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Through Faith

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AS WE GATHER

God's mercy is for all people. God's love for His people in Christ is deep and broad and high indeed! From Isaiah we hear that "the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, 'I will gather yet others to Him besides those already gathered.'" (Isaiah 56:8) Paul boldly declares that "God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew," but desires that they receive mercy through the Church. (Romans 11:2) Jesus, who makes clear that His mission was first to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, marvels at the faith of one who was doubly an outsider—a Samaritan and a woman! Today's readings challenge our habit of treating strangers and outsiders with suspicion, and invite us to find ways to show the mercy and welcome of God to everyone—even to those we might think are the least likely people in our community to be welcomed by God.

PRINCIPAL CALL UPDATE

Pastor Snow received word late on Wednesday, August 13th that Mr. Greg Johnson is returning our Call to be the Principal for Holy Cross Lutheran School. He said, "Would you please convey to the staff and congregation our heartfelt appreciation for the welcome, warmth and love we experienced from them during our visit. We want to make it very clear to everyone that they were in no way the reason that we have not accepted the Call to Holy Cross. Please know that we will pray for you as you have prayed for us."

While this is disappointing news, we trust that our Lord and King continues to know what is best for Holy Cross Lutheran Church and School.

Thank you all for your continued prayers as we seek the Lord's will in calling the next Leader for Holy Cross School!

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT

"Renewing our Relationship in Christ"

September 13-14, 2014
Salina, Kansas

Strengthen your relationship with your spouse and with God through a *Marriage Enrichment Retreat*. Couples will gather Saturday, September 13th beginning at 1:00 p.m. and conclude on Sunday, September 14th no later than 12:00 noon. The cost is \$50 per couple plus lodging. Space is limited to 12 couples, so register now! Call the Church Office (684-5201) for a registration form or for more information.

THE LUTHERAN WITNESS

The Lutheran Witness is the official publication of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). The magazine provides stories about fellow Christians, current events, their church, Synod, and what the Bible has to say about the issues and decisions they face daily.

The subscription runs from November 1, 2014 to October 31, 2015. The cost remains the same this year at \$17 per subscription. **Our order will be sent to the Kansas District office on Monday, August 25th, so new orders and renewals must be received by then.** You may use your offering envelope and designate "*The Lutheran Witness*" or mail your check to the Church Office.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

August 23/24, 2014

Isaiah 51:1-6

Romans 11:33-12:8

Matthew 16:13-20

SEED TO SOW:

The beginning of each school year brings new joys, experiences and challenges. As we, young and old, anticipate the beginning of school, we need to be reminded of God's presence and strength. If God is for us, who can be against us? Share the joy and confidence you have with others. Be certain to discuss with your children the confidence they can have knowing that Jesus is with them.



Another Seed to Sow: Jesus said, "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world." (John 17:17-18) God has equipped us for His mission by giving us His Word. It empowers us and is the content of the message we share. We can have confidence as we share our faith—as we share His Word!



GUESTS GET MUGGED!

That's right! If you are a first time guest today, we invite you to stop by the Visitors' Center where we would like to give you an attractive coffee mug for free! It's our way of saying, "Thanks for coming. We hope you return!" The Visitors' Center is located in the Narthex (entryway to the Worship Center).

CARE NIGHT

Care Night is fun, productive, helpful and necessary! You get to pick which of the following you would like to do: address and prepare care notes, prepare letters of welcome to people new to our community, or make a friendly phone contact to worship guests. We always manage to have fun in the process. Come give it a try! We meet again this Tuesday, August 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Office area. Contact Kent Stephens for details (684-5201).

TO THE MOVIES

Popular movies are a window into our contemporary world. Join us each Sunday for an important and enjoyable discussion on the movie of the week. Next week (August 24th): "**Shrek.**" Each week includes a video portion, combined with small and large group discussion, Bible study, and prayer. You will gain specific, everyday life application from each topic! This class meets in the Crafts Room on Sundays, 9:45-10:45 a.m.



LOOKING FOR BIG TRUCKS / BIG EQUIPMENT

The Witness and Service Commission is planning an outreach event for families called "Touch-A-Truck." Families will be invited to come and inspect BIG trucks and equipment up close! We are looking for individuals with access to dump trucks, cranes, emergency vehicles, tanker trucks, dirt movers, cherry pickers, etc. who would be willing to bring them to our church parking lot. Have something to share? Please contact Kent Stephens for more information at KentStephens@HolyCrossLutheran.net or 684-5201.

YOUTH AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

June—August 2014

Saturday (4:45 - 5:45 p.m.)

C.A.T.C.H. Church Parlor
Adult Class—Minor Prophets ... Concordia Room

Sunday (9:45 - 10:45 a.m.)

Junior Youth Gym
High School Youth The Lighthouse
College-Age Class School Library
Adult Information Class Church Library
Esther Worship Center
Minor Prophets Concordia Room
Summer Movies Crafts Room

**TEACHER/SCHOOL STAFF
REDEDICATION AND RECOGNITION**

This weekend, we are rededicating our school staff to their positions of service and recognizing the public/private/homeschool staff who are Holy Cross members in the Wichita community.

Holy Cross School Faculty

..... Principal
Lois Pierce Preschool 3
Janet Newlin Preschool 4
Kathryn Boss Junior Kindergarten
Deb Snow Kindergarten
Tashia Dieckhoff First Grade
Janet Dobler Second Grade
Tracie Reida Third Grade
Gwen Thomas Fourth Grade
Dave Ochs Fifth Grade
Jacob Kelly Sixth Grade/Math/Science
Terri Vanwey
..... Seventh Grade/Language Arts/Library
Gregg Wolgast
..... Eighth Grade/Social Studies/P.E./Athletic Director
Jennifer Walterscheid Art Instructor
Cassidy Cheray Instrumental Music
Cindy Franson Vocal Music
Karen Wilgers Resource Teacher
Pam Amey Middle School Spanish

Holy Cross School Support Staff

Mary Ochs School Secretary
Katherine Wallace
.... Webmaster/Computer Instructor/Tech Coordinator
Jen Myers Preschool/Daycare Director
Karen Boles Preschool Assistant
Connie Frager Preschool Assistant
Mary Mathews Preschool Assistant
Kim Rickman Preschool Assistant
Ruth Zych Daycare Specialist
Lyn Burger P.E. Instructor/Para Educator
Mercy Jayakaran Para Educator
Tessa Reed Latchkey Director
Tanya Webster A.M. Latchkey Supervisor
Ashley Hall Head Cook
Lisa Wagner Assistant Cook
Christine Tuck Library Assistant

Public, Private, Home School Staff

Jennifer Baugh Swane Elementary, Derby
Roxann Baumfalk-Lee Park Hill Elementary, Derby
Ted Boettcher Faith Lutheran, Derby
Kristi Boatright Wichita Public Schools
Jeanette Bosch Christ the King Catholic School
Lynette Bosch
..... Grainfield Elementary, Grainfield, Kansas
Jennifer Brown Colvin Elementary
Tamie Davis Cooper Elementary, Derby

Karin Cernik Wichita Public Schools
Cindy Deutsch Minneha Magnet Elementary
Sheryl Deutsch Trinity Academy
Mary Dohl Mead Middle School
Peggy Drew Wichita Collegiate School
Lee Erdwien Wichita Public Schools
Barb Fiegenbaum Park Hill Elementary, Derby
Angie Haberichter Wheatland Elem., Andover
Kim Hansen Bostic Magnet Elementary
Marcia Helmke Rose Hill Public Schools
Levi Herriage Hamilton Middle School
Madison Herriage Hamilton Middle School
Hannah Hornung
..... Baker & Friends Univ. & Butler Comm. College
Nikki Inman Wichita Public Schools
Karin Johnson Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School
Peggy Jones-Foxx University of Phoenix, Wichita
Sue Kleber L'Ouverture Magnet Elementary
Dodie Kloth Mulvane High School
Evonne Kuhrt Wichita Public Schools
Cathy McElroy Mulvane Middle School
Susan Meyer Northeast Magnet High School
Margaret Mills Woodman Elementary
Donna Myers Ewalt Elementary, Augusta
Anita Norris Woodman Elementary
Kris Osler Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School
Comrie Peppers Trinity Academy
Jaime Poulos Derby Public Schools
Ronita Presnell Peace Christian Academy
Linda Puls Park Hill Elementary, Derby
Josh Scaglione Maize School District
Laura Scaglione Andover eCademy
Roger Scales Friends University
Barbara Schlueter Friends University
Sheree Segraves
..... Meadowlark Elementary, Andover
Susan Shannon
..... Friends University & Butler Community College
Rachel Smith Trinity Academy
Brian Shelton Valley Center Public Schools
Kristen Shelton Valley Center Public Schools
Carmen Stephens Newman University
Jaime Theisen Rose Hill Public Schools
Jennifer Uhlenhop Andover Public Schools
Kris Warnke Goddard Challenger School
Laura Weidner Wichita Public Schools
John White Andover Public Schools
Cheryl Witt Northeast Magnet High School
Steven Young Derby Middle School
Melissa Zapien Wichita Public Schools
Miguel Zapien Wichita Public Schools
Laura Zellers Wichita State University
Andrea Zimmerman USD 259

If your name is not listed above and you work in the field of education, we still want to hear from you. Please call the Church Office at 684-5201 and let us know where you are employed.

SECOND SATURDAY THANKS!

Thanks to the team who provided our Second Saturday meal this past weekend! The food was delicious! Would you like to help with this event? We need extra help! Contact Kent Stephens (684-5201 or KentStephens@HolyCrossLutheran.net).

KEEPING COOL WHEN PARENTING HEATS UP!

Has the toy aisle become your torture aisle? The candy zone your war zone? Would you like to regain the joy of shopping instead of having it be a hostage takeover?



Welcome to Love and Logic. Love and Logic is dedicated to making parenting fun and rewarding instead of stressful and chaotic. Love and Logic provides practical tools and techniques that help adults achieve respectful, healthy relationships with their children.

Want to learn more? Attend *Love and Logic Early Childhood Parenting Made Fun!* which will be offered on Tuesdays, starting in September (September 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and October 7th) led by Melissa Meyer, facilitator for the Love and Logic Institute. You may register by emailing Melissa at LoveandLogic.Meyer@gmail.com, calling 316-308-7789 or by filling out a registration form at our Church or School offices. The cost of the class is \$125; a registration fee of \$25 (applied to total cost of the class) is due with your registration. Register by Wednesday, September 3rd.

Visit the display in the Narthex (entryway to the Worship Center) for more information. Melissa is available in the Narthex after both the 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday services this weekend to answer questions and tell you more about Love and Logic.

P.S. Are you living with a drama queen? Do you award the Oscar weekly? Is getting your kids to do their chores your number one chore? Stay tuned for information on an upcoming class for the challenges of older children, coming soon!

RECORD OF OUR RESPONSE

August 9/10, 2014

Worship Attendance (168, 293, 253).....	714
Children's Saturday/Sunday School	89
Adult Classes	118
Youth Bible Classes	36
Needed to meet weekly budget 2014/15	\$32,425
Weekly offering plate receipts.....	\$25,038
Weekly electronic receipts	\$1,728
Year-to-date offering budget.....	\$183,936
Year-to-date offering receipts	\$171,380

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The time to sign up is NOW!! On Sunday, August 31st from 8:00—11:15 a.m., the Red Cross will be here for a blood drive. The blood drive will be on the bus, which will be parked in the front parking lot along Greenwich Rd.

With the return of the bus, we have extra time slots available. To keep the bus coming back, we need to fill up the available times. There are still 13 appointments open.

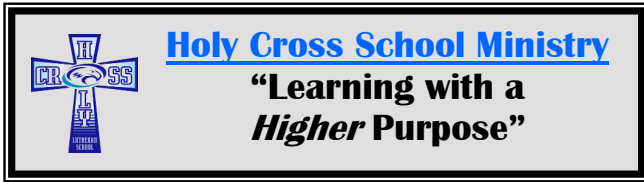
A sign-up sheet is on a table in the Narthex (entryway to the Worship Center). You may also call the Church Office at 684-5201 during the week to sign up.

If you have never donated before, or if it has been a while since you have done so, information is available at www.redcrossblood.org that will help you understand the importance of this life-saving act.

BELL CHOIR

Bell Choir rehearsals resume on Wednesday, September 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center. You do need to be able to read music to play bells, but you do not need previous bell playing experience. We will train you. Come and try it. You may just love it! We play once a month, usually on the second Sunday. Contact Teresa Hauschild if you have any questions (788-1325; mhauschild@cox.net).





2014-2015 School Theme

It's an exciting time as school started this past week. Our school theme this year is **Lights for Christ**: *"In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."* Matthew 5:16

HCLS Mission Statement

We, through God's grace, nurture spiritual, academic, physical, emotional, and social growth in children by guiding them to become responsible citizens and members of the body of Christ.

HCLS Vision Statement

Recognizing our *Higher* purpose, we partner with families and our congregation to:

- develop Biblically sound individuals and Christian leaders through excellence in Christian education;
- grow our school community by modeling and teaching Christ-like living and providing excellent education;
- be Christ's witnesses to the community and be known for our quality Christ-centered education and service.

Coming Up This Week:

- Aug. 18: Preschool Chapel 9:00 a.m.
Instrument Tryouts
- Aug. 20: Chapel 8:20 a.m.
Band Night 5-6:00 p.m.
- Aug. 22: STUCO Elections—Room Reps

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS!

It's hard to believe, but we are already working on Christmas stockings for Project Christmas Hope, our massive outreach to people in need. We are currently looking for someone who operates a serger sewing machine who would be willing to assemble stockings. We are also looking for people who would like to help decorate them with fabric paint. Does this sound like you? Please contact Kent Stephens for more information at 684-5201 or KentStephens@HolyCrossLutheran.net.



Senior Youth Ministry



Pool Party Rescheduled! The pool party has been rescheduled for next Sunday, August 24th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Meet us at the home of Eldon and Shirley Self, 557 N. Broadmoor. Call Brian at 305-5049 with any questions.

Coming Events:

- August 17th: Youth Leadership Team Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- August 20th: Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
- August 24th: Pool Party at the Self's Home 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- August 27th: Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Junior Youth Ministry

Sunday Morning Bible Class: Join us in the Gym for Bible Class each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m.

As we begin the new school year, we pray that God will bless and keep us. There are no events scheduled over the next few weeks as we all get into our "back to school" routines. See you at our Friday Night Lock Down on September 5th.

Coming Events:

- September 5th: Friday Night Lock Down

Singles Ministry



Monday, August 18th—7:30 p.m.—Bible Study at Mary Dohl's home.

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

Hebrews 11:1

CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST / WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

God wants us to be good stewards while we live on this earth and wisely use everything He entrusts to us. We can be good stewards of His gifts even after He calls us home to heaven.



Sooner or later, and for the sake of our loved ones it ought to be sooner, each of us needs to be able to answer these questions: What will happen to my assets and loved ones when I die—especially if I die unexpectedly? What happens if I die without a plan? How can I ensure that my children will be cared for in a loving, Christian home? How can I ensure that my family will be cared for financially? How can I be sure possessions will be distributed the way I want?

On Thursday, September 18th, we have the opportunity to learn how to deal with these issues. This seminar will help us plan for the welfare of our families. It will help us see how a Christian Will or Trust can help us:

- leave our loved ones comforted and hopeful as we witness our certainty of eternal life through God's love in Jesus Christ.
- name Christian guardians for our children.
- provide for the financial needs of our family.
- provide for our parents' needs in their older years.
- help our loved ones to avoid the high costs and time delays of probate.
- minimize taxes.
- ensure that our possessions are distributed the way we intend.
- provide a gift for the work of the Lord.

The Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School Endowment Fund Committee has organized this seminar by bringing to us several individuals trained in estate planning. The seminar will be presented at 2:00 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday September 18th in the Parlor. The presentation is scheduled to last one hour.

Regardless of your age or marital status, this information is important for everyone. Please make plans to attend one of these seminars. If you have any questions, you may call Kent Hoyer in the Church Office at 684-5201.

CHOIR AT KANSAS STATE FAIR

The Adult Choir is once again going to sing for the church service at the Kansas State Fair on Sunday, September 7th at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Snow will be preaching at this service. Choir members who wish to participate need to contact Teresa Hauschild for more information (788-1325; mhauschild@cox.net). Music and gate tickets will be passed out at our first rehearsal on September 3rd at 8:00 p.m.

LLL / LHM BOOTH AT THE STATE FAIR

The Kansas District Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL) / Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) sponsors a booth at the Kansas State Fair, which is being held on September 5th-14th in Hutchinson. Volunteers from the area Lutheran churches man the booth in three-hour time slots throughout the Fair. If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact Mike Tonn at 620-465-3435. Gate tickets are available for those that volunteer their time to share in this ministry opportunity.

LORD'S DINER UPDATE

Thanks to all who served at the Lord's Diner this month. The Diner served 220 people and couldn't have done it without all the volunteers. The next night Holy Cross is scheduled to serve is Thursday, September 4th. If you are interested in serving, contact Maria Keil at mariak430@gmail.com or 744-8935.

THANK YOU!

We were blessed by the hard work of three high school students throughout the summer. Zac Masterson, Beth Snow and Katie Wolgast were tremendous workers. The weeding of many garden areas was one of the most noticeable benefits of their labors, in addition to some painting. Thank you Zac, Beth, and Katie, for being a blessing to God's family here at Holy Cross.

THE MEYER MINUTE By Dr. Dale A. Meyer

“Why did you doubt?” (Matthew 14:31)

Why did you waver in your trust that God would bring you through? When you were seriously short of money... When the diagnosis shook your being... When people and relationships failed you... When the promise of your career tanked... Why did you doubt?

Crossing a stormy Sea of Galilee late at night, the disciples are afraid. Jesus comes to them, walking on the water. First they think it's a ghost but realize it's Jesus! Peter asks to walk out to Jesus. He starts out but begins to sink from fear of wind and waves. “Lord, save me!” and Jesus pulls Peter out. Then Jesus asked today's question, “Why did you doubt?”



Please notice the tense. “Did” is past tense. “Why did you doubt?” Jesus didn't crow over Peter's lack of faith, “Why do you doubt?” present tense. No, Jesus first began to save Peter. “Lord, save me.” Jesus immediately reached out His hand and took hold of him.” (Matthew 14:30-31) It was only when Peter knew from his circumstances that he was being saved, that Jesus then said in effect, “Peter, now that you know you'll be safe, let's analyze what happened. Why did you doubt?”

“Before they call, I will answer; while they are yet speaking, I will hear.” (Isaiah 65:24) You who are redeemed for heaven, God knows your circumstances. He knows when you think you're going down, whatever the cause may be. He is already working your deliverance and already knows the day of your eternal deliverance. Like Peter, disciples come sooner or later to see the hints that God was indeed reaching down to save you. It's then, when we start to get it, that He invites the introspective look back, “Why did you doubt?” We see God from behind, and the more we look back at times He's delivered us, the more we trust that He will save, even if we don't yet see it happening.

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SAVE THE DATE

Get ready for “**Shred-It Day**” on Sunday, October 19th! (Please note...this is a different date than was originally published.) Activities on that day are sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Watch *Life at Holy Cross* for more information to come!

ADULT CHOIR

Adult Choir rehearsals resume on Wednesday, September 3rd at 8:00 p.m. in the Music Room. All “old” and new members are welcome. Please consider joining us even if you can't come every week. Come when you can, and sing the songs you know well enough. We especially need Sopranos. We are simply having a fun time learning music that glorifies our Lord in our worship services. You don't want to miss out on this fun group of people! If babysitting is an issue on Wednesdays, or if you have questions, contact Teresa Hauschild at 788-1325 or mhauschild@cox.net.

RAILROAD TIES

The railroad ties around the playground have been replaced with a plastic timber product that is more user-friendly. We still have about ten of the original railroad ties available to anyone who wants them.

If you, or someone you know, are in need of some railroad ties, please contact Kent Hoyer in the Church Office (684-5201).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



ALL ladies are invited to learn more about LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) at our annual Salad Supper on Tuesday, September 2nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A presentation will be given about Love Wichita and how LWML supported Love Wichita in April with part of the proceeds from the Christmas Shoppe last December. Bring a friend, a salad to share, and enjoy an evening of food and fellowship!

WELCOMING GUESTS

Holy Cross is blessed by the number of guests who join us in our worship services. Last weekend, we were joined by **86** guests. One or more of these individuals may have been sitting next to you. Did you help to make them feel welcome?



Happy Birthday To...

Some members of our church family will be celebrating birthdays this week and we would like to take this opportunity to wish them God's richest blessings on their special day. Why not join us by giving them a call or dropping a line to them to let them know you care! If you are not listed, we apologize and ask you to contact the Church Office so we can update our records. *Thank You.*

May God bless you and keep you on your special day and throughout the year.

August 18
Samantha O.
Keri Wo.

August 20
Jennifer H.
Easton H.
Sondra W.

August 22
Tammy B.
Elijah M.
Debra S.

August 24
Benjamin M.
Don M.
Peggy S.

August 19
Jordan P.
Ryan P.
Lydia S.
Cole W.
Brad W.

August 21
Kristi B.
Paige K.
Cameron V.

August 23
Lauren L.
Archer Z.



MEN'S BASKETBALL

Join us for a friendly game of basketball this Thursday, August 21st at 8:00 p.m.



PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, August 16th

Monthly Food Drive
C.A.T.C.H. 4:45 pm
Adult Bible Class 4:45 pm
Contemporary Worship & Communion Service 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 17th

Monthly Food Drive
Worship & Communion Service 8:15 am
Sunday School/Bible Classes 9:45 am
Worship Service 11:00 am
SR YTH Leadership Team Meeting 7-8:30 pm

Monday, August 18th

Preschool Chapel 9:00 am
Boy Scouts 7:00 pm
Bible Study—Singles 7:30 pm

Tuesday, August 19th

Care Night 7:00 pm
Elders 7:00 pm

Wednesday, August 20th

School Chapel 8:20 am
Braille 8:30 am
HCLS Band Night 5-6:00 pm
Confirmation Classes 7:00 pm
Senior Youth Bible Study 7-8:30 pm

Thursday, August 21st

Men's Bible Study at Jimmy's Diner 7:30 am
Adult Basketball 8:00 pm

Friday, August 22nd

Saturday, August 23rd

C.A.T.C.H. 4:45 pm
Adult Bible Class 4:45 pm
Contemporary Worship Service 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 24th

Worship Service 8:15 am
Sunday School/Bible Classes 9:45 am
Worship & Communion Service 11:00 am
SR YTH Pool Party at the Self's 5:30-7:30 pm

PRAYER and PRAISE



This prayer page invites you to join in a ministry of prayer in faithfulness to our Lord's injunction to "watch and pray..." (Matthew 26:41) The requests listed here represent only some of the many needs for prayer among us. Your requests may be added by filling out a prayer request card and placing it in the collection plate during the offering or by sending it to the Church Office.

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- Lord, thank You for adopting us as Your children. Please show us how and where we can best serve You.

Those in Need:

- For the family of Jeanne Decker, mother of Carol Chinberg, as they grieve her death on August 12th. Carol is the daughter-in-law of Dan and Marcia Chinberg.
- For Patrick and Cheryl, who are battling cancer.
- For all who suffer from depression.
- For all children as they return to school.
- For Kylee, who is looking for employment.
- For the family of LaVona, as they mourn her death.
- For a member's son who is waiting for a job offer which may not materialize. Please pray also for this young man's family, as they at times feel helpless as they watch him continue to struggle.
- For Mike who continues to battle a spiritual tug of war. Please pray that Mike would be blessed with God's peace.
- For all who continue to deal with cancer and other chronic illnesses, including Tripp Stratton, Merle Herriage, Alan Adamson, Ashley Personey, Denny Reed, Mary Stigge, Nancy Erdwien, Leitha Ring, Carol Strole, Bob Edwards, Cecilia Wizer, Melody Kaufman, Frank Miller, Christy Siebels, Suzanne Malcolm, Suzi Simmons, Ned Grober, Patricia Linhardt, Rosey Day, Paul Meiger, Larry Chadwick.

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.

- Serving overseas: Trent Clark, Jeremiah Waggoner, Aric Benkoski, Megan Benkoski, Sean Cantrell, Geoffrey Jensen and Arthur Rodriguez.
- Serving stateside: Adam Edwards, Kurt Ertel, Josh Gerstenberger, Kris Heck, Phillip Lim, Sara Pearce, Amber Peterson, Sean Rousseau, Eric Scott, Andrew Shepherd, Nathan Smith, Jon Sullivan, Joshua Weidner, J.D. Wilson, Nick Wilson, Devon Alford, Michael Ashcraft, Matt Ziegelbein, Caleb Becker, Bryce Kohler, Ty Postlewait, Nathan Mavia, Eugene Croft, Adrian Peppers and Tanya Lange.

Other Prayers:

- For the unborn children, for women who may be considering abortion. May hearts be open to accept God's truth.
- This week, we pray for college students **Ashley Allenbach, Lori Goodwin, Sarah Gunzelman, Evan Kihn, David Thomas** and **Matthew Whisler** at Butler Community College; **Andrew Clark** at Colorado Technical University (Grad School); **Erin Cernik, Helena Dieckhoff, Taylor Johnson, Alex List, Beth Stephens** and **Dan Stephens** at Concordia University, Seward; **Ben Stephens** at Concordia University, Wisconsin (Grad School). May the Lord bless their time in college and keep them safe in His grace.

Mission Prayers:

- That the Lord would open the doors of opportunity and empower us to serve our community.