



Redeemer Radiates February 2019



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The Pastor's Corner

Too Good to be True

Some time ago, a promotion by H. R. Block Inc. offered walk-in customers a chance to win a drawing for a million dollars. Glen and Gloria Sims of Sewell, New Jersey, won the drawing, but they refused to believe it when an H. R. Block representative phoned them with the good news.

After several additional contacts by both mail and phone, the Sims still thought it was all just a scam, and usually hung up the phone or trashed the special notices.

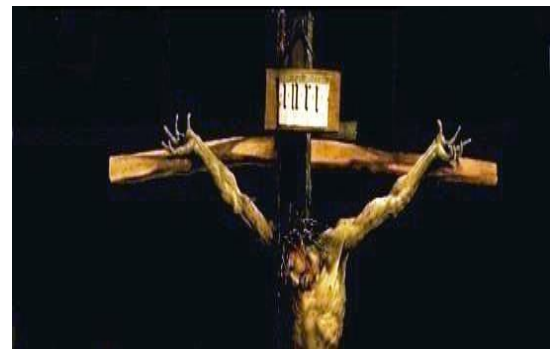
Some weeks later, H. R. Block called one more time to let the Sims know the deadline for accepting the million-dollar prize was nearing and that the story of their refusal to accept the prize would appear on an upcoming NBC "Today Show."

At that point, Mr. Sims decided to investigate further. A few days later he appeared on the "Today Show" to tell America that he and his wife had finally gone to H. R. Block to claim the million-dollar prize.

Mr. Sims' final words were: "From the time this has been going on, H. R. Block explained to us they really wanted a happy ending to all this, and they were ecstatic that we finally accepted the prize."

The Sims just about lost the prize because they thought the message about winning the money was too good to be true.

For millennia, people have also thought that the message of salvation is also too good to be true. The idea that Jesus earned our forgiveness and salvation seem counter intuitive. What is even more scandalous is that salvation is an absolutely free gift that is received by faith alone. The apostle Paul put it this way: "For by grace you have been



saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast (Eph. 2:8-9). Yes, if you and I simply trust that Jesus has won our salvation by His sinless life and by His sin-atoning death, then forgiveness and salvation are ours.

Yes, this all seems too good to be true. And yet it is true. When our Savior rose from the dead on the third day, this was the proof that the heavenly Father had accepted Christ's sacrifice as sufficient to atone for all sins, yours and mine included.

Martin Luther once said, "Shall we doubt the grace of God and say, 'Peter and Paul rejoiced that their Savior has come, but I cannot, for I am a miserable sinner and thus this dear and precious treasure is not for me.'" "My friend," Luther continued, "if you say He is not mine, then I say, 'Whose is He then? Has He come to save geese and ducks and cows? See who He is! If He had come to save another creature, He would have assumed the likeness of that creature. But he has been made the Son of Man.'"

So, rest your souls in Christ, and all will be well with you!

Pastor Grassley



ANNIVERSARIES IN FEBRUARY:



02/02	Duane & Edna Janssen (28)
02/14	Richard & Linda Stuck (32)
02/25	Tyler & Jordan Austin (2)

BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY:



02/01	Eric Riemenschneider	02/15	Donna Riccono
02/07	Christine Hinrichs	02/17	Pastor David Grassley
02/08	Dr. Pamela Butler	02/19	Kevin Penning
02/08	Nancy Moyer	02/22	David Preston
02/09	Carl Hinrichs	02/23	Rhonda Carter
02/10	Ashlee Hammett	02/25	Cody Janssen
02/12	Sarah Zulfer	02/28	Erik Yancer
02/14	Kent Penning		



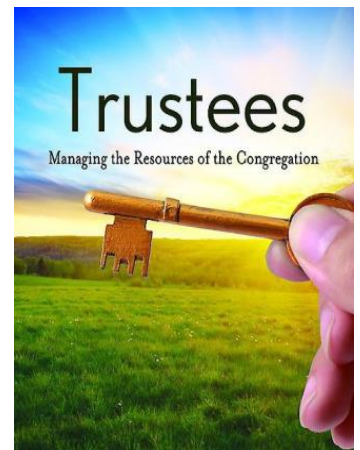
ALTAR FLOWERS FOR FEBRUARY:

02/10	Betty Landy in memory of Ray.
02/24	Tyler & Jordan Austin in celebration of their 2 nd anniversary.

BOARD INFORMATION

Board of Trustees:

The Trustees would like to thank the congregation for bearing with us as we have transitioned away from having a sextant to volunteer driven facility maintenance. If you do see something around the church facilities that is not getting taken care of please let a trustee know. While we will do our best to address every issue we know about, if we don't know about an issue then it won't get addressed.



The only project the trustees plan to address in the short term is lighting in the gym. A number of bulbs have burned out and lighting has become inadequate. Due to the height of the family life center bulb replacement, it will require us to rent special equipment. While this is a challenge it is also an opportunity to make some minor upgrades that will have a rapid payback as we have to spend the money on equipment rental. The Trustees have secured a matching donation from outside congregation of up to \$250 as well as donations of several LED fixtures. If the members of the congregation are willing to donate \$250 to get the entire matching funds, we can upgrade the majority of the lighting in the family life center. Back of the envelope calculations show the upgrades will pay for themselves in around a year so this is an opportunity for giving the church a gift that will keep on giving.

Music Ministry:

Calling all Ringers!!

Dr. Butler will begin rehearsing the Bell Choir on Tues Feb 19th, from 6:30 -8:00 pm. We'll be taking over the Vocal Choir's time slot, while they take a break for a while.



We need Ringers, so come join us. It's a fun way to worship and will make you feel happy!

Mission Ministry:



Thanks to everyone who donated to the free-will offering for Lutheran's for Life.

We will be doing Braille at St. Paul LC on February 8th, 7pm. We can really use some helpers. If you can come, please speak with Georgia Hotaling.

Thanks everyone, who bring in their coupons for use by the Military overseas. I know it is very, very much appreciated.

Reminder, we have little “houses” to put your aluminum tabs in from your soda cans. We save them for The Ronald McDonald House. If you need a collection “house”, please see Georgia.

In February we are collecting Welcome Packets for LSSS. We need Bibles, Bible coloring books, crayons, stuffed animals/hot wheels. If you can help, please bring the supplies and put them on the table in the narthex. Thank you.

Whole Person Health Ministry:

February Activities:

- **Be Stronger, Live Longer, 8:30** am for walking laps and 9 – 9:45 for exercise, balance and strength class, all levels of fitness welcome: Family Life Center, Tuesdays, February 5 and 19. We will not meet on 2/12 or 2/26 this month. In March we plan on March 19 and 26.
- February 17th: **our Annual WPHM Cabinet, Volunteers and Elders Planning and Evaluation lunch/meeting**, following Divine Service until 1:30 or so, depending on start time. This will be in the Parish Hall. Individual invitations forthcoming. Please rsvp to Donna so planning for lunch service can be made by February 14th.
- **February BP Screening** will be pushed ahead then to following Divine Service on **Feb. 24th** in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcomed to come over for this quick check on your BP, P and Oxygen Saturation level.
- **A Matter of Balance** Class starts, at Harris Methodist SW Hospital Community Education Center, 6270 John Ryan, Wednesdays, beginning Feb. 6 through March 27th, from 10 am – 12 noon. Please call Donna if you are interested and available to attend. One must register for a seat, but the workshop is offered free.



Other items of interest:

Update on the March 24th Blood Drive. A Carter representative has been invited to come out to have a few minutes at our Evaluation and Planning lunch meeting on 2/17 to encourage participation at what might be our last drive unless we can come up with about 20 participants, minimum.

Healthy Education Lifestyle Program (HELP), a new program through Texas Health offered at both Harris Methodist Fort Worth and Southwest hospitals. For the specific chronic conditions of: Diabetes, Hypertension, Congestive Heart Failure or High Cholesterol, there is a clinic available to assist those without insurance to get a physical exam, basic lab tests and prescription for appropriate medication. These are provided by a nurse practitioner for a \$10 monthly program fee, or fee can be waived in financial difficulty. For more information on this great new resource contact Donna Riccono, Redeemer Parish Nurse.

SENIOR SYNERGY: See flyer in this issue of **Radiates** for this annual event at Will Rogers on Thursday, May 9, 2019 from 8:30 – 1:30 pm. The event provides a free box lunch for those who register in advance, and offers many vendors, screenings and other features. It is referred to as a health and lifestyle event for boomers, seniors and caregivers. This is a great event to put on your calendar and plan to attend.

One last item this month: **MindAboveMatter** is a new resource for Adolescents and Adults providing therapy and Medication Management for a variety of mental health needs. For more information on this program or any other of our programs, please feel welcome to discuss with me.

Closing with this from LCC Daily Devotions: 7-1-18: “Heavenly Father, today we want to be ruled by Your peace instead of our fears and worries. So, we give all our concerns to You, trusting You to work them out for our good and Your glory. In Jesus’ Name we pray, Amen.”

Donna Riccono, RN, Parish Nurse, Faith Community Nursing – 817-999-3253.



Please remember in your prayers:

Members: Bettye Baird; Elaine deTurck; Frances Graham; Mark Hinrichs; Darold Klamt; Jerry Knutson; Eva Merritt; Gene Morones; Rev. Richard Nelson; Lori Penning; Judy Pitre; Charles Ruhmann; Bettie Schatte; John Schatte; Alan Schaubhut; Dan Shackelford; Lucille Skehan; Bill Skokan; David Thomas; Randy Thomas; Stormi Thomas; Mildred Wagner.

Relatives of members: Nanci Alcorn; Bill Baird; Kala Barnett; Bobby Blackman; Janet Bliss;

Susan Boudreaux; Gayle & Tommy Bradshaw; Meril Christenson; Jocelynn Collins; John Baars Connell; Dean Crocket; Shirley English; Jason & Denise Ford; Pat Ford; Pat Garnet; Andrew Graham; Melody Giunta; Glen Hammett; Margaret Hollar; Craig & Trina Hotaling; Jeanette Hutchinson; Arleen Hayek; Debbie Hyden; Louetta Lewis; David Littlefield; Peggy Madison; Meryl McKinney; Alison McMurray; Chuck Merritt; Kevin Neville; Lynda Quirey; Ryan Robinette; John Sergent; Timothy Sherman; Brian Stevens; Matthew and Shantel Schatte; Family of Davey Thomas; Jacob Thomas; Danielle Tyus; Scotty Walker; Pat Wyer. **Friends of members:** Kelley Adams; John Allison; Sammie Atwell; Steve Briscoe; Dawn Brown; Renee Brown; Joseph Burdick; Elinore Cocca; Dan Crofts; Jolene Crowe; Lauren DiGiovanni; Robert Edmonds; Parker Garret; Candy & Bruce Grantham; Patricia Hill; Larry Hoffman; Nancy Hood; Kyle Hopkins; Jill Jenkins; The Aaron Johnson Family; Peg Kennedy; Telina Manbek; Charlene Marroquin; Michael McDaniel; Julie Miranda; Marshall Martinez; Jed Oidtman; Deann Pearson & Family; Linda Riojas and daughters, Zoe and Sage; Camilla Ryan; Camilla Stephens; Dannette Taylor; Tina Taylor; Jerry Walker; Louanne Weber.

From “*Martin Luther Day by Day*”

February 7

[Abraham believed that] God. . .gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Romans 4:17

How Suffering Improves Faith



[God says]: “I can call into existence the things that do not exist (Romans 4:17) and change sadness and all heartache into sheer happiness. I can say: ‘Death and grave, be life! Hell, become heaven and bliss! Poison, be precious medicine and refreshment! Devil and world, be of even greater service to My beloved Christians than the blessed angels and the pious saints!’ For I can and will cultivate My only vineyard in this way. All kinds of suffering and adversity will only improve it.” Therefore even if all the devils, the world, our neighbors, and our own people are hostile to us, revile and slander us, hurt and torment us, we should regard this as no different from applying a shovelful of manure to the vine or to fertilize it well, cutting away the useless wild branches, or removing a little of the excessive and hampering foliage. When our enemies think that they have inflicted great harm on us and avenged themselves well, all they actually achieved is to teach us all the greater patience and humility, and to make us believe all the more firmly in Christ.

From *Sermons on the Gospel of John*, Chapters 14-16 (Luther’s Works 24:198)

February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 10:30 AM Divine Service	4 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group Meeting 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM LifeLight, Rearick & Riccono	5 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Be Stronger - Live Longer 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Class 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Jr. Confirmation Class 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM LifeLight, Hotaling's	6 10:00 AM Quilting 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Ladies' Bible Study 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Adult Instruction Class 7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7 10:00 AM Grocery Bags for LSSS 7:00 PM Board Meetings	8 7:00 PM Braille @ St. Paul	9
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7th Annual SENIOR SYNERGY EXPO

Thursday, May 9, 2019

8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Will Rogers - Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibits Hall
3400 Burnet-Tandy Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76107

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Circle your age: 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

If applicable, what is the name of your group association? (e.g. church name, senior center name, YMCA, etc.)

How did you hear about the event? Friend Seniorific News Family Member Star-Telegram
 Senior Center TAGs Radio/TV Church/Synagogue Library Neighborhood Assoc.
 Other _____

Have you attended the Expo in the past? Yes _____ No _____

If "YES", check the previous year(s) attended: 2013 _____ 2014 _____ 2015 _____ 2016 _____ 2017 _____ 2018 _____

Send the completed form to

Kathryn Rotter via the following options:

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klrotter@tarrantcounty.com

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