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To the beloved Faithful Islanders and beyond.

OPENING YOUR BIBLE WILL TEACH YOU MANY THINGS....

Our kids went to a private Lutheran School in Flint, MI. Being deep Lutherans we wanted our children to learn more about being Christians through the Lutheran lens.

Anyhow, one day I received a call from my daughter's 3rd grade teacher to please come and meet with her after school. I wondered what my daughter had been up to. I went to the school to meet with the teacher. The teacher told me that she had taught 3rd grade in Lutheran schools for over 25 years and had never had such a question before. This is the conversation between my daughter and the teacher:

Daughter: Why is God breaking His own commandments?

Teacher: What do you mean?

Daughter: One of God's commandments is “Do not kill” but look at all those people God killed in Old Testament.

Teacher: (Dumbfounded and unable to respond to the question she said) Your mother is a pastor, go and ask her.

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The teacher also shared with me that my daughter had written a comforting note when both her sister and brother-in-law passed. The school called in a substitute teacher to cover for the regular teacher. The substitute gave the third graders blank cards to write letters of comfort for their third-grade teacher. My regular

daughter's teacher said my daughter wrote a well thought out letter, the comforting note that most adults could never write.

Like mama, my daughter was very diligent about reading her Bible and asking questions about different stories in the Bible, not just easy ones but tough ones too. I remember one that troubled her more than any other story she had read. Read Genesis 19:6-8. My daughter kept on asking, “What kind of a father would say this about his daughters”? All I could say was that what Lot did was not right nor acceptable. The story showed us that some of the parents are not good parents and that somehow God finds ways of using faulty humans for His purpose, if we allow Him to use us!

I hope and pray that we all open our lives to the daily fresh calling of being messengers of Jesus Christ wherever we are.

“You don't have to have a pulpit to preach. Your lifestyle is your greatest sermon.”

Praying for families of the world!

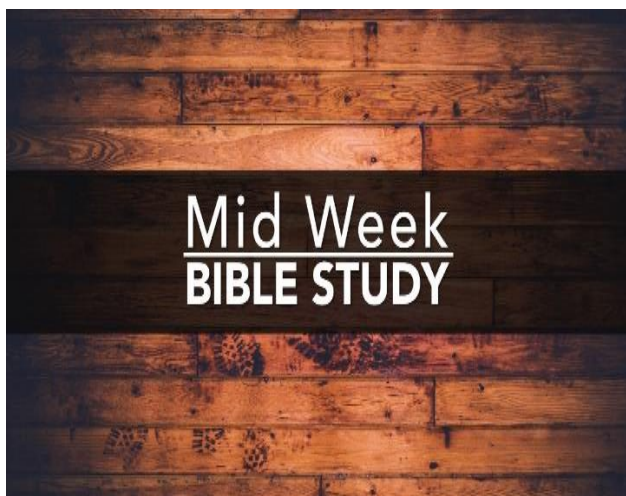


We have come this far by faith, even if it's the size of a mustard seed, the smallest of plant seeds.



Thank you to all the Saints who brought goodies to serve, set up, and cleaned afterwards. I would however warn one family who always brings yummy goodies they know I cannot consume. Their last name begins with the letter after “K” on the alphabet...lol!!!!

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Midweek Bible Study on Tuesday, July 28, 2026. This week we will be going through Chapters 39 and 40, the story of Joseph in Egypt. Please join us at 7:00 p.m. **The Bible Study will only be online.**

CELEBRATING THE JULY BIRTHDAY SAINTS:



07/03 Arnold Hite
07/04 Trey Bellah
07/14 Anthony Gainey
07/28 Bobby Bellah
07/31 Harriet Brunson

Please let us know if we missed your birthday.

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Saints out there...how many of you have Thrivent policies that provide yearly grants for community programs? Last year I used my Thrivent cash for the “Feeding the Multitude” ministry. I used to be a Financial Associate for Thrivent. We are preparing to do a “God’s Work, Our Hands” event this Summer. If you need help navigating your outreach benefits, please let me know.



REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS:

Hal Coste (Helena's cousin), Julie Rittle, Danny and his family, Charles Ritcher's family (former longtime member of Faith Lutheran Church), Bobby Bellah, Mrs. Dukes, Andrea Brisbin, Trish Bradley's family at the passing of her father Carl Simmons, Roy Kimbrell, Stephen Bellah, Nettie Poulnot's family and loved ones, Jimmy Farr's family, Pastor Josh Knutson's family and his congregations (Christ Community Church, North Charleston and St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Moncks Corner) after his untimely death, Bishop Ginny Aebischer, Mike Shuey, Mikie Floyd, Ken Herns, Rick Hartley, Bobby Webb, Patricia Beruf, Reid Melton, Jay O'Neill, Phil Ammons, Pat Lane, Helena Bradford, Donna Porritt, Nettie Poulnot, Dolores Dukes, Matthew Sharbrough, Trisha Melton, Harry Rakowski.

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WE ARE STARTING A KID'S CHOIR

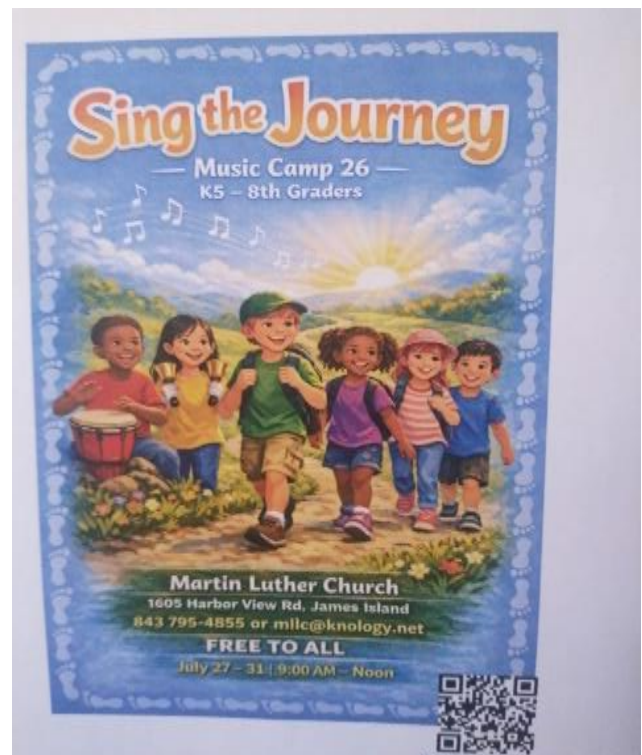
We welcome children to join the choir. To qualify for the choir, each kid has to have a pulse and be ready to sing to the Lord for the sake of His world. Please let Pastor Thulie or Mandy Summers know if your youngie is in!!!



SERVING – Sunday, August 2, 2026
Lector & Prayer Leader Holden Ammons
Acolyte Holden Ammons
Ushers Jimmy Sykes & Bobby Bellah
Communion Assistant Sharon Hite
Communion Prep Sharon Hite

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MUSIC CAMP AT MARTIN LUTHER LUTHERAN CHURCH BEGINS THIS COMING MONDAY, 07.27.2026 Join us any day of the week that is good for y'all!!!



WORDS OF.....FROM SOURCES KNOWN AND UNKNOWN

“If u need a friend, message me, need a laugh, call me, need a hug, stop by my house, need money, this number is no longer in service.”

“My grandma used to say that the best exercise for the hands is counting money. It relieves joint pain, normalizes blood pressure, completely removes toothache and headache, improves eyesight, appetite, wardrobe, appearance, and living conditions.”

“I got YouTube just to watch a music video and here I am 5 hours later, watching a tutorial on how to talk to a giraffe.”

“Brain: I see you are trying to sleep; can I offer you a selection of your worst memories from the last 10 years?”

“What is love? Love is the 7th sense that destroys all the six senses and makes the person believe non-sense.”

“I’m at the age where if you are gonna talk to me more than two minutes then I gotta find something to lean on.”

“Monday is like a Math problem. Add the irritation. Subtract the sleep, multiply the problems. Divide the happiness.”

“Put all your problems on Facebook/WhatsApp. They will disappear in 24 hours.”

Saints of God, we serve a God who sustains us even when life seems impossible to enjoy. Jesus says, “Come to me all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest!!! Let’s GO.....

Peace, Pastor Thulie