WEEKLY BULLETIN
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Congratulations to our Seniors!

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Hello Church!

Once again, it is that time of year where we celebrate the amazing high school seniors in our community: Brianna O’Malley, Christian Jaeger, and Tyler Klund. Being a senior this year means giving up a lot of the “lasts” associated with the last year of high school; things like the last sports season, last school dance, last school musical, etc. Despite the struggles of this year, Bri, Christian, and Tyler have pushed through and are on their way to do amazing things in the world. We will miss them!

Brianna O’Malley is an energetic and passionate senior graduating from Oregon high school. Not only has she been a gymnast for the past 13 years, she also has a first-degree black belt in karate! Bree is a naturally gifted leader who always sets an example in Higher Ground by never being afraid to get the conversation going. She always shares her unique insights about God and his Word which, in turn, gives other students the courage to share their own thoughts. Bree also loves children and plans to attend UW-La Crosse in the fall to study Elementary Education.
Christian Jaeger is a compassionate and loyal senior graduating from Madison La Follette High School. Throughout high school, Christian spent all four years running Cross Country and Track, as well as singing in the Christmas Concert with the Madison Symphony. As an avid sports fan, he has also spent years growing his jersey and cap collection and announcing for La Follette’s sports games. Christian is heading to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the fall to major in Sports Media and Communications. He is joining the Press Box learning community and one day hopes to be a sports announcer.

Tyler Klund is a responsible and social senior graduating from Madison West High School. Even though the social aspect of the pandemic has been hard on him, Tyler has developed a range of unique and diverse interests. Not only has he been working different jobs since he was 14 years old, he has also spent a lot of time and energy working on his car! He loves figuring out ways to fix it up and make it better. Tyler is also very interested in photography and loves to take pictures with his camera. He even made a calendar with them for his Mom! In the fall, Tyler will be attending Madison College and hopes to study accounting.

Seniors, Higher Ground will miss each and every one of you! But, we know God has a wonderful and perfect plan for your lives and we can’t wait to see how He will work through you during your next phase of life. Don’t forget that you always have a community at the Church that will be cheering you on!
Higher Ground is our 7th – 12th grade Youth Group at the Church. Our desire is to connect teens and their families to Life in Jesus while equipping students with the skills they need to be life-long followers of Jesus. Higher Ground meets on Sunday nights during the school year.

**SUNDAY, MAY 23RD: 5:30PM-8:30PM HIGHER GROUND END OF YEAR PARTY**
Email Emily at epowers@livelifetogether.com for more information.

Life in the Word is a gathering for 5th and 6th grade students and parents to explore the basics of our faith. If you have a child in 5th or 6th grade and would like to have them participate, please contact Emily at epowers@livelifetogether.com.

**LIFE IN THE WORD: ON BREAK FOR THE SUMMER**
Email Emily at epowers@livelifetogether.com for more information.

Are you on our email list? If you aren’t, but would like to get weekly updates about what is going on in Life in the Word and Higher Ground, let Emily know so we can add you!

**QUESTIONS? CONTACT EMILY POWERS: EPOWERS@LIVELIFETOGETHER.COM**
GOD HAS GIVEN EACH OF YOU A GIFT FROM HIS GREAT VARIETY OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS. USE THEM WELL TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER. 1 PETER 4:10

Are you an adult over 65 and need Transportation to get a COVID-19 Vaccination?
   Do you live in Dane County?
   Have you exhausted all other options for rides?
   Do you live in your own apartment or home?
This transportation is free for Dane Country Residents.

Inquire by calling NewBridge at 608-512-0000 ext. 3. This call line is open Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm.

*Not for older adults living in assisted living facilities or nursing homes

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Kids Connection is for children 4th grade and under, and their parents. Kids learn bible stories through games, crafts and songs. Kids build strong relationships with each other while learning truths about Jesus.

Building Faith is a new class this fall designed for kids in 2nd-6th grade. Kids will learn biblical truths while engaging in fun hands on activities.

SUNDAY, MAY 23RD @ 10:30AM VIA ZOOM
Contact Emily at epowers@livelifetogether.com for the meeting link.
God’s Crazy Creation: Weird Animals
GOOD SHEPHERD:
DIED FOR HIS SHEEP

Acts 2:1-41
Focus: What owner loves his sheep so much that he would sacrifice his own and only son in their place? And yet this is exactly what God did for us. He gave us His Son, the Good Shepherd, who is the ultimate blessing as a shepherd in our lives, and God struck Him down with the Sword of judgment that was meant for us. This makes no sense. What shepherd loves his sheep enough to die in their place?
GOOD SHEPHERD: HELPS HIS SHEEP

WORD
(You are welcome to gather in groups of 3 or 4 for all or part of this discussion. Consider using a break out room in zoom for smaller groups if needed)

READ Matthew 9:35-38

If being the Good Shepherd was just a job for Jesus, how might this scripture be different?

Do you think people today are harassed and helpless? What would Jesus see today?

How do you think verse 38 applies to you?

What is one thing you feel called to do?

PRAY
Listen to each others’ prayer requests and pray together for them. Pray verse 38, that God would send out more workers, and that God would bless you as His sent worker.

LOVE
How can you be ready to help someone this week? If you already know of someone, what first step will you take to help them?
SUNDAY, MAY 23RD: 9AM SUNDAY WORSHIP [IN-PERSON & ONLINE]
Join us for our In-person [sign up required] and online worship at 9am. Worship Services will be limited and sign-ups are be required. Also please note, the Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, and Nursery will all be closed and children’s activity bags will also not be available for use. Please go to www.livelifetogether.com and click on the Welcome Back Image for more detailed information. Join us online at www.livelifetogether.com/livestream.

SUNDAY, MAY 30TH: 2*22: 10:45AM DELIGHT BOOK DISCUSSION
We’re continuing our book discussion on "Delight". On the last Sunday of each month, we’ll be discussion another chapter. We’ll be discussing Chapter 5 of Delight. Go to www.livelifetogether.com/livestream and click the blue Delight button at the top of the page to join the zoom call. We’re doing this all year, so it’s not too late. If you still need your copy, contact Jess at jomalley@livelifetogether.com.

SUNDAY, MAY 31ST: OFFICE CLOSED
The church office will be closed for Memorial Day on May 31st.
If you are visiting today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. This is a time for members and regular attenders to respond to God for the blessings He has given them.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5TH: 9AM MOM TO MOM [DREAM park-Monona]
This summer Mom to Mom gatherings will be both in person and virtual. During the months of June, July, and August please join us at three different parks around the Madison area! Park days will be held on Saturday each month while virtual gatherings will continue to happen Thursday nights. We hope you come to recharge with other moms in person and/or online! Thursday, June 17th at 8pm join us on the Google Meet!

SUNDAY, JUNE 13TH: 10:30AM AFTER WORSHIP RUN WITH PASTOR JEFF/BIKE RODEO
This is an informal gathering. Show up at 10:30am, bring your bikes. There will be a Bike Rodeo in the parking lot. For older kids and adults, you can ride around the neighborhood too. Email Emily if you have any questions at epowers@livelifetogether.com.

SUNDAY, JUNE 27TH: 10:15AM-12PM PRAYER BOX ASSEMBLY PARTY [SIGN UPS DUE BY JUNE 1ST]
This year, as we focus on our homes becoming Household Wells in our neighborhoods, we thought it would be fun to come together and make something tangible we could each use to bless our communities. Have you heard of a neighborhood prayer box? Simply put, it's a box that you leave in your yard/porch/office/anywhere visible. People are invited to leave a prayer request in the box. Then, you as a household pray for those requests. Where you put the box and how you set it up is up to you. Perhaps you can attach it to a pole next to your mailbox. Or maybe you leave it outside of your apartment door. Maybe a local business will let you leave it on their counter. Or perhaps on your desk in your office is where you want to offer support. Start dreaming and praying about how God wants you to use your prayer request box!

On June 27th, from 10:15-noon (come anytime in that time frame) we will have a prayer box assembly party at church. All of the materials you need, as well as step-by-step directions, will be available so you and your family can put together your own wooden prayer box. We will have work stations set up for families to be distanced from others. We will also have these boxes available as take-home kits. The boxes are $25 each to cover materials, but we don't want anyone left out for financial reasons. You can read more about these kits and all the details in the sign-up form. Please register by June 1 to allow us time to prep the prayer box kits. You can find out more and register here: https://forms.gle/s6YmAqfNqDT1xxJ7A

SEE THE BACK PAGE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES
CHECK OUT THE CALENDAR ONLINE

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Pray for our country, for unity. For the light of Jesus to shine out into our communities through us, his body of believers.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

5/24—13 years  
Chad & Julie Koch

5/24—46 years  
Jack & Laurie Pinkert

5/26—31 years  
Tom & Cindy Simon

5/27—4 years  
Dan & Molly Jagla

5/29—16 years  
Patrick & Michelle Tsai

**BIRTHDAYS**

5/23  Ashlyn Drapesa
5/23  Bryce Hoppe
5/24  Erika Frohmader
5/24  Abbey Meyer
5/24  Mason Zarwell
5/29  Kellan Hilscher
5/30  Collin Trainor

Birthdays and Anniversaries for this week! If your special day does not appear, please contact the church office to update your records.
If you’re a guest, you’re welcome to attend the Lord’s Supper with us this morning. We only ask of you what God asks of us all - that you can answer ‘yes’ to the following questions:

- Have I been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit?
- Do I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God’s mercy in Christ Jesus?
- Do I believe that Jesus is God’s Son and my personal Savior?
- Do I believe that Jesus’ true body and blood are present in the bread and wine?
- Do I desire by the Holy Spirit’s power to live a Godly life?

If you have questions, please feel free to speak with a Pastor, a Worship Assistant, or someone sitting near you.
Important COVID-19 Updates:
Our Building is closed until further notice. However, we are now worshiping online and in person (with required sign ups). You can sign up for in person worship at www.livelifetogether.com/livestream.

You can also join us online at Facebook.com/livelifetogether or www.livelifetogether.com/livestream. We Worship Every Sunday Online at 9am.

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Combined Traditional & Exalt Worship
9:00AM