Please bring a light snack or appetizer to share.

**June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Cake reception in honor of Pastor Pelsue's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination. Cards and tokens of appreciation will be welcomed. Reception will be between services in the parish hall.

**July 12<sup>th</sup>** – All Star Party. Look for more details in upcoming bulletins and newsletters.

**August ??** – Church picnic will be the third or last Sunday in August. Look for more details in upcoming bulletins and newsletters.

**November 13<sup>th</sup>** – A Remember When Pot-luck honoring COR veterans immediately following the 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE



Please be sure you have all items/articles for the June newsletter into the church office by no later than **Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**. Articles may be e-mailed to [secretary@reformationstl.org](mailto:secretary@reformationstl.org), faxed to (314-352-7652), or placed in the church secretary's mailbox.

## RETIREES GET-TOGETHER IN MAY!

Everyone is invited to join the Retirees group on **Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon** for lunch and activity. More details will follow in the church bulletin. Everyone is invited to join them! Look for a sign-up sheet on the church bulletin in the near future.

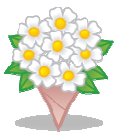
### THANK YOU SO MUCH !!!

- ❖ To all of you who so generously donated items for the New Life Festival! The gift baskets & gifts, candies, the eggs (plastic and real), decorations, Kool-aid, the egg dye, Easter grass, moneys, etc. The event was a great witness to our community. 21 children attended from 14 families in the area. Follow up efforts are under way.
- ❖ To Seminarians Justin and Andrew (Elisabeth Bliese's fiancé) and the 28+ volunteers from COR who worked so hard and so well together to get the Gospel Good News out through this event! Great Job! To God be the glory!



Dear Reformation Lutheran,  
Many thanks to all my friends at Reformation for their generous participation in the Mardi Gras contest and door collection fund raiser which assisted in covering the deductible and necessary replacements following the fire in my home. The gift total including Thrivent matching funds was \$1,500.00 which was very much appreciated. God Bless you all as we fellowship in our church family.  
*Pat Stelzer*

Thanks to all my friends at church who remembered me with beautiful Easter cards. It meant so much to me to hear from you. Blessing to all!  
*Dorothy Trefney*



### FLOWERS & BULLETINS

You can "say it with flowers or a bulletin cover." Several dates are still available in 2010 on our 'Flower Calendar' and 'Bulletin Booster Chart.' Celebrate a birthday or an anniversary, honor a dear family member or friend, or remember a loved one by ordering altar flowers or sponsoring the bulletin for one week. Flowers are \$25.50 for two beautiful bouquets and bulletin boosters are \$18.00. If you have any questions – please call the church office, 314-352-1355. Thanks.

## MAY FEED MY PEOPLE MEAL-A-MONTH



**Main Menu:** Complete chicken meal (meat included), canned green vegetable (low sodium or low salt), pudding or Jello (fat free), canned fruit in light syrup or own juices, powdered milk or shelf stable boxed milk or soy milk.

**Additional Items:** Personal Hygiene Month! Shampoo and Conditioner, soap and deodorant.

Return the bag of groceries to the basket (narthex) or shopping cart (parish hall). Please - no glass containers or clothing. Thank you for your donations!

### MISSOURI'S LARGEST DIAPER SHOWER



Lutherans for Life of Missouri is once again sponsoring Missouri's Largest Diaper Shower which began on **May 8<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day)** and ends **Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> (Father's Day)**. Bring disposable diapers of any size to church as a way to thank your family for giving you life. A baby bassinet will be set up in the narthex for your donations. The total number (not packages) will be submitted to Lutherans for Life of Missouri. Disposable diapers seem like a luxury to those of us who laundered them in earlier generations. However, most of these recent mothers served by Thrive are struggling with trials and tribulations far beyond reasonable. They need this one manageable thing in their lives. Please consider helping us overflow the bassinet this year with diapers.

### BRUNCH AT THE SEM

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, will host Brunch at the Sem on **Mother's Day, May 8<sup>th</sup>**, in Koburg Hall on the Seminary campus. Brunch will be served from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The menu for Brunch at the Sem includes carved ham, fried chicken, carved roasted turkey, jumbo cocktail shrimp, garlic mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green bean casserole, honey glazed baby carrots, mostaccioli, salad bar, fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, Eggs Benedict, omelet bar, hash browns, bacon, sausage, Belgian waffle bar, dessert bar, assorted juices, soda, coffee, and tea.

The price for adults is \$22; children (4-10 yrs.) are



\$5.00; and children 3 and under are free. Cash, checks, MasterCard, Visa, Discover, and American Express cards are accepted. Space is limited. For reservations, call 314-505-7369.

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The registration fee is \$100 per person (\$50 is tax deductible). Seating is limited to those with reservations, so make your reservation soon by calling 800-393-5791 or online at [www.vitae.foundation.org](http://www.vitae.foundation.org).

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### CONVALESCENT HOME AUXILIARY MEETING



The Laclede Groves Lutheran Convalescent Home Auxiliary Meeting will host a "Project Luncheon and Celebration of Memorial Day" on **Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**. The guest speaker is Jeff Barnes, Director of Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Lunch is at 12:00 noon and the program will follow. All Veterans are invited to join them! Please bring a sandwich, dessert is provided.

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### TORNADO DISASTER RELIEF DOOR OFFERING!



All of us have seen the devastation caused by the recent tornadoes in our community. The Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis' Board of Directors recognizes the efforts of our Delegate Member congregations in rapidly responding to this tragedy. In March, the Board approved a special one-time matching fund of up to \$378,000 (\$6,000 per member congregation), to support member congregations' response to the Japan earthquake and tsunami disaster. Today, the Board voted to expand this fund to include money raised by congregations responding to the St. Louis area Good Friday tornadoes.

The Christian community is showing the world the hands and feet of our risen Savior by taking a leadership role in organizing and providing desperately needed supplies and care. In response to this, a special door offering will be collected on **Sundays, May 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>** and given to Lutheran Family & Children's Services of Missouri to help with the disaster relief efforts for the Missouri tornado victims. Please give generously.

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### LUTHERAN SOUTH HOSTS MUSIC CONCERTS

The Music Department at Lutheran High School South announces their 2011 spring events. This is a great opportunity to hear terrific music performed by some excellent young musicians. The community is invited to all performances and a free will offering will be taken. The events are:

**Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** is the annual Spring Band Concert. This event features Lutheran South's well known Wind Symphony in addition to the high school Concert Band. Also included will be the Junior Winds, a select band of the best Lutheran elementary school band members in the area. This concert will be held in the Concordia Center at Concordia Lutheran Church in Kirkwood.

The Lutheran South Choirs will present the annual "**On Broadway,**" performance on **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** in the Kuhlmann Center at LHSS.

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### HOPE LUTHERAN SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

On **Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, Hope Lutheran School, 5320 Brannon, is hosting an Open House. As you may be aware, Hope School is closing at the end of this school year. Alumni and friends are invited to come, walk through the building one last time, and visit with former classmates.

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### VITAE FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL ST. LOUIS SPRING PRO-LIFE BENEFIT DINNER

Vitae Foundation is hosting a Pro-Life Benefit Dinner to be held **Monday, May 16, 2011** at the Hilton St. Louis Frontenac (1335 South Lindbergh Blvd). The featured speaker is Joseph F. Naumann, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas. Archbishop Naumann is a St. Louis native and was instrumental in Vitae's early growth and development. He helped build a foundation of like-minded supporters among key Protestant leaders during his 11 years as Coordinator of the St. Louis Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee.

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### LUTHERAN CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

May typically marks the end of the school year and the unofficial beginning of summer for many people. However, the work of churches never ends as long as there are people who have not heard about their Savior. Your investment in Lutheran Church Extension Fund helps congregations and schools build place and space for ministry so that the Gospel of Jesus Christ can be proclaimed in our communities. Call 1-800-THE-LCEF (843-5233) or visit [www.lcef.org](http://www.lcef.org) for more information about how you can support these efforts.

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