

# April 21 - 28, 2024

## Scripture for April 21

Psalm 23 and John 10:11-18

### AV Control Center

A forum on moving the AV Control Center from the balcony to the main floor will be held this Sunday, April 21 at 10:05 am in the Sanctuary. Pastor Matt will lead the forum; please come with any questions or concerns.

### SPDR Spring Trip

On December 10, 2021, western Kentucky was struck by several tornadoes, affecting many communities. One of the tornadoes was on the ground for over 165 miles. Overall, the 190 mph winds killed 57 people and injured over 500. In Mayfield alone, more than 4,000 structures were damaged or destroyed. A 22-member team will be leaving for Mayfield, KY this Saturday, April 20 to work on constructing new homes and replacing homes destroyed by the tornado.

### 2024 Spring Clean-Up

It's approaching that time - to get the church grounds in shape for the summer! Please save the date and join us Saturday, May 18 from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, as we get together to weed, rake, edge, etc. More details soon!

### Kimberly Brown Concert

Kimberly Brown will host her "Songs to Remember" concert at St. Philip's on Saturday, May 4 at 3:00 pm. Tickets are not required, but a free-will offering will be taken. Kimberly is a former member of the 3-time Grammy-Award-winning group, The Sounds of Blackness. She is a female tenor who loves to share the gift that God has given her, and she sings every note from the heart. We hope you will join us!

### Global Health Ministries – Newborn Kits

It has been quite some time since we have collected and donated to Global Health Ministries, so during April we will be collecting the following items for newborn kits:

- bath towels (not too thick)
  - washcloths
  - 30x30 receiving blanket
  - cloth diapers
  - diaper pins
  - newborn caps
  - cotton side snap tee shirt
  - individually wrapped bars of Ivory soap
- Tags will be available on the board in the Mission Corner and items will be collected until this Sunday, April 21. Assembly of the kits will be done in the Mission Corner between services on Sunday, April 28. As always, should you wish to donate money for this project, please indicate on the online giving page your intent for "newborn kits" or in the memo line of your check. For those of you who are Amazon shoppers - cloth diapers, diaper pins, newborn caps, and tee shirts can be found online. Thank you!

### Music Sunday

Join us Sunday, May 19 at either the 9:00 or 10:30 am service as we showcase a variety of wonderful music! We are excited to hear the Bells of Praise, Sanctuary Choir, Worship Band, children, and organ!

### **Celebrate the Graduates!**

Join us on Sunday, May 19 as we celebrate this year's high school seniors: Sam Gemlo, Logan Gondorchin, Heather Hawkins, and Allie Yerigan. Refreshments will be available between services, so please stop by and share a well wish, ask about their future plans, and join us in either or both services as we say a blessing over them.

### **Little Voices Bring Big Praise**

Join us on Music Sunday, May 19 at one or both services as our littlest members share with you a song they've been hard at work practicing. It's not only got a sweet message, but also adorable actions...and they sure like to dance!

### **Save the Date - Vacation Bible School!**

We are excited for VBS this summer! We hope your child will join us the week of June 17 - 21, from 5:00 – 8:00 pm, at St. Philip's! Children ages 2 1/2 years old – completion of grade 4 are invited to join us for a week of fun! Kids will dive deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. To register your child, please follow this link [[www.myvbs.org/splcmn](http://www.myvbs.org/splcmn)], or contact Connie at [[ConnieY@splcmn.org](mailto:ConnieY@splcmn.org)].

### **Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School**

If you are interested in giving your time to help, there are many opportunities! Planning, setting up, guiding a crew, or leading a station...there is something for everyone! All those with caring hearts and helping hands (completed grade 5 - adults), please follow this link [[www.myvbs.org/splcmn](http://www.myvbs.org/splcmn)] or contact Connie at [[ConnieY@splcmn.org](mailto:ConnieY@splcmn.org)].

### **Growing Through Loss Series**

This 6-week series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. Each session begins with an educational presentation by a professional from the community, followed by small groups facilitated by leaders who understand the grieving process. Although there is no cost, donations are welcome. Registration takes place each evening before the program. Church affiliation is not necessary. Each session is complete in itself; attend any or all sessions. Childcare will not be provided for safety reasons. Call [763-755-5335] or visit [<http://www.growingthroughloss.org/>] for more information. The next series is held on Monday evenings, April 8 - May 13, from 6:45 - 9:00 pm at: Christ the King Lutheran Church – 1900 7<sup>th</sup> St. NW New Brighton, MN 55112 651-633-4674.

### **Board of Administration Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be held Monday, April 22 in the Lounge or online through Google Meet. All members of the congregation are welcome to attend the monthly meetings. If you would like to join by Google Meet, please contact Pastor Matt for the call-in number and instructions [[mattf@splcmn.org](mailto:mattf@splcmn.org)] or [763-231-0557].

### **Did You Know?**

Earth Day is an annual event on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First held on April 22, 1970, it now includes a wide range of events coordinated globally by [[Earthday.org](http://Earthday.org)] including one billion people in more than 193 countries. The official theme for 2024 is "Planet vs. Plastics." - Wikipedia