

Sunday, November 7, 2021
Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

Oh give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples. Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; speak of all His wonders. Glory in His holy name; let the heart of those who seek the Lord be glad. Psalm 105:1-3

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Hymn #370 "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Scripture Readings- Matthew 4:1-11 Ephesians 4:11-16

Nicene Creed

Veterans Recognition- Joe Lombardo, Carroll Saxe & all veterans

Pastoral Prayer

"Scars" "Goodness of God" "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Children dismissed for Children's Church

Sermon "Stand Fast" I Thessalonians 3:6-10

Communion (at the altar)

The Benediction

Hymn #631 "The Lord's Prayer"

Postlude

There are offering boxes as you enter/exit the sanctuary
for your tithes and offerings.

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***Standing on the Word of God,
Lifting Up Jesus Christ, Ministering to One Another***

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This Week at Helmar...

- Tues. 6:30pm Deacon's Mtg.
7:00pm Trustee's Mtg.
7:30pm Council Mtg.
- Wed. 6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Southern Belle's
9:00am Quilting
2:00pm Bible Study
6:30pm Adult & H.S. Bible Study, JAM & BLAST
- Fri. 9:00am Ladies Prayer Hour
5-7pm Food Pantry
- Sat. 8:00am Men's Bible Study
- Sun. 8:30am Fellowship Time in FLC
9am Sunday School
10:00am Worship



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STAND FAST!
I Thessalonians 3:6-10

What really enlivens a shepherd of souls? What caused the apostle Paul to celebrate people's lives? Let's look at some answers to these questions today.

Paul said, "...for now we really live, if you stand firm in the Lord" (3:8).

How does one stand firm in the Lord?

I. You hold to the _____
_____ (II Thess. 2:15).

*"Traditions" -- Teachings _____

II. You _____ (Cor. 16:13).

*Live as spiritual adults, not infants in the faith (I Cor. 3:1f.)

Announcements



PICK UP YOUR O.C.C. Shoeboxes and brochures TODAY at the west end of the Welcome Center! DEADLINE to return them is in just 10 days! November 17th!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are in need of additional people to videotape the sermons on Sunday mornings. Please see Kristen if you can help in this way.

Family Mission with Jim and Judy Larsen sharing about their ministry in Thailand will be Sunday November 21. Bring your family for a brunch that begins at 8:45. At 9:00 the kids will go to Sunday school and the high schoolers and adults will stay in the gym to hear them speak. A door offering will be taken for them and their ministry.

Live Nativity—Mark your calendars! Journey to Restoration's drive through live nativity is being planned for December 4 from 5-8pm here at Helmar. We again are looking for donations of strings of white LED lights. There will be a donation box in the FLC. Also, if anyone is willing to help, please contact Beth Alexander or Sig Davidson. Thanks!



We would like to thank our Helmar family for your love and support shown to us as we grieve, yet at the same time, delight in the homegoing of our mom. Your hugs, faithful prayers, cards and encouraging notes have been a wonderful source of comfort for our family. In our hearts there "rings a melody of love".

The Elizabeth Johnson family

Underwater Demolition Seal training (BUDS) There were rigid requirements for swimming, pull-ups, sit-ups, push-ups, and 1½ mile run. The BUDS training lasted for seven months and after starting with 188 men only 12 made it through this phase of especially testing one's mental toughness. In February, 2002 he went to Army Airborne School at Ft. Benning, Georgia for three weeks, then back to Coronado for the last phase - Seal Qualification Training (SQT). He graduated as a Navy Seal on August 12, 2002

He was sent to Virginia Beach, Virginia with Seal Team 2. Two platoons (32 men) were put together in Task Units consisting of 16 on the Assault team, 8 on the Sniper team, 8 on the Mobility team. Joe was a member of the Assault team. His first deployment with Seal Team 2 was during the war with Iraq, specifically to Mosul and Baghdad from Sept. '03 - Feb. 04.. His second deployment also to Iraq from April '05 - Oct.'05. His third deployment was to Columbia from the end of 2006 until mid 2007. He spent the last several months out-processing at Virginia Beach. He served 8 years as a Navy Seal. He is considered 100% disabled because of mini concussions, burns, and explosive damages.

His wife, Melissa was from Seattle and was a great friend of Joe's sister, Hope at Moody Bible Institute. She came to their home during Christmas break of 2003 and they were subsequently married on March 15, 2005. They have four boys and live in Sugar Grove.

Since his discharge Joe works for an Executive Protecting Company.



Carroll Saxe

Carroll attended Pletcher Country School, rural Yorkville for grades 1 and 2, then Plattville Grade School through 8th grade and graduated from Yorkville High School in 1965.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force in March of 1966. His basic training was at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas and then on to Sheppard Air Force Base also in Texas jet mechanic training. By the end of July, 1966 he finished his advanced training.

After viewing his high school transcript and seeing he had taken French in high school, Air Force officials sent him to Laon, France. Two weeks later, French Prime Minister Charles DeGaulle kicked the US Air Force completely out of France. He was assigned to a combined RAF (British Royal Air Force) and USAF base in Upper Heyford, England. It was mainly a base for English paratroopers. Carroll spent three years at that base and was the Squadron Commander Colonel David White's Crew Chief. Colonel White flew RF 101's which were reconnaissance planes flying for NATO and the Tactical Air Command. Carroll's responsibility as a Staff Sergeant, E-5 was to be sure the planes were mechanically safe to fly. The RF 101's were one-seat planes with no guns or arms that flew all over Europe on reconnaissance missions.. During his three years he met Teresa and they were married in Oxford, England in 1969.

After three years in England he was assigned for six months to Limestone Air Force Base, a Strategic Air Command base in Caribou, Maine. There he and Teresa lived in married housing while he worked on F-102's, F-106's and B-52's. Carroll was discharged from the Air Force after four years in March of 1970.

Another chapter of Carroll's life began in 1970. Because he had worked briefly at Caterpillar prior to joining the military, CAT counted his four years of military service for his pension. He resumed working there in April, 1970, retiring in 2005. Among his assignments were in Aurora from 1965, actually from 1970 - 1980, in Brampton, Ontario, Canada from 1980 - 1986, back to Aurora from 1986 - 1998, to LaGrange, Georgia as plant manager from 1998 - 2000, and finally to Joliet as operation manager from 2000 - 2005. After his 40 total years of service at Caterpillar he moved there and worked at Keen Transport from 2005 - 2017, a heavy hauling company as operations manager.

Since 2017 he has been retired. He and Teresa have two children, Jason and Tracy and six grandchildren.



Joe Lombardo

Joe was born in Joliet, IL while Pastor and Angie were serving at West Lisbon Lutheran Church. He attended Lisbon Grade School through 3rd grade. His parents moved to the AFLC headquarters so 4th grade - 10th grade he attended school in Minnesota, his first two high school years at Osseo HS, the largest high school in the Twin Cities. At the end of his sophomore year,

Pastor received a call to Morris Bethlehem Church, so Joe spent the last month or so of his sophomore year attending Morris HS through his graduation two years later in 1997

His plan was to attend AFLBS for one year and possibly enlist in the Navy. His first year of college was at our Bible school. However, the following fall, since he had been recruited by Lincoln Christian College for basketball he began attending there in the fall. He only spent a semester there and was planning to enlist in the Navy. However, he contracted mononucleosis two weeks before basic training so he was unable to go and worked at Corleone's till the next fall. He started to question whether the Lord wanted him in the Navy so for his third year of college he went back to AFLBS for his second year there.

On September 11, 2000 he enlisted in the US Navy and went to basic training at Great Lakes for eight weeks and another four months of A school training. His goal from the beginning was to become a Navy Seal. He went to Coronado, California for Basic