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THE REFORMATION

Here I Stand

Luther's Protestant views were condemned as heretical by Pope Leo X in the bull Exsurge Domine in 1520. Consequently Luther was summoned to either renounce or reaffirm them at the Diet of Worms on 17 April 1521. When he appeared before the assembly, Johann von Eck, by then assistant to the Archbishop of Trier, acted as spokesman for Emperor Charles the Fifth. He presented Luther with a table filled with copies of his writings. Eck asked Luther if he still believed what these works taught. He requested time to think about his answer. Granted an extension, Luther prayed, consulted with friends and mediators and presented himself before the Diet the next day. When the counselor put the same question to Luther the next day, the reformer apologized for the harsh tone of many of his writings, but said that he could not reject the majority of them or the teachings in them. Luther respectfully but boldly stated, *"Unless I am convinced by proofs from Scriptures or by plain and clear reasons and arguments, I can and will not retract, for it is neither safe nor wise to do anything against conscience. Here I stand. I can do no other. God help me. Amen."*

On May 25, the Emperor issued his Edict of Worms, declaring Martin Luther an outlaw.



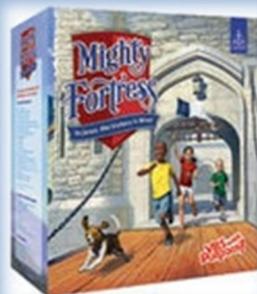
Carson Godwin - 5th
Jansen Bohanan - 18th
Chesney Kate Gilmore - 8th
Lakiyah Harris - 10th
Mary Leigh Sanchez - 10th
Joanne Barnett - 15th
Brenda Barnett - 15th
Jennifer Houge - 17th
Evan Greer - 17th
Shyann Owens - 17th
Nicholas Martin - 25th

Golden Agers

Inez Henderson - 14th
Jack Holloway - 28th
Buddy Singletary - 25



Our group from Advent will be leaving for Peru on June 12, returning on June 25th. Please keep them in your prayers for travel safety and God's guidance while in Peru.



Vacation Bible School

Mighty Fortress

Invite Your Friends

June 25-29
6:30 pm
Dinner provided

Services for June



Altar Guild:

6/4 Ruthie and Ron Padgett
6/11 Barbara & Forrest Greer
6/18 Andrea Young/ Gwin Poston
6/25 Margaret Harken

Lay Readers

6/4 Jade Jones
6/11 Lin Donnell
6/18 Jane Beam
6/25 Ruthie Padgett

Greeters: All Members of Advent

Audio Assistant: Jade Jones

Ushers: Lance & Greg Harrelson, Andrew Young, Emily Newbold

Flowers and Lamps for May

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Wm. W. Cantey Jr. given by Jeanette Burn, Andrea Jones, and Mary Solomon.

In honor of Jennifer Barnett's birthday given with love by her family.

In honor of Cameron Buskirk as he graduates from high school. Given by your family with much love.

In memory of Robert McNaughton given by Thelma Horres

In memory of Nell McNaughton given by Thelma Horres

To the glory of God given by Thelma Horres

In honor of Randall Shealey given by Rae Wolfensberger

In celebration of my Dad, David Sauls Jr.'s 91st birthday given by his children David, Cindy



The centerpiece of the Holy Families initiative is the website- www.holyfamilytime.com-featuring a host of resources to aid in promoting discipleship in the home. The Holy Family Time devotional was written with these key emphases in mind: Solid Bible Content, Child and Family friendly reading, Lutheran Theological Perspective, Questions asked by children, Employing Luthers three ófold approach to Scripture: **Prayer, Study and Struggle.** õIn the Luther Householdö, is a printed Bible study based on NALC's biblical, confessional, traditional understanding of marriage and family.

Pastor Jones has this study and is willing to have a class in a home or at Advent. If anyone is interested in opening their home for this please let the office know.

On May 18th, Prime of Life went to Paula Deen's Restaurant in Savannah, Ga. for lunch. We all anticipated a wonderful day and was not disappointed as the 14 of us worked our way into the van with Pastor at the helm. Fun, laughter and fellowship stayed with us for the day.

On another note, in case any of you wonder why Pastor always wears her collar, let me share this with you.

First of all it is to be identified as a safe person of God that you may encounter and be reassured of a faithful ear and message. That being said, as so often happens with Pastor whether she is having coffee, walking outside or any other activity in or out of the church building, she was approached by our waitress at Paula Deen's. Pastor was asked if she may speak to her about a few things that she had encountered recently. "Of course", was the answer. So after the lengthy conversation, Pastor had comforted our server and perhaps helped her on her own journey of personal growth with the Lord.

I have witnessed this interaction with Pastor and "her collar" many times while working at Advent throughout the week. Thank You Pastor Jones for always having time for your Advent family as well as all those who seek you out for any number of reasons, looking for reassurance. Anyone that thinks a Pastor only works on Sunday should follow Pastor Jones around for a week!!! It can be an amazing, exhausting journey!

Lin Donnell

Life Changes
Wade Russell Dyson
passed to the Church Triumphant on
May 28, 2017

*Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort: Deal graciously: we pray,
with those who mourn, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the
consolation of your love: through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Prayer from the Lutheran Book of Worship*



Join us for Rafting trip on July 7th & 8th
at Nantahla Outdoor Center
call office for more information if interested.

Men's Appreciation Dinner

June 17th, 5pm



ng God's call and being part of Compassion
alk beside you as you shared your heart to help
isøname.

Very soon, the thousands of children who were sponsored on Compassion Sunday will hear the news that they now have a sponsor! For many this will be the answer to prayer- some have been praying for a long time. YOU helped make this possible. Thank You!

In Christ,
Santiago ãJimmyö Mellado
President and CEO Compassion International

On Compassion Sunday, Advent Lutheran Church adopted a young man, Kabarín Gee, from Indonesia. He is 15 years old. His birthday is January 7, 2002. Will have more information to share next month.

Pastor Samar Ghandour was ordained on May 18th and is now an Associate Pastor of Advent with a call to Liberia. He will be visiting us in July. We look forward to welcoming him to our family. As time goes on we will be having updates on his mission in Liberia.

