

Council

Church Council meets April 21. If you have any items you would like included in the agenda, please speak with Mary Shulak, our council president.

The Gathering and St. Luke Guys

The Gathering will meet on Friday, April 26 at 11:00 a.m. at Barbara Little's house. St. Luke Guys will meet Friday, April 26 at 11:30 a.m. Location TBD

March Happenings!

Hunger Walk

This year marked the 40th anniversary of this incredible event. Funds we raised will help support food ministries all over Georgia. We surpassed our goal of \$1200.00. Thank you to all for your support!!







Spring Cleaning!!!!!!!







Upcoming Commemorations

April 4 Benedict the African, confessor, died 1589

Born into slavery on the island of Sicily, Benedict lived as a hermit until the pope ordered all hermits to attach themselves to a monastery, at which time Benedict joined the Franciscans. Though illiterate, he was highly respected as a confessor and later superior of his community.

April 6 Albrecht Dürer, died 1528; Matthias Grünewald, died 1529; Lucas Cranach, died 1553; artists

These great artists revealed through their work the mystery of salvation and the wonder of creation. Dürer's work reflected the apocalyptic spirit of his time. Though he remained a Roman Catholic, he was sympathetic to Martin Luther's reforming work. Grünewald's paintings are known for their dramatic forms, vivid colors, and depiction of light. Cranach's work includes many fine religious examples and several portraits of Martin Luther. Cranach was also widely known for his woodcuts.

April 9 Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian, died 1945

Bonhoeffer was a German theologian who wrote profoundly, yet in an accessible manner. In the Second World War, he became a leader of the Confessing Church in Germany that resisted the Nazi movement. Linked to a plot to kill Hitler, he was hanged shortly before the end of the war.

April 10 Mikael Agricola, Bishop of Turku, died 1557

Consecrated bishop of Turku, Finland, without the approval of the pope, Agricola began a reform along Lutheran lines. In only three years, he translated the New Testament and worship texts into Finnish, in the process establishing the rules of Finnish writing that are still used today.

April 19 Olavus Petri, priest, died 1552; Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1573; renewers of the church

These two brothers studied with Luther at the University of Wittenberg and then returned to their native Sweden to introduce the Lutheran reforms. Olavus published a catechism and hymnal; Laurentius was a professor who defended the office of bishop and later became one.

April 21 Anselm, Bishop of Canterbury, died 1109

This eleventh-century monk was one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages. He is remembered for emphasizing the maternal aspects of God, and for the theory that the Son of God became human in order to make the necessary payment for our sin.

April 22 Day of the Creation (Día de la Creación) (LLC)

This observance invites us to notice and give God thanks for the wonders of the created universe. As stewards of that creation, we are also challenged to be careful in our use of it.

April 23 Toyohiko Kagawa, renewer of society, died 1960

Born in Kobe, Japan, Kagawa was orphaned as a young child. Later, when he became Christian, he was disowned by the rest of his family. Wishing to bring Christian principles into society, he worked among poor people, established schools and hospitals, and worked for peace.

April 25 Mark, Evangelist

He was not numbered among the twelve apostles, yet Mark was probably a member of the early church community. The gospel that bears his name is the shortest and most direct, and many scholars think it was the first to be written.

April 29 Catherine of Siena, theologian, died 1380

This theologian was the first woman among Roman Catholics to receive the title "Doctor [teacher] of the Church." Catherine was a Dominican sister known for her mystical visions as well as her work on behalf of people who were poor and imprisoned.

May 1 Philip and James, Apostles

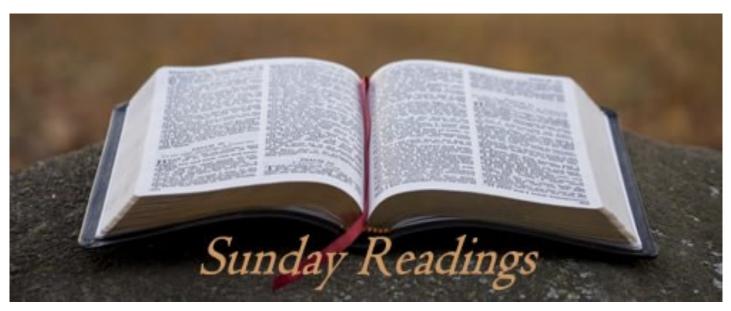
Philip was one of the first disciples of Jesus, and called Nathanael to "come and see." He later responded to an Ethiopian official's request for teaching and baptism. Little is known of James, the son of Alphaeus, called "the Less" to distinguish him from another apostle named James.

May 2 Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, died 373

Best remembered for defending the teaching that Christ was fully God against those who taught otherwise, Athanasius was an influential church leader around the time of the Council of Nicea. He was banished from Alexandria five times for his forthright views.

May 4 Monica, mother of Augustine, died 387

Monica was married to a pagan husband who was ill-tempered and unfaithful, but whom she helped bring into the Christian faith. She repeated the influence on her son Augustine, who went on to become one of the greatest church teachers.



April 7	April 14	April 21	April 28
Acts 4:32-35	Acts 3:12-19	Acts 4:5-12	Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 133	Psalm 4	Psalm 23	Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 1:12:2	1 John 3:1-7	1 John 3:16-24	1 John 4:7-21
John 20:19-31	Luke 24:36b-48	John 10:11-18	John 15:1-8

April/May 2024 Sunday Servants

April 7

Assistant: Kelly Glow Lector: Dave Barkdoll

Greeters: Kelly Glow and Wilma Nace Ushers: John Shaw and Erick Heckman Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace

Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

April 14

Assistant: Barbara Little Lector: Shelia Kelley

Greeters: Ed and Judy Joyner

Ushers: Wilma Nace and Larry Egas Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little

Cleaners: The Egas Family

May 5

Assistant: Kelly Glow Lector: Dave Barkdoll

Greeters: Kelly Glow and Wilma Nace Ushers: John Shaw and Erick Heckman Counters: Paul Egas and Eric Heckman

Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

May 12

Assistant: Barbara Little Lector: Shelia Kelley

Greeters: Ed and Judy Joyner

Ushers: Wilma Nace and Larry Egas Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace

Cleaners: The Egas Family

April 21

Assistant: Mark Rettig Lector: Conrad Busch

Greeters: Mark Rettig and Erick Heckman Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner Counters: Beverly and Mark Rettig

Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little

April 28

Assistant: Mary Shulak Lector: David Ludley

Greeters: Mary Shulak and Connie Capell

Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig

Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace Cleaners: The Barkdolls and Vickie Pace

May 19

Assistant: Mark Rettig Lector: Conrad Busch

Greeters: Mark Rettig and Erick Heckman Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner Counters: Bev Rettig and Caren Shih

Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little

May 26

Assistant: Mary Shulak Lector: David Ludley

Greeters: Mary Shulak and Connie Capell

Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little

Cleaners: The Barkdolls and Vickie Pace



April Birthdays

3-Joe Lundell

26-Jacob Crews

28-David Adair

29-Conrad Busch

30-Krista Crews



Nina Kouri

Carolyn Crawford

Annette Schlicht

John Ellis

Barbara Carroll

Lenore LeFranque

Rose Denzin

Judy Jenkins

Ron and Chong Brauer

Joyce Smalley

Angelina DeWent

Freddie Clark

Steven Pridemore

Layla Kemp

Louise Harrison

Nancy Voss

Hiltunen and Johnston

families

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
Sunday School 9:30 am Worship	1 Al-Anon 12 pm	2	3	4	5	6 AA 9 am		
7 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am Installation of Call Committee	8 Al-Anon 12 pm	9	10	11	12	13 AA 9 am		
14 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	15 Al-Anon 12 pm	16	17	18	19	20 AA 9 am		
21 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am Council	Al-Anon 12 pm Deadline for newsletter submissions	23	24	25	26 Gathering 11 am	27 AA 9 am		
28 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	29 Al-Anon 12 pm	30	1	2	3	4 AA 9 am		