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Human Trafficking

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This document contains a compilation of anti-trafficking materials intended for use in spreading awareness. It includes statements from the United States government, international organizations, local law enforcement agencies and individual survivors of human trafficking. Statistics are often unreliable due to the under-reported nature of trafficking-related crimes and exploitation. Thus, this material includes widely used data by government

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and nonprofit agencies that has been verified multiple times. This approach aims to protect the integrity of this research material, since precise numbers are rare in human trafficking. Some statistics that contain hard, eye-catching numbers that are proven to be true by empirical data include the National Human Trafficking Hotline hits and tips, the average age of entry into prostitution in the United States and the approximate global value of the international human trafficking industry. Because there are so many different numbers and reports on human trafficking, as well as overlap between drug trafficking, prostitution and other industries, I recommend focusing a portion of awareness materials on the

categories of force, fraud and coercion, as well as the act, means and purpose of trafficking. These elements are able to draw differentiations in the minds of people with regards to prostitution versus sex trafficking, and human smuggling versus human trafficking. The United Nations and the United States Department of State use these categories.

Human Trafficking Statistics

Human trafficking is one of the world's largest illegal markets. According to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, human trafficking is a staggering \$32 billion industry.¹ The International Labor Organization outlined the demographics most vulnerable to trafficking:

Almost 21 million people are victims of forced labor — 11.4 million women and girls and 9.5 million men and boys. Almost 19 million victims are exploited by private individuals or enterprises, and over 2 million by the state or rebel groups. Of those exploited by individuals or enterprises, 4.5 million are victims of forced sexual exploitation. Forced labor in the private economy generates \$150 billion in illegal profits per year. Domestic work, agriculture, construction, manufacturing and entertainment are among the sectors most concerned. Migrant workers and indigenous people are particularly vulnerable to forced labor (International Labor Organization, June 2012).²

The under-reported nature of human trafficking incentivized the organization Polaris to create the National Human Trafficking Hotline, which allows anonymous calls and texts for both tips on potential trafficking and requests for assistance from victims. They also use this data to show how human trafficking in the United States is increasing:

The National Human Trafficking Hotline received over 20,000 calls from January 1st, 2016 to September 30th, 2016. In the past 8 years, more than 29,800 total cases of human trafficking have been reported to the hotline. The Polaris Project, which operates the hotline, reports that the number of trafficking cases in the U.S. increases every year. The Hotline receives an average of 100 calls per day, according to Polaris. In 2015, Polaris reported that over 1,600 survivors of trafficking reached out for help through the Hotline, a 24% increase from 2014.

Child trafficking is also increasing, according to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children:

In 2015, an estimated 1 out of 5 endangered runaways reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children were likely child sex trafficking victims. 74% of these likely sex trafficking victims were in the hands of foster care or social services when they went missing.

The Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service published a fact sheet that shows the extent of the human trafficking market:

People are victimized through force, fraud, or coercion. A person might be sold as a slave like the Biblical hero Joseph, whose brothers profited by delivering him to passing traders who trafficked him into bondage. Some traffickers trick their victims with offers of work or other seemingly legitimate arrangements. Huge debts and threats to family members are also used to coerce people into working as slaves. Additionally, while trafficking is far from being a new crime, it is on the increase. According to the U.S. State Department, trafficking in persons is the third fastest growing criminal industry, after illegal drugs and weapons trafficking.³

Force, Fraud and Coercion

Human traffickers use force, fraud or coercion to lure and trap individuals into a cycle of abuse and violence. An example of an individual who experienced force can be found in this personal story published by Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The victim uses the pseudonym “Laura” for her protection:

I was 17 around when I met “Robert.” It started off with me and my friend meeting him for social purposes. It just went on for about nine months and we were living in different hotels the entire time and I don’t even remember how many men there were. I was a runaway and wasn’t living anywhere stable, so since I was underage most of the time, I sort of needed him in order to get hotels and move around. I had already been a prostitute since I was 15 and I think I just didn’t even know what was right or wrong and how I should be treated. Towards the end, he held me against my will in a

hostage situation and forced me to prostitute and took all the money and just beat me severely.

The last time I saw him, he was just beating me until he was absolutely tired. I was covered in bruises, my face was completely disfigured and it's causing me issue with my back to this day because of the way he was beating me and torturing me. That was probably the worst. There was a client in the room and he was having an issue with something I couldn't do because I was all beat up. I didn't want to do it anymore. I didn't want to do anything. He wanted the money back. When Robert and him were talking I ran out of the room and somehow was able to run faster than him. I didn't tell anyone. I kept it to myself until I got a call from the FBI that he'd been arrested for something else and asked would I talk. Having to go face everything and realize how serious everything was. For the longest time I didn't even think it was that serious.

At the trial, it felt empowering to look at him the entire time. I'm sure it drove him crazy. He can never touch me but he had to look at me and listen and it made me feel good. I had to learn that if I don't at least have some kind of love and value for myself, no one ever will. My advice to other girls would be to let people help you. It's not your fault and that you didn't deserve it. It's OK to be hurt about it because a lot of people will act like it never happened, because that's what I was going to do too.⁴

An example of fraud can be found in this personal story from a survivor using the pseudonym "Lulu," published by the Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking Los Angeles:

Lulu's story is an example of how anyone can become a victim of trafficking. Lulu is an educated woman who believed she was coming to America for a legitimate job opportunity, only to discover that she had been sold into slavery. Lulu is in her thirties and was illegally brought to Los Angeles in 2008 from her home country in Asia by a labor trafficking operation under FBI investigation. Lulu was an educated Asian woman who believed she was coming to America for a legitimate job opportunity. When she arrived, she realized that she had been sold into slavery. Through repeated physical and sexual abuse, traffickers broke her. When she was rescued, she was in a corner

of the house that was being raided, holding on to a teddy bear. Lulu obtained a Work Authorization card one month after coming to CAST, which allowed her to find a steady job with an employer that treated her well. Lulu saved money and was able to enroll part-time in a nursing program. "When I was with my [previous] employer, I did the same thing everyday, I was stuck. I did not feel hopeful of what my future was going to be because I could not see what was going to happen tomorrow. Now, I feel hopeful. I can dream. I can see myself doing something with my life in two weeks, in two months. I am free now."⁵

An example of coercion is this personal story from a survivor using the pseudonym "April," also published by Immigration and Customs Enforcement:

I was 15 at the time and was a runaway. "Tom" wanted to be a pimp, so I would be in his room in his apartment and he would not let me go out for anything. He tried to intimidate me by threatening to beat me up if I tried to leave. I was scared of him so I wouldn't leave. He would drop me off at a hotel while he went to work. It lasted from March until June or July. Sometimes it would be every day, sometimes he would say, "not today, but tomorrow." Out of the week, maybe 4-5 times a week, I was with different men. I just felt like that it was my fault and I deserved it and nobody would ever believe me or try to help me, so I just let them control how I thought about myself. They were always verbally abusive and putting you down and it got to the point that I actually started believing it. Just letting someone control your own freedom take over just what you do. I couldn't leave the room. It was like "wow, I'm letting someone make me feel so scared." I never called the police because I felt it was my fault. I felt at the time like I had to stay. One day the FBI ended up coming to my house and contacted me because my name came up in their investigation. You have to know your self-worth. It's OK to ask for help. They don't know they are a victim. They feel like it's their fault. We are victims. You can have the worst past, but that doesn't mean you can't have a successful future."⁶

Definitions and Key Terms

The United Nations' definition of human trafficking is the most universal,

spanning sectors of forced labor and sex trafficking that many national governments use in their own human trafficking statutes:

The United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons defines Trafficking in Persons as the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation. Exploitation shall include, at a minimum, the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs.

The FBI provides a definition separating different forms of human trafficking:

Domestic Sex Trafficking of Adults: When persons are compelled to engage in commercial sex acts through means of force, fraud, and/or coercion.

Sex Trafficking of International Adults and Children: When foreign nationals, both adult and juveniles, are compelled to engage in commercial sex acts with a nexus to the United States through force, fraud, and/or coercion. (Note: Matters of domestic juvenile sex trafficking are handled by the FBI's Violent Crimes against Children Section.)

Forced Labor: When persons, domestic or foreign nationals, are compelled to work in some service or industry through force or coercion.

Domestic Servitude: When persons, domestic or foreign nationals, are compelled to engage in domestic work for families or households, through means of force or coercion.⁷

Know the Signs and Get Involved

The international anti-trafficking organization Love146 created a resource list of commonly reported signs or "red flags" for recognizing human trafficking:

POTENTIAL RED FLAGS:

- * Is under 18 years old and performs commercial sex acts
- * Is excessively monitored or controlled by parents, a supposed guardian or

older partner or 'sponsor' who claims to provide for their upbringing and needs, or who insists on speaking for them or being present at all times

- * Detached or (suddenly) isolated from majority of family members and friends
- * Is unable to give answers about their schedules or living and work locations/ conditions; appears to possibly work and live in the same building or location
- * Has numerous inconsistencies in his/her story; contradictory personal information (age, place of birth, family life)
- * Has excessive security measures at his/her home or work (i.e., security cameras, boarded or covered windows); constant traffic of men at his/her home or work location
- * Noticeable change in dress, jewelry, hair or nails without explainable source of income
- * Shows signs of physical or sexual abuse (bruises, cuts, burns, submissiveness, jumpy, malnourishment); appears fearful, anxious, depressed, overly submissive, and avoids eye contact
- * Suffers from substance abuse problems (alcohol and/or drugs), an array of other psychological disorders, sexually transmitted diseases, or chronic illnesses
- * Carries multiple hotel key cards, lots of money, sharp objects (weapons)
- * Sudden presence of an older boyfriend
- * Tattoo with a name that is not their own; or that he/she is reluctant to explain.⁸

The United States Department of Health and Human Services also provides an in-depth analysis of demographics at risk for trafficking:

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery in which victims are subjected to force, fraud or coercion for the purpose of commercial sex, debt bondage, or involuntary labor. Victims of human trafficking can be young children, teenagers, men and women. They can be U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPRs) or foreign nationals, and they can be found in urban, suburban, and rural areas. Minors (under the age of 18) who are induced to perform commercial sex acts are victims of trafficking, regardless of whether their traffickers used force, fraud, or coercion.⁹

The easiest way to get involved in the fight against modern-day slavery is to educate yourself and others, and look for the signs. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services advises individuals to search for the following:

- » Evidence of being controlled either physically or psychologically;
- » Inability to leave home or place of work;
- » Inability to speak for oneself or share one's own information;
- » Information is provided by someone accompanying the individual;
- » Loss of control of one's own identification documents (ID or passport);
- » Have few or no personal possessions;
- » Owe a large debt that the individual is unable to pay off; or
- » Loss of sense of time or space, not knowing where they are or what city or state they are in.¹⁰

Additionally, get your community involved. Hold an anti-human trafficking documentary screening at your church or community center. Hold a prayer walk through your neighborhood and pray for victims of human trafficking. Have your friends calculate their "slavery footprint" to see how their spending habits can contribute to human trafficking. Finally, report tips to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center line at 888-373-7888, or send a text to "BE FREE."¹¹

Further Resources:

AWARENESS RESOURCES

Human Trafficking Visualized

justice-network.org/2015/12/28/january-is-humantrafficking-awareness-month

LIRC Trafficking Myth Buster

lirs.org/mythbusters

The Locust Effect

thelocusteffect.com/media_gallery

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Find Anti-Trafficking Organizations Near You
globalmodernslavery.org/

FBI — Human Trafficking Task Force
fbi.gov/investigate/civil-rights/human-trafficking

Let My People Go — LMPG
Impgnetwork.org

STATISTICS AND GRAPHICS

Department of Labor Statistics
dol.gov/agencies/ilab/our-work/child-forcedlabor-trafficking

Is Human Trafficking a Global Issue?
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Sex Trafficking
aheartforjustice.com/2014/01/11/humantrafficking-infographics

Sex Trafficking Statistics
eac-network.org/modern-day-slavery

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to sign up for
flowers in 2019.
The suggested
donation is \$30
and the flower
chart is hung in
the narthex.



Flowers & Fellowship



Please remember
that donations to
the 'kitty' help
fund our Sunday
morning
fellowship
snacks &
coffee.



Stewardship News



Some disciples of John the Baptist were questioning him about the baptism and preaching of Jesus. Many disciples were going to Jesus instead of John the Baptist.

John the Baptist answers: "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven" (John 3:27).

John the Baptist says this to show that Jesus, His teaching, and His baptism are from heaven. God provides everything we have in body and soul.

We are taught this in the meaning of the Apostles' Creed in the Small Catechism.

In the First Article of the Creed, we learn that God has made us and everything in the universe.

"He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him."

In the Second Article of the Creed, we learn that God sent His Son, Jesus, to humble Himself by taking the form of a servant.

In so doing, He "has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity."

In the Third Article of the Creed, we learn that the fruits of what Jesus Christ, the Son of God, did are given to us through the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

"That I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ."

Indeed, "a person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven."

Stewardship News

But how easy is this for us to forget? How easy is it for us to think that what we have in life is because we have earned it?

How easy is it for us to forget that all our skills – the abilities of our hands and minds, the ethic to work diligently, and the desire to improve – is given to us from heaven, just as John the Baptist said?

How easy is it for us to forget that it is Christ alone, and the work of the Holy Spirit, that reveals His salvation to us, delivers it to us, and that none of this is our doing?

Sure, we have responsibility for coming to church, for delving into God's Holy Word, and for praying without ceasing.

But even these responsibilities are given to us from heaven. These duties are not earned; they are given in response to what He has accomplished for us.

Everything we have, and everything we are – in both body and soul – are gifts from God in heaven.

Let us then respond in thanksgiving and give back to Him as He asks – with a first-fruits, generous proportion offering of what He has given to us.



WHAT ABOUT YOUR MOTHER?

-by Remi Tufts

There is a rescue mission in the city of Portland, Oregon, which has a sign posted above the pulpit in their chapel which reads: "HAVE YOU WRITTEN TO YOUR MOTHER LATELY?" Perhaps these words would be appropriate to be posted over every pulpit in every church. The way you treat your mother could well be an indicator of how much you also love God. You should not neglect her. One of the first people Jesus saw from the perspective of the cross was His weeping mother. He loved her and even in the throes of pain and anguish He did not forget her, nor her welfare into the future. As the eldest son in the family, it was His primary responsibility to see to her welfare. We can only assume that Joseph has been long gone out of this family because we never hear of him again by any of the writers except the incident at age 12 when Jesus was left behind at the Passover in Jerusalem. He turned to His trusted friend and disciple, John: "When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, 'Dear woman, here is your son,' and to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home" (John 19:26-27).

From the Pews

JESUS: THE MAN OF JOY

- by Remi Tufts

What do you think was the real secret of the life of Jesus? I believe it was a whole lot of inner joy! If you read the account of His life in the New Testament you can only come to the conclusion that this life was very special. Another thing has become clear to me --- Jesus was a cheerful and joyful person with a merry heart. Gilbert Chesterton wrote: "He (Jesus) concealed something He restrained something. . . . There was something that He hid from all men. . . . some one thing was too great for God to show us when He walked upon our earth; and I have sometimes fancied that it was His mirth." The joy of the Lord was present at the tomb of the resurrected Lazarus. Joy was there when the one out of ten lepers returned to express his thanks to Jesus. Joy was very much present when the woman caught in adultery was forgiven. Joy surely was there when the deaf heard, the blind saw, and the lame walked! Joy was also there on the mountainside as the throng of people listened to the profound teachings of Jesus! Joy was there when little children flocked to Jesus! Joy was surely present when the boy gave Jesus his lunch so another miracle could be worked! Joy had to be there as Jesus stood up and quieted the storm on the Galilee! Joy was there on that special resurrection morning when the stone had been rolled away! Joy preceded and followed Jesus everywhere He went! The Bible points out to us that the message of salvation wrapped up in Christ is a message of love dipped in joy! The word "gospel" literally means "good news" or "happy tidings". The bottom line is that joy is an attribute of God expressed in the life of Jesus!



Recipes FROM THE Church Kitchen

Guacamole

"You can make this avocado salad smooth or chunky depending on your tastes."



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Cook time: 10 min

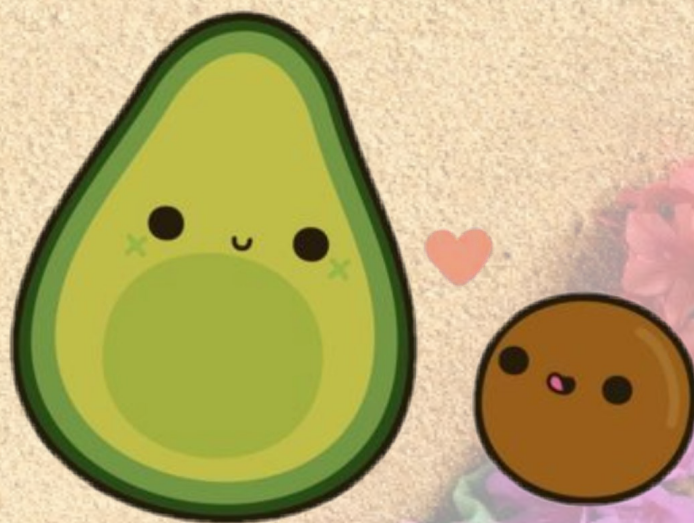
Ready in: 20 min

Ingredients

- 3 avocados - peeled, pitted, and mashed
- 1 lime, juiced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup diced onion
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 roma (plum) tomatoes, diced
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 pinch ground cayenne pepper (optional)

Directions

1. In a medium bowl, mash together the avocados, lime juice, and salt. Mix in onion, cilantro, tomatoes, and garlic. Stir in cayenne pepper. Refrigerate 1 hour for best flavor, or serve immediately.



Recipe By: Bob Cody

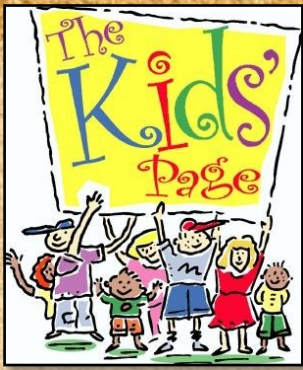
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Jesus Tells Stories

Jesus told stories to help people learn about God. “Once,” said Jesus, “there was a wise man who built his house on a rock. The wind blew and the rain fell, but the house stood strong. Be like that wise man and build your life on God.”

“Don’t collect treasures on earth,” said Jesus. “Collect treasures in heaven. For that is where your heart should be.” “Heaven,” said Jesus, “belongs to those who are like little children.” “Once,” said Jesus, “a man’s son left him, but the man welcomed his son when he came home. God is always glad to see you come back to him.”

Activity Page





What Faith and Duct Tape Have in Common

Duct tape is probably one of the most useful inventions. It serves a variety of purposes, from patching up a pair of ripped pants to keeping some boxes sealed. What makes duct tape even more fun are all the colors it comes in. I was in a store the other day and I found Hello Kitty Duct Tape, cheetah print duct tape, neon colored duct tape, and of course the standard grey duct tape. All this duct tape got me thinking, about faith and how duct tape and faith have a lot in common.

Faith Holds Our Lives Together

One day I was working on a farm and a nail ripped a hole in the seam of my pants. Since there weren't any sewing supplies nearby, I quickly found a roll of duct tape and easily fixed my pants. Thanks to duct tape, my pants were held together.

In the same way, faith holds our lives together. Faith is the basis of our relationship with God. It is believing what the Bible says no matter what it

looks like around you. Faith keeps you together when you feel you're falling apart. Our faith keeps us going and assures us we will make it regardless of what is going on around us.

And without faith living within us it would be impossible to please God. For we come to God in faith knowing that he is real and that he rewards the faith of those who passionately seek him. – Hebrews 11:6

Faith Is Used In Lots of Situations

Faith, like duct tape, can be used in a variety of situations. You might be facing a problem. You can whip out your roll of faith and patch together that bad situation with what the Bible says. Faith can be used at any time and in any situation. Faith in God is always the answer to whatever situation you're facing.

“What is faith? It is the confident assurance that what we hope for is going to happen. It is the evidence of things we cannot yet see.” – Hebrews 11:1

Lastly, faith is like duct tape because you can rely on it. You know that when you need a patch or to hold something together you can trust the duct tape to do its job. Well, that's pretty much what faith is. It's trusting that God is going to go to bat for you. He's going to provide for you no matter what you're facing. Faith is just choosing to believe what God says in spite of what you see or feel around you. Faith is trusting in and relying on God in every situation that comes to you. I encourage you to begin placing your trust in God and become a mighty young person of faith.



Check These Out!



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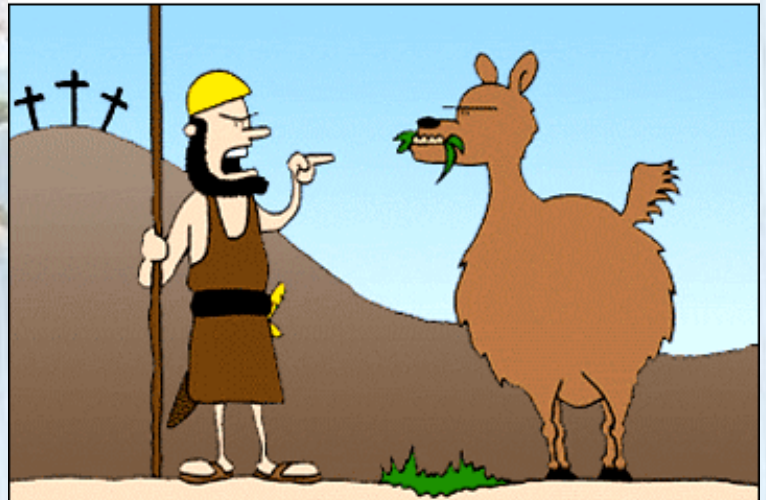


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Heavenly Humor



(See Matthew 27:46)

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HE SAID "ELI, ELI, LAMA SABACHTHANI"
... YOU ARE LAMA, SO WE FIGURE YOU
TWO MUST HAVE BEEN IN CAHOOTS

SO, JESUS AND
HIS HEAVENLY
FATHER - THEY
LOOK ALIKE?

JESUS IS THE
EMBODIMENT OF
THE FATHER'S LOVE
FOR US,

THE FATHER IS
NOT **EMBODIED**
AS JESUS IS.

SO... JESUS TAKES
AFTER HIS
MOTHER?



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JOHN 14:8-17

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I'M ALWAYS
ASTOUNDED
BY THE
PENTECOST
STORY.

THAT GOD KEEPS
THE PROMISE
OF THE HOLY
SPIRIT?

THAT NO ONE
CALLED THE
FIRE DEPARTMENT?



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ACTS 1:1-21

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Atonement Monthly

2019

June

BIRTHDAYS



& ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries

17 Ethan & Joan Bowen
23 Curtis & Ann Duggan
24 Manny & Judi Cruz

Birthdays

1 Manfred Luther
4 Shirley Tobin
6 Jan Stalman
Hanne Hartwig
12 Lynn Chiaravalle
14 Ludi Graf
17 Guida Rueger
Chloe Scherbarth
22 Bonnie Geisinger
24 Stephen Cruz



June

Lay Ministers

2 Larry Betancourt
9 Mike Heidtbrink
16 Tim Hahn
23 Jim Dysart
30 Larry Betancourt

Acolytes


Phillip Brann
Rebecca Moody
Elizabeth Brann
Chloe Scherbarth
Johnathan Moody

Flowers

Bowen 57th Anniversary



JULY 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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28	29	30	31			

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 9:00 am Divine Service 10:30 am Bible Study 10:30 am Sunday School	3	4 10:00 am AI Anon 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study 6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	5 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Scouts	6	7 5:00 pm AYOP	8 10:00 am Scouts Bridging Ceremony
9 9:00 am Prayer/Predaching 10:30 am Bible Study 10:30 am Sunday School	10 6:00 pm LWML Ladies Night	11 10:00 am AI Anon 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study 6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	12 10:00 am Bible Study	13	14 5:00 pm AYOP	15 4:00 pm Atonement Hall Rented
16 9:00 am Divine Service 10:30 am Fathers Day Gift Sale 	17	18 10:00 am AI Anon	19 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Scouts	20	21 5:00 pm AYOP	22 10:00 am AI-Anon Business Meeting
23/30 8:15 am Lay Meeting 9:00 am Contemporary 10:30 am Bible Study 10:30 am Sunday School 9:00 am Divine Service 10:00 am VBS Meeting 10:30 am Bible Study	24	25 10:00 am AI Anon	26 10:00 am Bible Study	27	28 5:00 pm AYOP	29 4:00 pm Atonement Hall Rented 

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Weekly Service

Sunday at 9:00 am

Sunday School

Sunday at 10:30 am

First Communion Class

Sunday at 10:30 am

Bible Studies

Sunday at 10:30 am

Tuesday at 6:00 pm (Men's)

Wednesday at 10:00 am

Thursday at 6:20 pm - Joining Jesus
- *Every other Thursday of the month* -

Confirmation

Friday's at 3:00 pm

Membership Classes

Wednesdays at 8:00 am

Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday's at 7:00 pm

Atoner's Bell Ringers

Tuesday's at 6:00 pm

Hiking Club

Last Saturday of each month.
Location and times to be announced

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