



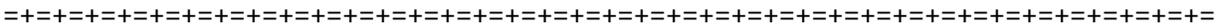
RESURRECTION REFLECTIONS

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OUR MISSION Live the Faith! Lift High the Cross! OUR VISION

We will grow in faith and numbers by seeing Christ in one another in all we say and do!



Pastor's Ponderings

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

Ministry is alive and active in our congregation! We have kicked off our year of reducing the mortgage principle with two wonderfully attended events. I want to thank you for bringing in your coins at the end of each month. We also had a great turn out for the 55th anniversary celebration and live auction. All funds that have been collected have been applied directly to the principle of our mortgage. Thank you for your faithful service!



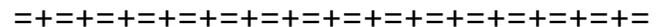
We have just completed a fabulous week of Vacation Bible School where all who were involved learned that Jesus' love is one of a kind! The week would not have been possible without the volunteers, support and prayers of the congregation. Throughout the week over 35 kids had the chance to learn about God's love and experience that love throughout our time together. Each night stories from the Bible came alive and related to our overall theme that God loves us and made us unique, special, and one of a kind.

As we look to the near future, we will continue to plan for the fall when Sunday School will start up again. On September 7, we will kick off the new program year with "God's Work, Our Hands"

Sunday. We will go out into the community to be help spread the Good News of the Gospel through our service to others. If you have an idea for "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday, please contact Loretta Holmes or myself. Also, if you are interested in leading the adult class for a few weeks of study on a particular topic, please let me know. I would like to set up a number of different classes throughout the year that focus on a number of different ways that we can learn about of faith.

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Elizabeth



New Members



On Mother's Day, May 11th Jordan, Autumn & Chris Coleman, Mariam & Orian Acheson, and Ruth Miller were received into Membership at Resurrection

Vacation Bible School

by Pam Porsch

Weird Animals VBS 2014 - VBS was held June 9-13 from 6-8:30pm. We had 38 children participate in Weird Animals VBS, where they learned that Jesus' love is one-of-a-kind. Each evening began with Sing & Play Stampede with the kids singing their hearts out; then they watched Dr. Paws and learned about his interesting animals each night. The evening continued with the crews participating in two station rotations; then all crews went to the Critter Café for the light snack that was served each night as part of the program; the evening finished out with the crews participating in the two remaining stations; then to Tail End to sing and dance and finish the evening. At Weird Animals the kids learned one important Bible Point each day and had one Bible story reenacted. The daily Bible Point was reinforced in all seven daily stations. Leaders for the seven stations were Pastor Elizabeth, Karolyn Braun, Karen Vogt, Bert Kirkpatrick, Rory Cummings, Eric Braun, Rhonda Doll, Lisa Atcheson, Loretta Holmes, Vicki Larsen, Trisha Clevenger and many more volunteers helped each night. Thank you to all the volunteers, the members that donated items for the week and the parents for bringing the kids! We had an AMAZING time!!



First Communion

During April a group of excited Resurrection youngsters met with Altar Guild, Pastor Elizabeth and parents to learn the whys and wherefores of communion. They listened, read, watched, tasted, measured, mixed and baked. On Easter Sunday they received their first communion with the bread they baked. The entire congregation was blessed to also receive this ‘quite chewy’ communion bread. Yes, for more than one week, we had kid baked communion bread. It was special, and Resurrection is blessed with the children.



Those taking their first communion on Easter Sunday: Brynna Christiansen, Allison Clevenger, Grant Connolly, John Gosser, Janie Gosser, Anthony Gosser, Kaylee Hampton, Azure Frickey, Jordan Coleman

New Mission Start Church

Pastor Ivan Gonzales of the new mission start church, Partner’s Ministry Church in the Planeview area of Wichita, visited Resurrection and conducted services on March 23rd. Pastor



Gonzales, formerly a Catholic priest and now an ordained Lutheran pastor, comes to us from El Salvador to serve this new start church, located at 2760 S. Roosevelt in Wichita. Lutheran, Methodist and Episcopalian churches are working to support and help establish this young church. Our Wednesday evening Lenten service offerings were given to Partner’s Church. Pam and Heather Porsch together with Elaine Harvey from St Paul Lutheran Church, Wichita, are in early stages of working with Partners Church to organize and conduct their 1st VBS. More Methodist, Episcopal and Lutheran churches are being sought to help with this venture.

Along with hearing the word of God, Partner’s Church intends to help provide education and job opportunities for adults and soccer for kids. God bless Partner’s Church!

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- 1. Maranda Pike
 - 2. Jacki Chapa
 - 3. Evelyn Clark
 - 4. Patrick DeWitt
 - 5. Kim Fricke
 - 6. Randy Doll
 - 7. Mykenzie McKusker
 - 8. Pam Porsch
 - 9. Maranda Pike
 - 10. Evelyn Cherry
 - 11. Jacki Chapa
 - 12. Randy Doll
 - 13. Patrick DeWitt
 - 14. Hope Tjaden
- Who's That Lutheran Answers:

Camp Toma Shinga Camper Blessing



Pastor Elizabeth blesses campers MyKenzie McKusker, Emma Atcherson, Natasha Braun, Taeden Marshall and Derick Krueger.

Thanks to WELCA camp scholarships, Resurrection's five campers all attended camp the same week this year. Asked what their favorite thing about camp was, Emma quickly responded, "Bible study and worship. I learned new songs and other new things." Taeden thought swimming was just the best. He liked playing games, especially 'Johnny-Freddy-Harry'. The food was great, hamburgers and hot dogs, and he liked the counselors. Derick and Natasha were sitting together during Fellowship Hour, laughing and singing with motions! Yes, they were singing camp songs and proceeded to sing and giggle together more and more. Derick said he 'really enjoyed hip-hop dances'. Natasha was beaming when she said she was the only one in her village to climb the 35 foot rock wall. Both agreed the village (group) names with corresponding actions were great fun. They named the 'Beastly Bible Butterflies, Evan Elephants, Pray Panthers, and Godly Gorillas'.

MyKenzie is an experienced, devoted camper. She submitted the following report: "So camp... so many thoughts. As every other year that I have been there, it was an amazing experience - even though there was a bit of rain on the first full day - and I got to share it with several other people from

church this year which is wonderful. I'm glad to know that even when the time comes in 2 years when I can't return as a camper that hopefully someone from Resurrection will be there getting closer to God the way I have each year. I don't think I would be able to pinpoint just one thing to be my favorite activity for the week but the time I got to spend with my village (group) and all the fun we had together. We spent times singing in the chapel and spending the night in the cabin's living for our "sleep-out" since the ground was too wet to sleep on. We also did high ropes and zip-lined and did trust exercises to get to know each, as well as reconnecting with people from last year. We did cook out one day, making pizza sandwiches on bagels. The rest of the food was wonderful as always. The high schoolers had gummy, delicious s'mores one night after evening worship.

A fun project that only the high schoolers got to embark on was bowl making which was interesting to figure out. We each got a section from a cut down tree trunk and with hammers and chisels had to make a hole in the middle big enough to put some coals from a fire in and burn for as long as possible. We had to repeat that over and over again, which sounds boring but it wasn't really. What we didn't know was that it was going to take more than a couple of days to do so we all left with incomplete bowls before we could finish them and then sand them, so it's an ongoing project.

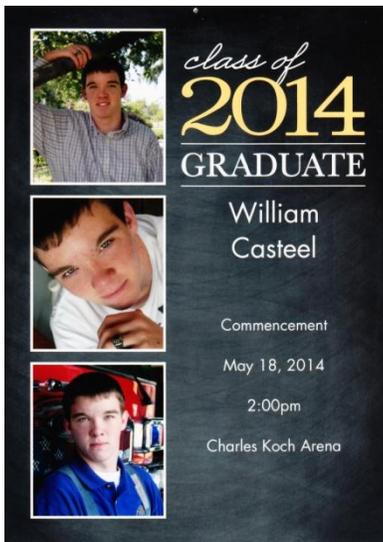
As for the future of the camp I see it continuing to grow and nurture those who pass over all the acres that it encompasses like it has for so many years already. They also wanted us to know that the camp is not just for summer only, but that it is open all year round for things like retreats and those sorts of things for our entire congregation. So that's what I have to say about Camp Tomah Shinga for this year! If anybody has any questions about Camp just come find me!"

The campers enthusiasm is quite contagious, are *you* ready to sign up for camp?

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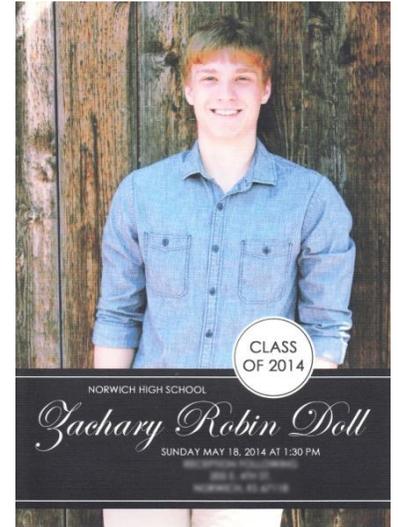
The incidence of coincidences increases when you pray.

2014 Graduates



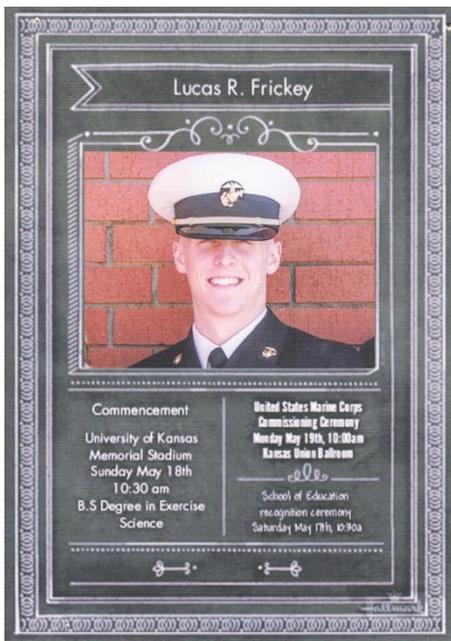
William Casteel graduated from Campus High School. With a grin, he quickly lists “lunch” as his favorite subject, followed by Physical Education, especially basketball. William’s summer plans include a road trip to visit family in Montana with sightseeing stops along the way. He would like to be a fireman, especially working as an EMS, in an emergency response unit. William’s advice to friends and underclass students, “Stay in school, don’t do drugs and get good grades. “

Zach Doll graduated from Norwich High School. With a total enrollment of 53 students, there were 14 Norwich graduates in his 2014 class. Science generally and physics specifically were Zach’s favorite high school subjects, although he names Miss Poe, a math teacher, as his favorite teacher. “Everyone likes her. She teaches algebra up to calculus and makes it



understandable and fun.” This summer, Zach is working at Farrar Corporation as a metallurgical IT assistant, plus the Norwich Doll family is planning a camping vacation to Yellowstone National Park. Zach will be attending Kansas State University’s engineering school this next academic year. We can be very proud and pleased for Zach as he has been awarded several local scholarships and one wonderful national, Hagans Scholarship, which grants \$5000 per semester for four years.

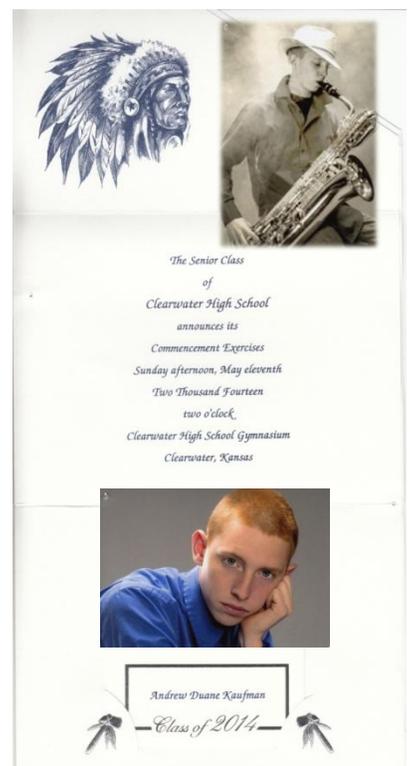
He was impressed to learn that K State conducts an annual Career Outlook Day where visiting employers present job opportunities and students can match their interests and learning for employment upon graduation. Zach’s advice to school friends: “Work hard, do what needs to be done, apply for college scholarships, especially local scholarships.”



Lucas Frickey graduated from the University of Kansas with a degree in Exercise Science and also was commissioned as a Marine 2nd lieutenant. In college his favorite subjects were anatomy and physiology. He said, “I think the human body is fascinating and obviously extremely applicable to our lives! My favorite lab was anatomy lab where we actually got to learn with cadavers. For the next four years I’ll be in the Marine Corps. Right now I am a second lieutenant. In October I will go to TBS (the basic school) for more training in Virginia. From there, I will find out my MDS (or job) and go to additional training for that.” Asked what advice he would offer underclassmate friends, Lucas replied, “Make sure you put your education first while still

maintaining a balanced life.”

Andrew Kaufman graduated from Clearwater High School. He has joined the Marines and will report for Basic Training at Camp Pendleton, California this fall.



Worship Assistants List for July - September 2014:

July –

- Greeters- Ray York, E Clark
- Welcome- Stan & Lois Hickman
- Acolyte- Candyce DeWitt
- Crucifer- Derick Krueger
- Ushers- Jacki Chapa, Jake Stevenson
- Sacristans- Karen Vogt & Alice Yoachum
- Lector- Rory Cummings
- Counters- Rebecca McKusker, Shari Jordan
- Hosts:
 - July 6 Bob & Jeanette Westerhaus, Brett & Betty Batten
 - July 13 Jim & Kim Frickey, Stan & Lois Hickman
 - July 20 Candy Saxton, Darrin & Deanna Deutscher
 - July 27 Lydia Evans, Vicki Sample

August –

- Greeters- Bob & Jeanette Westerhaus
- Welcome- Ellie Bock
- Acolyte- Jayci Gonzales
- Crucifer- Jayci Gonzales
- Ushers- Gerald Yoachum, & Jim Frickey
- Sacristans- Rebecca & MyKenzie McKusker
- Counters- Kris Atcheson & Jan Albertin
- Lector- Alice Yoachum
- Hosts:
 - August 3 Patrick & Lacey DeWitt, Stan & Shari Jordan
 - August 10 Alice Yoachum & Evelyn Cherry
 - August 17 Trisha Clevenger, Don & LaDonna Lawrenz
 - August 24 Candy Saxton & Vicki Nunn
 - August 31 Eric & Karolyn Braun, Pam Porsch

September –

- Greeters- Terry & Nancy Haskins, Tim & Donelle Frawley
- Welcome- Emma Atcheson
- Acolyte- Emma Atcheson
- Crucifer- Natasha Braun
- Ushers- Loretta Holmes, William Casteel, Hope Tjaden
- Sacristans- Loretta Holmes & Noreen Sholts
- Counters- Joyce Wilson/Brian Christiansen & Candy Saxton
- Lector- Kris Atcheson
- Hosts:
 - September 7 Terry & Nancy Haskins (Rally Day)
 - September 14 Lisa & Kris Atcheson, Don & Patti Meserve
 - September 21 Randy & Rhonda Doll, Trudy Doll
 - September 28 Tyler & Amy Hampton, Marge Dulaney

Resurrection Turns 55!

On Sunday, May 4th, we celebrated the 55th anniversary of signing our charter! Special guest, Bishop's Associate, Pastor Keith Hohly delivered the sermon. There was a catered congregational lunch from Hog Wild – Hurray! WELCA had no cooking, just serving and clean-up. Then followed a live auction fundraiser, to reduce the current mortgage. Rick Clements was our auctioneer for the many beautiful and delicious items donated. Rick is a great auctioneer, making us happy to part with our money!



A Life Dedicated to Christian Service



Meet Linda Gawthorne, a missionary with Wycliffe Bible Translators. She shares, "October 22, 2013 marked 40 years since my arrival in 1973 as a young, inexperienced and rather scared missionary to live with the Cassia* people group of northern South America. I thank God for His help, presence and faithfulness in each of the experiences, trials, dangers and joys of these 40 years. He who called us is FAITHFUL." At first, Linda with one to two co-workers provided medical care, and while learning the native language developed an alphabet so they could read and write it. As soon as they had learned enough of the language to communicate well they shared the good news of Jesus. They also developed primers and school textbooks so the Cassia people could learn to read and write.

Terrorists displaced Linda and later forced native believers from their farms, yet God used this time to allow Linda to take young Cassia students into her home and provide elementary and then higher education, two men have now have M. A. degrees in education. Cassia villages now want education for their children so although the Christians are persecuted, they are seen as the best resources for education.

Despite many Satan led obstacles, with prayers and persistence, translation of the New Testament has been completed, revised, checked and rechecked and now, Linda exclaims, **"It's time for the final typesetting of the Cassia New Testament!"** She shares, "Revelation was 'interesting' to check as there are so many things the Cassia people aren't familiar with that had to be described. They don't grow up with stories about dragons so have no word for one. An iguana looks somewhat like a small version of a dragon, but never hurts anyone or causes fear so that wasn't a good choice to describe the dragon. We ended up saying he was like a BIG snake that really scares you, as snakes are to be feared and do harm. The beasts also had to be handled with a descriptive phrase. Scrolls and seals are also unknown and required wording carefully. They do however know about something similar to the book of life so that's great!"

"We are delighted that the native language New Testament has been recorded by "Faith Comes by Hearing" so that it will be available in audio format. Many of the Cassia cannot read so we thank God that they will have the New Testament available in audio form on solar powered players. A large number of Cassia people participated in this dramatized audio version of the Scripture with each NT person (Jesus, Peter, Paul, Mary, etc.) being read by a different person."

Locally Resurrection's Altar Guild sewed and mailed 20 Bible pouches at Linda's request: "It rains a LOT in the South American mountains so we'd like to distribute each New Testament in a vinyl protective pouch in order to help protect them from getting wet as well as pages getting ruffled as they are carried over mountain trails in the typical hand-woven bags. The Cassia people will be so thankful for your help."

Linda asks for continued prayer support as persecution does continue. "One of our greatest concerns currently is how Cassia Christians are denied their rights in the area of education. Please pray with us that some needed changes will be made to the way the school on the Christian farm functions and for the teachers to be open to an improved way of teaching the precious children of believers as well as students from several villages.

Also pray that the Cassia people will embrace God's Word as the Thessalonian believers did: *When you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God.* (1Th 2:13)

Thank you for standing in prayer with us through the years as we worked on the translation of the Cassia New Testament and for continuing to stand with us as it nears publication. We appreciate you."

Linda for your Cassian brothers and sisters

*pseudonyms used due to security concerns



Alice Yoachum, Lydia Evans & Candyce Saxton sewed Bible pouches.

Spot Light on Lydia and Keith Evans



Keith was born near White City, KS at home on the family farm, the fourth child in the family of nine children. He attended country school for 6 years, and then the family moved and he attended the town school. There the kids laughed at his bib overalls and so Keith got to wear jeans. Growing up on the farm, Keith's dad would hire out some of the kids for chores and odd jobs helping neighbors. Keith was allowed to keep whatever he earned, but he had to pay for his own clothes, shoes, etc. Fun times growing up included playing in the barn, hide and seek, chasing pigs, riding horseback. Keith recalls one kid-proof horse that they would ride double or triple and one time, they loaded seven kids onto that horse! With a chuckle, Keith says, "One thing hasn't changed, we used to hide from our dad to avoid the tasks he would assign."

Keith went to White City High School where he tried out for several sports, but he was too short. In 1951, just after high school, Keith joined the US Navy and promptly grew 3 or 4 inches in boot camp! Stationed in San Diego, CA, he served on an attack cargo ship which hauled supplies, even tanks, on three trips to Korea. Keith was a machinist mate assigned specifically to service pumps and valves on the main engine. At sea, he stood watches on the main engine, "four hours on, 8 hours off". Travel with the Navy took Keith to Point Barrel, Alaska, Hawaii and Japan. He states, "I liked the Navy." In 1954, he was discharged and returned home to White City. In 1955, Keith and a buddy were driving around on a Sunday and came to Tampa, about 60 miles away. They noticed a group of girls walking by, and began a conversation. Enter Lydia.

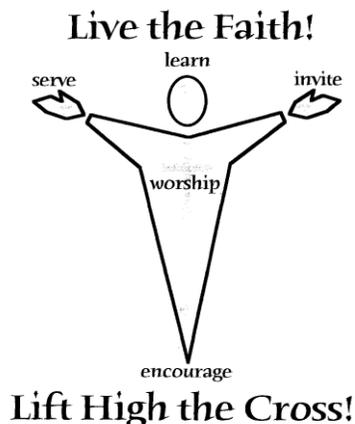


Lydia was the last baby of nine children, born in the Hillsboro hospital. The family lived and worked a farm near Tampa. Although she admits to being spoiled as the youngest, Lydia says she had to help her mom in the house and do chores with the cows and chickens. At play, she was a tomboy, climbing fences, riding cows, playing school was most fun as their home had been a school and 'real' books and supplies remained. The family attended a nearby country church, St John, which was later moved into Tampa. Lydia attended a country school, walking down the road and sometimes riding on the running board of the mail truck. Graduating 8th grade, Lydia earned money to contribute to her dad by babysitting, ironing, and sewing, but she had plans and saved back money to enroll in Tampa High school. The family's only child to attend high school, she enrolled first and then had to tell her parents, a bold and frightening act. In high school, Lydia became a cheerleader, edited the school paper, sang in a trio and took acting parts in plays.



After Lydia's graduation, one Sunday while waiting for her dad who was in a church meeting, she was strolling with girl friends when they noticed some boys driving by and began a conversation. Enter Keith. He asked her for a date and the following Wed. they attended the movies in the big town of Herrington.

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Summer Worship:

***SINGING FAVORITE HYMNS 8:45 AM
SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 AM***