

Cross and Crown Lutheran and School Newsletter

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Pastor Ted's Take for April 2021

The Future of CCLCS

As we turn the corner from emission masking to mission tasking, we need to watch the roadsigns by which the Holy Spirit leads us down new paths.

If CCLCS were a treasure box, what makes us rich? There are two jewels which glisten a bit brighter than the others. First, the school has been super blessed by loving and courageous faculty along with vivacious and eager children. There is no question that CCLCS should invest this wealth for still higher yields this coming year.

Second, CCLCS is rich in a commodity we sometimes overlook. Where do we find that richness? In the silver and gray haired disciples of Jesus. Canes and walkers and wheelchairs are the weapons we use to fight Satan and ward of evil. Well, almost.

How might we become good stewards of our accumulated experience, reflection, and commitment? How might seniors in Rohnert Park and other neighborhoods enjoy the grace of God we're so willing to share?

"Moments of Memory" for those who have died this year:

We've been planning and then changing plans. SARS-CoV-2 has been unpredictable. Right now it looks like we will set aside a portion of the 10:00 am worship on Sunday, September 12, 2021, for a *Moment of Memory* for those in our CCLCS family who passed away during the Covid 19 year. So many among us have passed from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant but, because of the plague, were unable to hold funerals. If one of your family members passed during this period, please provide Kim Burns with date of death and a paragraph biography well in advance.

Fire Season

The fires of 2021 are coming. Washington has designated an extra \$37 million to Sonoma County to fight fire. Thanks, Uncle Sam.

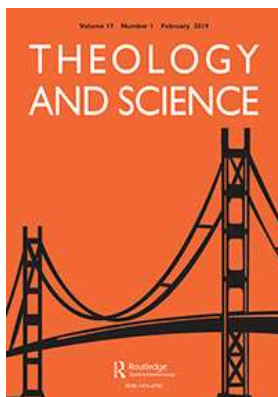
Pastor Ted and Karen in Upstate New York

For almost a half century now, Pastor Ted has spent a portion of each summer serving a tiny 150-year-old church on the west bank of Lake George in upstate New York, [Diamond Point Community Church](#). This is a summer ministry, served by a team of pastors. He and Karen will be away July 11 and 18. Even so, don't hesitate to phone him on his cell (510) 280.4161 or zip him an email, tedfpeters@gmail.com.



Pastor Ted's Other Mischief...

1. Do you want to keep up on the UFO controversy? On June 25 the Office of the Director of National Intelligence released to Congress, [Preliminary Assessment: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena](#). Pastor Ted published a blog post just prior to the release – “[Are UFOs Secret Technology or God's Chariots?](#)” -- and has a second one prepared as a follow up. Simply check out Roger E. Olson's blog on the [Patheos](#) website to find it when it gets published. See also: “[Ted Peters on Astrotheology and UFOs](#)” Morehead's Musings (July 6, 2021).
2. If you'd like to bust your brain on some philosophy and apologetic theology, try an article Pr. Ted just published in a Polish journal, “[Natural Science within Public Christian Philosophy and Public Systematic Theology](#).” Keep refilling that coffee cup.



3. If you have any interest in the controversy over human embryonic stem cell research, you might like the following. Pr. Ted just published an editorial in *Theology and Science*, “[Keep the 14 Day Rule in Stem Cell Research](#).” What is emphasized is that the 14 Day rule indirectly bows to the sacredness of individual human life and this provides gravitas to standards and procedures.

Pastor Ted's Website

Visit Pr. Ted's website for various kinds of resources.
TedsTimelyTake.com



Letter from the Congregational President

Greetings to Cross and Crown Family & Friends

Giving Thanks

We give thanks for the ability to worship and reconnect with each other in person. I am moved every time I see another person for the first time since the pandemic. We thank Danny Krive for his time with us at Cross and Crown. We are thankful to the estate of Jay Alpers for the generous contribution of \$10,000. This will be very helpful to our Replace and Repair Fund.

We give thanks to Brian Brozovic, Council Vice President and Theological student in his ability to deliver a thought-provoking message. In preaching about Jesus stilling the storm (June 20th), Brian talked about how we are being called to the other side of the sea which may cause us fear and fear of the unknown. I was caught by his words, "Let there be no indifference in us when we hear those cries for help."

From our prayers of Intercession two Sundays ago, I resonated with the part to revive our spirits, renew our relationships, and rekindle our faith, that we might experience resurrection in this community. As we rekindle our faith, I pray that we hear those cries for help and recognize our mission.

Please pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts and minds as we make new friends, identify members for the Call Committee and share God's grace.

Myrna Kappler, President



Update from Cross and Crown Lutheran School

The school finished the year with a bang. We had a successful promotion of six students to middle school.

The campus is somewhat quieter, but we still hear the joyful noise of children with our summer school program. Most of the teachers are recharging their batteries from home this summer to prepare for the coming year.

Thank you to everyone that has donated supplies for our summer school program. The church is always so generous to us, and it is appreciated.

We ask for continued prayers this summer as we rest and prepare for the coming school year.

Jean Bashi, School Administrator



Update from NOAH

Cross and Crown handled NOAH's distribution for the month of June. Those involved were Claudia Theis, Pastor Ted, Sharon Winterfeld, Skip and Carol Wellman, Jim and Carole Bossaller, Sue Michaelsen, Jim Carter, Mary Cornett, Sarah Cornett, Myrna Kalper, Bob and Sharon Wambold, Gerda Atkins, and John Umland. Many thanks to all of you.

Our volunteers do a good job of greeting those coming through and gave out lots of fresh produce as well as staples. We received lemons on several occasions as well as garden produce. Thank you for that. Our guests received cans of fruit, vegetables tuna, pasta products, beans, soup, bread eggs, Girl Scout Cookies, and for the 4th of July hot dogs, buns, ketchup, mustard, pickle relish, as well as a whole chicken. Amy's frozen pot pies and Amy's burritos were offered during the month of June. One distribution featured syrup and pancake mixes as well as flour and other baking items. We try to offer a variety of items.

We continue to wear masks and maintain social distancing. The pantry will continue to be open every Wednesday from 4-6 p.m. and Cross and Crown will host the first three weeks in December. Please consider volunteering then. If you know anyone who can use some help with their food budget suggest to them to stop in during that time.

We need egg cartons but have plenty of bags (both paper and plastic) at this time. If you have

Prayers for NOAH are greatly appreciated as are your donations

Thank you,
Elizabeth and Bruce Hoelter



Financials

June 6	\$14,283
June 13	\$ 890
June 20	\$ 2,290
June 27	\$ 1,725
Simply Giving	\$ 3,635
Online Donations	\$ N/A
Total	\$22,823



Milestones

Wedding Anniversaries

July 3 Fred and Kathy Albrecht
July 27 Brian and Mandy McCarthy

Birthdays:

July 5 Jean Bashi
July 14 Paul Grubb
July 15 Kathy Broski
July 16 Sharon Wambold
July 20 Cecil Mathews
July 23 Karen Schlesinger
July 25 Lynne Bryce-Stark
July 27 Karen Peters
Meghan Roth



Prayer List

Healing

Laura (Tandy's niece)
Bud (Mark C's son)
Mona (Darlene's fmy – NOAH)
Linda (Joanne B's friend)
Scott (brother of Lynne BS)
Linda (Joanne B's friend)
Richard (Sue's friend)
Dutch A.
Becka & Jessica (nieces Lynne BS)
Richard (Sue's friend)
Zach S.
Karl O.
Russel (Lynne C's family)

Long Term Healing

Lynne BS
Carole B.
Gabe B.
Chris (Mandy Mc.' BIL)
Mark (Curtis S's friend)

Homebound Members

Pastor Leon H.
Norma C.

Grief

Family of Dale W. (friend of Kim B.)
Family of Don C. (brother of Tandy W.)



Scriptures for July

July 4	Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13
July 11	Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29
July 18	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
July 25	2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-18 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21



Altamont Bible Study Update

The Bible Class at the Altamont has resumed. They meet every Tuesday at 10 a.m. Our current study is "Women in the Bible". Newcomers are welcome. Please see Karen Schlesinger or Elizabeth Hoelter for information.



Tuesday Zoom Discussion Update

The Tuesday group that meets on Zoom each week is taking a hiatus through the beginning of September. Please check back then.



Newzell Memorial Services

The Newzell family is celebrating the life of Dick Newzell who passed away in February. Please join them at 11 a.m. to celebrate the joy that Dick brought to the family. A reception will follow.