## The Dove

May 2015

## Living The Gospel

Christ was without sin, but for our sake God made him share our sin in order that in union with him we might share the righteousness of God.

- 2 Corinthians $5: 21$

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
Everyone once in a while I think of a short story entitled "Ragman". It was written by Walter Wangerin, Jr., a Lutheran pastor who taught at Valparaiso University in Indiana.

The gist of the story is this. A man walks through a small un-named town offering new linens for old rags. It doesn't take long to see that this story is an allegory for Christ. It is the idea expressed in the Bible passage above. Christ takes our $\sin$ on himself. In return, we receive pure righteousness for ourselves.

This exchange is the gospel in its simplest form.
Often we see baptism as an example of this exchange. Through the waters of baptism, we are clothed with the new garment of Christ while he takes our old garments, sin, upon himself.

But does that exchange stop there? Or is this exchange also a key element of living the Gospel?

I think so. At baptism we are gifted in so many ways. Does God grace us with talents and time to share our clean linens in exchange for the unclean rags of others.

I am thinking of things like people carrying burdens. Are we not graced by God to take others burdens on ourselves? I am thinking about people enslaved to certain things in their lives. Are we not graced by God to free others?

My point is simple. As God has clothed us in linens of righteousness, are we not vehicles of clothing others in that same righteousness.

I think this is living the Gospel.

## Christ's Peace

## Pastor Adams



PEACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday Service
9:30 a.m.
Fellowship
10:30 a.m.
Bible Class

11:10 a.m.


WELCOME
Adrain Johann Stein
Born Sunday, April 26th at 2:29AM

9 lbs 13 oz .
Congratulations
Dahlia and Sebastian

## Sausalito CARSS program

Looking for both riders and drivers for Sausalito CARSS program. This is a free ride program for seniors over 60 and disabled persons in Sausalito which will operate 10am - 2 pm weekdays starting May 4.

Contact Mary Ann Griller for application and details.

Financial Summary
Approved Budget Income
Actual Income
Less Total Expenses
NET GAIN/LOSS

## MARY \& MARTHA

Mary and Martha Ladies bible Study will meet on Tuesday, May 12th at 7:00PM in Luther Lounge.

Please bring a food item to share.

## BIRTHDAYS

5-3 AnaHilda Mosher
5-5 Eric Risberg
5-17 Art Strassburger
ANNIVERSARIES
5-5 Brian \& Jackie Miller
5-12 David \& Jane Green
"Crosses for Peace" -
PLC received a large donation of cross necklaces and religious jewelry. We were given these Crosses as a gift to take and enjoy and also give to someone else as a gift. The cross is a visible symbol of Christianity. By wearing one we show that we believe in Jesus Christ and are proud to display it! There is a gift card with PLC information on it enclosed in each gift bag that is given out.

The program is starting to take off. Many church members have taken crosses during coffee hour and are wearing and distributing them. The experience is very rewarding and more and more people are participating.

APRIL Menu
"Brown Bag" Meal
Program For Fireside
" Two Dinners...Your
Choice"
We are preparing 50
bags for seniors and families!

We already have:
Annie's Organic Mac \&
Cheese and Tuna

## We Need:

- Kirkland canned Chicken
- Knorr Side Dishes
- Monetary donations for fresh fruit and/or veggies

Delivery date: Tuesday, May 12th

Thank you for feeding our neighbors!

Come help Peace as we host a

BBQ at the Fireside
June 5 - 5 to 7:30PM
We need:
5-6 Cooks and Servers Healthy Salads (Quinoa or Kale) Pies
Please sign up on the board in the narthex.

Year To Date



## We remember

## Colonel (Ret.) James P. Geiger, M.D. 1925-2015

Colonel (Ret.) James P. Geiger, M.D. passed away peacefully at home on April 16, 2015. James was born and raised in southwestern Pennsylvania, graduated from Washington and Jefferson College, and earned his medical degree at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. James proudly served his country for 23 years with integrity, dedication, and distinction in the Medical Corps of the U.S. Army. For his service he received 13 awards and decorations, including the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct, an award that he earned twice in his career. His army career included service in Europe, the Philippines, Korea, Vietnam, and postings across the United States from West Point, NY to San Francisco, CA. While in Vietnam he served as The Surgical Consultant to the U.S. Army for one year. James concluded his military service as the Chief of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

After his military retirement, James continued his medical practice for 27 more years as a cardiothoracic surgeon in San Francisco at St. Mary's Medical Center and in Marin County at Marin General Hospital. He was highly valued as a skilled surgeon and as an astute clinician. Throughout his medical career James found great purpose and fulfillment while teaching young physicians the science and art of medicine. He was a man of honor and dedication who helped countless people in his lifetime of service. James was an enthusiastic sailor at San Francisco Yacht Club, he served a term as commodore at Presidio Yacht Club, and he enjoyed golf at Marin Country Club. James loved travel, enjoyed wines and wineries, and enjoyed socializing with friends and colleagues. Above all, he cherished his wife, family, and home life.

James was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He is survived by Helen, his wife of nearly 65 years; and their children, James L. Geiger (Cheryle), Susan Kearns (Allen), Lisa Geiger (Graeme), and Margret Lordon (Stephen); nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington,

May 31
Mary Ann Griller
Vicki McGowan
Lee \& Janet
Rosevear
Don Erbel
Ulla Kerr
Beverly Erbel
Ernie \& Marilyn
Au
Beverly Erbel
Keith \& Jackie
Stoneking
Janet Reese

|  | May 3 | May 10 | May 17 | May 24 |
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| Altar Guild | Janice Hellman Vicki McGowan | Dorlane Krausse Ulla Kerr | Betty Erickson Vicki McGowan | Jeanine Hillebrandt Marlene Rice |
| Coffee Hour | Betty Erickson Vicki McGowan | Nancy Adams Sally Erickson Coffee Hour Sup | Ulla Kerr Laureen Schneeberger es for May: Betty Erickso | John \& Anahilda Mosher |
| Counters | Dave Erickson Marlene Rice | Sally Erickson | Vicki McGowan Lee Rosevear | Vicki McGowan |
| Flowers | Beverly Erbel | Sally Erickson | Rusty Rush | Marlene Rice |
| Greeters | Ulla Kerr | L. Schneeberger | Rick Kenney | Janet \& Lee Rosevear |
| Lay Ministers | Communion Assts. | Jim Sides | Communion Assts. | Gary Glover |
| Ushers | Gary Glover John Moorhead | Sharon Sides Vicki McGowan | Rick Kenney Vicki McGowan | Ulla Kerr Laureen Schneeberger |
| Lay Readers | Sharon Sides | MaryAnn Griller | Nancy Adams | Rick Kenney |


SERVERS FOR JUNE 2015


