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Shadow of the Cross
Lutheran Church

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Pastor

THE CROSS CHRONICLES



Readings for the week of May 1, 2022

First Reading Acts.9:1-22

Epistle – Rev.5: (1-7), -8-14

Holy Gospel –John 21:1-14, (15-19)

**Ctrl+Click this link for the Shadow of the
Cross website:**

SHADOWOFTHECROSSLC.ORG

and this link for secure electronic giving:

Worship service livestream:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM0cM0gle1sMO4AbuYc5I7Q>

Sunday Services begin May 1,2022 at 9:45 am only one service Holy Communion will be every Sunday.

Fellowship hour with refreshments will follow the service.

Pastor Dupre's Sunday Bible study begin at 11:00 am.

Aaron Clark has created a SOTC YouTube channel and will be streaming the service. Please direct all questions to the church office 248 474-0675, Mon – Friday, 9:45 am – 2:00 pm. Thank you. Tuesday Bible Study is at 11:30 am. You can also join us via Zoom, contact the office for the information

Do Not Be Deceived”

Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. –Galatians 6:7-8 ESV

We live in a crazy world. It’s hard to image it can get any worse than it already is. And maybe that is a good thing; maybe it is a sign that the Last Day is close at hand. You know you can’t call a thing what it is anymore without being labeled as “out of touch”, “intolerant”, “ignorant”, or “politically incorrect.” Whatever we are called, we who speak the truth are somehow in the wrong. It seems people want to live in a fantasy world where anything goes as long as it doesn’t affect anyone else. In other words, I can do whatever I want, be whoever I want to be, without having to be responsible for the consequences of my decisions. After all, how dare you judge me!

If you don’t see it, let me make it clearer for you. Men are not women, even if they want to be and have anatomy surgery or hormone therapy to make them appear that way. Likewise, women are not men for the same reasons. Yet many people still fight to change who God made them to be physically; maybe because the grass appears green on “the other side”, or maybe because they are not comfortable in their own skin for whatever reason. This has led many of these people to “correct God’s mistake” and change their appearances.

Friends, this is called self-deception and is one of the greatest tricks Satan has put upon us. Regardless of what we look like or try to appear to be on the outside, a man is a man and a woman is a woman on the inside; just as God determined. A man cannot think and feel in the same way a woman can and neither can a woman think and feel as a man. God made male and female differently purposefully. The women in my life have given me many insights that never would have occurred to me had they not shared their thoughts with me. Likewise, I have had the same impact on these very same women. If we are going to be offended by anything, why not be offended by the very idea that we might know ourselves better than God, who created us?

Do not be deceived; God WILL NOT be mocked by our callous love of self and our desires. He Will Not be mocked by our callous disrespect for whom He made us to be. These are GREAT sins! If you are feeling inadequate with yourself, why not call upon the one who created you to bring about understanding or a change of heart, which only the Holy Spirit can do? Why rely on the surgeon or the doctor, who are just as sinful and fallible as you are to create something better in you? Here is our warning, when we rely on the flesh, from the flesh we will reap corruption. But when we rely on the Spirit, from the Spirit we will reap eternal life. God bless you all in Jesus’ name!

-Pastor Dupre

The peace of the Lord be with you -Rev. Brian Dupre, Pastor, SOTC

SOTC Zoom Account

Any chairperson needing to use the Zoom account for their ministry, please contact the Church office. There is a sign-up sheet in the office to reserve your date and time.



Sunday school is back and we are meeting in person on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. Our adult Sunday school will continue Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom and we hope to see you there. If you have any questions regarding our Sunday school, please feel free to call any of the Sunday school staff, Dawn Kivimaki, Lori Smith, Laina Burk, Shirley Bowden, Myita Davis, Roderick McClure, Barbara Profit or the church office 248-474-0675. The Zoom link will remain the same until further notice.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83332323924525750?pwd=Rzdpd09PU05CWZCU1NROE14bll5dz09>

Meeting ID: 83332323924, Passcode: 525750



Lemon Pound Cake

Ingredients:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 Tbsp baking powder
- $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp salt
- 3 cups sugar
- 1 cup unsalted butter, room temperature
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup shortening, room temperature
- 5 large eggs
- 1 cup whole milk
- 6 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 lemon, zested

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray or butter and flour 2 loaf pans or one large Bundt pan.
2. Sift flour, baking powder and salt into medium bowl. Set aside.
3. Using an electric mixer, cream together butter, shortening and sugar. Add eggs one at a time, beating until well blended after each one.

4. Add dry ingredients in three additions to butter mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour mixture. Beat at low speed just until blended after each addition. Mix in lemon juice and zest.
5. Pour batter into prepared pans. Bake cakes until tester inserted into center comes out clean, about 55 minutes. Cool cakes in pans for 15 minutes. Turn cakes out onto racks and cool completely.

Notes: DO NOT fill your pans to the very top or the cake will overflow!

I use a 15-cup Bundt pan. It also works in a Tube Pan.

HOLY HUMOR

Q. What did Jonah's family say when he told them about what happened before reaching Nineveh?

A. "Hmm, sounds fishy."

Q. What was Moses' wife, Zipphora, known as when she'd throw dinner parties

A. "The hostess with the Moses."

Q Why couldn't the Israelites initially enter the Promised Land?

A. It wasn't the Pinky Promised Land.

Q. What did the classmate say when asked why they kept walking next to the same person at school?

A. "I was told I'm supposed to walk by Faith!"

Q. Which Bible character was super-fit?

A. Absalom

Bible Trivia Questions

Question: How did Samson die?

Answer: Pushing over the temple pillars, killing himself and many Philistines.

Question: Who anointed Saul as King?

Answer: Samuel.

Question: Who was the enemy who took the Ark of the Covenant?

Answer: Philistines.

Question: What happened to the idol which was beside the Ark in the enemy's temple?

Answer: It fell over and broke.

Question: What was Saul's punishment for disobeying?

Answer: God took away his kingdom.

POEM

**When you look up, He looks
down
When you lift up, He opens up
When you step into the dance,
He leads
When you cry, He wipes the
tears
When you ask, He answers
When you rise up, He empowers
Gods is awesome!**

by Dawn Rawlins

Publisher's note: If you have information, prayer request, something you would like to share with your church family, a poem, a song, a scripture, a picture of something that puts a smile on your face, please send it to Veronica's email sotclutheran.officemanager@gmail.com or Dawn's email sotclutheran.secretary@gmail.com Information for the Newsletter, please submit by the 20th of each month for the following month's publication. Thank you and Blessings!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Note Non-Alcoholic wine is in the center of communion tray please ask for it if prefer.**

Roof Repair/AC Pledge Drive_Our is \$50,000.00 Funds Received (as of 4/12/2022) \$34,160.00.

Offerings are still welcomed for the roof/ac donations.

BD. OF PROPERTIES are in need of help with the work around the building. They meet on Mondays @ 6pm starting May 2nd. Work night for Trustee 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Tuesday

Trivia Night Saturday, June 4th, 5pm-8pm. Presented by the SOTC Youth Group. First a Spaghetti Dinner prepared by the Youth with a free will donation, followed by Trivia/teams of 8, cost \$10.00 per person. Come join us for fun and prizes!

May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9:45am Worship w/communion Bible Study-Acts Zoomed 10am Youth S.S.	6pm Bd Trustee 7pm Bd Elders	11:30am Bible Class - Zoom 1pmUnityMinistry 7:00pm Trustees work night				10:00am Adult S.S. - Zoom 10am Confirmation Trustee workday
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9:45am Worship w/communion Bible Study-Acts Zoomed 10am Youth S.S. <u>MOTHER'S DAY</u>		11:30am Bible Class - Zoom 2pmFinance Com 7:00pm Concordia School Board	7pm Bd. Finance	7pm LWML h2h Zoomed		9:30am Women's League; 10am Cm. Mtg 10am Adult S.S. – Zoom 10am Confirmation Trustee workday
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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