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**ELDER'S CORNER...**

*Excerpted from The Lutheran Hour Ministries:*

**Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.**  
*1 Thessalonians 5:11*

Laura King's three children were given a free ice cream for dessert.

Now I know that may not sound like a newsworthy topic to many of our Daily Devotion readers. Even so, I hope you will listen to what I think is an interesting story.

The tale begins when Laura King took her three children, ages two, three and eight, to the Sogno di Vino Restaurant in Poulsbo, Washington. The family ate their meal, paid their bill, and went home.

It was only when she was at her house that King noticed the bill wasn't exactly what it should have been. No, she hadn't been overcharged. On the contrary, the bill was \$4 less than she expected. A handwritten note on the receipt explained why. It said, "Discount. Well-behaved kids."

Rob Scott, the restaurant's owner, says servers have the discretion to offer a discount to customers. In this case the servers were incredibly impressed with the manners of the three children. Mrs. King is flattered, but she says, "The children only used the same manners they use at their home supper table."

That's the story of some free ice cream.

And now the point: You know, most of the time, most of us think of ourselves as being pretty good Christians. Recognizing we have been rescued from hell through the Savior's sacrifice, we try to glorify Him by making sure we walk the straight and narrow. Some of us like the straight and narrow so much we keep watch to make sure everyone else is walking as straight and narrow as we.

When the folks we are observing wander off that straight and narrow, we may pray for them, we may speak to them and, sad to say, sometimes we gossip about them. But this devotion is not about what we do when people go astray.

This devotion is about what we do when people are doing good, when they are walking right down the middle of God's straight and narrow path. What do we do then? Well, my friends, I can't speak for you, but I have to confess 95 times out of a 100, I don't do anything.

And that's sad. It's sad that many of us often ignore Paul's words about encouraging and building each other up. It's tragic we spend far more time criticizing rather than complimenting. It's distressing that the staff at Sogno di Vino are more encouraging than I have been.

Thankfully, this is a shortcoming that can be easily remedied. All we need do is see the good others are doing and thank them for it -- and maybe buy them a \$4 ice cream.

God Bless and Happy Mother's Day! ☼

...Todd Martin

**MAY SUNDAYS**

- May 05 – Christian Education Board
- May 12 – Doreen Fasig/Art Atrops
- May 19 – Lisa DiModica
- May 26 – Crystal Shaffer



**MOWING IN MAY**



May 04 Reese Riddiough, Keith Almond, Nathan Schofield

- May 11 Art Atrops, Jim LaBelle
- May 18 Mark Hathaway, Terry Morgan, Dick Scholar
- May 25 Ernie Heuchert, Corey Maddison, Harold Oliver

**SUMMER WORSHIP**

**begins**

**SUNDAY – MAY 26**

**8:30 AM – Bible Study**

**9:30 AM – Worship Service**

*(Effective May 26 through September 1)*



May 01 Dick Scholar, Debra Sloey  
 May 02 Deborah Maddison, Rudy Stowell,  
 Marilyn Wagner  
 May 04 Zachary Wobrock  
 May 05 Doreen Fasig  
 May 08 Louise Moore  
 May 09 Dennis Payne  
 May 10 LaDene Hersman  
 May 14 Lori Williamson  
 May 15 Gene Forsythe  
 May 21 Lucy Chaney, Matthew Foley  
 May 22 Cheryl Williams  
 May 23 Cheri Forsythe  
 May 24 Nanci Andersen, Ellen Kristensen  
 May 27 Emily Heuchert  
 May 30 Lillyn Andersen



May 02 Paul & Lisa DiModica  
 May 20 Arlin & Sharon Weiting  
 May 28 James & Debra Sloey  
 May 29 Dennis & Linda Bornhoft



May 02 7:00 pm Elders' Mtg.  
 May 05 8:15 am Comm. Svc.  
 May 05 9:30 am SS/Bible Study  
 May 05 10:45 am Comm. Svc.  
**May 12 Mother's Day**  
 May 12 8:15 am Worship Svc.  
 May 12 8:30 am SS/Bible Study  
 May 12 10:45 am Worship Svc.  
 May 13 6:00 pm Men's Club  
**May 15 May Ministry Schedule Due**  
 May 16 7:00 pm Council Mtg.  
 May 19 8:15 am Praise/Comm. Svc.  
 May 19 9:30 am SS/Bible Study  
 May 19 10:45 am Praise/Comm. Svc.  
**May 20 May Newsletter Deadline**  
 May 21 9:30 am Tabitha Quilting Group  
**May 26 SUMMER WORSHIP BEGINS!**  
 May 26 8:30 am Bible Study  
 May 26 9:30 am Worship Svc

## ECHOES OF EASTER

The Resurrection wasn't a "one-off"; it was a spark that lit a flame that continues burning even today, especially where people minister in the Risen One's name. One such outreach, Camp Noah, serves children traumatized by disaster. Nationwide, volunteers offer week-long experiences of kindness, love, listening and safety to kids who've recently survived a tornado, flood, hurricane, wildfire or shooting. Kids often open up for the first time to share their "storm stories" and begin a journey of healing.

Leaders at Camp Noah attest to God's power to bring joy out of sorrow, trust out of fear and life out of death. A boy who initially was aloof dances with another camper at the closing worship; kids who arrived with uncertain expressions leave with smiles and regained confidence. Mental health counselors are part of camp teams, and referrals are made to continue care afterward.

Resurrection often happens in steps, not overnight. But wherever "ordinary" daily ministry takes place in Christ's name, extraordinary echoes of the first Easter are evident. ✠



### Lutheran Women in Mission

Annual Spring Tea – Saturday – May 18 – 2-4 PM

#### San Luis Obispo Country Club

Tickets: \$12 (on sale from 4/14 to 5/12)

Raffle: \$5 each or 3 for \$12


(Proceeds for support of mission outreach)



### THE MITE BOX IS BACK !!

The Mite Box will be available on the first Sunday of each month outside church. Once again, you will have the opportunity of supporting many worthwhile Lutheran mission activities.

# CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES





## A blessed woman



The last chapter of Proverbs describes a woman who loves God and strives to be a good wife and mother.

*Directions: Use the picture clues to complete Proverbs 31:15, 28.*



She gets \_\_\_\_\_ while it is still \_\_\_\_\_ ;


she provides \_\_\_\_\_ for her \_\_\_\_\_ ....

Her \_\_\_\_\_ rise \_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_ her blessed.



PROVERBS 31:15, 28 (NIV)

Answer: up, night, family, food, children, up, call



## HEART-SHAPED breakfast

Treat Mom with this yummy, beautiful yogurt parfait.



**What you need:**

- Large heart-shaped cookie cutter
- Greek yogurt (any flavor)
- Toppings (mini chocolate chips, granola, shredded coconut, chia seeds, oats, slivered almonds, blueberries, sliced strawberries, raspberries, bananas)
- 2 teaspoons maple syrup

**What you do:**

1. Place cookie cutter on a plate. Spoon in yogurt, spreading it to the edges of the cookie cutter.
2. Add toppings, making a nice design. Remove cookie cutter.
3. Drizzle syrup around the edge of the plate.
4. Serve to your mom on Mother's Day!

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#### Our Mission

"Responding to God's love, Lutheran Church of Our Savior desires to reach more people for Christ by proclaiming Him, by growing in faith, and by caring for all people."



Sunday Worship – 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM  
Sunday School & Bible Class – 9:30 AM  
**SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 26!**  
Sunday Worship – 9:30 AM  
Sunday School/Bible Class – 8:30 AM

*For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that  
whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.  
John 3:16*