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THE HOLIDAYS - TWO KINDS OF TEARS



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“What may be joyful to one person, may be painful to another” - Anonymous

Holidays. Thanksgiving. Christmas Eve. Christmas Day. Words, images, memories, expectations, imagination. Take a look at all those words in the box to the left.

What emotion does it trigger in you?

Joy, right? Some have tears of joy at the singing of songs like “Oh Little Town of Bethlehem”, and other great hymns.

Is it always joy? Not for everyone! For many who have recently lost a loved one, that joy is clouded with grief. There are other kinds of tears.

A once-joyful holiday season may be overcast with a deep darkness, missing someone who had previously laughed and celebrated with their loved ones, and now, they are gone. To some, there will be an empty chair at the holiday table. There will be unopened gifts. One less card, a silent doorbell, a missing hug, and a phone call that never came.



As we begin the holiday season, let's be aware of, and compassionate to, those who are experiencing deep loss.

If you encounter someone who is experiencing grief during the holidays, here some things that you can do:

- If the timing is right, ask them to share the story of their loss. When people tell the story of what happened in their grief, it actually has a healing effect for them.
- Be a good listener. Don't just hear what they might be saying; spend time and give them the gift of a listening ear.
- Give them the gift of compassion. Empathy is different than sympathy.
- They may be experiencing loneliness. Consider inviting them over for your holiday meal. Be a light.
- Consider giving them a special gift...that doesn't mean a material thing, either.
- Consider sending them a special card.
- When people are in grief, it's like being inside a dark cloud, or being inside a thunderstorm that no one can see. Try to put yourself in their shoes.
- Be patient with them. Because you're not experiencing their feelings, we can get under the illusion that they shouldn't have those feelings, or that they aren't even having them at all. But to them they're as real as nighttime.
- One of the things that grieving people fear is that no one will remember their loved one. Don't be afraid to ask about the person that they've lost, ask them to share something about that person that you missed by not knowing them. You may be surprised what they might tell you, and how that telling might actually help them.
- You may not be able to see their grief on their face. But if you know someone who has lost someone recently, you can be certain that behind that smile is grief. Consider asking them, "I imagine these holidays are difficult for you. Is there anything I can do?"
- Because they may have experienced a loss they may be lonely, and their joy may be overcast, that doesn't mean that you shouldn't celebrate. Just celebrate with some sensitivity for those in your midst who may be in grief.
- If you are a person who has lost someone, and you are reading this, you know exactly what we're talking about. Don't hide. Step on out as best you can. If someone invites you over for dinner, push yourself and try to say yes. If you don't feel like shopping, perhaps go anyway. May the Light of the victorious Christ comfort your heart during these special holidays.

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Salvation Army and Toys for Teens/Tots

Christmas is just around the corner and the Salvation Army is accepting applications for assistance. To apply for assistance with Christmas toys and food, apply online at sagreenbay.org between November 16 and November 30.

Members and friends of Our Saviour have, for many years, donated to this program...and we won't let COVID-19 stop us from helping this year! Gifts for tots and teens can be balls, books, sporting equipment, jewelry, lotions, colognes and more. For a more detailed (but not fully inclusive) list of ideas, contact the church office to have the list emailed to you.

If you prefer to shop online and have gifts delivered directly to the Salvation Army, that is now available. Use this link (<https://www.walmart.com/registry/registryforgood/welcome>) to purchase directly from Walmart.

Instructions for this site:

Scroll down the page until you see (on the left-hand side):

Help The Salvation Army of Greater Green Bay Rescue Christmas

Click on our registry (it will show toy ideas – and maybe coats)

Scroll through the choices until you see what you want

Make your selections and put them in your cart

To check out, follow the checkout directions (free shipping with a \$35 purchase)

If all the items are for The Salvation Army, you can select direct shipping

If you have items to bring to Our Saviour, the collection deadline is Sunday, December 6. Please have all UNWRAPPED items to the collection area by the 2nd floor elevator by that date.

Christmas Gifts for Nursing Home Residents

We will again collect gifts for residents of Bornemann Senior Communities. Gifts can be for male, female, or unisex. Please wrap the gifts and tag accordingly. Gift ideas include body lotion, socks, handkerchiefs, large print word puzzles, candy/chocolates, cookies, throw blankets and more. For a more inclusive list, contact the office to have it emailed to you. Feel free to use your imagination and bring a fun gift for a lonely resident.

Wrapped and tagged gifts are due at the church by Sunday, December 13 to be delivered on Monday, December 14. Gifts will be distributed to the residents by staff members; due to COVID-19, they will not gather for a Christmas party this year. Thanks in advance for participating in this project and helping to make someone feel special at Christmas time!!

What About Offering Envelopes?

In November, around Thanksgiving, the 2021 offering envelopes will be ready for distribution.

If you currently receive numbered offering envelopes, we need to know if you want them assigned for 2021. With our recent database change, we are now able to record gifts without the use of an envelope number as long as a name and address are provided with the gift (written on an envelope or enclosed note or included on the check received).

Please notify the church office at (920) 468-4065 or info@oslc-gb.org if you are on the envelope list and no longer want to use a number...or, if you are NOT on the envelope list and want to start using a number. If you currently give online, please ask the office to remove your name from the offering envelope list. Using (or not using) offering envelopes will not affect your membership status.

At the end of 2020, please discard (recycle) any unused offering envelopes you may have remaining.

Time to Register for Sunday School

What a crazy year 2020 has been! Here it is, NOVEMBER, and we are looking for your child's Sunday school registration.

Although we do not yet have a start date, we are looking to see how many of our 4K thru 6th grade children are interested attending Sunday school...whether that be online, livestream / interactive or in the OSLC building.

Please visit <https://oslc-gb.org/ministries/children-ministry/> or cut and paste this address into your browser. Scroll down to complete the registration. Please register your child(ren) by Sunday, November 15.

Active Military Address Update

We are updating our Active Military list. If you have a family member whose name you have not submitted to the church, or someone who is no longer in the military, please submit those names to the church office. Please include the contact information for a new submission and updated information for anyone already on the list. The Board of Evangelism would like to send cards of appreciation or celebration of a holiday to the men and women who serve our nation so graciously.

Please help us to use the most accurate information possible.

DECEMBER USHER SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Service	Lead	Team
03 Dec	Thu	6:30 PM	Brian Duff	Tiffany Duff
06 Dec	Sun	7:45 AM	† UN	Al Brietlow
06 Dec	Sun	10:45 AM	Gerald Buechner	Rich Spangenberg
10 Dec	Thu	6:30 PM	David Haase	Bobby Haase
13 Dec	Sun	7:45 AM	Ralph Hoerchler	Matt Norem; Gerald Kirchman
13 Dec	Sun	10:45 AM	Mike Charles	Sandy Groth
17 Dec	Thu	6:30 PM	Harvey Boeder	† UN; † UN
20 Dec	Sun	7:45 AM	Allen Knaus	Jerry VanKauwenberg; Nathan Knaus
20 Dec	Sun	10:45 AM	Royal Bruhn	Sue Bruhn; Carson Falck
24 Dec	Thu	1:30 PM	Shelley Williams	Robin Williams; Rosemary & Steve Clark
24 Dec	Thu	3:30 PM	Matthew Tompkins	Ethan Tompkins; Bob Reinke; Kory & Kole Altergott
24 Dec	Thu	5:30 PM	Gerald Buechner	Rich Spangenberg
24 Dec	Thu	7:30 PM	Brian Duff	Tiffany Duff
25 Dec	Fri	9:15 AM	Rich Spangenberg	Pam Spangenberg
27 Dec	Sun	7:45 AM	† UN	Al Brietlow
27 Dec	Sun	10:45 AM	Mike Charles	Sandy Groth
31 Dec	Thu	6:30 PM	David Haase	Bobby Haase

†UN-Usher Needed: If you'd like to volunteer as an usher, please contact the Lead usher of the group you'd like to join or contact Rich Spangenberg at (920) 857-3014 or spangenr.ret@uwgb.edu

Things We Give Away (That we are not even aware of)

There it is, sitting on the curb. It's been placed there for free pickup by anyone who passes by. It might be a bicycle, an old lawnmower, a couch, or a rolled-up garden hose. What if you unknowingly gave away a treasure but did not realize it? Once gone, it's gone.

Do we give away our freedom, values, and traditions to the new modern culture? Do we place our morals, ethics and even our history out on the curb?

With the near-revolution culture-tipping troubles seen in the country lately, there are forces at work that are attempting to have us give away our most treasured gifts. Protect them, defend them, and don't let anyone take them from you!

Evil in this world pursues chaos, division, and a life without rule. Did you notice, there is a sense out there that everyone makes their own rules and that nothing is wrong except what is right.

"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!" - Isaiah 5:20

Parents, teach your children right from wrong, and with Christ, walk with them on the Path of Righteousness! Teach them history, morals, ethics, values, and holy traditions. If you don't, modern culture will.

OFFICIAL ACTS

Received their Crown:

Ermalee Zilles

November 6, 1925 ~ September 23, 2020

Private family service held

Board of Fellowship News and Updates

The Board of Fellowship has been meeting throughout this COVID quarantine time via Zoom and have been busy planning for the time when we can once again come together as a church family for food and fellowship. If you have any ideas for fellowship opportunities in the future, we like to hear from you as we are always looking for ways to bring our church family together.

An update on the **Fish Fry Team** is that we are working toward having a team of four people to manage the fish fries once we are able to begin serving again. We have a team of three people at this point and are still hopeful we will be able to complete the team with one more person. If this is an area of interest to you, please don't hesitate to find out what is involved by reading the job description which you can request from the church office or from Jill Proulx who would be happy to answer any questions you might have about the duties. We are also looking for one more person willing to become **Serv-Safe certified**. In the future, someone with a Serv-Safe certification may be needed to be present in the kitchen when food is prepared and served to guests that are not OSLC members. This requires taking a class, passing an examination and being willing to serve from time to time in the kitchen when food is being prepared and served. We need one more person to complete a team of five people. The church will pay the fees for taking the class.

Another need is for someone to become our **Kitchen Manager**. There is also a job description for this position. If you have organizational skills and like working with others in a kitchen environment this may be of interest to you. This position would be something you could do on your own schedule.

Since we are all being careful at this time we have had to cancel fish fries, Mother/Daughter Supper, Servant Sunday and the Super Sale. However, the Board members have been happy to have been able to serve you cookies and beverages at the outdoor church services on September 13th and October 25th. We look forward to having more fellowship opportunities when it is safe and appropriate to do so.

If you have questions or would like a copy of the Fish Fry Manager or Kitchen Manager Job descriptions, please call Jill Proulx @ 920-265-1402 or 920-465-1437.



LWML Classifieds:
Running the Race, Looking to Jesus
SAVE the Dates -- June 24-27, 2021
39th Biennial Convention

Women of all ages Wanted to attend the 39th Biennial Convention of the LWML @ the Rupp Arena, Central Bank Center in Lexington KY. Women must be Ready to Run the Race, Looking to Jesus by being mission minded, love rejoicing & praising the Lord in Word & song, and seek Christian growth by studying God's Word.

Young Woman between the ages of 22 - 35 to represent the Northwest District of the LWML @ National Convention in Lexington KY. Candidates must have a deep love for the Lord and be able to participate in full scope of the convention. For more information, see LWML Young Woman Representative in this issue of the Voice. Some expenses are covered. Application deadline is December 31st.

Delegate for National Convention Wanted: Must be willing to prayerfully consider the ballot of Mission Grants and candidates & vote accordingly. Additional time for training is required at convention. Some expenses are covered for the ideal candidate.

Benefits for all above positions include Christian Fellowship, increased awareness of missions, deeper understanding of your own relationship with the Lord, and being blessed beyond measure

Contact Sandy Groth @ gsandy3840@aol.com or Debbi Young @ debyoung90@gmail.com for further information.

LWML Young Woman Representative (YWR)

The YWR should:

- Have a strong relationship with her Lord. Her faith will encourage her as she participates in the convention and carries out her YWR duties and responsibilities.
- Have some knowledge of the LWML. She will gain much from her national convention experience if she understands the basics of the organization. Each district should make an effort to provide education and information for the YWR prior to the convention.
- Know what is expected of her on the district level after the national convention, whether that is speaking engagements, attendance at district events, or YWR committee work.
- Be willing to participate in the following areas after convention: speaking, leading, recruiting, or encouraging. She is expected to impact others with her convention experience; skills in these areas are helpful.
- Have a desire to make a difference, be willing to assume the responsibilities given her by the district, and serve in a sincere and dedicated manner. Enthusiasm to learn and be involved is a must!

What is expected of a Young Woman Representative?

- A YWR will attend all sessions of the convention, sitting with her district delegation, though she will not be eligible to vote.
- A YWR will be asked to report on her convention experience either orally or in written form to the district, zone, or society that nominated her.
- A YWR will commit to being involved in her local LWML as well as encourage other young women to be active in the LWML.

If you're interested in being a YWR, an application must be completed. Please contact Sandy Groth or Debbi Young for details.

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November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 All Saints Day 2:00 am DST (fall back one hour) 7:45am Divine Worship 8am Live Stream Bible Study 9-15am Live Stream Divine Worship 10-45am Live Stream Bible Study 6:30pm Fireside Chat - Zoom</p>	<p>2 6:30pm Board of Elders 7pm Board of Evangelism School Picture Day</p>	<p>3 6:30pm Connections</p>	<p>4 10am Staff Meeting 5:15pm Board of Fellowship 6pm Confirmation</p>	<p>5 12-15pm Divine Worship 6:30pm Divine Worship</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 Mite Box Sunday 7:45am Divine Worship 8am Live Stream Bible Study 9-15am Live Stream Divine Worship 10-30am Live Stream Bible Study 10:45am Divine Worship 6:30pm Fireside Chat - Zoom</p>	<p>9 6pm Personnel and Finance: 6:45pm Church Council</p>	<p>10 6:30pm Connections</p>	<p>11 10am Staff Meeting 6pm Confirmation</p>	<p>12 12-15pm Divine Worship 6:30pm Divine Worship</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
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<p>22 7:45am Divine Worship 8am Live Stream Bible Study 9-15am Live Stream Divine Worship 10-30am Live Stream Bible Study 10:45am Divine Worship 6:30pm Fireside Chat - Zoom</p>	<p>23 4pm Ruby's Pantry, Redeemer, Oneida Street</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 Thanksgiving Eve 10am Staff Meeting 6:30pm Worship NO Trinity or Preschool</p>	<p>26 Thanksgiving Day 9-15am Worship NO Trinity or Preschool Office Closed</p>	<p>27 NO Trinity or Preschool Michelle-Vacation NO SCRIP</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29 7:45am Divine Worship 8am Live Stream Bible Study 9-15am Live Stream Divine Worship 10-30am Live Stream Bible Study 10:45am Divine Worship</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>Looking Ahead - December Events: 9th - Preschool Christmas Program (watch the Livestream at oslc-gb.org) at 6:30pm 9th thru Jan 3rd - Preschool Break; first day back, January 4 23rd thru Jan 3rd - Green Bay Trinity Break; first day back, January 4 24th - In-House Christmas Eve Worship at 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 and 7:30pm 25th - In-House Christmas Day Worship at 9:15am 31st - In-House New Year's Eve Worship at 6:30pm</p>				