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Blessed Is the Man

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers Psalm 1:1

Would you say that you've been swimming against the current lately? Or would you describe your life as one of going with the flow? The words of the inspired writer of Psalm 1, remind us that peer pressure and conformity, though they may seem like terms of our "modern" era, are really nothing new. Nor are the consequences of beating a path to the "counsel of the wicked," or taking your "stand in the way of sinners" or pulling up a chair to join with those who mock God and his Word.

This psalm is the first hymn in the Old Testament hymnal of the Bible. When I was studying to become a pastor it was one of the psalms that my dear Hebrew professor had us commit to memory - in the original Hebrew language! As students who were preparing to commit our lives to ministering to God's people and reaching out to those whom he would yet make his own, the words are well-worth remembering. But they hold value for every sinner, not just pastors.

Blessings from God are promised in this psalm! They are promised for non-conformance! It may seem more beneficial to go along with the world's way of talking, thinking and behaving, but from God's perspective, it really isn't more beneficial. The wicked take their counsel from the devil, the father of lies, rather than from Jesus who speaks only the truth. Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life" (John 14:6).



Consider the eternal consequences of spiritually: "going with the flow" of this lost world! What happens when half-life of wickedness can no longer bring pleasure? What takes place when the wrong way of sin runs out of road? What goes on when the shaky seat of mockers can't be pulled up to the banquet table that our heavenly Father is preparing for those who will inherit eternal life? Those are disastrous consequences in this life and the life to come!

Each of us has to admit that conforming to the world has at times seemed desirable and at times has won over Christ's call to follow Him. The record of our personal lives is not free from missteps, bad choices, and sin.

Reminder

Winter Worship Schedule

Adult Bible Class

Sunday School

D.O.C.

All Begin September 10th.

GREETERS SCHEDULE

Sept. 3	7:45	Ken & Jo Wendorff
	10:00	Gib & Ann Trewin June Kartos
Sept. 10	7:45	Ruth Schultz
	10:30	DuWayne & Marilyn Zamzow
Sept. 17	7:45	Marilyn Abbey
	10:30	Bob & Rosie Klatt
Sept. 24	7:45	Jane Fell
	10:30	Marilyn Gruber

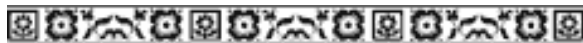
Cleaning Schedule

Week of:	
Sept. 3	Roger Bargaenquast Mark Kollmann
Sept. 10	Lynn Vermeulen
Sept. 17	Terry Wickert
Sept. 24	Terry Wickert



SEPT. 1 - 15

SEPT. 16 - 31



Sue Repp
Mary Scheidt

Addie Jackson
Laurel Woschnick

For details on flower donations,
 look for our flower chart
 on the bulletin board at the end of the
 member mailboxes.



Please call Gregg at
 923 - 1583
 to become a member of the
 "cleaning team".

Membership Matters

Baptism

Charlotte Tynan

Marriage

Colin Higgins and Stephanie Meyer

Affirmations of Faith

Jeff, Nicole, Mary*, and Kyle*
Schoofs

Jerry and Juliann Davison



Requests for Transfer Out:

Matt, Sue, Ted, Sam, and Abby Schmitz

Removal (Unable to Serve)

Jeff Baudry
Alyssa Pauliot

Blessed is the Man

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Our lips have not always uttered reverence for God's name, nor His Word and work. Yet the offer of eternal blessings still stands for us and for all. That's because we have a Savior named Jesus who perfectly walked in His Father's ways for the times we have failed. We have a Savior named Jesus who humbly took the path that we have failed to walk. For our failings Jesus went all the way to the cross to pay for our sins. And there he looked upon the lot of humanity and plead our case, "Father, forgive them." And God did – in full – all because of Jesus.

There's the power to fight against the current that seeks to sweep us away. There's the blessing God wants us all to have. Take hold of that blessed life through faith. Follow in Jesus' wake! Let His forgiveness sweep over you! Don't go along with the crowd, when the crowd isn't following Jesus. Follow Jesus. Blessed are those who do!

Prayer:

*May the mind of Christ my Savior
Live in me from day to day,
By his love and pow'r inspiring
All I do or say. Amen.*

(Christian Worship, 467:1)

A Special Invitation!!

Ladies! You are cordially invited to a light supper with friends old and new.

Evening Circle will gather on Monday, September 11 at 6:00pm in the multipurpose room. A light supper will be provided, and new faces are always welcome. Please come, and bring a friend.

Looking forward to seeing you there!!



Athletic Field

During the summer a group of men led by our member Mark Kraus installed a backstop for the softball field. The work entailed the digging of holes for the 16' poles, cementing the poles in, stretching the chain link mesh, and installing the rails and braces. This was a very large undertaking that saved almost \$2,000 of installation costs. The crew also leveled the sand infield, and dug holes for the new swings on the playground.



Assisting Mark were the following: Emil & Travis Schuh, Justin & Kathy Kraus, Roger Bargaenquast, Hans & Ben Dorst, Kasey Olsen, Nick & Bentley Pitzen, Joel Clary, Jason Davies and Brian Scannell who provided the skid steer and auger.

We also want to extend our thanks to our member Ed Spanbauer, who donated and delivered a new layer of wood chips for the playground.

If you see any of these ladies or men, please thank them for the giving of their time, their talents and their treasures.



LOVE TO SING? WE NEED YOU!

We're looking for enthusiastic singers to join our friendly, welcoming, and fun adult choir in September.

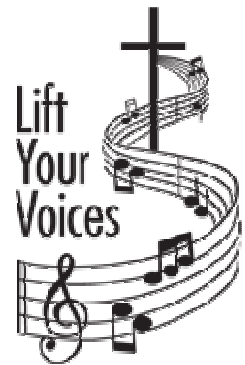
Rehearsals: Wednesdays 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
1st Rehearsal: September 6 (Picture Night)

Seven dates to sing in 2017 including:
Reformation, Thanksgiving, Christ Child Concert, Christmas Day

Ten dates to sing in 2018 including:
Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Easter, Ascension

Ps. 95:1 Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our Salvation.

Contact David Koepsell for more information
davidkoepsell@stpetersfdl.net 920-602-7740



Fondue Fest

On Saturday, September 9th from 8:00 to 5:00, Main Street in Fond du Lac will be shut down and the street will be lined with vendors, merchants, and businesses for a great community event.



We will once again have a booth showcasing our church and its school. It is a great way to share the gospel ministry with our community! If you would like to give an hour or two volunteering in our booth, please sign up on the table in the narthex.

Fond du Lac County Fair

The Board of Outreach would like to thank all of our members who donated their time to help staff our booth at the Fond du Lac County Fair! It truly gave us a good presence in our community, and we already have had visitors, prospects, and baptisms coming out of our efforts! May the Lord truly be praised!

WLA Hot Lunch Helpers

Summer vacation is almost over and schools will be back in session, with that comes hungry students. With our commitment to Christian education comes some fun volunteer hours to help the lunch program.

As congregations supporting education at WLA, we are asked to fill just 5 weeks of the school year with 2 members each day from 9:30am to 1:30pm. The weeks we have this year are: September 18-22, November 13-17, January 22-26, March 12-16, May 14-18.



Please contact Mary Scheidt at 251-1533 to help our fellow WLA cooks. Thank you for all the previous year's help and for considering this volunteer opportunity.

The SPLS Lunch Program also relies on volunteers, please contact Pam Zuberbier at 922-1160 extension 311 to volunteer for school days.