

UPDATE #42
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- “The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. . . . I will fear no evil, for You are with me.”
Psalm 23:1 & 4

- Prayer in times of affliction and distress (LSB p. 317)

“Almighty and most merciful God, in this earthly life we endure sufferings and death before we enter into eternal glory. Grant us grace at all times to subject ourselves to Your holy will and to continue steadfast in the true faith to the end of our live that we may know the peace and joy of the blessed hope of the resurrection of the dead and of the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.”

- Care packages to care-givers in area facilities.
 - St. Lorenz Stephen Ministry partnered with St. Martin’s Lutheran to provide care packages to 150 employees at Wellspring Lutheran Services.
 - And with Frankenmuth Community Foundation to also provide care packages to care facilities in and around our city.
 - Included in the care packages: \$25 gift cards, a Scripture card, and brochures for Stephen Ministry and Crossroads.
- Ministry Council Meeting.
 - Administrative Pastor Call Committee update. The June Voters’ Meeting is unlikely to take place. Council has been discussing some other options for extending a Call in a timely fashion.
 - Seth Gutkowski, our congregational president, will provide an update at the worship services this weekend.
- Baccalaureate Service.
 - 3:00 on May 17th
 - On-line and Channel 191 only
 - Instrumental solos by graduating seniors pre- and post-service
 - Greetings from local pastors
 - Readings by graduating seniors from community congregations
 - Songs by St. Lorenz praise teams and Dr. Hyslop
 - Message about trust

- “Is God Good? The Problem of Suffering” Bible study is attached to this email.
 - C.S. Lewis: “Talk to me about the truth of religion and I'll listen gladly. Talk to me about the duty of religion and I'll listen submissively. But don't come talking to me about the consolations of religion or I shall suspect that you don't understand.”

- May we help you? Call 652-6141 or write church@stlorenz.org
 - We have 24 “runners” who will happily run errands for you.
 - Prayer assistance is also readily available. We have 50 people who are eager to pray for you. Email nanzee1@aol.com or call or text 818-497-3843. We can also forward requests sent to the church office.
 - Stephen Ministers can provide a listening ear and much more. Contact the church office.
 - CrossRoads Counseling Ministries can be reached at 652-0764 to access telephone sessions or video conference sessions.

- Worth repeating:
 - Tell someone about these broadcasts.
 - Tell someone about our Runners (or make use of them yourself). They will gladly:
 - Pick up groceries or prescriptions
 - Deliver a Portals of Prayer
 - Other pick-ups or deliveries as requested
 - Pick up offering envelope at your home and deliver to church office

- Our Frankenmuth city leaders are doing an outstanding job of gathering information and ways to help. Please check these web sites for updates and resources:
 - www.frankenmuthcity.com
 - www.frankenmuth.org
 - www.muthserves.com