ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 19

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS - Susan Mueller (5/23); Rebecca Ornoff (5/24); Colleen Adams, Gunda Hirth (5/26)

<u>HYGIENE KITS-</u> Starting today we will be collecting items to put together hygiene kits for LSSI (Lutheran Social Services of Illinois) to distribute to women leaving prison. Items needed are: toothpaste, deodorant, feminine wipes (20 count box), moisturizing lotion, band-aids (10 to a bag), shampoo, conditioner, soap, disposable razors, shaving cream and hand sanitizer. There will be a poster and collection box in the atrium. Items are needed by June 9.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED -- Please consider volunteering as a Sunday School Teacher or Assistant Teacher. We currently have two teacher teams led by Margit Willis and Dan Reimann. More teams are needed to handle the September to May Sunday School Season. No experience needed, just enthusiasm! Please contact Margit or Dan.

<u>WIRED WORD</u> – will meet Tuesday, May 21st in person and via Zoom at 11:45.a.m. "Kinkeeping Phenomenon Rising in Public Awareness" is the topic for discussion. Recently, the behavior known as kinkeeping has been gaining prominence in the media, which gives us the opportunity to explore how families are strengthened when a family member fulfills this role.

GRACE COOKBOOK – After many, many years, we are once again collecting recipes for a church cookbook. From now through June 30, please bring in copies of your favorite recipes and put them in the basket provided in the atrium. Thank you.

BOOK DISCUSSION- Beginning May 21st, Pastor Kathie Bender-Schwich will be moderating a discussion of the book Mostly What God Does by Savannah Guthrie. The book study sessions will take place every other Tuesday at 7 pm (zoom) and Wednesday at 1 pm (in person and by zoom) You can choose which session works best for you. Watch the announcements for further information,

GET YOUR CAR CLEAN AND SHINY FOR SUMMER -- at the Youth Group Car Wash on Saturday June 1 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. here at Grace. Proceeds from the event will help with the group's trip to the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans in July.

THE YOUTH GROUP PARTNERSHIP -- of Grace, St. Mark, St. Luke and Trinity is sponsoring an online silent auction to help raise money for the Youth Gathering in New Orleans this July. Tickets to sporting events, yoga classes, rounds of golf, homemade cheesecakes, water park passes and much, much more are up now for your bids. There are also opportunities to make donations to the group on the site. The auction will end on Sunday, June 9 with free will offering lunch at St Mark starting at 11 am (or after church) which everyone is invited to attend. For more information on the auction, visit stmarklutheranchurch.betterworld.org. Thanks so much .

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 19 – Day of Pentecost

9:15 a.m. Choir

10:00 a.m. Worship/Sunday School

Coffee Hour 11:00 a.m. Petra Church 1:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. La Iglesia

Monday, May 20

7:00 Outreach and Welcome (Zoom)

Tuesday, May 21

11:45 a.m. Wired Word 6:00 p.m. La Iglesia9 7:00 p.m. Church Council

Book Discussion (Zoom)

Wednesday, May 22

Book Discussion (Zoom/In Person) 1:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

7:30 p.m. A.A. Thursday, May 23 4:30 p.m.

La Iglesia

Preschool Graduation 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee (zoom)

Friday, May 24

7:00 p.m. Petra Church

Saturday, May 25

4:30 p.m. La Iglesia Sunday, May 26 - The Holy Trinity

9:15 a.m. Choir'

Worship/Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Coffee Hour 11:00 a.m. Petra Church 1:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. La Iglesia

Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28

11:45 a.m. Wired Word 6:00 p.m. La Iglesia

Wednesday, May 29

1:00 p.m. **Book Discussion** 7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Zoom)

7:30 p.m. A.A. Thursday, May 30

4:30 p.m. La Iglesia

Friday, May 31 7:00 p.m.

Saturday; June 1

La Iglesia 4:30 p.m.