

# **RESURRECTION NEWS**

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## Pastor's Letter

June, 2014

### Our Garuna Kids

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I'd like to introduce you to four very special children. They are all "Garuna Kids." In Khmer (Cambodian), the word 'Garuna' means something like, 'grace,' 'mercy' and 'compassion' all rolled together. I first became acquainted with the word 'Garuna' while working in Thailand and Cambodia.

The 'Garuna Foundation' is headed by Rev. Jeff Ehlers who lives in Phoenix, Arizona when he is not in Thailand and Cambodia. Rev. Ehlers wanted to do something to support the work of spreading the gospel in these two countries. The 'Foundation' initially began to raise money to help fund the cost of training Lutheran pastors. It then expanded into providing 'micro-loans' to congregations and individuals to help them become self-supporting. The need for education is particularly desperate in Cambodia, and so the Foundation began to work with Lutheran church leaders there to develop ways to get more children to school. That's what 'Garuna Kids' is all about. The 'Garuna Kids' program has expanded now into the development of Lutheran schools in Cambodia. To date, the 'Foundation' has built and staffed three Lutheran schools in Cambodia.

The 'Garuna Kids' project sponsors individual children at \$12 per month / \$360 per year, for their tuition, uniform and book expenses so that they may attend school. (*100% goes to the support of the child*). Our congregation has now adopted four 'Garuna Kids,' one through our LWML chapter and three through the Board for Missions. All four children live in the Kampot province of Cambodia, which I have visited twice. (*Population of Kampot province is 650,000; average family income is \$2.00 per day; less than 2% are Christian.*) Children who are selected for Garuna support live nearby a Lutheran congregation and are visited by the local pastor regularly, who will invite them to come to Sunday School, VBS and worship.

Our 'Garuna Kids' are: (*second name is their first name*)

- **Vith Kdye** - His birthday is August 6, 2001 and he is in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. (LWML)
- **Nem Dany** - Her birthday is April 13, 2006 and she is in 1<sup>st</sup> grade. (Bd. For Missions)
- **Hern Sreynich** - Her birthday is April 20, 2002 and she is in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. (BfM.)
- **Siek Matha** - Her birthday is December 19, 2002 and she is in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. (BfM)

Pictures of each child are posted on the Board for Missions bulletin board in the Narthex and on the LWML bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We are invited to pray for these children as well as correspond with each one. If you would be interested in writing to any of these 'Garuna Kids,' please see me.

Yours in Christ,  
*Pastor Nielsen*

### **Summer Worship Schedule - Now through August 31<sup>st</sup> :**

Worship begins at 9:00am. Sunday School is in recess. Regular worship schedule begins on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **New England District Deaconess - Tiffany Manor - Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.**

We are pleased to welcome Deaconess Tiffany Manor and her husband, pastor Jonathan Manor. Deaconess Manor will be on hand after worship to answer questions about how the work of the deaconess in a local congregation.

### **Mid-Year Congregation Meeting - Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> - Following Worship**

Mid-Year Congregation Meetings are for the purpose of reviewing the progress of the congregation in our mission to "Open Hearts" along with the introduction of a special program or project. This year's 'Mid-Year Meeting' will offer a review of the work we have done so far and some of the upcoming projects as well as a presentation and discussion on "The Deaconess and LCR." This is a POT-LUCK meeting, so bring a favorite dish to share.

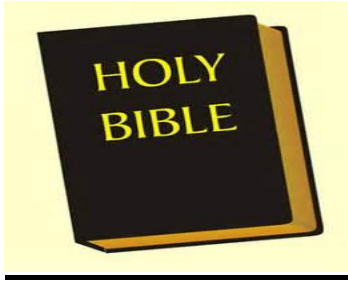
### **Frequently Asked Questions: What is the LCMS's view on the use of marijuana?**

**Q: A friend of mine claims that, other than being a 4th commandment violation, marijuana smoking is not biblically prohibited. I can't help but feel it's not okay biblically but have not been able to come up with verses to refute him. An obvious implication is that if marijuana were made legal that there would be absolutely no problem in its use. Would you be able to offer me any assistance in disputing his claim?**

**A:** Your question is a very important one and it touches on a matter that ought to be of much concern to Christians as they seek to live in a way that pleases God. We must remember, of course, that the Scriptures do not always specifically address many issues that Christians confront today. Nothing specific is said about the use of marijuana. However, this is not to say that the Bible provides us with no guidance regarding the use of a drug such as this. Quite the contrary, the Scriptures speak quite directly to the general moral question involved in drug usage.

Take, for example, Galatians 5:19-21 where Paul provides a sample list of "acts of the sinful nature." Included at the end of the list are things such as "drunkenness, orgies, and the like." Common to all of the items in the list is self-indulgence, the pursuit of pleasure, euphoria, and happiness through acts that serve our fleshly desires. Those who cave in to a life style ruled by such acts endanger their own spiritual welfare and may even through impenitence jeopardize their inheritance in the kingdom of God. Note, too, that in the list of the "fruit of the Spirit" in the verses that follow is the quality of "self-control." It is not difficult to see that the use of drugs falls into the category of self-indulgence, which is the characteristic of all "acts of the flesh." It may be important also to note that not everything that is legal is morally permissible. For example, that abortion is legal does not mean that it is morally permissible in God's eyes.

God promises to those who believe in Jesus Christ the gift of His Holy Spirit so that they may live on a higher level. St. Paul provides a great summary of this life style when he says in 1 Corinthians, "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God" (10:31). *(From LCMS web site)*



## Monthly Worship

**June 1, 2014**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**Psalm:** 68: 1-10

**First Reading:** Acts 1: 12-26

**Epistle:** 1 Peter 1:17-25

**Holy Gospel:** Luke 24:13-35

**June 8, 2014**

**The Day of Pentecost**

**Psalm:** 25: 1-15

**First Reading:** Numbers 11: 24-30

**Epistle:** Acts 2: 1-21

**Holy Gospel:** John 7:37-39

**June 15, 2014**

**The Holy Trinity**

**Psalm:** 8

**First Reading:** Genesis 1; 1—2: 4a

**Epistle:** Acts 2: 14a, 22-36

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 28: 16-20

**June 22, 2014**

**Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**Psalm:** 91:1-10 (11-16)

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 20: 7-13

**Epistle:** Romans 6: 12-23

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 10: 5a, 21-33

**June 29, 2014**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Psalm:** 119: 153-160

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 28: 5-9

**Epistle:** Romans 7:1-13

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 10: 34-42

## BIBLE QUIZ

**1. What kind of animals did Jesus permit some demons to possess?**

A) cows B) pigs C) sheep D) goats

**2. Which lesser known prophet was a shepherd (or herdsman)?**

A) Amos B) Nahum C) Obadiah  
D) Malachi

**3. What was significant about the poor widow's offering of the two least-valuable coins?**

A) they were just found on the dusty ground outside; she sacrificed nothing to God B) they were two of the last ten coins she owned; she sacrificed a lot to God C) they were the last of her dowry inheritance; she sacrificed her nest egg to God D) they were the last two coins she owned in life;; she sacrificed her all to God

**4. On what day of creation did God create the oak tree?**

A) second B) third C) fourth D) fifth

**5. What potentially fatal thing occurred during one of Paul's late night gigs?**

A) he was bitten by a viper B) a legion of Roman soldiers stormed the place C) a sleeping man fell from the third-floor window to the ground below D) a leprous man entered the crowded room

**6. What was a former name of Jerusalem?**

A) Palestine B) Salim C) Jebusi D) Jetasebes

Answers on "Birthday" page

# The Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

## Calendar of Events

### June, 2014

#### **Week of June 1<sup>st</sup>**

Sunday - 6/1                      9:00am.        Worship – Seminarian Greg Bauch

Monday - 6/2                      6:00pm.        Board of Elders

#### **Week of June 8<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday - 6/9                      9:00am.        Worship

Wednesday – 6/11              6:30pm.        Board for Missions

Friday – 6/13                      7:00pm.        Higher Things Youth – Sleep Over

#### **Week of June 15<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday - 6/15                      9:00am.        Worship - Father's Day

Monday - 6/16                      6:00pm.        Board for Youth  
7:00pm.        Church Council

#### **Week of June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Sunday - 6/22                      9:00am.        Worship  
10:30am.        **Mid-Year Congregation Meeting**

#### **Week of June 29<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday - 6/29                      9:00am.        Worship -  
6/23-30                              Pastor Nielsen on vacation



- 6/1 Peter Gaug
- 6/2 Angie Carlson  
Beatrice Conover  
Sharon Klipp
- 6/6 Michael Kiser
- 6/7 Moe Cote
- 6/14 Callum Goldsmith
- 6/16 Sharon Callahan
- 6/24 Doris Brossy
- 6/26 Tiana Thomas
- 6/28 David Gideon



- 6/3 Emily-Lynn Carlson
- 6/7 Moe Cote
- 6/8 Ted Evertson
- 6/11 Arthur Conover
- 6/13 Daniel Morren
- 6/26 Bonnie Mathieu

**Bible Quiz Answers:**

1. B Matthew 8: 31-32
2. A Amos 1:1
3. D Luke 21:1-4
4. B Genesis 1:12-13
5. C Acts 20:9
6. C Joshua 18:28

**A REMINDER:** The next NL is the "Summer" issue (July/August).



**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 6/10 Ted & Dorothy Evertson
- 6/15 Brian & Andrea Watson
- 6/19 Mike & Michelle Hein



**CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES**

- 6/5 Natalie Crowley
- 6/?? Doris Brossy

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**More Gravestones**

-----In a London, England cemetery:  
Here lies Ann Mann, who lived an old maid but died an old Mann. Dec. 8, 1767.

-----In a Ruidoso, New Mexico cemetery:  
Here lies Johnny Yeast. Pardon him for not rising.

-----In a Uniontown, Pennsylvania cemetery:  
Here lies the body of Jonathan Blake, Stepped on the gas instead of the brake.

-----In a cemetery in Hartscombe, England:  
On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June, Jonathan Fiddle went out of tune.

-----A lawyer's epitaph in England:  
Sir John Strange-- Here lies an honest lawyer and that is Strange.

-----On a grave from the 1880's in Nantucket, MA:  
Under the sod and under the trees, Lies the body of Jonathan Pease. He's not here, there's only the pod, Pease shelled out and went to God.

# June Stewardship

	<u>June 1</u>	<u>June 8</u>	<u>June 15</u>	<u>June 22</u>	<u>June 29</u>
<u>Acolyte</u>	Sarah Kohl	Jacob Huesers	Caden Fitzpatrick	Emily Larsen	Sarah Kohl
<u>Comm. Assistant</u>	Chris Batson	Brad Fitzpatrick	Mike Hein	Mark Larsen	Don Pryor
<u>Ushers</u>	Glenn Carlson & Tom Huesers	John Gould & Bill Jahkne	Moe Cote & Curt Slininger	Brad Grierson & John Ayotte	Brian Watson & Seth Carlson
<u>Greeters</u>	Jim & Darryll Zahner	Jared & Amanda Goldsmith	Ray & Betsy Gorneau	Tom and Katie Huesers	John & Esther Gould
<u>Altar Care</u>	Andrea Watson	Esther Gould	LeeAnne Larsen	Katie Huesers	Avis Grant
<u>Flowers</u>	Sharon Klipp	Sharon Klipp	Mike & Michelle Hein	Mike & Michelle Hein	John & Karen Ayotte
<u>Fellowship</u>	Pot Luck Brunch	OPEN	Frank & Vesta Holt	Mid-Year Meeting Pot Luck Brunch	OPEN

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