

Missions focus month

Check out the display in the foyer! Each week of April we'll be featuring a different missionary supported by our LPMC family. We'll close the month with our annual **TASTE OF MISSIONS** meal on **Sunday, April 29th at 5:00 PM**

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... Matthew 28:19.

Don't forget to pick up your April issue of *Tabletalk* in the foyer.

In addition, we have limited copies of a Special Edition *Tabletalk* issue celebrating the life and ministry of Dr. R.C. Sproul. These will be available in the foyer until they are gone.

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Matthew Smith & Indelible Grace Concert & Worship Seminar

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for an evening of worship with Matthew Smith and Indelible Grace. We are bringing Matthew and the IG band in for a one night only concert on Tuesday, April 24. The concert will be held at Christ Church in La Porte at 7:00 PM. Indelible Grace is a music ministry team from Nashville who write new melodies for old hymns. We sing many of their songs as part of our Sunday morning worship service. You will be blessed by their ministry. The concert will be free of charge but we will take an offering to help cover some of the cost of the event. You can learn more about Matthew Smith at: <http://www.matthewsmith.us/> and Indelible Grace at: <http://www.igracemusic.com/>

Seminar details...

Come join Matthew Smith, songwriter and founding member of the Indelible Grace community, for a one-hour conversation about hymns. During the seminar, Matthew will share his story of how he came to write new music to centuries-old hymn texts and why hymns are an example of emotionally honest worship. Much of the time will be open for a Q&A discussion, interacting with your questions. Recommended for (but not limited to!) pastors, worship leaders, church musicians, and songwriters.

Church Events

- 4th Church Board Mtg.
- 7th Leadership Conference
- 11th – 13th T4G
- 11th NO Family Night (Spring Break)
- 18th Discipleship & Outreach Mtgs.
- 19th Ladies' Book Club 6:30
- 21st Ladies' Tea
- 24th Indelible Grace Concert Worship Seminar
- 25th Deacons & Women's Ministry Mtgs.
- 29th Taste Of Missions

ORPHAN CARE MINISTRY

Have you ever desired to help the children of LaPorte County in foster care? Well, we have a wonderful opportunity for you to get involved! Bethany Lutheran Church will begin hosting a Foster Care Parent Support Group in May, previously held at the DCS office. Each meeting will provide 1 of the 15 annual hours of required training for fostering. **That's where YOU come in!** The hope is to provide free childcare as a means of serving the families caring for these precious children. Many foster parents find it difficult to attend such groups/training due to a lack of approved childcare. **Would you consider providing your time and love to the children while blessing foster parents enabling them to attend these meetings designed to help them fulfill their call to love children in need?** Please see Lynn Schmidt for more information.

James 1:27

"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this:
to visit orphans and widows in their affliction"

Orphan Care Sunday

May 13, 2018

On Mother's Day this year we will be highlighting orphan care ministry. We will examine what the Word says about the care of orphans as well as sharing opportunities related to fostering and adopting. We will also have a baby dedication on this Sunday

Operation Diaper Bag

During the month of May we will be collecting supplies to fill diaper bags for our local Department of Child Services. This will be a tremendous opportunity to help foster and adoptive families in our community. Watch for more details in the weeks ahead.



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NOT BECAUSE WE ARE RESCUERS,
BUT BECAUSE WE ARE THE RESCUED.

-DAVID PLATT

Worldview Academy

If you haven't considered Worldview Academy for your teenager, please do! Our church has been sending teens to this camp for the past 10 years, and we have seen tremendous fruit. Worldview Academy is a five-day camp that trains and equips teens to think deeply and biblically in a world rapidly plummeting into post-modernism. It is such a critical time for our kids to understand and be able to defend their faith. For more information, go to www.worldview.org or see Pastor Steve.



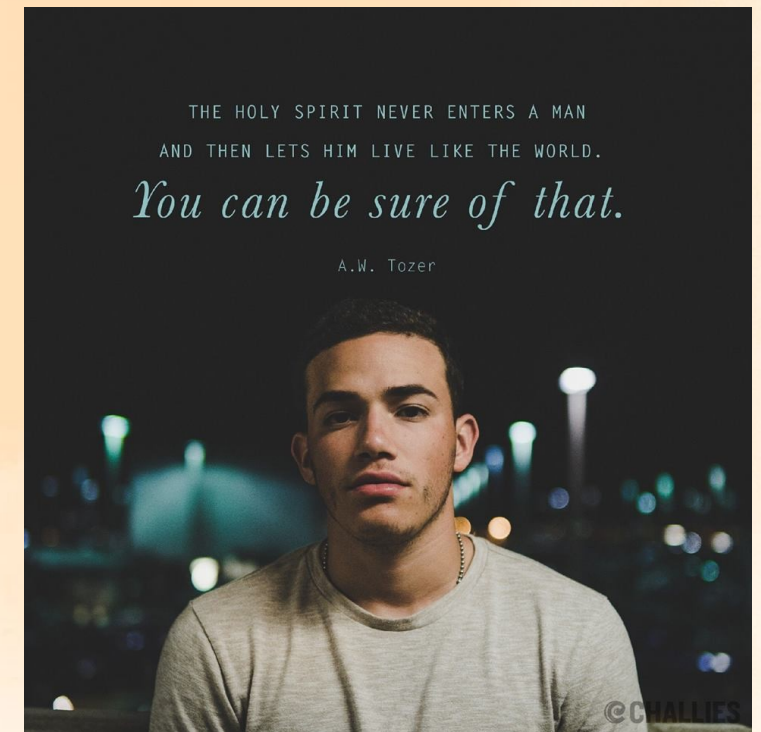
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Rummage Sale

The church will also be having a garage sale this summer to help raise funds for our students. **Beginning May 1st**, we will be accepting donations. Please drop any gently used items to the church parsonage garage.

We appreciate your contribution.



Salvation Army Food Drive

For the entire month of April, LPMC will be hosting a food drive to help stock the shelves at our local Salvation Army. **Bring nonperishable food items to the church foyer anytime during the month of April.** In addition, we have graciously been given a \$250 grant to buy canned goods. On April 11th at 6:00 p.m. we'd like all 6th -12th graders to join us at the church, and we will head to Aldi to purchase the food obtained by the grant. Let's train our kids to serve the community in a tangible way!

