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# May 2017

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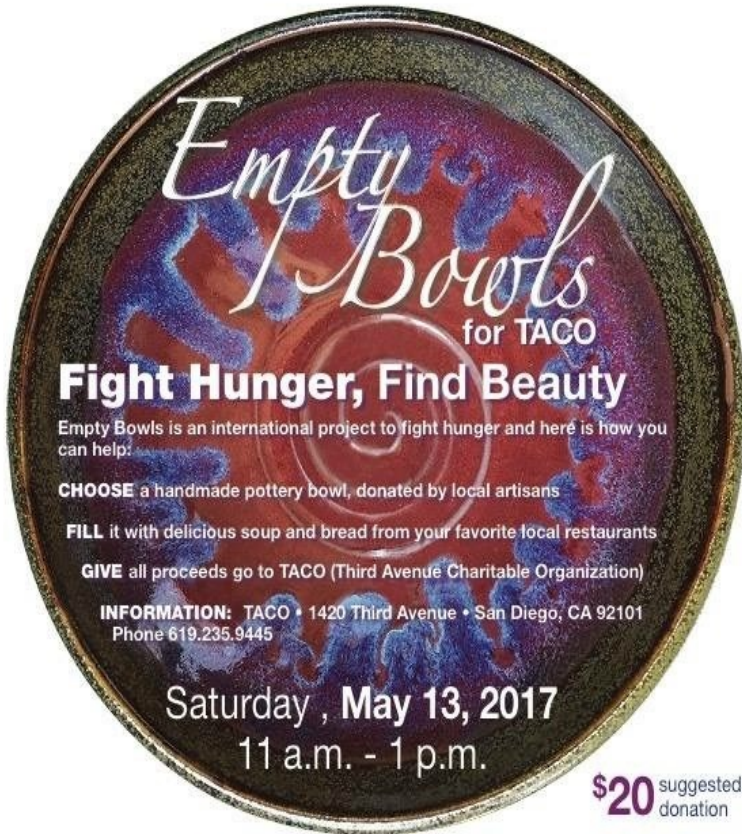


Still in the season of Easter we are able to look back on a meaningful Lent, Holy Week and a joyous Easter services. And yes, Easter is every day in which we are freed from the power of pessimism and death. Easter is every day when there is a rebirth of goodness and gladness in our hearts because of the living presence of Jesus Christ. Easter is every day when there is a renewal of springtime in our minds and hearts. So: A blessed Easter to you and yours!

Prior to the next church season starting with Pentecost in June, there is ample opportunity to experience Gethsemane Lutheran Church at her best, because May is a great month for worshiping every Sunday! May 14, we will celebrate Mother's Day, remembering or honoring not only our own mothers but including all who cared for and guided us throughout our lives in a motherly way. The last weekend in May is Memorial Day weekend. Again we will honor and recognize but this time those who died while serving in the country's armed forces.

Our ELCA Presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton, keeps emphasizing that worship is the core of who we are as a church. It sustains us and is the well-spring of all we are able to do. Going back in the history of the body of Christ, i.e. the church, I think Gethsemane Lutheran Church is doing a good job in following our forefathers and -mothers: We follow faithfully by **"devoting ourselves to fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and to prayer."** (Acts 2:46) ... and regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, marital status, social or economic state, physical or mental challenge, confident or questioning faith – all are welcome to our joint journey of spiritual discovery.

Walking with you in faith,  
Yours, Pastor Karin



**Empty Bowls for TACO**  
**Fight Hunger, Find Beauty**

Empty Bowls is an international project to fight hunger and here is how you can help:

**CHOOSE** a handmade pottery bowl, donated by local artisans

**FILL** it with delicious soup and bread from your favorite local restaurants

**GIVE** all proceeds go to TACO (Third Avenue Charitable Organization)

**INFORMATION:** TACO • 1420 Third Avenue • San Diego, CA 92101  
Phone 619.235.9445

**Saturday, May 13, 2017**  
**11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**\$20** suggested donation

**La Jolla United Methodist Church**

6063 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, CA 92037

**RESTAURANTS**

Beaumont's  
Bernini's Bistro  
Bread & Cie  
Brigantine Seafood  
Einstein's  
El Indio Mexican  
Restaurant & Catering  
Fairouz Restaurant & Gallery  
George's At The Cove  
Girard Gourmet  
Ignite

**Miguel's Cocina Mexican Food**

Pacific Del Mar  
Point Loma Seafoods  
Sammy's Woodfired Pizza  
San Diego Yacht Club  
The Cottage  
The Fishery  
The French Gourmet  
Chingon Hot Sauces  
Village Mill Bread Co.  
Waters Catering  
Whisknadle

**BOWLS**

Bishops School  
Clay Artists At The Vineyard  
Clay Artists Of San Diego  
Clay Associates  
Coronado High School  
Ecc Ceramics  
El Cajon Valley High School  
Fire & Mud Studio  
Plum Pottery  
La Jolla Country Day School  
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May

*Happy Birthday*

<b>Marta Brown</b>	<b>5th</b>
<b>Helena McGinley</b>	<b>6th</b>
<b>Nick Mulcahey</b>	<b>10th</b>
<b>Brad Trousdale</b>	<b>11th</b>
<b>Dianne Smalligan</b>	<b>16th</b>
<b>Mary Erlenborn</b>	<b>18th</b>
<b>Tami Bergen</b>	<b>23rd</b>
<b>Paul Sanderson</b>	<b>23rd</b>
<b>Joanne Driskill</b>	<b>25th</b>
<b>Roxanne Rosengarten</b>	<b>26th</b>
<b>Amy Trousdale</b>	<b>26th</b>
<b>Kathy Layritz</b>	<b>29th</b>
<b>Joetta Koishor</b>	<b>30th</b>
<b>Barbara Gandolfo</b>	<b>31st</b>

**Wednesday Friendship Lunch**

MAY IS OUR MONTH to provide soup, bread, and dessert for the Friendship Lunch held next door at Mission Village Christian Fellowship. Attendance continues to grow and we regularly have six tables. THE SIGNUP SHEET to help in some way is in the Narthex.

Prayerfully consider how you can help our leadership team of Jean Knapp and Richard Norton in this community ministry.

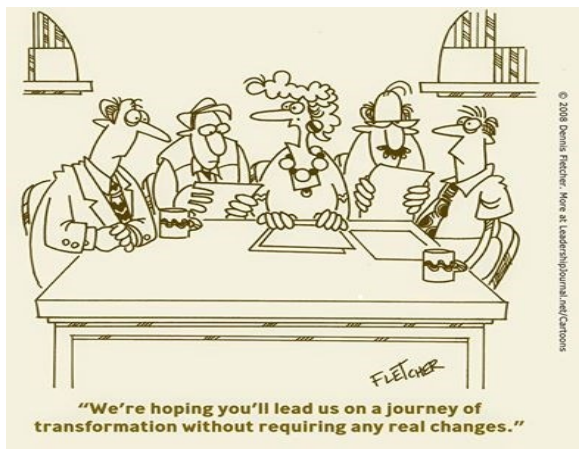
**Many Thanks...**

...to the Choir, Altar Guild, Musicians, Staff, and Ministry Assistants for sharing their gifts and time in so many ways during Lent and Holy Week as well as throughout the year.

...Thanks to those who gathered palms and put them up for Palm Sunday and Pastor K for taking them down.

...Thanks to Susan Mendoza for arranging the flower cross and her helpers....thanks to all who provided lilies and flowers.

...thanks to Linda Juhasz for her faithful scheduling of Ministry Assistants and to those so willing to serve!



## **In Our Community...**

### **NAMI Walk**

...thanks to all who are participating in the NAMI walk (April 29) representing Gethsemane and those who donated in support of our walkers. At the time of publication \$780 of the \$1K goal has been reached. Watch for an update next month.

### **Agape House Chili Cook-off**

...thanks to Earline Trinkle, Joetta Koishor and Richard Norton for their culinary expertise for the 14th Annual Chili Cook-off. GETHSEMANE WAS ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE OVER \$1K. Debbie inspired our bakers who brought back the Golden Spatula award for cookies which included bacon. Everything is better with bacon. It took a team for serving, transporting etc. which included Pastor K, Kelly Greason and Frank Mazzone, and others attended for support.

### **STOREFRONT**

...Many thanks to Becky and Ken for shopping and to all those who contributed to this worthy cause. Becky and Ken Baker completed their shopping for Storefront using our Christmas envelope designation and accumulated funds. They purchased basic clothing items, toiletries, gift cards, and a Wii game system.

### **Lutherans at 500 Class**

Join us for Part 2 of an in-depth study entitled, "Why we believe what we believe." This second study compares the teachings of Lutherans to other Protestant faiths meeting Saturday, May 6, 10:00am to Noon. **NOTE DATE CHANGE** due to a scheduling conflict. Study materials will be available soon. Contact Paul Sanderson if you have any questions.



### **Pacifica Synod Assembly**

At the March Council meeting, Mary Erlenborn and Tom Templeton were elected to be our Voting Members at the Pacifica Synod Assembly, May 11-13, here in San Diego. Council members Richard Norton and Kelly Greason may also attend to get familiar with the workings of the Synod Assembly. Please pray for them.

Pacifica Synod covers Orange, San Diego, Imperial, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties and Hawaii.

### **from Debbie Attwood:**

What a wonderful community to be a part of when life hits a speed bump!

Thank you for all the cards, calls, and emails. Thank you to Roxanne & Pat for re-dedicating my prayer quilt, and to the quilters for adding more ties and pink awareness ribbon! Thank you to Jerry Class for stepping in to help my dad when a last-minute time crunch pulled me away. Thank you to Ken and the choir for moving a rehearsal to accommodate my surgery. Thank you to Pastor Karin for waiting with Andy. Thank you to Richard Norton for keeping the office open on the Fridays I was recuperating. Thank you to Mary Erlenborn for handling the payroll and assuring the staff were paid on time.

And thank you all for your prayers and good humor as the journey continues.

### **AED Training has been rescheduled @**

#### **Gethsemane in June**

AED SEMINAR - On Sunday June 4, San Diego Project Heartbeat will present an information and training session on our Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Please plan to take the time to learn the simple operation of our AED, and some ways to recognize cardiac arrest. It could save a life! The seminar will be in the Garden Room after MMACC's service and all are welcome. Estimated start time 7:00pm (+-).



### **Around the property and grounds...**

...special thanks to Jeffrey Jenkins for the beautiful name tag holder that is at the entrance to the chapel. Sharing his talent with us will make it much easier to organize our name tags.

...thanks to Ellen Wagner for cutting palm branches and pulling weeds.

...thanks to Chuck Cheek for his ongoing daily duties as he gets pulled in one direction and then the other with numerous tasks.



### **May Celebrations**

Mother's Day – May 14

Memorial Day – May 29

Graduations



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*Gethsemane Lutheran Church...*  
*grounded in the gospel, anchored in Word*  
*and Sacrament, traditional yet creative,*  
*seeking to be God's people in this time*  
*and place.*

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## Weekly Opportunities

Worship with us each Sunday in May

### Sunday

8:00 a.m. Contemplative Communion

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Word, Prayer, and Meal

### Monday

10:00 a.m. Text Study for next Sunday

### Tuesday

1:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

### 24/7

A Labyrinth for prayer and meditation is in our front yard and available to all.

