

April Birthdays

2 Suzy Sullivan
 3 Mike Spanier
 7 Francesca Moehnke
 7 Barb Poundstone
 8 Maria Horst
 8 Kyle Kielty
 12 Tabitha Kielty
 13 Kyle Wing
 14 Gavin Lillemoen
 14 Richard Reichle
 14 Carol Sabin
 15 Don Magaard
 15 Anika Spanier
 17 Sandy Wing
 18 Arnie Althoff
 19 Bruce Bjorklund
 19 Sophie Maikkula
 24 Kendra Holmes
 24 Don Veidel
 25 Casey Larson
 29 Sheri Lundeen



April Anniversaries

We have no anniversaries on record for April. Our apologies if we missed you—and Happy Anniversary!



Please inform Denice of any additions or corrections. Thank you!

\$1333.33 of each month's general fund offering is sent to the MN North District for our mission pledge.

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR

WCCO 830AM Radio Sundays 6:05 a.m.
XM Satellite Radio XM170 Family Talk
 Sundays at Noon
Internet: www.lutheranhour.org or
www.lutheranhour.org/AFN

April 5 "There's Still Time"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

People can be unreceptive to God's love because they are very bad-or because they think they are very good. (Exodus 11-12)

April 12 "You Haven't Lost Me"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler (Exodus 14)

April 19 "The Great Pursuit"

Guest Speaker: Pastor Ryan Tinetti (Exodus 15)

April 26 "Rescue, Test, Rest"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler (Exodus 16)

ATTENDANCE	8 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Total
March 1	24	51	75
March 8	26	60 (est.)	86
March 15	18 (est.)	40	58
March 22	Cancelled—COVID19 pandemic		
March 29	Cancelled—COVID19 pandemic		

Sunday Offerings	Through March 27, 2020
Envelopes + Basket	16,875.50
Expenses	19,141.77
(+over/-under)	-2266.27



April 2020
 Worship Schedule

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Pastor: Rev.
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Pastor's Letter



A Greek Poet and soldier by the name of Archilochus once said, "We do not rise to the level of our expectations. We fall to the level of our training." It's amazing how true that statement is. Athletes train constantly, not just to keep their bodies in shape, but also so their technique becomes a habit. Soldiers train constantly so, when battle comes, they know what to do and have a correct, instinctive reaction. Even think about your job—would you have wanted to jump in on day one without any training or orientation?

When it comes to our faith, is it really any different? When hardships and times of trial come, our faith does not rise to the level of our expectations but rather it falls to the level of our training. What has this pandemic taught us about the level of our spiritual training? We hear reports of illness and death—do we respond with trust in God or do we let panic overwhelm us? We hear reports of supply shortages and stores running out of food and household necessities—do we think about our neighbors' needs or do we think only of how much we can fit into our shopping carts?

One of the reasons we are called to spend time in Scripture is that it is one of the biggest ways we are trained spiritually. Paul writes in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and **training** in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly **equipped** for every good work" (emphasis added). God's Word trains us and equips us as Christians. If we don't spend time in God's Word—if we don't spend time training and being equipped—is it any wonder that we fall short of our expectations?

The good news is that God also trains us in faith through times of trials. As we walk through difficult times, look to God's Word, and see His faithfulness, our faith is strengthened. In the coming few weeks we will all be spending a lot of time at home due to the governor's stay at home order. What a wonderful time to be training ourselves spiritually as we go through this time of trial! What a wonderful time to turn to God's Word and strengthen our faith so that it will grow deeper and stronger!

Yesterday the LCMS released a memory challenge that I would invite all of us to participate in. As we find ourselves inside, the Synod is challenging us all to spend time memorizing Psalm 91. This Psalm is a Psalm of comfort that reminds us that God is our refuge and fortress, even in times of trouble. What would your faith look like if for the next two weeks you spent time meditating on this wonderful passage of Scripture, committing it to memory and meditating on it during this time of uncertainty? How might God use this Psalm to strengthen your faith, to remind you of who He is, and to comfort you? Let's find out together.

Pastor Daniel

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Carol Gibson, Secr