



Cross & Crownicle

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. John 14: 5-6

In this dialogue from John, we hear a snippet of conversation between Jesus and his disciples. His time among the disciples was transformative for both the messiah and those who followed him. But his time on the earth is limited. He will soon ascend into heaven to be with God the Father. The disciples are perplexed at how they will continue the ministry without their beloved teacher.

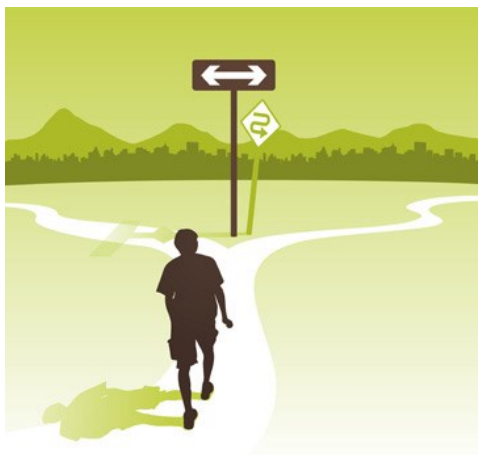
I can't blame them for feeling anxious. Theirs is a tremendously huge job: to bring the good news of Jesus to the rest of the world! It's not surprising at all that Thomas asks Jesus to draw them road map for the next stage of their journey. "How can we know the way?"

Summer is a time of transitions and trips: Seniors are graduating High School and College. Parents will load up cars to bring them home and then load up cars again in the Fall to send them back. As students become "grownups," they will find doors opening with new jobs and new living opportunities. Many parents will face an empty house for the first time. Suddenly those little kids who ran through the house in their diapers are walking across a stage to receive a diploma.

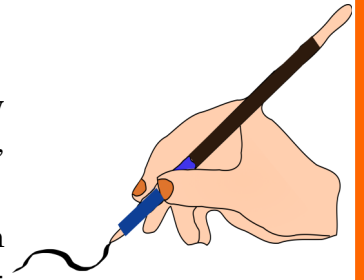
Families, young and old, will pile the car full of suitcases and take that great cross-country road trip. Summer festivals will encourage us to get outdoors, socialize, hear great bands play and have some much-needed fun! Where else will this summer lead you?

Sometimes the enjoyments of the Summer pull us away from routines like church. Instead of feeling guilty about missed worship services, I hope that you will find opportunities to bring "church" with you this Summer. We are called to be disciples in the world. Jesus asks us to proclaim the good news and he commissions us all to be preachers of the word. Where will this mission lead you this Summer? Like Thomas you may question, "How can we know the way?"

This Summer you are challenged to find opportunities point others to Jesus' truth: at the lake house, at the concert, at the new job! Find the way where Jesus is leading you this Summer 2017.



Pastor Megan





SOCIAL CONCERNS and YOU.....

God's Work Our Hands 2017 Event is "Books on the Bus"

As part of celebrating 500 years of Reformation, Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries (RALM) has a goal to support 500 buses with books. It's a simple concept. Books are placed on buses for the children to read. This has been done in other communities with positive results. Children riding buses are getting into less trouble, older children are reading to younger children, and literacy levels are increasing. Discussion with the schools has started as well as discussions for partnering with area businesses and organizations.

If you are able to contribute to this worthy cause, please place new or gently used children's books in the box in the narthex. We will collect the books at Cross and Crown until September. In September, you will have opportunities to organize and sort the books for distribution to 500 buses in Winnebago and Boone counties.



Northern Illinois Synod Assembly 2017 In-Kind Offering

This project of the synod will continue until June 12. Foster homes must have smoke/carbon monoxide detectors before children can be placed in that home. You can help by donating a detector or a gift card (gift cards take up little room in the small LSSI offices and can be used for many needs) in any amount from any of the following: Wal-Mart, Target, Walgreens, CVS, Dollar General, Dollar Tree, Casey's General Store, Toys R Us, Hy-vee Grocery, Schnucks Grocery, Woodman Grocery, Mc Donald's, Subway, Culvers, Gas cards (Shell, Mobil, Amoco). Please place your donations in the box in the narthex by June 12.

RUMMAGE SALE SUCCESS!



The 9th Rummage and Plant Sale was a success! As of this printing the final income and costs aren't complete but we took in \$7,032.00! Thanks to all who donated, helped with set up and tear down, and purchased items! This project requires a total commitment by all church members, not just the co-chairs! Unsold items have been donated to Habitat Restore, Becca's Closet, Rockford Rescue Mission and Goodwill. Look elsewhere in the newsletter for the quilt raffle winner....:) signed co-chairs Anita Drake and Kristin Frank.

Fun on the Farm

Come and join us for a fun filled evening on Jan Ethington's farm, 1811 Manchester Road in South Beloit. We'll gather at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 14, and meet at the pond where you can swim, fish, or paddle a canoe. (Bring your swimsuit and/or fishing pole). Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, lemonade, water, and table service will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass; salad, dessert, or your choice. After eating you can enjoy a horse drawn wagon ride and sit around a campfire roasting marshmallows. Sunscreen and bug spray is recommended. Please sign up on the poster in the narthex to enjoy an evening on the farm. See you there! Rain date is June 28.



Quilt Drawing Winner



Congratulations to Linda Hanson who won the quilt drawing this year. All proceeds from the drawing will go to the youth mission trip.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Prayers of sympathy to Diane Peters and family upon the death of Diane's mother, Dorothy Rauch.



OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE TALENTS!



**OFFERING
COUNTERS**

Needed: At least one offering counter (can be a team if you would like to work with a friend or spouse). If you are interested please contact the church office (815-623-6853).

Serving the Lord—June, 2017

	<i>June 4 8:30 a.m. Traditional</i>	<i>June 4 10:00 a.m. Contemporary</i>	<i>June 11 8:30 a.m. Traditional</i>	<i>June 11 10:00 a.m. Contemporary</i>
Greeter	Cindy & Dean Snowdon	Cindy Loken	Terri & Steve Schubert	Debbie Paus
Ushers	Eileen & John Herring	Greg Loken	Cindy & Gary Powalish	Louise Glon
Acolyte/Cup Collector				
Assisting Minister	Loren Sass		Ellen Colletta	
Message for Children	Puppets	Puppets	Jan Ethington	
Lector	Bill Frank	Cindy Loken	Jay Kabitzke	Cassie Hartje
Communion Setup	Nancy Christianson		Vicki Sims	
Communion Bread	Penni Korte	Cindy Snowdon	Ellen Colletta	Louise Glon
Communion Assistants	Cindy & Dean Snowdon	Steve Shoudy Vicki Davis	Terri & Steve Schubert	Jim Lacy Michele Lally
Nursery				
Coffee Host and Clean up	Volunteers Needed	_____	_____	_____→
PowerPoint Operator	Ralph Prescott		Diane Peters	
Bread Delivery	Debbi Paus		Karen Radtke	
Offering Caretaker	Bill Frank	Steve Shoudy	Gary Powalish	Dean Snowdon
Indoor Plant Care	Violet Bane	_____	_____	_____→
Recycling	Eileen & John Herring	_____	_____	_____→
Snow Shoveling				

If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, please find a replacement and call the church office by Thursday for bulletin changes (623-6853).

Serving the Lord—June, 2017

	<i>June 18 8:30a.m. Traditional</i>	<i>June 18 10:00 a.m. Contemporary</i>	<i>June 25 10:00 a.m.</i>
Greeter	Barb & Dan Larson	Floyd Hermann	Sue & Dave Chaney
Ushers	Sally & Bill Clemens	Jim Lacy	Kristin & Bill Frank
Acolyte/Cup Collector			
Assisting Minister	Ben Vaughan		Ralph Prescott
Message for Children	Warren Jacobs		Ellen Colletta
Lector	Loren Sass	Louise Glon	Delores Dirks
Communion Setup	Nancy Christianson		Cindy Powalish
Communion Bread	Milly Van Valzah	Christy Swartout	Vicki Davis
Communion Assistants	Ann & Joe Chamberlain	Christy Swartout Louise Glon	Cindy & Gary Powalish
Nursery			
Coffee Host and Clean up	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	
PowerPoint Operator	Barb Larson		Angie Henbest
Bread Delivery	Vicki Sims		Terri Schubert
Offering Caretaker	Joe Chamberlain		Bill Frank
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Pledge donations for Old Stone Food Pantry

In the Fall our Stewardship committee rallied the congregation to make pledges to meet the needs of the church budget. We also pledged to give 1% of our total pledged monies as an offering to a local charity. That money, which totaled over \$2,000, went to the backpack program through Old Stone Food Pantry. Each week empty backpacks are filled up with non-perishable food items and sent home with students over the weekend. The food is meant to bridge the gap for students in low income homes who may only receive full meals while in school. Thank you for all the generous donations! We made a big impact on this ministry.



Roof Work to Begin

Pardon our dust. Work to replace our 35-year-old roof will begin June 19th. Belknap roofing will be replacing our old leaky roof with a new 50-year shingle roof. We look forward to many dry years to come thanks to the generous support of the congregation covering the cost of this much needed project!



Happy Birthday

Owen Jones	6/3	Linda Hanson	6/16	Wyatt Schott	6/26
Jasper Vaughan	6/5	Hailey Saladino	6/16	Alex Killion	6/27
Tyler Bauer	6/9	Amanda Glon	6/17	Dan Larson	6/27
Violet Jensen	6/9	Gary Korth	6/17	Vicki Sims	6/27
Alyssa Swartout	6/13	Samantha Henbest	6/20	Kevin Peters	6/30
Mildred Van Valzah	6/14	Lucas Whisenand	6/20	Kristi Sims	6/30
Joshua Wright	6/15	Jennifer Nugent	6/25		

Happy Anniversary

Dave & Sue Chaney	6/1	Bill & Sally Clemens	6/14	Jon & Lacey Jensen	6/19
Bob & Dolores Dirks	6/5	Loren & Diane Sass	6/15	John & Eileen Herring	6/22
John & Jill Brazones	6/6	David & April Burdick	6/18	Russ & Lisa Albert	6/28

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Worship Schedule

Sunday Schedule -- Rally Day through May 22

Sundays: 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:30 a.m. Community Time
9:45 a.m. Education Hour
10:00 a.m. Adult Enrichment
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship

Summer Worship Schedule:

Sundays: 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:30 a.m. Community Time
10:00 a.m. Contemporary
Worship

Address Service Requested

Barb Peterson's Farewell Party



On Sunday, June 25, 2017, Cross and Crown will have one worship service at 10 A.M. Following worship, we will have a potluck and reception to honor Barb. We invite everyone in the congregation to join us for this special farewell Sunday.

The council and others from Cross and Crown will be presenting gifts of appreciation for Barb's service. If you would like to contribute towards a monetary gift for Barb, please send checks or cash to the church office c/o Pastor Megan Vaughan at 7404 Elevator Rd., Roscoe, IL 61073. You may also drop them off in the office or hand them to Angela Henbest or Pam Prescott on Sunday mornings.

We are grateful for this opportunity to celebrate the long ministry of Barb and to rejoice in how she has touched all our lives!

Cross and Crown Staff

Megan Vaughan, Pastor
Mitchell Olson, Director of Music
Warren Jacobs, Dir. of Youth and Family Ministries
Matt Guschl, Hand Bell Director
Deb Dunnavan, Organist

Barbara Peterson, Office Manager, Bookkeeper
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