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Rose and Spruce Church Newsletter

PARISH NEWSLETTER

When Jesus Comes

“On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you!’” John 20:19

Recently while at Bible Camp I preached on the text from John 20:19-31. It is when Jesus comes to the disciples in the evening after Resurrection morning. Their worlds had been turned upside down with His crucifixion, and now they are turned upside down again with His Resurrection from the dead. Through it all Jesus came to them and He comes to you and me today!

Jesus is a coming Savior. He came as a baby, God becoming man so that He could be the perfect sacrifice redeeming our lives from sin by taking the punishment our sin deserves. He came to save the world. He came to make a wonderful change in our lives. What a change He can make in our lives! And He is coming back again to judge the world.

He brought JOY! Look at verse 20 and see the reaction of the disciples, well 10 of them, Judas and Thomas weren't there. The 10 were overjoyed! And He brought true PEACE! “Peace be with you.” (vv. 19, 21, 26) A lasting PEACE, a Peace that passes all understanding, a PEACE in their hearts in the middle of all the turmoil life was surrounding them with. Jesus brings that same JOY and PEACE into your and my life today if we allow Him, if we truly believe in Him.

He brought PURPOSE as He said to them “As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” Why are you and I here on earth? To glorify and honor our Creator, to serve Him and others. They had been huddled in fear wondering what they should do now that their world had been disrupted and turned upside down. Now they had once again been given true PURPOSE just as you and I are given that same PURPOSE today given by the same Savior, Jesus Christ, who comes to us.

“And He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for Him who died for them and was raised again.” 2 Corinthians 5:15

My sister Lynn and I used to sing a duet entitled “Live for Jesus.” The words to the chorus were.....

Live for Jesus that's what matters
And when other houses crumble, mine is strong.
Live for Jesus that's what matters
That you see the light in me and come along.

(Check out the whole song....It is sung by Evie Tornquist. The lyrics are POWERFUL!)

Speaking of POWER, Jesus came to them and gave them POWER. In verses 22 and 23 it says Jesus breathed on them and gave them the HOLY SPIRIT. And then He gave them the power of the Gospel to proclaim forgiveness when people truly confessed their sin. The Good News of what Jesus offers to all. Check out verses like Romans 1:16 and Acts 1:8.

In verses 24-28 of John 20 we see Jesus come again a week later to the disciples with Thomas present. Jesus appears and immediately goes to Thomas who had said during the week, “unless I see the nail marks in His hands and put my fingers where the nails were, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe it.” Jesus shows Thomas and he proclaims in true faith “My LORD and My God!” Jesus puts Worship and Praise into Thomas' heart. Jesus comes to you and me today through His Word. How will you and I respond???

Finally, Jesus gives a PROMISE as He talks about true believers throughout history and today in verses 29-31—Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed, blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

Please know the living Jesus comes to you and me today. Believe truly in Him and know that He is coming back again; be ready! In Christ, Pastor Todd

Rose News

Ministries

Women

- **WMF Bible Studies** at Rose on *Monday, July 8*
 - Dorcas Group - 11:00 am
 - Ruth Group - 7:00pm
 - Hostess: Susan Rudebusch
 - Bible Study Leader: Bev Holm
- **WMF Program & Meeting will not meet in July.**



Men

Men's Community Fellowship Breakfast will not meet in July.

Guy's CFB Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24 & 31; 7:00-8:00 am at Rose;
All guys are welcome to come for CFB--coffee, food, & Bible



Worship

SERVICE TIME

10:30 AM



Coffee Fellowship Servers

Sunday, July 7, 9:30am

Artlette Solom, Deaun Solom,
Carmen Solom & Keith Johnson
families



Fellowship Meal Servers

Sunday, July 21

Roger Estabrooks, Clark Majer,
Keith Johnson, & Pastor Todd
Erickson families



Special Music Organizers

Randi Gaukerud & Leanne Johnson



Ushers

*Charles Starren
Cody Schumann
Bob Przekwas

The Scene at Spruce

Worship

SERVICE TIME

9:00 AM



Fellowship Brunch Servers

No Brunch in July



Church Cleaning

Karen Beito & Tim Cole families



Birthdays

10: Greg Dahl

17: Julie Flath

20: Beth Karol

22: Joyce Erickson

22: Judy Bellefy

31: Barbara Bakken

Ministries

Youth

Youth Group at Osweiler's on Sunday's at 6:30pm.

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July Spruce Mission Aid & Bible Study: To Be Determined

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Meeting Minutes

Rose Free Lutheran Church Council (Unapproved) Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2024

Meeting was Called to Order by President Tim Fugleberg. Pastor Todd was at Galilee Bible Camp, so Tim opened with prayer and read Ephesians 1:16. Those present were Sue & Mike Rudebusch, Jon Johnson, Cody Schumann, Jeremy Anderson, Kurt Osweiler, and Tim Fugleberg

Secretary's report was read and placed on file.

Treasurer's report was read by Sue Rudebusch. Mike Rudebusch moved to accept and 2nd by Jon Johnson.

Old Business:

Storage Shed: The shed was delivered and placed at the parsonage.

Ameriprise Account: The church has been "inactive" on the MN Secretary of State website since 2004 as the annual renewal form has not been done. This form has now been mailed to the MN SOS office to reactivate the church's status. Form SS4 has also been submitted to the IRS to reactivate the church's EIN number.

Bible Camp: Don Christianson is the camp treasurer and will be sent the \$1,150 designated for improvements of the girl's dorm bathroom. The corporation will plan for making improvements.

FLBC Scholarship: The scholarship issue will continue to be tabled, but various changes continue to be discussed including and increase to the amount and creating an annual review process.

New Business:

Intern: Next spring there will be six interns to be placed in congregations. Tim Fugleberg expressed support for Rose/Spruce to consider taking an intern. There was some discussion over the concern of the cost if we were to pursue a building project as well.

FLY convention: Next summer the theme will be "Behold". Kurt Osweiler discussed that they expect another large group going and would appreciate having some parents come with as counselors. The costs are not yet determined but will likely increase.

Pastors Report:

Meeting Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

President Tim Fugleberg on behalf of Secretary Jean Pederson

News & Events

Galilee Family Bible Camp July 10-13



Evening Services - 7:30 pm Wednesday-Friday

Please RSVP to help plan meals and lodging by emailing Sonia Balmer at soniaanddon@gmail.com with the number and ages of the people you are bringing.

Pastor Alex Amiot-Evening Speaker
Pastor Wes Langaas-Adult Bible Study
Lyle Mattson-Youth Teacher
Carla Bjorgaard-Children's Teacher
Pastor Craig Wentzel-Camp Dean
Sonia Balmer-Cook & Treasurer

THE AMBASSADORS

Zach Davis, Elsie Twedt, Esther Rabenberg, Gracia Rolf, Eli Hedstrom



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

RENEWED
DAY BY DAY

MONDAY, JULY 22, 7 PM
Rose Free Lutheran Church

30804 Co. Rd. 15
Roseau, MN



Free Lutheran
BIBLE COLLEGE

3134 EAST MEDICINE LAKE BLVD, PLYMOUTH, MINNESOTA 55441
763-544-9501 | FLBC.edu



THE ROSEAU AREA MINISTERIAL
ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

JASON GRAY

CHURCH NIGHT AT THE FAIR 2024

Jason Gray is a contemporary Christian singer and songwriter. A Minnesota native, Gray resided in the Mankato, Minnesota area until his move to Nashville in 2015. Having struggled with many challenging life issues, Gray's music shares an authentic message of redemption and hope in the face of loss and despair.

SUNDAY, JULY 21 7:00 P.M.

ROSEAU COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS



MORE INFORMATION: WWW.ROSEAUCOUNTYFAIR.COM FREE TO THE PUBLIC

If you would like to provide a meal for the team prior to the concert or host the girls or boys overnight, please contact the church office at 218-463-1243

More News & Events

VBS at Rose



Sunday, July 28 - Thursday, August 1

5:30 pm Supper

6:00 - 8:00 pm VBS

**Program Thursday evening at 8 pm followed
by refreshments**

**Ages 3 years old (with prior Sunday School attendance)
through 6th Grade**

**Younger children are welcome to come with a parent for any
portion or all of VBS**

Online Registration Coming Soon!