

MAY 2022 THE CONTACT

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Persons in the community in need of food are using the The Little Food Pantry. Once or twice a week it is restocked. We are in need of the following foods:

- Soup
- Tuna fish pouch or or pop top lid
- Fruit individual servings
- Peanut Butter
- Crackers
- Cereal
- Pasta/Meat/Tomato Sauce individual servings
- · Oatmeal- individual servings

Please place foods in the gray plastic container located near the side door entrance. If the office is closed, place food directly into The Little Food Pantry on the side of the church on Simms St. Please contact Marcy Coster-Schulz at 803-319-7873 with any questions. Thanks!



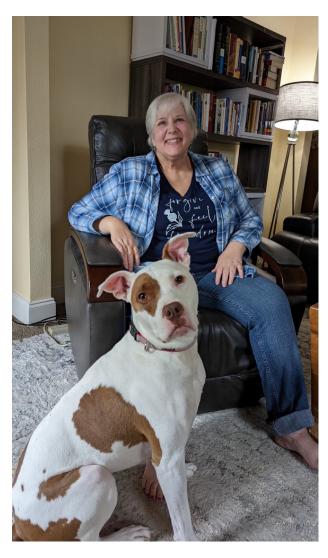
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A NOTE FROM PASTOR EMILY:

Meet our New Intern!



Sometimes God works to bring together folks who need each other, and it is through that work of the Spirit that Incarnation Lutheran has been blessed with an intern for the upcoming year. Lorie Gladyness is a third year student at Southern Seminary, with an expected graduation date of May 2023. She hales from Hastings, Michigan, where she worked for nearly thirty years in the energy sector before heeding a call into ministry.

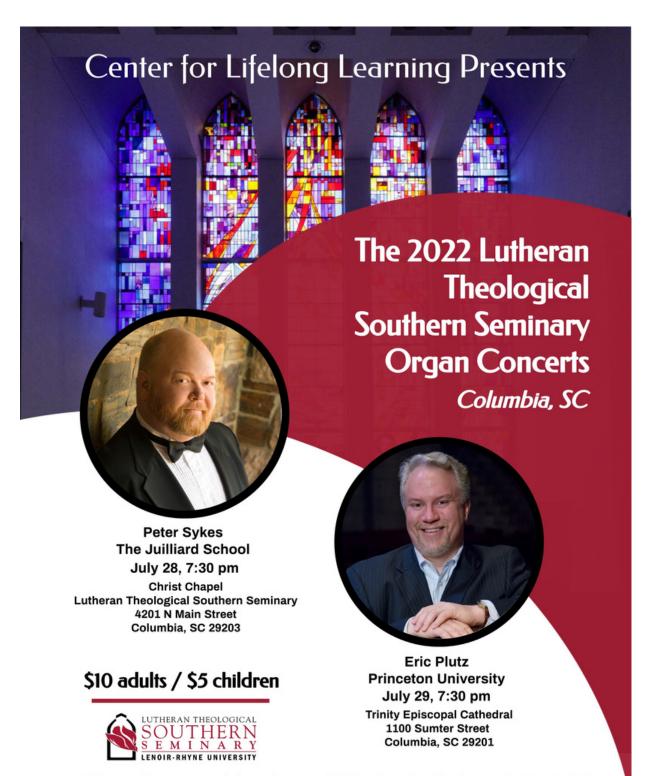
Lorie spent a year with us as a field education student during the 2020-2021 academic year, but many of you may not have had the chance to really get to know her due to the pandemic and the resulting "flexibility" of our worship life together. Due to ongoing health concerns, Lorie also needed an internship site here in Columbia, and we were so very honored to be asked to serve as her place of learning for this next year. This congregation has a long history of partnering with the seminary as an internship site and we are delighted to be able to do so again this year. I know that both Lorie and Incarnation will benefit throughout this next year of learning and worshiping together.

Lorie has a passion for the gospel and a deep love of God's people. She has a servant's heart and is especially drawn to supporting marginalized communities, as well as those who have experienced loss or trauma.

She will begin her year with us on June 1st. Please welcome her into our fellowship, and may God bless our time together!

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For ticket purchase or more information: email lifelonglearning@lr.edu or call 803-461-3237

CDC

Spring Break Fun!

The school age kids (ASC) had awesome adventures during spring break. We visited the Mad Platter for ceramics, the State Museum, and Congaree National Park. A wonderful time was had by all!











It is hard to believe that May is here! May brings graduations and the anticipation of summer. We are looking forward to honoring the ministry of the Child Development Center on the 1st of May. This service will be like our traditional 10 am service, but with elements of weekly chapel service woven in. On the 22nd, we will be celebrating five seniors who will be graduating from high school. I look forward to honoring these graduates during this milestone in their life, and hope that you will attend as well.

> McNally Sowell - Hammond Wofford College

Aidan Willhide- Heathwood Hall Clemson University

Katie Sawicki - Cardinal Newman James Madison University

Grace Sawicki - Cardinal Newman Ball State University

Kimi Dail - Lutheran Theological Seminary

Looking past May prep for Vacation Bible School is on our mind. We will be hosting VBS in July and are already looking for volunteers. If you are interested in helping with VBS please e-mail me. Cannot wait to see you at church!







STEWARDSHIP

Getting Rid of "All The Junk"



"It's about the heart, not the pocket."

And Jesus said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." -Luke 12:15

The father of small children was commiserating about how hard it is to keep the house clean with energetic, active, creative kids at home. "What really gets to me about cleaning the house," he said, "is all the junk." Not just the toys and stuffed animals that overflow from toy bins, under beds and closets, but the adult stuff, too – the gadgets crowding the kitchen, the cleaning products jammed under the sink, the stuff crammed in the medicine cabinet, the yard junk all over the lawn, and on and on.

The junk factor comes to mind in Jesus' parable of "the rich fool" in Luke 12:17-20. The fool has so much stuff, he wants bigger barns to hold it all. That parable should strike a chord with us in America, where accumulation is such a big problem that self-storage ("bigger barns") is booming business. A man of few possessions, Jesus kept everything simple. He knew how hard it is to focus on godly living when our lives are cluttered with stuff.

Jesus' parable talks about possessions, but the same principle applies to the mind and heart's clutter of ideas, loyalties and desires that distract us from God. How cluttered is your house? Your mind? Your soul?

For the month of May, consider a house cleaning to get rid of unnecessary stuff. Prayerfully consider what "clutter" may be in your mind, heart and soul as well. What needs to be tossed out in order that your house and your spirit can focus on what's truly important? That is, the things of God.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MAY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 CDC Sunday Executive Council	2	ω	4	5	6	7
8:30 am - Worship 10:00 am - Sunday Worship 11:15 am - 12:00 pm: Handbell Practice	6:00 pm - Troop 8	9:00 am - Staff Meeting 10:00 am - Quilting Group: Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm - Pack 8 Sanctuary: Chapel 11-12	Sanctuary: Chapel 11-12 11:30 Bible Study:		4 pm Wedding Rehearsal	6 pm Wedding
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22 Graduate Sunday	23	24	25	26	27 CDC Workday	28
8:30 am - Worship 10:00 am- Sunday Worship 11:15 am - 12:00 pm:	6:00 pm - Troop 8	9:00 am - Staff Meeting 10:00 am - Quilting Group: Fellowship Hall	Sanctuary: Chapel 11-12 11:30 Bible Study:			
Handbell Practice 6 pm Chamber Orchestra		6:00 pm - Pack 8	6:30 pm - Choir Practice			
29	30 Memorial Day	9:00 am - Staff Meeting				
8:30 am - worship 0:00 am- Sunday Worship 11:15 am - 12:00 pm:	6:00 pm - Troop 8	10:00 am - Quilting Group: Fellowship Hall	11:30 Bible Study:			
Handbell Practice		6:00 pm - Pack 8	6:30 pm - Choir Practice			

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GET IN TOUCH

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(10 a.m. Worship is also live streamed on Facebook.)

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