

# The Grace Greeter

Grace Lutheran Church 2225 Washington Street Lincoln, NE 68502

April 25, 2017



Ascension Day Worship  
Thursday, May 25  
6:30 pm  
Chapel



*"Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth."* - Hosea 6:3

The opening line to Karen Chappell's poem "April Showers bring May Flowers" reads:

April showers bring May flowers,  
That is what they say.

The poem ends with the following verse:

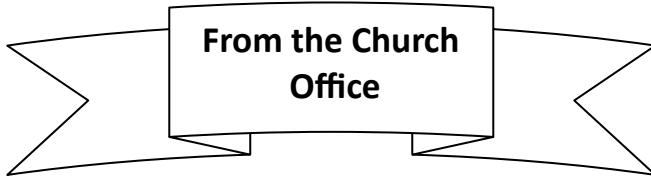
And if all the showers turned to flowers  
On that rainy April day,  
Would all the flowers turn to showers  
In the sunny month of May?

It is interesting that showers and flowers go together. You cannot have one without the other. As Lutherans, we live in this tension of "shower and flower" all the time. Saint and sinner. Life and death. Sin and salvation. Life is like the slinky that gets stretched out across the floor. The circle of showers following by flowers becomes showers again as the slinky circles repeat themselves as they stretch to the destination ahead.

As our hands and minds stretch forward into the future God has in store for us, we are reminded of this circle called life that goes around and around but moves us forward as well. Life is more than just a straight line that keeps getting better and better. It is a long series of circles between all kinds of distractions and detours that move us forward towards the final prize. As Paul writes from this last Sunday, "for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls."

So as you face the distractions and detours of life remember that you are already receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your soul. A soul that knows that April showers will bring May flowers.

Pr. Eric Lesher



- ◆ PLEASE CONTACT US! HIPPA laws do not allow the hospital to notify the church if there is a member in the hospital. The patient or a family member must contact the church office so we can schedule a visit while you are in the hospital here in Lincoln or Omaha. During office hours, call 402-474-1505 or email [office@egrace.org](mailto:office@egrace.org) to let us know. Thank you!
- ◆ To contact Pastor Eric after office hours, you can call or text him at 308-708-1146 or email [pr.eric@egrace.org](mailto:pr.eric@egrace.org).
- ◆ The deadline for the next Greeter will be May 20th. It will be mailed on Tuesday, May 23.
- ◆ If you would like to be included on the weekly email update list (it comes from Constant Contact), please send an email to the office at: [office@egrace.org](mailto:office@egrace.org). These messages will normally go out on Wednesday and will also inform the congregation of a member's death.
- ◆ Is there a graduate in your family this year? If so, please notify the church office as soon as possible so that all the names of the graduates may be included in the June 27 Greeter.
- ◆ Bulletins have been shared by: Keith & Corene Herbster [Mount Cross Lutheran Church, Payson, AZ]; Connie Whyrick, Terry & Jan Branting [First Lutheran Church, Kearney]
- ◆ We have purchased a table for the Lutheran Center Internship Banquet on May 2 at the Blue Blood Brewing Company, beginning at 6:30 pm. We have 8 tickets we can use. If you would like to attend, please contact the church office. The first 8 people to reply will get the tickets. The tickets will include drinks, dinner, fun student performances and a presentation. (there is no cost to you for the tickets) The Lutheran Center will be soliciting donations at the event for the Internship program.



Once again this year, the Social Ministry Committee will coordinate a produce table in Lesher Hall during the spring and summer growing season. Gardeners are invited to donate their surplus produce on Sunday mornings. On most occasions a canister will be available for those who wish to contribute toward the ELCA's World Hunger project.

#### A prayer for Mom

A young boy had been misbehaving, so his mother sent him to his room. Sometime later, he came out and told his mom he'd prayed about the matter. "That's good," she replied. "If you ask God for help to not misbehave, he'll help you."

"Oh, I didn't pray for help behaving," said the boy. "I prayed for God to help you put up with me."



**To All Women of Grace!** Grace Women of the ELCA will meet at noon on Wednesday, May 3rd for a potluck luncheon, business meeting and program. May's speaker will be Lincolnite, Cindy Harmon. Cindy traveled to China in 2015 to teach God's word to Chinese house church leaders. Join us to hear her amazing story of a loving people courageously seeking God's word behind the backs of an extremely restrictive Chinese government. Bring a friend and join us!

**WOMEN of the ELCA – Looking forward:**

No Tabitha Bingo in April but we will serve on Mondays in October.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Unit Meeting – Amazing program - Pot Luck Luncheon - remember to bring a covered dish and your own table service.

July 29<sup>th</sup> – Quilt Auction at Camp Carol Joy Holling.

**THRIVENT MEMBERS –**

Come join us at our next meeting on Sunday, May 7, 10:30 a.m. in the Staff Conference Room. Bring your cup of coffee for a time of planning, ideas and fellowship. See you there.

**If you are 55 years or older,** come join Yesterday's Youth, Wednesday, May 10th at 11:30. We meet the second Wednesday of each month in Lesher Hall. From 11:30 to 12:00 we meet for some social time. We eat at 12:00 after which we have devotions and a program. The meal is potluck, so bring a dish to share and your table service and enjoy the fellowship. Drinks are furnished. The program for May 10th will be "Egypt Eternal - The quest for lost tombs".



**Mark Your Calendar for the Annual Talent Show!**

Grace's annual Talent Show will be held on June 11th at 10:30



The Nebraska Brass will be in concert on May 13th at 7:30 p.m. at Grace. The concert, entitled "Kickin' Brass" includes J.S. Bach's Little Fugue in G minor, Claude Debussy's Girl with the Flaxen Hair, Aaron Copland's Saturday Night Waltz, and Scott Joplin's Maple Leaf Rag. Tickets are available at the door, or in the church office (\$15 regular/\$12 senior citizens/and free for students).

**Join us on Wednesdays for Evening Prayer** in Christ Chapel from 7:00 to 7:30. If you missed weekend worship or want to recharge your soul during the week then this worship is for you!



### Lutheran mythbusting or.... Things you thought you knew about Martin Luther

On the show *Mythbusters*, the hosts unmask assumptions about our world — scenes from movies, familiar sayings or Internet sensations — and rigorously test their plausibility. When it comes to history, however, certain legends and inaccuracies can persist for generations without being challenged or corrected.

In the run-up to commemorating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, we will share some “myths” about Martin Luther that deserve busting.

#### **Katie Luther escaped her convent in (or next to) herring barrels. (BUSTED)**

An early chronicler of Katharina (von Bora) Luther’s escape with 11 other nuns noted that they were jammed into the fishmonger’s wagon “like herring barrels.” We might say they were packed in like sardines.

Later, sloppy readers took this to mean that Leonard Koppe, who regularly delivered fish to Katie’s monastery, snuck the women out on Holy Saturday 1523 in, or hidden among, fish barrels. Given the size of such wagons and the number of people involved, this is highly unlikely. Also, Luther, who was the first to write an account of this escape, never mentioned it.

But Luther and his fellow believers in Wittenberg knew just how dangerous this was. That same year in a neighboring Saxon duchy controlled by Luther’s sworn enemy, Duke George, a man was hanged for aiding another such escape. Koppe’s rescue was a capital offense.

*By Timothy J. Wengert*

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#### **Advice for grads**

You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world.

—Tom Brokaw

The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson



### Ascension:

Forty Days after Easter, we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. The ascension is an important Christian holiday that attests to the reality of Jesus Christ, God and human, returning to the Father, to return again in the future second coming. The Ascension is the final component of the *paschal mystery*, which consists also of Jesus' Crucifixion (and related components like his suffering and death) and Resurrection. The Ascension was an important event to early Christians, as is evidenced by the frequency of the Ascension as a theme in early Christian art and iconography. Evidence from John Chrysostom, Egeria, Gregory of Nyssa, and Church historian Socrates, suggest that Ascension Day probably originated in the 4th century AD. However, Augustine says the festival is apostolic. Often the feast was celebrated with a procession, symbolizing Christ's journey to the Mount of Olives.

Ten days after Ascension Day is Pentecost, which commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples. Pentecost ends the cycle of Easter-related events in the Christian Calendar.



**Storytelling and stewardship go hand-in-hand.** Our brains are wired for story. While a budget spreadsheet has the power to convey facts about how much money is needed to meet a goal, stories of lived human experience have the power to invite people fully into ministry and mission. In an era of growing consumerism and mistrust of institutions, the Church more than ever needs to share with intention and integrity the impact of stewardship practices through stories of the Spirit's diverse and beautiful work among us.

**People really are longing to talk about the intersections of faith and finances— preferably *before* the annual stewardship campaign.**

We live in a culture in which faith and finances are often confined to distinct realms of life, at least until the church asks for money. However, Scripture has much to say about the ways in which we manage our resources, and a number of posts from this newsletter suggest that people really are longing to explore what it means to manage financial resources with faith at the center.



**From Larry Clymer:** I want to say thank you for all the get well cards and prayers I received when I had my knee surgery. Thanks to Pastor Eric for the hospital visit. I am doing better but not quite there yet. God bless my church family.

**From Marilyn Holmquist:** I am so thankful to all and feel so humble for the loving visits and prayers. Our Father continues with his daily blessings.

### A gift for Mom

The three young children told their mother that she wasn't to lift a finger on Mother's Day. They were going to do all the cooking. So, they got out three pots, two frying pans, six measuring spoons, three mixing bowls, a double boiler, a chopping board and eight serving dishes. Mom said it was the best Jell-O she had ever tasted!

# Congregational Vitality Project—2017

Grace Lutheran Church

The results of our February 6th congregational survey are in and here is a summary as compiled by our Mutual Ministry Committee. Average scores were based upon a 1-5 scale where a '1' would indicate Poor to a '5' indicating Great. (Our overall vitality score was 3.54.)

## Connections with God

### World

Worship nurtures people's faith (4.14) \*

Deepens people's relationship with God (4.14) \*

A clear sense of mission (3.51)

Excitement about the congregation's future (3.22)

Always ready to try something new (3.19)

## Connections with Each Other

## Connections with the World

Build strong, healthy relationships among members (3.45)

Seek out and use the gifts of members of all ages (3.41)

Manage disagreements in a healthy respectful manner (2.90) \*\*

Incorporate new members into the congregational life (3.30)

Equip members to share their faith with others (3.39)

Help members live out their faith in daily lives (3.68)

As we begin to review what these results mean for Grace Lutheran Church, we would like you to think about these questions....

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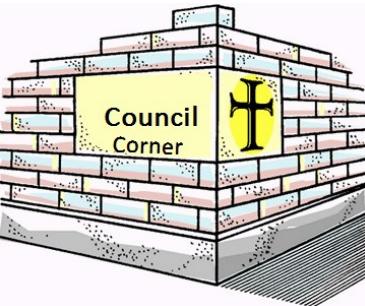
1. Do you feel the survey results show that we are headed in the right direction with the mission of GLC, "Making Christ Known to All Through Grace".

2. In reviewing these GLC vitality survey results, what surprises or 'stands out' to you?

3. Do these results provide an accurate reflection of Grace Lutheran Church?

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Please join the Mutual Ministry Committee in a Fellowship Hour conversation about these results on Sunday, April 30th, 10:30 am.



**From the Council—** Our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make our Lenten and Holy Week so meaningful here at Grace Lutheran Church. Special thanks to Pr. Eric and our wonderful staff members for the countless hours of time it took to prepare for this special season. Also, a word of thanks to the many other volunteers who helped with a variety of tasks. Our GLC community is truly a gift to all.

**From the Worship & Music Committee—** The committee members and choirs are busy preparing for Holy Week and Easter Sunday. We are also looking forward to a concert by the Nebraska Brass on May 13th, 7:30 pm.

**From the Parish Education Committee—** “A Mighty Fortress” is the theme for Vacation Bible School-2017. The dates are June 12-15th. Please put these dates on your calendar. More information will be coming out soon.

**From the Evangelism Committee—**We are looking at ways to promote Grace Lutheran Church throughout the community. A new church brochure is in the early stages of development. Other ideas include: giving GLC Oven Mitts to visitors, advertising at the Ross Theater, and window clings that you can help promote Grace as you drive around Lincoln.

**From the Property Committee—** The annual spring cleanup was held with a great turn-out of volunteers from Grace and our Cub and Boy Scout units. We continue to work with our insurance claim adjusters for the hail damage to the exterior surfaces. Also our service company has continued to search for the issues that have caused one of our boilers to be inoperable.

**From the Social Ministry Committee—**The committee has provided a produce table for Grace for the past few years. Thanks to Grace’s generosity, we’ve been able to offer plants and produce for those at church and funds for the ELCA World Hunger Project. Thank you!

**From the Stewardship Committee—**The committee continues to prepare the *Time and Talent* surveys for June. Additional members are desperately needed for this committee. Will you join?

**From the Finance Committee—**March was a positive month for finances...our expenses were normal and our offerings were UP! Did you happen to notice the graphs in the bulletin that showed the quarterly numbers?

**From the President of the Congregation—**Another very special Thank You! I would like to express our deepest appreciation to Phyllis and Bud Narveson, long time members of GLC, who are now preparing for their move to Minnesota. We wish them the very best in this transition period and thank them for all of their gifts these past many years.

Phyllis has served as Grace’s representative to the Near South Neighborhood Association. We will now need to find a new representative. The meetings are held at First Plymouth Church on the 1st Monday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm. If you would be interested in keeping Grace’s connection to this important neighborhood organization, please contact the church office. Thank you!



## Bike-a-thon

### Bridges to Hope Bike-A-Thon is three weeks earlier this year!

BIKE-A-THON! Bridges to Hope, sponsored by Thrivent Financial and Followers of Christ Prison Ministry, will be hosting their 6<sup>th</sup> annual Bike-A-Thon on **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. with staggered ride times. Funds raised will allow us to assist former offenders while they are moving out of the correctional institutions and into the community. PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN AWAY TO THE TOP THREE WHO BRING IN THE HIGHEST DOLLAR AMOUNT OF SPONSORSHIPS! For more details and to register go to the event section of Bridges to Hope web page at [www.bridgestohopene.org](http://www.bridgestohopene.org) or call 402.420.5696



**Prescott Elementary Walkathon:** Prescott will be hosting its 9th annual Walkathon event on Friday, May 12. The event's main purpose is to serve as a fundraiser for Prescott Park: expansion of the outdoor Makerspace, new musical instruments, shade over the fossil dig and a clatter bridge. Our students and their families will be engaged in a variety of fun outdoor activities.

In order to make this a successful event, volunteers are needed throughout the day to help with simple but very important tasks. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin by the office or call Kathie Remington at 402-435-0782



When Grace Lutheran serves at The Gathering Place, the goal is to provide generous portions that are part of a well-balanced meal. Such was the case on April 17. Thanks to Kaitlyn, Kevin and Cynthe Dumler, there was beef for Regina and Steve Paschold to utilize in the preparation of barbecue beef sandwiches. Carla Ingersoll donated the tossed lettuce salad. Applesauce, baked beans, potato chips, and dessert treats contributed by Pat Lickei, Joy Kokes, Connie Whyrick, Jan and Terry Branting, and Regina and Steve rounded out the menu. Except for the Dumlers, all of those mentioned above helped to serve and to clean up after 134 portions had been distributed.

**From the food pantry:** Thank you for the wonderful donations received the past month! The Lutheran Food Pantry would not be able to serve the food needy without your generous giving of shelf stable food, personal care items, and monetary donations to purchase food.

The items most needed at this time are:

Jelly; Red, chili, kidney and pork 'n beans; Canned tomato products (sauce, diced, stewed, etc.); Canned fruit; Pancake mix; Saltine crackers; Rice; Instant potatoes; Juice; Pasta.

Thank you again for your partnership in feeding the hungry children of God in our city.



## 2017 Spring Yard clean up





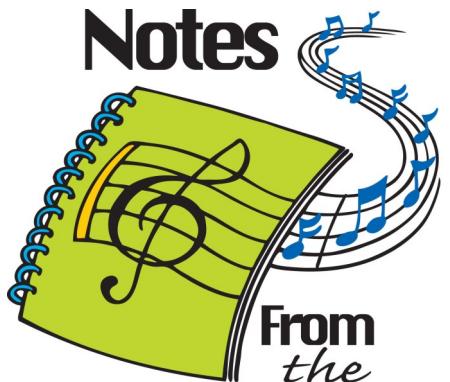
### Appreciation to the Great Yard Clean-up Group!

The Property Committee would like to express appreciation to all who helped at the 2017 Annual Spring Yard Clean-up on Saturday, April 1st. We had 45 helpers including 34 Cub and Boy Scouts, leaders and parents from the Pack and the Scout Troop #30. We want to give them special thanks. Several Church Members and Property Committee people volunteered and without everyone's hard work this would not have been successful. We cleaned up around the whole yard and facility and edged all the walkways. We hauled out a large trailer load of debris making the grounds look really good. Doug Krueger provided the trailer. Goodies and beverages were provided for all. We want to thank everyone for participating.

Roger Potts,  
Property Committee Chairman



<b>May 7</b>	
Assisting Minister	Roger Potts
Lector	Barry Moore
Communion Assistants	Arlene Reighard, Darlene Stutheit, Carol Olson, Ginny Potts
Altar Guild	Jon & Connie Thorson
Acolyte	Kyle Givens
Communion bread	Cheryl Petersen
<b>May 14</b>	
Assisting Minister	Charlyne Berens
Lector	Kaitlyn Dumler
Communion Assistants	Kevin Dumler, Denny Berens, Fran & Kevin Gade
Altar Guild	Doug & Sarah Krueger
Acolyte	Kaitlyn Dumler
Communion bread	Dave Ripa
<b>May 21</b>	
Assisting Minister	Pr Megan Morrow
Lector	Tina Loseke
Communion Assistants	Pat Lickei, Kathie Remington, Lois Schuerman, Tina Loseke
Altar Guild	Sharon Gottsche, Pat Lickei
Acolyte	Luke Filbert
Communion bread	Barb Smith
<b>May 28</b>	
Assisting Minister	Jacob Krueger
Lector	Peter Schnake
Communion Assistants	Neil Larson, Peter Schnake, Lorraine James
Altar Guild	Dave & Kathren Miller
Acolyte	Jacob Schott
Communion bread	Darlene Stutheit



## Music Director

### From the Director Of Music

Happy Easter! Yes, we are still celebrating Easter ... the church celebrates Easter not just as one day, but as a season of 50 days. So, as you attend church in the coming weeks, you can expect to hear Easter hymns each Sunday. In the next several weeks, we will be singing the hymn *Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen* as our sending hymn. This is a wonderful new(ish) text by Susan Palo Cherwien, with a new tune by Timothy Strand. It talks about the church's mission in the world – our response to the wonderful, miraculous news of Christ's resurrection.

Another thing we do at Grace during the Easter season is sing Setting 3 of the liturgy from ELW. This setting was written by Richard Hillert for the *Lutheran Book of Worship* in 1978. It contains the beloved hymn of praise, *This Is the Feast*, that has become a "must-do" at Grace and many other congregations across the country during the Easter season.

During this festive time, we sing many of the parts of the mass. You will remember that Lutherans did not do away with the Roman Catholic mass, but did make some modifications. Much of what we do today in liturgical worship is rooted in and similar to the Catholic Mass. Musically speaking, there were five parts of the mass that were called the Ordinary: the Kyrie, the Gloria, the Credo, the Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy), and the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God). "Ordinary" simply meant that these texts were sung each week, in contrast with the "Propers" which changed texts depending on the day of the church year (an example would be the Gospel Acclamation). Today, many Lutheran congregations often sing 4 of the 5 parts of the Ordinary. The Gloria can be replaced with another Hymn of Praise (most often This is the Feast, as we do at Easter). Most congregations do not regularly sing the Creed anymore, though Luther wrote a hymn version of it that some still use. The chart below shows our general pattern for the various seasons:

	Advent	Christmas	Ordinary time	Lent	Easter	Festivals
Kyrie	Yes	Yes	-----	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hymn of Praise: Gloria	-----	Yes	-----	-----	-----	Sometimes
Hymn of Praise: <i>This is the Feast</i>	-----	-----	-----	-----	Yes	Sometimes
Sanctus	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Agnus Dei	Yes	maybe	usually	Yes	usually	usually

Many of these choices make sense if you think about the season. Of course we sing the Gloria at Christmas, because it was the song of the Angels! We sing the Agnus Dei during Lent, when we often think of Jesus's sacrifice as the Lamb of God. We sing *This is the Feast* at Easter and Christ the King, when we think of Jesus reigning forever and ever. These choices help give a rhythm and enhance the meaning of our worship in each season of the church year.

**March Council Meeting  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017**

Present: Kevin Gade, Wendy Apple, Doug Krueger, Pastor Eric Lesher, Dave Ripa, Curt Mann, Teddi Reckling, Carla Ingersoll

Absent: Karen Billings, Barb Smith

Guest: Jacob Krueger

Curt Mann called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Dave Ripa gave devotions.

Approval: The February Council Minutes were approved as written.

**President's Report:** March 29 Lenten dinner: Received \$250 grant from Thrivent. Menu: Baked Potato Bar, tossed salad and dessert. Council and Staff will bring dessert. Curt and Dave will shop for food. Council members signed up for the work schedule.

**Staff Reports:**

**Senior Pastor:** Written report

**Director of Music:** Written report

**Director of Faith Formation:** written report

Reports approved as printed.

**Treasurer and Financial Secretary Reports:**

**Financial Secretary's Report:** Written report

**Treasurer's Report(including Good Samaritan and Voices of Grace):** Written report

Approved as printed.

**Committee Reports:**

**Parish Education/Youth:** written report

**Evangelism:** Written report.

**Property:** Written report.

**Social Ministry:** Written report

**Stewardship:** written report.

**Finance:** written report

**Memorials:** No written report

**Worship and Music:** Written report

Committee reports approved as printed.

**Old Business:**

Letter to Inactive Members: Draft for the letter to inactive members was reviewed. The plan is to have two letters. The first letter would be a welcoming/please come back letter with new services, activities etc that might be new. Suggested revisions were noted. Evangelism committee will make changes and send to Curt. He will send out to the council for an electronic approval. Plan to send initial letter the first week of April. The second letter would be more formal asking if the person/family planned to keep their membership active. This would be sent out in July.

Easter Breakfast: No volunteers for a brunch. Will have regular fellowship treats—donuts and juice.

**New Business:**

**Constitutional Review Committee:** The Congregation on March 12 moved that the Constitutional changes be sent back to a committee to review language and make certain the verbage was consistent throughout the constitution. The committee would consist of 3 people. Two members are Steve Rosno and Sarah Krueger. The third member of the committee will be a Council member, yet to be determined.

Tentative schedule for completion:

Review completed in time for the July 11 council meeting

Informational meeting with congregation in August

Congregation to adopt changes in October

Give to synod for review of adopted constitutional changes-this step to be confirmed with a call to Synod

Congregation would enact changes at the semi-annual meeting in November

**Discussion Items:****Grace Lutheran Church's position on immigrants, ICE, etc.:**

Discussed plans on how to address the issue and formulate GLC's stance. Ideas: Informational forum during Fellowship hour, prayer petitions, sermon message etc., welcoming signage around church in multiple languages. Information and proposed signage will be put into the "Council Corner".

**Promotion of GLC:**

We are seeking funds from the Basler Evangelism Endowment to help fund the following promotional items for Grace Lutheran Church: a directed mailing to homes in and around Grace; an Easter Sunday advertisement in the Lincoln Journal newspaper; and other social media outlets.

Additional ideas with budget will be presented to the Foundation in the near future.

**Next Council Meeting:** April 11

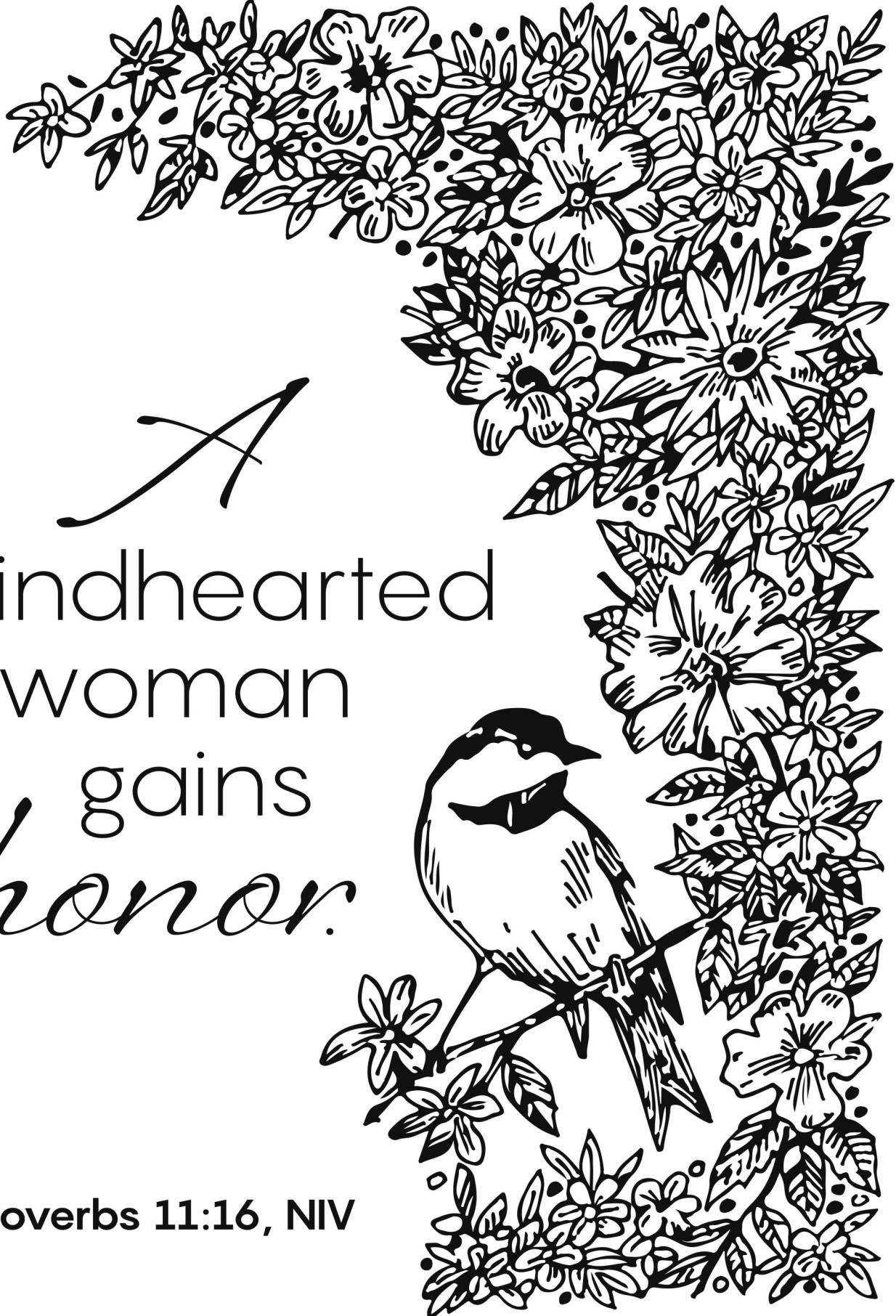
Meeting concluded with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carla Ingersoll, Council Secretary

A page for you to color...

A  
kindhearted  
woman  
gains  
honor.

**Proverbs 11:16, NIV**





# MAY ANNIVERSARIES

1  
Ed & Nancy Hoffman

6  
Kevin & Fran Gade

7  
Dennis & Bev Madison

14  
Ben & Jennifer Klein  
Don & Estelle Riemann

15  
Kevin & Cynthe Dumler

19  
Ken & Carmen McKillip

21  
Andy & Joan Anderson

27  
Chris & Wendy Apple

29  
Nick & Tyler Johnson

31  
Ed & Emilie Collins



# MAY BIRTHDAYS

1  
Chris Linville  
Mildred Needham

2	Colton Billings Joanie Rathjen	18 Brian Eck Chloe Robinson
3	Gladys Badberg Jordan Billings Sawyer Jager Shawn Rathjen	20 Aislynn Haider Michael Lewis
4	Amy Knobbe Ginny Potts	21 Ron Ossian
6	Adelyn Neal	22 William Abbott Emilie Collins Earl Ford
7	Grace Fitzgibbon	24 Kevin Melang-Thoren
8	Joel Winterfeld	25 Laura Coatney Amber Collins
9	Sadie Heim	26 Bob Anderson Andrea Holtgrewe
10	Kaitlyn Dumler	27 Shawn McKillip
11	Josh Lantis	28 Rhys Hughes
12	Erin Graverholt	29 Robin Hoffman Phyllis Krueger
14	Ken McKillip Johnathon Olston	30 Kevin Gade Anthony Zimmerman
16	Sandra Robinson Jacob Schott	31 Jon Thorson
17	Day Hefner Corene Herbster Patricia Lickei Siri Stewart	



### Monday, May 1

9:00 am WELCA exec. Brd. Mtg., Lincoln Lit. classes  
6:30 pm Memorials Cmte. Mtg.  
7:00 pm Scouts

### Tuesday, May 2

9:30 am Al-Anon  
6:00 pm Scouts  
7:00 pm Committee Meetings  
8:00 pm AA Mtg.

### Wednesday, May 3

12:00 pm WELCA brunch and meeting  
6:15 pm Children's Choir  
7:00 pm Evening Prayer  
7:30 pm Confirmation

### Thursday, May 4

6:30 am Men's Bible Study  
9:00 am Quilting, Lincoln Literacy classes  
6:30 pm Lounge reserved  
7:00 pm Bells, N. A. Mtg.

### Friday, May 5

4:00 pm Suzuki music lessons  
5:30 pm YWCA respite care

### Saturday, May 6

5:30 pm Worship

### Sunday, May 7

9:00 am Worship \*  
10:30 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Adult Choir, A.S.F., Thrivent Mtg.  
11:30 am Worship, Bells  
1:00 pm Chapel reserved  
5:00 pm Latino worship -Chapel

### Monday, May 8

9:00 am Lincoln Lit. classes  
1:00 pm WELCA #2 Mtg.  
7:00 pm Scouts

### Tuesday, May 9

9:30 am Al-Anon  
6:00 pm Scouts  
7:00 pm Council Mtg., WELCA #6 Mtg., W.R.T. Mtg.  
8:00 pm AA Mtg.

### Wednesday, May 10

11:30 am Yesterday's Youth  
6:15 pm Children's Choir  
7:00 pm Evening Prayer  
7:30 pm Confirmation

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7:30 pm Nebraska Brass Concert

### Sunday, May 14

9:00 am Worship \*  
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11:30 am Worship, Bells  
5:00 pm Latino worship -Chapel

### Monday, May 15

9:00 am Lincoln Lit classes  
12:00 pm Lounge reserved  
5:00 Gathering Place  
7:00 pm Scouts

### Tuesday, May 16

9:30 am Al-Anon  
6:00 pm Scouts  
8:00 pm AA Mtg.

### Wednesday, May 17

1:00 pm WELCA #1 Mtg.  
6:15 pm Children's Choir  
7:00 pm Evening prayer

### Thursday, May 18

6:30 am Men's Bible Study  
9:00 am Quilting, Lincoln Literacy  
7:00 pm N. A. Mtg.

### Friday, May 19

5:00 pm Lesher Hall reserved

### Saturday, May 20

1:00 pm Chapel reserved  
5:30 pm Worship

### Sunday, May 21

9:00 am Worship \*  
10:30 am Fellowship  
11:30 am Worship  
1:00 pm Chapel reserved  
5:00 pm Latino worship -Chapel

### Monday, May 22

9:00 am Lincoln Lit. classes  
7:00 pm Scouts

### Tuesday, May 25

9:30 am Al-Anon  
8:00 pm AA Meeting

### Thursday, May 25

6:30 am Men's Bible Study  
9:00 am Quilting, Lincoln Literacy  
12:00 pm Conf. Rm. reserved  
6:30 pm Ascension worship  
7:00 pm N. A. Mtg.

### Saturday, May 27

5:30 pm Worship

### Sunday, May 28

9:00 am Worship \*  
10:30 am Fellowship, ASF  
11:30 am Worship  
5:00 pm Latino worship -Chapel

### Monday, May 29

Memorial Day—office closed

### Tuesday, May 30

9:30 am Al-Anon  
8:00 pm AA Meeting

### Wednesday, May 31

7:00 pm Evening Prayer

\*child care provided



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