

Christ Our Advocate

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

John 20:19-31

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Jesus and Thomas

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

The Purpose of This Book

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP! *We continue to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, our Lord & Savior & the resurrection life God empowers us to live. If you are a first time visitor, please let an usher know as we have a special gift for you! We would also like to invite you to sign our guest book (and/or a lime green slip found in the pew) and we hope you worship with us again.*

If you'd like to request a pastoral visit, please email Pastor Mary Kaye today to schedule a time and day that works for you.

QUILTERS meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 9:30am. Join us!

LAYETTES are needed! Also needed are new or gently used receiving blankets, sleepers, and onesies for infants & up to 3 months.

FAMILY PATHWAYS continues to welcome donations of all kinds. Any boxed or canned food items or household items can be put in the bin in the church entryway if you'd like to donate!!!! All canned or boxed foods are welcomed donations as well as cleaning products and personal hygiene products. *****HIGHLY NEEDED ITEMS:** Children's shoes and Ladies Jackets. Many families come to the food shelf daily and these two items are *always* in need!!!!

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Don Hansen	Duane Olson
Joe Landgreen	Gayle Langer
Wendy Szczepanski	Rose Anderson
Pastor Mary Kaye Ashley	

Next Council Meeting
April 15th
At 3:30pm

CALENDAR

(www.tflutheran.org
for full calendar)

Sun Apr 8—Guest Preacher
Cathy Pino

9a - Worship
10:15a - Life Group
10:15a - Sunday School

Tues Apr 10 (Pr. Hours:8a-2p)

9a - North Conference Pastors Here
7p - Choir Practice

Wed Apr 11 (Pr. Hrs:9:30a-2:30p)

10:30a - Book Study at The Lodge
6:30p - Youth Group

Sun Apr 15 (Pr. Hours:8a-6p)

9a - Worship
10:15a - Life Group
10:15a - Sunday School
10:15a - Confirmation
2p - Lodge Worship
3:30p - Church Council Meeting



Congratulations Jon,
Kelly & big sister
Cassidy Luschen to
the newest addition
to their family!

Please welcome Cullen,
born February 27th!!



UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR!!!

WEDNESDAYS 10:30am-11:30am—We will continue the small group studying the book The Dance of Connection: How to Talk to Someone when you're mad, hurt, scared, frustrated, insulted, betrayed, or desperate by Harriet Lerner, Ph.D. at the Lodge, (1051 Mulberry St.), in Taylors Falls on Wednesdays through the month of April. If you'd like a book, let PMK know, or stop into the church office, and Angie will get you one.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3RD.....We will be celebrating the graduates with our Baccalaureate service at 9am worship. We will have cake and coffee downstairs following worship.

Scripture Readings:

Acts 4:32-35

The Believers Share Their Possessions

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Psalm 133

1 John 1:1-2:2

The Word of Life

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

God Is Light

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.