

# Worship Lifeline

## Congregational News

### \*\*\*WEDNESDAY CONVERSATION ABOUT SCRIPTURE GROUP\*\*\*

Each Wednesday, Pastor Ruth will lead a conversation to examine in depth the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. Join us via Zoom each Wednesday at 7pm.

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### \*\*\*ASCENSION OF OUR LORD WORSHIP\*\*\*

Thursday, May 13 at 7:30pm, Via Zoom only  
This will be a full worship service of Holy Communion via Zoom.

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### \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE - NIGHT WITHOUT A BED\*\*\*

Family Promise of Gwinnett announces that Night Without a Bed returns this year beginning June 1. This year they are kicking it up a notch with a goal of raising \$60,000. #NightWithoutaBed

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### \*\*\*CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE\*\*\*

The committee is discussing next steps following the first round of candidate interviews.

The Rev. Karen Boda is our Synod liaison, and committee members are Tom Wagner (Chair), Maddy Faass (Secretary), Martha Wooden, Barb Litke, Mary Yale, and Blandon Johnson. Herb McCaulla is the Council liaison.

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### \*\*\*DRIVE-BY FOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE\*\*\*

10am at the church - drive by to drop off donations. Supporting both the Lilburn Coop and SE Gwinnett Coops. Upcoming collection dates:

- May 1
- May 15
- May 29
- June 12

## News from NovusWay Ministries

### SUMMER CAMP IS OPEN!

NovusWay encourages children, youth, and young adults to register for a week of camp or apply to be on summer staff at Lutheridge, Lutherock, Luther Springs, and Lutheranch. Learn more at [www.novusway.org](http://www.novusway.org).

## Readings for May 2

### Acts 8:26-40

Philip teaches and baptizes an Ethiopian

### Psalms 22:25-31

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord. (Ps. 22:27)

### 1 John 4:7-21

God's love perfected in love for one another

### John 15:1-8

Christ the vine

## Ministry This Week

### Sunday, Apr 25, Easter 4 (hybrid)

9:30 AM—LL	Word of Faith
10:00 AM—S/Z	ASLC Worship
8:00 PM—F	AA

### Monday, Apr 26

6:00 PM—F	Cub Scouts Pack
7:00 PM—Virtual Meeting	OA

### Tuesday, Apr 27

10:00 AM—Z	Christian Conversations
12:00 PM—F	Sandwich MeetUp*
7:00 PM—F	Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
7:45 PM—GR or LL	NA

### Wednesday, Apr 28

6:30 PM—LL	Word of Faith
7:00 PM—Z	Wednesday Scripture Conversation
8:00 PM—F	AA

### Thursday, Apr 29

6:00 PM—LL	Cub Scouts Den
7:00 PM—F	Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
7:45 PM—GR or LL	NA

### Friday, Apr 30

### Saturday, May 1

9:00 AM—F	Wyld Roots Yoga & Wellness
9:00 AM—Virtual Meeting	OA

### Sunday, May 2, Easter 5 (hybrid)

9:30 AM—LL	Word of Faith
10:00 AM—S/Z	ASLC Worship
8:00 PM—F	AA

Z=Zoom; PL=Parking Lot; F=Fellowship; OC=Out of Church; OO=Outer Office GR=Gray Room; LL=Lower Level; CL1=Lower Level Open Room 1; CL2=Lower Level Open Room 2; N=Narthex; S=Sanctuary; UR=Upper Room; A=Away from All Saints

\* Calendar Note: The Sandwich MeetUp limits participation to 4 individuals at this time. Sandwiches are shared with Rock of Ages in their ongoing shepherding with homeless/street people.

## In Scripture Today

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

Brought over from the second Sunday after Easter in the medieval one-year lectionary is the beloved Good Shepherd Sunday. Despite the popularity of the image of the lone lamb held in the shepherd's arms, most biblical use of the imagery of sheep intends a communal interpretation. Here, the flock is the focus. On Sunday the flock gathers to eat and drink together.

### John 10:11-18

John uses sheep as a communal metaphor for shared abundant life. In John's gospel are eleven passages in which the name of God, I am, is tied to an image, and today's selection includes one of them: I am the model shepherd. In John's christological explication of the

metaphor, Christ is not a victim of the wolf, but instead wills of his own power to die for the flock. In Easter we praise Christ, who chose death to save the flock, who now is risen and with us.

#### **Acts 4:5-12**

Peter's speech describes Jesus as the savior and healer of the crippled man—which can function today as a gloss on the shepherd imagery. An alternate image in this excerpt is the metaphor of the cornerstone, Christ on whom the church is built.

#### **1 John 3:16-24**

We are reading in semicontinuous fashion through 1 John. Today's passage echoes the gospel selection that speaks of Christ laying down his life for us. Our baptism calls us now to follow our shepherd by offering ourselves to others.

## **Russ' Reminders**

### Anniversaries

#### **MAY**

- 10 Mark and Angie Sanderlin
- 11 Bob and Lorraine Johnson/Herring
- 25 Herb and Melody McCaulla
- 27 Kim Alan and Sue Stover
- 28 Claire and Bob Heiser
- 31 Jerry and Dixie Wigbels

### Birthdays

#### **APRIL**

- 25 Joy Wells
- 30 John Holdrich  
Mary Scobee

#### **MAY**

- 2 Mary Yale
- 5 Sandra Robinson
- 8 Kevin Swanson
- 9 Eve Herring
- 12 Joyce Holdrich
- 15 Dixie Wigbels
- 27 Jack Branscomb
- 29 Sheila Wagner

## **Worship Assistants**

#### **Apr 25 (Hybrid)**

Altar Guild: Susan Holbrook  
Lector/Worship Assist: John Womack  
Greeter: Rica Kelly  
Usher: Bruce Kraus  
Sound Board: Al Kates  
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus  
Counters: Tom Wagner, Lorraine Herring

#### **May 2 (Hybrid)**

Altar Guild: Susan Holbrook  
Lector/Worship Assist: Sandra Robinson  
Greeter: Herb McCaulla  
Usher: Bruce Kraus  
Sound Board: Roger Boyer  
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus  
Counters: Tom Wagner, Barb Litke

#### **May 9 (Hybrid)**

Altar Guild: Amy Cauble  
Lector/Worship Assist: Amy Cauble  
Greeter: John Holdrich  
Usher: John Holdrich  
Sound Board: Roger Boyer  
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus  
Counters: Tom Wagner, Barb Litke

#### **May 16 (Hybrid)**

Altar Guild: Lennie Cauble  
Lector/Worship Assist: Mary Kay Kates  
Greeter: Bruce Kraus  
Usher: Joyce Holdrich  
Sound Board: Al Kates  
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus  
Counters: Tom Wagner, Barb Litke

#### **May 23 (Hybrid)**

Altar Guild: Sheila Wagner  
Lector/Worship Assist: Jack Branscomb  
Greeter: Bev Patterson  
Usher: Mary Kay Kates  
Sound Board: Roger Boyer  
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus  
Counters: Tom Wagner, Barb Litke

#### **May 30 (Hybrid)**

Altar Guild: Mary Kay Kates  
Lector/Worship Assist: Bruce Kraus  
Greeter: Charlie Kuni  
Usher: Susan Holbrook  
Sound Board: Al Kates  
Zoom Host: Kelly Kraus  
Counters: Tom Wagner, Barb Litke

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