



Montana Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Montana Synod Weekly Announcements May 24, 2021

Thank you from Lutheran Campus Ministry!

Thanks to all of our generous donors in the 2021 Give Big Gallatin Valley online fund raising event. Your gifts helped us meet our goal this year!

We thank YOU for your partnership, prayers, and financial support for Lutheran Campus Ministry at Montana State University.

God's blessings!

Pastor Kathie



Recorded Worship Experience for Use on Sunday, June 6, 2021. The Second Sunday After Pentecost.



A Gift from the Camps and Retreat Centers of the ELCA to the Congregations of the ELCA.

Parish pastors and worship leaders – we know that

your virtual leadership of worship experiences has been, for you, at the same time gratifying and demanding. As part of our gratitude for you, the leaders of outdoor ministries throughout the ELCA are offering you a complete worship video experience for use in your congregation and other settings. We hope that you will enjoy a Sunday worship experience that you have not had to feel the obligation of developing.

For the leaders of our camps and retreat centers – this will be an opportunity for them to share with you their joy and gratitude to God as they launch their summer camp ministries after a very difficult pandemic year and last summer with very few Lutheran summer camps taking place. We invite you to join us in this worship experience provided by the leaders of LOM focused with gratitude on the beauty and bounty of God's Creation.

The video will be available on the LOM website no later than May 28, and perhaps a few days prior to that.

You will be able to download the video, in its entirety,

And you will be able to download the bulletin for use with the entire worship experience,

Or you will be able to download a version of the video that you can easily pick and choose segments for your own setting,

All at www.lomnetwork.org



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Dear ELCA Rostered Ministers
and lay leaders,

On behalf of [Faiths4Vaccines](#), we invite you to join us for the [Faiths4Vaccines National Summit on May 26, 2021 from 1 to 4 pm EDT.](#)

Join us at the National Summit for the largest multi-faith gathering to support equitable and far-reaching vaccine distribution in the United States. Faith leaders and faith-based organizations in attendance will receive training, resources and empowerment to engage their communities to ensure equitable vaccine access, combat hesitancy and potentially use their houses of worship as vaccination sites.

Faith leaders, faith communities, and medical professionals are leading efforts to respond, recover from the unprecedented health crises facing our nation and the world. Now, equipped with a life-saving vaccine, we have the chance to bring this devastating, and all the suffering it has caused, to an end.

Now is the time to partake in open and honest dialogue between faith leaders and county, state and national health officials to identify opportunities for faith-based institutions to further engage and support local communities to increase vaccination rates.

[Click here to register for the event.](#)

We look forward to welcoming you at the Summit!

Yours in Peace,

Faiths4Vaccine Executive Committee:

Rev. Jim Wallis, Founder, Sojourners

Dr. Mohamed Elsanousi, Executive Director, the Network for Religious and Traditional Peacemakers

Rev. Jim Winker, President and General Secretary, National Council of Churches

Rabbi David Saperstein, Director-Emeritus, Union for Reform Judaism

Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner, Co-Convener of the National African American Clergy Network

Dr. Uzma Syed Infectious Disease Specialist, Islamic Medical Association of North America



Hello Everyone,

Wishing everyone a very safe and happy spring J. We have been busy here at Immanuel Foundation and we love to keep you up to date with our quarterly newsletters. The attached newsletter has a link to our new [impact page](#) which outlines how your donations and gifts of time have helped our community and some updates from our very own Pastor Al Jensen. Your members were extremely generous with their gifts of time during the pandemic. We secured over 1700 homemade gowns and 1500 homemade masks. They also donated dollars to help keep residents safe. As we begin to come out of the pandemic, we are very grateful to all of you for your support.

If you have any questions, please contact me at heidih@immanuelfoundation.org or call 406.407.5733.

[Download the Foundation newsletter here!](#)

Upcoming FLBC Retreats & Events

Visit <https://flbc.net/annual-programming/> to learn more about our year-round programming and to find information on how to register for each of these retreats.

Memorial Day Family Retreat & Work Weekend - Register by May 14th!

May 28-31, 2021

FREE! Registration still required :-)

Come have a fun weekend and help FLBC get ready for summer! Plus, we're hosting a 5K Run/Walk! Add it to your Memorial Weekend Retreat, or just join us for the event on Saturday, May 29th. Run or walk the route at FLBC to help us raise funds for camperships! \$25 per participant includes a Transformation T-Shirt & lunch!



Women's Retreat - Register by May 25th!

June 11 - 13, 2021

\$165/person (\$125 for Saturday only)

Join us for a weekend of rejuvenation, fellowship and fun! Pastor Miriam Schmidt (Big Sky, MT) will lead us through the theme "Saying No, Saying Yes - A Spiritual Practice"

Summer Family Weekends - Register 2 weeks ahead of time

July 2 - 4 & July 16 - 18, 2021

Spend time on the lake, enjoy Bible Study sessions led by Pastor Barb Gwynn & Pastor Scott Hedegaard (weekend 1) and Pastor John Lund (weekend 2).

BACKPACKING WITH THE BISHOP!

Join FLBC Staff and Bishop Laurie Jungling for a backpacking trip through the Jewel Basin, August 22 - 26. Find more information at <https://flbc.net/backpackingwiththebishop/>

Christikon Clips



May, 2021

Information for our Congregations

There is still room to register for camp this summer! Space remains in most youth on-site sessions and families/adult sessions, including the **Work Weekend, May 28-31. Families register online.**

Register online www.christikon.org, or use the forms distributed with the youth brochures in your congregation. Or call us at the camp office for further information.

Special guest speakers become part of the Christikon life this summer during sessions for adults and families. During Continuing Education Retreat (July 26 – 29) and Mountain Weekend (July 30-Aug 1) we feature **Dr. Hans Wiersma and Dr. Aana Marie Vigen**. Topic details can be found on our website. Come spend a few days of relaxation, learning, and faith growth with us. Full details can be found on our website www.christikon.org.

Remember to pray for your congregation's ministry through Christikon this summer, for the summer staff, and for all who join in the Christikon life.

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