

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments." John 14:15

Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well, "She was forgiven much, so she loved much" (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins – and this causes love to well up in us, which in turn causes us to keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is "Love."



LWML NEWS

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Thanks to all donors, crafters, purchasers for your support!

All card income goes to support LWML mission projects in U.S. & abroad.

MISSIONARY UPDATES: Check the east bulletin board for the latest updates from the Wagners, the missionaries that we support in our prayers and with the occasional monetary offering. Also, read the latest update from our adopted seminarian, Jacob Schultz.

CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND WORSHIP *(FOR MAY 14, 2017

Contributions	include
online o	fferings

General Fund	\$ 7,183.00	Thursday 7:00 pm	14
Building Fund	\$ 95.00	Nursery	5
Endowment Fund	\$ 442.45	Sunday 8:30 am	72
Memorial Fund	\$ 0.00	Sunday 10:45 am	51
All Other Funds	\$ 93.00		



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, May 21Lord's Supper8:30 amWorship9:45 amEducation Hour/Lehnherr Annv.10:45 amWorship1-3:00 pmLight Rest

Monday, May 22

10:00 amLWML Cards2:30 pmSeven Hills Academy
Spring Concert RehearsalLoaves and Fishes

Tuesday, May 23

9:30 am	Friendly Visitors
6:00 pm	A.A.
6:30 pm	Seven Hills Academy
	Spring Concert
7:30 pm	Men's Garage Bible Study

Wednesday, May 24

8:00 am MWPB—*Off Site*6:00 pm A.C.A.7:00 pm Contemporary Rehearsal

Thursday, May 25

11:00 am Ascension Service - *Redemption, Bloomington* 7:00 pm Ascension Service

Friday, May 26

9:30 am M.O.P.S. 6-7:00 pm Light Rest Bible Study *Fireside Room*

Sunday, May 28-Volunteer Appreciation

8:30 am Worship 9:45 am NO Education Hour. 10:45 am Worship - ♥ 1-3:00 pm Light Rest

 $rac{1}{4}$ - On the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 10:45am, we offer a contemporary worship service.

If you would like to place an announcement in the Beacon, please give it to the office in writing (note or to office email below), by noon Tuesday for the upcoming Sunday.





ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

William & Louise Lehnherr are celebrating their 67th anniversary this year! They invite you to join in a celebration, hosted by the Webber girls, that will be held in the Fireside Room between services today.

M.O.P.S.: The last Mothers Of PreSchoolers (M.O.P.S.) meeting of the school year will be this Friday, May 26th. There is a slight time change, 9:30-11:30am. We will discuss possible summer plans at this meeting.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION: We will recognize all of our great volunteers next Sunday, May 28th, between services in the Fireside Room.

LIBRARY ADDITIONS: Memorial Day is May 29th, and in honor of the men and women who have served our country, the library has a great selection of related books along the ledge, that will help us to truly appreciate our freedom!

GRADUATE BIOS: If you will have a graduate in your family, please let us know! We'd like to hear where they are graduating from, and what their future plans might be. We will acknowledge them during worship on June 4th.



BEAM TEAM: Please return BEAM communion kits when you are through with them, or if you weren't able to visit your shut-in. Bring it to the office or put in my mailbox. I need to go thru each one and refresh supplies, or even, replace. Thank you, Lynn Schuster

COUNCIL NOTES: The April Council notes are available in the rack by the Emerson Ave doors. The Church council meets on the second Tuesday of each month and is open for any member to attend.

JUNE NEWSLETTER: Be sure to pick up your June **Eager Berean** newsletter that is now in your family mail slot in the narthex.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Young Bell Ringers

The older children of our Sunday School are learning to play the Chimettes, a set of twenty-five tone bells.



They will be practicing today and following Sundays in the Choir Room from 10:15 to 10:30. Any people who have played bells, past and present, are invited to mentor a group that may consist of ten children, so we could use quite a few mentors.

Our goal is to play on June 11, Holy Trinity Sunday, in both services at the opening hymn, Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow. The music is ready, the children are excited and you will be too, as you help them learn to patiently count and ring in a team effort to praise God.

Loaves and Fishes Too

Berea's Loaves and Fishes Too volunteers will be providing a free meal at the Creekside Community Center in Bloomington on Monday, May 22nd. New volunteers are always welcome to assist with serving, which will occur that day between 5:30-6:30pm. Contact Dan Fors for more details at 952-941-1553.

Before and After School Care

We are forming a support team for this new program. There will be a standing committee that will provide assistance to the Director of the Before and After School Care program. It will consist of one to three members of the church council and two to five other members of the congregation. If you might be interested in serving on this team, please see council president Linda Boyd or Pastor Tiaden.

<u>VBS</u>

Vacation Bible School will be held the week of June 26-30th, from 9:00am-noon. There are a number of areas that you could be of assistance. Anyone high school age or older is invited to help. Contact Hallie Nielsen at 612-978-8847.

Richfield 4th of July Parade and Penn Fest (September)

Berea would like to be involved in these two community events. We need someone who would take the lead on looking into and coordinating our involvement. If you might be interested in heading up one, or both, please contact Pastor Tiaden.