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# One of the most well-known prayers

Hello dear ONE reader!

This month you will be able to read articles about different petitions of the Lord's Prayer. In the Bible we find two versions of the prayer our Savior teaches the disciples. I hope you learn a little this

TMP's annual auction Saturday night

The St. Thomas More Prep-Mari-

sponsoring its 44th Annual Auction for Christian Education (ACE) on Saturday,

April 28. The event will get under way at 4:30 p.m. in the Al Billinger Fieldhouse.

Tickets for the buffet and auction are \$100 per person for regular seating or \$200 per person for VIP seating. Seating at the auctioneer's table is \$300 per person. Tickets can be ordered and gifts can be donated by contacting the Alumni Office at (785) 625-9434 or by emailing

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Children's Center

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The theme is "An Evening at

meal, with all seats reserved.

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GrACEland" and will feature a buffet

month about one of the most well known prayers. :)

Matthew 6:9-13 (NRSV) says, "Pray

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then in this way:
Our Father in
heaven, hallowed
be your name. Your
kingdom come.

Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one."

Luke 11:2-4 (NRSV) says, "He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

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### **News to know**



**LINN ANN HUNTINGTON** 

Habitat for Humanity volunteer Marilyn Helm packs items at the old ReStore in Big Creek Crossing as the store relocates to a new home.

The Hays Area Children's Center's family 5K run/walk fundraiser, which had been canceled due to inclement weather, has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 28.

Registration for the Splish Splash Bubble Dash will begin at 9 a.m. in the parking area behind the north end of Big Creek Crossing. Races and games will begin at 10 a.m.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children age 6 and older, and free for children age 5 and younger. Pre-registration is available online at www.hacc.info or by contacting the center at (785) 625-3257.

# Habitat ReStore moves to new location

Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County's

ReStore has been on the move—literally. HFHEC Executive Director Leslie Wyatt said the owners of Big Creek Crossing, who have provided donated space for the ReStore, notified HFHEC on Tuesday, April 17, that they had a new tenant for the ReStore's location. The ReStore had to move out by Wednesday, April 25, Val Karl, the store's co-manager, said in an e-mail to volunteers.

That move has been across the parking lot to the former G & L Tire location at 29th and Vine, space again donated by Big Creek Crossing.

The ReStore had been located at the south end of the mall since the ReStore's inception about a decade ago. The mall

owners donated the space, but the ministry paid for the utilities.

During the past week Habitat volunteers have been packing boxes and moving items to the new site.

Habitat for Humanity is an international Christian organization, which seeks to build safe, affordable housing to those in need. HFHEC has four homes in Ellis County—one each in Victoria and Ellis and two in Hays.

The ReStore, which is a primary source of funding for HFHEC, sells building materials, such as windows, doors, tile, etc., along with used furniture, appliances and home décor.

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# "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name...

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To call God "Father" is to confess that When we confess and believe in Jesus Christ, we become the children of God. This is hardly an end result we could have predicted. How could it be that God would become known to us in such an intimately familial way? We can call Him dad. We are His sons and daughters. In unimaginable grace His adoption of us into His family changes our outlook, our outcome, and our present reality.

Outlook: We were once not a part of His family. We were once under shame. Now, as children of God, we are free from guilt and condemnation (Romans 8:1). "As far as the east is from the west, so far has he taken our sins from us" (Psalm 103:12). You are a co-heir with Christ (Galatians 4:7). He is victorious over sin, death. darkness, demons, and

evil of any and every variety. He will win, and we are a part of His victory parade. Hallelujah!

Outcome: Being a part of God's family (calling Him Father), comes with an unbelievable

future. Oh the great outcomes promised to the people of God! Oh that we would know these to be our future reality. That the God of peace would soon crush Satan under our feet (Ro-

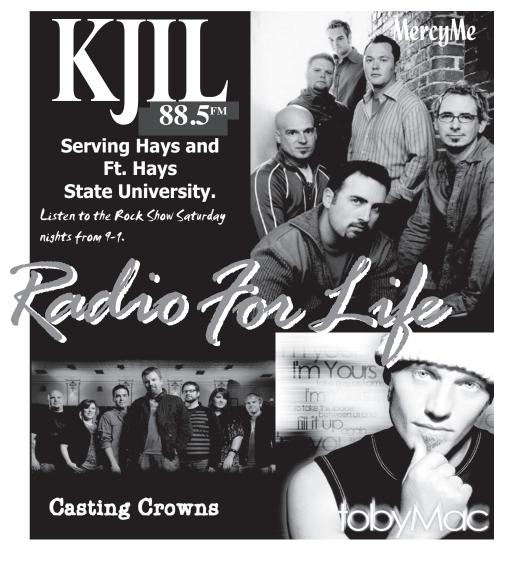
mans 16:20). We are looking forward to His promise that He is coming back for us (John 14:1-4), and He has promised us paradise (Luke 23:43). His Word declares that when He returns He will take us to a place with

"no more death' or mourning or crying or pain" (Revelation 21:4). Awesome.

Our Present Reality: To say that He is our Father is to come to Him with needs.

It is to honor Him with our lives so as to not bring His name into disrepute. It is to know that we have been accepted into the greatest family that has ever and will ever exist. We have a new legal name, and it is "A Child of God." Go forth in that new iden-

All of this gives us confidence, and each and every one of us can "approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). He promised us peace (John 14:27). And if you will believe it, He said that we will do even "greater things" than what he did (John 14:12). These promises are for our present reality. Lord, expand our vision and lead us to a place of understanding the abundant life that You promised!





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# 'Thy Kingdom Come'

h, the expectation! This gives us a sense of expectation even more grand than being a child on Christmas Eve or being a bride preparing to walk down the aisle! These three words tell us that He is coming! The very thought of it is unimaginable! It will be breathtaking! It will stir our souls! Vast and magnificent barely describe what it will be like. It will exceed anything mortal eyes have seen or experienced.

No matter our individual denominations, we are a very large family of believers, and we span the entire world. We all live in expectation of the SAME thing how incredibly amazing is THAT?! When we say these

three words, we pledge to remember Him and keep His

commandments. While we are far from perfect, we are not casual in our faith. We are believers. We are worshippers of Him. We are followers of Him. We are lovers of Him.

Three words. An understanding of His promise to us. He promises us a Kingdom. An understanding that He is Himself a sovereign King. An understanding that Jesus has started a kingdom, one that is not yet complete. If the kingdom is not complete, we also acknowledge that we are presently living in something of an in-between time. Of all the things in our lives that we do not understand, we understand that He is coming and Scripture tells that it will be a historical, space-time, physical return in glory. We understand that it will be visible to all humanity. It will set into sequence a series of events as did the ascension of Jesus Christ.

Many believe that the king-

dom has already come, with the coming of Jesus. He was given all authority in heaven and on Earth. If so, why do we pray, "Your kingdom come"? On Earth, there are still those who do not submit to His rule. We pray these three words to continue the extension of God's reign on Earth. We pray for God to convert the hearts of His enemies, bring them to confess Jesus as Lord. We pray for the day when all evil, all sin, and all rebellion against God is gone.

When we pray the three words, we pray that it begins with each one of us. We are

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citizens of His kingdom and He is already King. Are we faithful? Or are we rebellious? We must live as He instructed.

We pray that we will be able to courageously face our struggles and uncertainties. We all have difficulties, and some are worse than others; but no one is immune from struggle. We are instructed to talk to Him about why we desperately need His Kingdom to come. We are to tell Him about specific troubling situations, both personal and in the lives of our families and friends. While the world is overflowing with tragedies, God wants us to spend time reflecting on the pain and sorrow in the world so we see the need for Him to send Jesus back to earth – and with Him a Kingdom that will yield peace, joy, and abun-

Oh, the hope and expectation of what awaits!

# 'Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.'

Tn the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asks God Lto take away his cup of suffering if it is possible. Yet, in the end, he says to his Father in heaven, "Not what I want, but what you want" (Mark 14:36b). A mentor of mine in college suggested this as a daily morning prayer: "Not what I want today, God, but what you want.'

We often think of prayer as a time to ask God for what we need. Yet Jesus' prayer in the garden and this portion of the Lord's prayer, "Thy will be done," reveal to us that we may not actually know what we need. We have things that we want, and often that we think we need. Yet only God knows what we truly need—indeed, what we need is exactly what God desires to give us. This is something like our parents telling us to

eat our vegetables: we want the food that tastes good, our parents want us to have the food that we need to grow "big and strong," as my own mom would say. Not what we want, but what our parents want. Not what

we want, but what our parents know we need. Often it can be difficult to distinguish between our desires and God's desires. Should I pursue this job or that job? Marry this person, or not get married at all? Move to this place or that place? In these situations, we can take comfort in Jesus' simple prayer: "Not what I want, but what you want, God, whatever that is. Thy will be done, not mine." We may not get immediate answers, but even to consider the question in light of God's desires is a good place to start.

Yet to stop here would sell this portion of the Lord's Prayer short. For that second part, "On earth as it is in heaven," is just as, if not more, important. It's easy to read the first part, "Thy will be done," individually. But in the second part, "on earth as it is in heaven," this portion of the Lord's prayer becomes cosmic. In heaven, the angels, the saints, and God are all already doing exactly what God wants. This is reflected in the

Eucharistic Preface for the season of Easter in the ELCA, part of a prayer we do before communion: "And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name, and join their unending hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord..." (Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW): Leaders' Desk Edition, p. 187). When it comes to doing God's will, we're always catching up: catching up to angels and archangels, to the saints, and even to the earth and the sea. This is also reflected in a hymn I have used with my confirmation students this year in discussing the Lord's Prayer, called "Build us up. Lord": "We follow in faith what's begun..." Or,

> to put it another way, as Luther says in the small catechism, "In fact, God's good and gracious will comes about without our prayer, but we ask in this prayer that it may also come about in and among us." (Luther's Small Catechism with ELW texts, p. 22).

Only one being fully does God's will on earth as it is in heaven, and that is God. The Father sends the Son for precisely this reason, that God's will might finally be done on earth as it is in heaven for the sake of the world. And God sends the Holy Spirit for the same reason: that through people; God might further God's mission for the sake of the world. What is God's will on earth as in heaven? In the end, I am not sure what job or spouse or living situation is included in God's will for you. When we consider God's will in a "big picture" way, though, God's will is to restore and make new God's broken creation, reconciling us and all the world to the Father through Christ (2 Cor. 5:16-21). We do not pray alone, and we do not just pray for ourselves. With Christ, by the power of the Spirit, let us pray to our Heavenly Parent, "Not what I want, but what you want, Father. Not my, but Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."



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# 'Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread'

**Opal Flinn** 

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feed Your guest!

The gifts that You have given

ur Lord has taught us to pray the Lord's Prayer at home alone or with family, also when gathered with friends and our congregation. "Give us this day our daily bread" is part of the prayer. What does that mean to us? We pray before meals, thanking the Lord for the wonderful food to eat and share with others. We thank the Lord for all who have prepared the food for us.

As we read and study the Bible, we find many times He fed people and attended events where food was served. He found joy eating with people because He loves us all. Just as we eat with family, finding joy and enjoying the food our Lord has provided.

"Give us this day our daily bread..." Could the Lord have also meant spiritual food, showing His love for us when given in the communion service? The personal and family devotional

book titled "Our Daily Bread" is a good example of many devotional books that

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can reach us with daily life-changing wisdom of the Bible.

> In the hymnal, the hymn titled "O Living Bread from Heaven" really touched me. I picked out one verse to share with you:

"O Living Bread from heaven,

How well You

Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, wondrous food of blessing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this gift possessing, With praises overflows."

God's Word tells us that "...man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4)

When you say the Lord's Prayer, remember "give us this day our daily bread" is both food we eat and spiritual food of wisdom. Thank the Lord for all His blessing.

# 'Forgive us our ...

Tlead worship each month at Cedar View, Via Christi and **▲**Good Samaritan with Christians from a variety of Christian traditions. As a "debts and debtors" Presbyterian, each time we pray the Lord's Prayer with its Babel

of trespasses, debts and sins, some wonder, "why don't we all use the same words?" Or perhaps "What is the right word?"

Most of what Presbyterians believe and practice comes from our Scottish heritage. Scotland with its expanse of open land did not have a focus on property trespass, unlike their English coun-

terparts. This meant that when it came to saying the Lord's

Prayer, the words 'trespass' and 'trespasses' had no significance for the Scots people. Scots, however, knew all about debts and debtors as a merchant economy in the 16th century. Presbyterians believe that we are completely indebted to Jesus, so when

we say "forgive us our debts" in the Lord's Prayer, we are actually saying, "Forgive us of the sinful things in our lives," and when we add the phrase "as we forgive our debtors," we are actually asking God to forgive us in the same way that we deal with the personal injuries, wounds, and hurts which other people inflict upon us.

The Greek word for "debts" means

literal debts, something owed to someone else, as well as figu-

rative debts, ways we fall short of goals and proper standards of behavior. Think of it as "sins of omission," failing to take advantage of every possible opportunity to do that which is good. The Greek word for "trespasses" means faults, mishaps, or straying from the path of righteousness. Think of it as "sins of commission," doing those things we ought not to do. Both words, debts and trespasses, are synonyms for the word "sins," which means "missing the mark" which is the real point anyway. Sin is all those things we do, as well as what we fail to do, that separates us from the love of God. True repentance turns us back to the will and Way of God.

As I tell my beloved friends of the community congregations of Cedar View, Good Samaritan and Via Cristi, "When we pray this prayer use the words that are close to your heart. God hears them all and we end up in the same place."

# 'And Lead Us Not Into Temptation'

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ver the years, I've had many friends and colleagues in ministry who have discussed The Lord's Prayer. It is one of the most powerfully pithy prayers that I've ever heard. Well known throughout the Christian world, it connects us through many languages, creeds, and cultures, delivering to the non-Christian world a sort of 'this-is-whowe-are-praying-to-become' manifesto.

I often recall with amusement, when, in my discussions with colleagues on this important prayer, and as we considered Jesus' admonition during the prayer that we pray..."and lead us not into temptation..." one friend responded, "Temptation!? The only thing I can't resist is temptation". This typifies the human condition, I believe, for we all suffer temptations, and more importantly, too often we yield to them. And while temptations come in all shapes and sizes, some have a greater impact with both immediacy and hurtfulness, while others are more like the erosion of water on stone, wearing it away, when we yield to those temptations.

However, it is not that we are tempted that necessarily creates the problem with our relationship with God and

neighbor. It is how we respond to temptation that creates the problem or the victory. It's important to note that Jesus, as he began and ended his earthly ministry, was tempted. The synoptic gospels, Matthew, Mark, and Luke share a common story of Jesus being tempted in the desert by Satan prior to the

beginning of his ministry (Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13) and the synoptic gospels also tell the story of prayerful temptation in the

Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-46; Mark 14:32-41; Luke 22:39-46). The fact that Jesus was tempted was a potential problem, but

he turned it into the eternal victory. In his humanness, Jesus showed us both the struggle with temptation and how to resist it... in effect, by being tempted, he showed us how to use spiritual warfare to defeat Satan by using a strong moral compass and a heavy dose of prayer to overcome temptations.

By resisting temptation, Jesus showed us not only that it can be done, but how it can be done. And in doing so, he also showed us that if we can't, he did...for us.

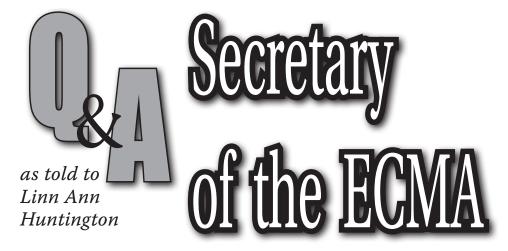
I love talking to friends and colleagues about The Lord's Prayer, and especially the way that Jesus showed us how to resist temptation. But more than that, I love Jesus. The salvation that his sacrifice began and ended with, showed a love for each of us that was strong enough to resist temptation. With this resistance came a pact with God that we don't have to be perfect, we just have to do good and believe in the One Who Is. May we humbly follow in pursuit of Christlike goodness in this world, made perfect not by our own ability to resist temptation, but by his.

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**LINN ANN HUNTINGON** 

Pastor Kevin Daniels is shown in his office at Hays Christian Church, 22nd and Marshall.



Editor's Note: This is the third part of a multiple-part series titled "Get to Know the Officers in the Ellis County Ministerial Alliance (ECMA)." In this article we meet ECMA's secretary, the Rev. Kevin Daniels. He is the lead pastor at Hays Christian Church, 22nd and Marshall.

#### **Personal Information:**

Where were you born and raised? Born in Edmonds, Wash. Raised in Kent, Wash. (both suburbs of Seattle).

#### Please tell us a little about your childhood

In high school I focused a lot of my time and energy on journalism and yearbook. I was the editor-in-chief of my school newspaper for two years (junior and senior years) and the editor of my yearbook for one year. I enjoyed writing for the paper, but enjoyed the management and editing side just as much, if not more

I enjoy my current position as Advisory Board Chair of ONE Magazine because I get to do both. I also enjoy doing the yearbook for Roosevelt Elementary School and won a national honorable mention award for last year's book.

I also spent time announcing basketball games, football games, and working other aspects of sporting events throughout high school, including clock operator and score keeper. I've always enjoyed watching sports, so I really enjoyed that.

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When it came to what I wanted to be when I grew up, it was always president of the United States, a radio disc jockey, or a pastor. I still have interest in all three areas. Last fall I ran a write-in campaign for school board and garnered 1,504 write-in votes — which I was told is unofficially the largest number of write-in votes for a candidate in the county's recent history. I was very proud of that strong showing. Since that time I've been approached about doing some other things politically, but I haven't found that perfect match yet. Obviously being a pastor is where I ultimately landed, and that was due to a distinct call God made on my heart (please see below).

# Marital status. How long have you been married? Please tell us a little about your wife and children.

I have been married since 1999 to my wife, Lori, whom I met at Manhattan Christian College. Lori is a substitute para for the school district, as well as the registrar for Lakeview Christian Camp. She is also very involved in the leadership of the children's ministry at our church.

We have two children, my son Logan, 12, who is a sixth grade student at Hays Middle School (HMS), and my daughter Kamryn, 10, who is a fourth grade student at Roosevelt Elementary. I am involved as president of Roosevelt's Home & School and vice president of HMS' Home & School.

# How long have you lived in Ellis County?

We moved to Hays in January 2009, when I began my position at Hays Christian Church.

## Please list your hobbies and interests outside of work.

My family and I like to geocache. This is a real-world, outdoor treasure hunting game using GPS-enabled devices. Participants navigate to a specific set of GPS coordinates and then attempt to find the geocache (container) hidden at that location. We also visit different pools in the summer, go on various day trips around the area, play at parks, and play soccer. I coach both of my kids' soccer teams for the Hays Recreation Center each fall and spring. I'm currently in my 13th season coaching soccer. I also enjoy movies, building Legos with my kids, and anything having to do with my life-long team, the Seattle Seahawks.

#### Academic Information: Please list degrees/certificates held and from where.

Bachelor of Science Bible/Family Ministry, Manhattan Christian College, Manhattan Kan. (July 2003)

Master of Divinity, The Seattle School of Theology and Psychology, (August 2007)

Career Information: Please list your current job title. Lead Pastor, Hays Christian Church.

# How long have you served in this position?

Since January 2009.

## What aspect of your work do you enjoy the most?

The greatest joy for me is when I am able to witness first-hand God working in someone's life. Sometimes it's in big ways – an unexpected financial gain right when needed, a marriage saved, a new or renewed commitment to Jesus – and sometimes it's in smaller ways – a job situation resolved, a passed examination, a phone call from an old friend. The fact is that God is alive and active in the world, and our calling is to find where He's at work and then join Him. Helping people and our church discover that is very challenging at times, but ultimately very rewarding.

I also enjoy the fact that every day is different – I never know who or what I'll come across in a given day.

Preaching messages is another aspect that I really enjoy. I like taking Scripture and helping people see that it is relevant to them and that following Jesus is the most important decision they will ever make.

# What aspect of your work do you find the most challenging?

The most challenging part of being a pastor is when relationships are severed for whatever reason and people leave the church. I love our church, and I love the people in our church. When a family leaves the church, it affects me and saddens me. I believe the church is a family, and as a family we are going to have disagreements and even fights.

I believe that as a family, in most cases, we should seek to work it out and stay together. Some of the strongest relationships I have with people are those with whom I've had serious disagreements in the past, and we worked it out. It's important to me that we stick it out through thick and thin, remembering that we can do more together than we can apart. It saddens me when people don't hold that same conviction.

#### Please list previous ministry positions held, where, and length of time, starting with the most recent.

Valley View Christian Church, Kent, Wash., Associate Pastor focusing on Children's Ministry and Christian Education. 3 years.

Soldier Christian Church, Soldier, Kan., Youth Pastor, 3 years.

Get Hot for God, Manhattan, Kan., Founder/Executive Director, 2 years. In college I started a youth evangelism ministry which we named based on Revelation 3:15-16.

A Christian ministry in the National Parks, Bryce Canyon National Park, Student Minister, 1 summer. I worked for the summer, organizing and officiating worship services in the park. I also worked in housekeeping during the week at the hotel and cabins.

# Please describe when/how you received the call to go into the ministry.

From a very young age I felt a call to ministry. Usually it was when a missionary would come and do a presentation for our church. I would feel like I needed to go and do something – but as a kid, what held me back from stating that desire was the fact that they had to eat such unusual and disgusting food!

When I was a senior in high school, I really was feeling the call on my life to be in full-time ministry. I had already applied and been accepted to a state university in Washington, so I was advised to just go there and see what happened. While there I made some poor choices and officially changed my major four times in the first semester. I ended up having a heart-to-heart with God, having a clear thought that I needed to either choose God or choose myself. I decided that I should pray about that decision. Needless to say, praying tipped the scales in God's favor.

I immediately got online to look for a Bible College to attend. I found Manhattan Christian College (MCC), and it was one of the only Bible Colleges I found that had its application online. Besides – I always had wanted to visit New York!

It was not until I had filled out the application and was addressing the envelope that I discovered that there was a "Little Apple" in Kansas. I figured God had brought me that far, so I continued and mailed my application. This was near the end of my first semester, so when my application arrived in Manhattan, all of the admissions counselors had already left for Christmas Break. I ended up talking with the admissions secretary, and within three to four weeks she had me accepted, gotten me a scholarship, and I was on a plane to a town and college I had never heard of.

Deciding to leave Washington to attend a Bible college in Kansas was a big decision, and it was very difficult for my family, most of whom still live in Washington State. I came to MCC with just what fit in a suitcase or two, and things went well. I immediately joined the yearbook staff and was quickly promoted to head editor within just a few weeks when the current editor resigned. I worked with the girls' basketball team, traveling with them as a manager, and I dove head first into my studies. The next year I met my soon-to-be wife, took on a youth pastorate in a tiny town, and was generally headed in the right direction.

Life threw me another curve ball during college, however, when I was having mental health issues. After a year or two, I was finally diagnosed correctly as bipolar. The initial diagnosis was a shock to me and my family, including my new bride. It was a tumultuous time of trying to find a medication mix that would work, and I had several negative episodes. At first I didn't talk about it, but when I had to officiate at my uncle's funeral after he committed suicide, I knew that I couldn't be

silent about mental illness any longer.

Since that time I've have had the opportunity to write about it and speak on several occasions to groups of people who are struggling, as well as with those family members who are struggling to understand. God called me as a pastor, but also as a pastor who is bipolar and ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder). It's part of my identity and a part that I'm not ashamed of, any more than a person who has cancer should be ashamed of their cancer.

What was the most unusual job you had before you became a minister?

My favorite non-pastoral job was being the assistant manager for a 13-screen movie theater in the Seattle area. I enjoyed watching free movies. I worked there for four years, including when I was working on my Master's degree. Now films are all digital, but at the time we still had to manually splice the multiple reels together to make the movie. I really enjoyed doing that.

My other non-pastoral jobs were working at Subway for about a month (I found out quickly that making food for people was not my thing!) and working technical support in college. I enjoyed that, but the calls were sometimes very funny and/or frustrating. It's amazing what people do to their computers.

#### **ECMA Information:**

Current ECMA position(s) held and for how long?

Secretary (Since June 2015).

ONE Magazine Advisory Board Chair (Since January 2010).

Website Manager (Since May 2015).

How long have you been involved in ECMA?

Since arriving in Hays in January 2009.

# Please list any other positions held within ECMA and when.

President (2010-2011).

# Why do you believe ECMA is important to our community?

The ECMA is an essential part of our community because it brings together men and women from different Christian faith traditions and unites them under the banner of Jesus. We are able to more closely model what the kingdom of heaven really looks like — members of all different types of churches, not just those in our own denomination or church. It's important to me that people know that what matters is who you say Jesus is — not what you call the Lord's Supper/Communion/Eucharist. Together we are able to do more for the community than we could as individual churches.

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# 'And Deliver Us From Evil'

In the prayer Jesus gave to us to follow, he includes the line "and deliver us from evil." I think many times we assume that this deliverance is going to passively come to us in the form of divine intervention – or at least that's what we hope. I believe, however, that while that may be the case at part of the time, Jesus had something else in mind.

When we see evil addressed in Scripture, it is often in the context of some sort of battle. There's a war between good and evil happening all around us. If you need evidence of this, simply turn on the evening news. Ultimately Jesus defeated evil on the cross. There will

be a day when Jesus will return and set things right – goodness and peace will reign. In the meantime, however, we are living in a time when evil is thriving. I believe that when Jesus tells us to pray "deliver us from evil," he is saying that he will be with us in this evil time, but we are not to sit idly by – we are to act.

In Matthew 16:18 (ESV), Jesus says, "And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

The gates of any wall are meant to be a defensive advantage. You don't charge the enemy with gates leading the way. That means that when Jesus is saying that the gates of hell shall not prevail, he is envisioning a charge let by His Church, against

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world attacking and denouncing evil

and injustice everywhere we see it. When Jesus says to pray that God will deliver us from evil, he's telling us that in our forward-moving attack positions, we ask God to give us the victory over oppression, tyranny, bigotry, and evil in all forms.

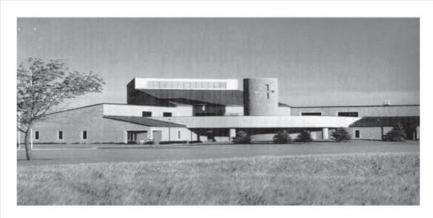
As the Church we are God's agents of love and grace in the world. As such we cannot simply wait

for Jesus to return and do nothing in the meantime — we must act. We must have compassion for the sick, the widows, the orphans, the persecuted, the marginalized, the weary. But compassion is more than a feeling. Compassion without action is only pity.

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Pity is a feeling that one has about the plight of someone else. But God calls us to have more than a feeling – he calls us to act. Micah 6:8 (NLT) say that we are "to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with (our) God." Those are ACTION words!

Following Christ is not only about believing the right things, it is also about doing the right things. The right things are not always easy to do, and they often require sacrifice. But as we attack the gates of hell by doing the right things, we pray that the Father will deliver us to victory in battle. Christianity is not a spectator sport – it requires action. Look around your world, see where evil seems to have the upper hand, and then pray that God will give you the strength to conquer it in the name of Jesus.



### St. Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church

2901 E. 13th, Hays, Kansas, Parish Offices: (785) 628-1446

Fax: (785) 623-4207, website: www.heartlandparishes.org Fr. Jarett Konrade

#### **Mass Schedule:**

Saturday at 5 PM Sunday at 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM Daily Mass - Wednesday, and Friday at 7:00 AM Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:00 PM

# **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**



1805 Vine Street - Hays, Kansas Fr. Barry Brinkman, Pastor

Parish Office: 785-685-7339

Website: www.ihm-church.com

### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5 PM - Sunday 8 AM - 10 AM - 6 PM Sunday Spanish Mass - 12 PM

### Weekday Mass Schedule:

MWF 6:45 AM - TTh 8 AM Tuesday Spanish 6:30 PM

Reconciliation: Saturday 4 PM and Thursday 5 PM

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# 'Amen'

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As a Lutheran and a Christian, the Lord's Prayer has been a huge part of my life in faith. The Lord's Prayer was one of the first written prayers I remember learning when I was young. Spontaneous prayer is also part of my prayer life, but there is something very calming to me about written prayer, and the Lord's Prayer in particular.

The Lord's Prayer is found in Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4, however, the conclusion is not in most translations of the Bible. In the Lutheran Study Bible published by Augsburg Fortress, there is a footnote at the end

of Matthew 6:13 "rescue us from the evil one." The footnote reads, "Or from evil. Other ancient authorities add, in some form, For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours forever. Amen." Therefore, since some ancient texts have the ending, we have added it to the prayer we say today.

As said, the conclusion to the Lord's Prayer is not in scripture. Nevertheless, that does not mean it is not important. It is a doxology, a short hymn of praise. It brings the prayer all together to remind us God is

in control. We are merely acknowledging that fact when we pray that the kingdom, power, and glory are God's forever.

The conclusion to the Lord's Prayer was also not included in early editions of Martin Luther's Small Catechism. It was printed in later editions, after Luther's death. A recent edition of Luther's Small Catechism includes the following about the conclusion:

"What is this? or What does this mean? That I should be certain that such peti-

tions are acceptable to and heard by our Father in heaven, for God himself commanded us to pray like this and has promised to hear

'Amen, amen' means 'Yes, yes, it is going to come about just like this.'" (Luther's Small Catechism: Pocket Edition. Augsburg Fortress, 2016. 27)

Finally, we end with amen, which as mentioned above, means yes. It can also mean truly and certainly. So, whenever you are praying the Lord's Prayer or another prayer, know it is a conversation between you and God. We are acknowledging the power and glory that is God.

# National Day of Prayer to have many activities

## By Linn Ann Huntington Ihunting@fhsu.edu

Ellis County's observance of the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 3, will include activities throughout the day.

This year's theme is "Pray for America: Unity," based on Ephesians 4:3, "Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

Organizers, in a written statement, said, "The present spiritual crisis in America is calling us to pray for and take all necessary actions to come together as one nation. God is the only One who can bring unity, harmony, and oneness in America; therefore, we look only to Him in prayer."

The day will begin with a free comeand-go breakfast from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Breathe Coffee House, 703B Main in Hays. Members of the group Moms in Prayer will be praying for attendees' personal prayer requests during that time.

Erin Hughes, a member of the group, said Moms in Prayer is an international group that "seeks to impact children and schools worldwide for Christ by gathering mothers to pray." She added that aunts, grandmothers, and teachers are welcome in the group as well.

A time of campus prayer will take place from 11 to 11:30 a.m. on the north patio of the Fort Hays State University Memorial Union.

The traditional community prayer gathering will be from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. at the Ellis County Courthouse, 13th and Fort Streets.

Volunteers will offer specific prayers for those in the government, military, media arts, business, education, church and family. Christian radio station KPRD will be doing a live remote broadcast from 13th and Fort from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Individuals may send personal prayer requests to kprd@kprd.org or drop them off at the coffee house.

The day will conclude with worship and prayer back at the coffee house at 7 p.m. This is the 28th year Ellis County has participated in the national observance. Those wanting more information about the event may visit nationaldayofprayer.org.

Mothers in Prayer has been active in Ellis County for 12 years, Hughes said. There are currently five groups that meet at different times for one hour each week. More information on the organization is available by calling Sharon Beougher at (785) 650-3527.

# In a busy season, keep Christ first

Welcome to the Bible Reading plan for May. This is a busy month full of seasons and events; school is out, it's graduation season, it's wedding season, we celebrate Mother's Day, and Memorial Day. Don't let your

Memorial Day. Don't let your Bible reading time slide, we have some amazing readings this month!

We will almost finish reading through the book of Psalms. I hope that you have enjoyed them

as much as I. These final chapters contain so many praise and worship songs — let them capture you and give you new words to worship our King Jesus. He is worthy of our praise!

Our New Testament readings continue to build as we read through Paul's letters. This month will include an almost complete reading of the book of Romans. Did you know that Paul's letters were the primary theological text for the Church at its inception? Paul's letters, especially Romans, is the real "meat and potatoes" of New Testament doctrine. There are so many promises to meditate on in Romans;

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| Condenses to me to man to man, stands out to me, "For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abun-

dant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ." AMEN! Then there is 8:26-28, 10:9-10, 12:1-2, 14-15.... And the list goes on! Like a friend of mine says, if these passages don't light your fire, youare all wet! Let these Words get in you, they will change you for the better!

On a fun note. This past week I received a call from friend that I had not talked to

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for almost 40 years. She was a co-worker many years ago when I dedicated my life to Jesus. She and I visited about God's word for hours back then. I moved away and her and her family had taken jobs in another state. I completely lost track of her. Her husband had ordered a repair part for a piece of farm equipment. It shipped from Salina, and was wrapped in a ONE magazine! As they unwrapped the part, they saw my name and the Bible reading plan article.

She contacted me from the information in ONE and were all reconnected. Isn't God good! He doesn't only meet our needs, He also gives us special moments like this. I sensed that I should share this story to let someone know — God knows where you are — and He loves you — and wants to do special things to prove it to you. So in this busy season, keep Christ first, because He is keeping you first. Keep reading your Bible, and have a blessed month!

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Romans 13

# NEWS, FROM 2

The ReStore is staffed entirely by volunteers. Habitat Board Member Lorey Dreiling, the store's co-manager, said the mall owners have been very helpful in providing the ministry new donated space.

"They found another space for us and have volunteered muscle and a flatbed to help us move." She added the mall owners repaired water leaks and power washed the new location.

"They have done everything in their power to help us move. . . . One of the things we'll appreciate (in the new location) is garage doors. Loading and unloading will be much simpler for us and those donating materials."

HFHEC invites volunteers to come to the new location between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 28, "to help us get settled in," Dreiling said. The ReStore will also have a half-price sale during that time, she added.

#### Race for the Cure set for May 5

The Susan G. Komen Hays Race for the Cure will be Saturday, May 5, at Hays Municipal Park, 200 Main.

The annual event "raises funds for breast cancer research, celebrates breast cancer survivorship and honors those who have lost their battle with the disease," according to the race website.

The day's events will begin with the Survivor's Breakfast and registration at 7 a.m. The 5K race will start at 7:45 a.m. The Survivor Celebration events will begin at 9 a.m., and the Midwest Energy Mile Family Walk will get under way at 9:50 a.m.

According to the website, 75 percent of the net income stays in the local community to help fund programs offering breast health education and breast cancer screening and treatment. The remaining 25 percent goes towards the Susan G. Komen Research and Training Grants Program.

Individuals may register at https://komenkansas.org.

#### Bethesda Place plans '6th Annual Garden Day'

Bethesda Place, 1571 220th Ave., invites the community to its "6th Annual Garden Day" from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 5. The event is free and features activities designed for the whole family.

Bethesda Place, which opened in 1978, "is a Christian home for men with mental disabilities that exists to provide these individuals with a loving family atmosphere

and a safe work environment in which they can reach their full potential," according to the facility's Facebook profile.

The community is invited to join the men and staff at the event, strolling the gardens, sipping tea and visiting with friends while enjoying live music.

Plants and crafts created by the men will be available for purchase. Activities and garden crafts for children will take place from 11 a.m. to noon. There will also be a scavenger hunt and educational landscaping tours.

A burrito picnic lunch will be available from noon to 1 p.m. Donations will be used for future property development.

According to the facility's Facebook page, "This is an opportunity for families to celebrate how gardens and love grow...slowly and with great care! Bethesda Place wants to take the opportunity to thank the community for helping us grow throughout these many years."

The facility is located one-quarter mile west of the Ellis County fairgrounds, one-quarter mile south of Fairground Road. In case of inclement weather, the event will be canceled.

# Methodists to hear campus minister

United Methodist Women's Sunday is May 6. At Hays First United Methodist Church, 305 W. Seventh, the Rev. Kathy Bannister, United Methodist Campus Ministry administrator, will deliver the message.

Karen Owings will be liturgist, and Marilyn Ginther will lead the children's time. UMW Singers will fill the choir loft, and other UMW members will participate in the service. Service times are 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

#### ECMA Board sets May meeting

The Ellis County Ministerial Alliance Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, May 9, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2703 Fort St.

The editorial board for ONE Magazine will meet at 9 a.m. The full ECMA Board will meet at 10 a.m.

Anyone wishing to make a presentation to the board must schedule it in advance with the ECMA president at president@ourecma.com.

# Salvation Army gearing up for summer camp

The Salvation Army is accepting registrations for its summer camp through Friday, May 11.

The camp, for youngsters ages 8

through 12, will take place Tuesday, June 26, through Friday, June 29, at Three Trails Camp in Kansas City, Mo. The 40-acre camp will offer activities involving arts and crafts, nature, the Bible and recreation.

"All activities are Christian centered," said Julie Smith, the Salvation Army's Ellis County coordinator.

Cost of the camp is \$20, which includes round-trip transportation, lodging, activities and meals for all four days, Smith said. A bus will pick up youngsters in Hays. More information about the camp is available at https://threetrailscamp.org/.

Scholarships are available, Smith said. Registration is available by contacting her at (785) 621-2794 or Julie\_Smith@usc. salvationarmy.org.

#### MOPS schedules luau May 12

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) will have a luau at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 12, at Messiah Lutheran Church, 2000 Main. The program will feature a presentation about essential oils.

MOPS will also be hosting a fundraiser breakfast on Sunday, May 20, between services at the church.

MOPS is an organization for moms of children ages conception through kindergarten. It meets from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. the second Saturday of every month at the church. More information is available at (620) 795-2008.

#### Letter Carriers Food Drive coming up

Saturday, May 12, is the date for the National Letter Carriers Food Drive. The Community Assistance Center, 208 E. 12th St., asks that people leave non-perishable food items in bags by their mailboxes to help the center restock its food pantry for the summer.

#### Bethesda Place co-founder to speak

Shelly Stafford, a co-founder of Bethesda Place, will be sharing her experiences "From Co-Founder to Grammee" at the May meeting of the Hays After 5 Christian women's group.

Bethesda Place "is a Christian home for men with mental disabilities that exists to provide these individuals with a loving family atmosphere and a safe work environment in which they can reach their full potential," according to its Facebook profile. The facility, which opened in 1978, is located at 1571 220th Ave.

The After 5 dinner program will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, May 14, at the

Rose Garden Banquet Hall, 2250 E. Eighth.

Also on the program will be inspirational speaker Andrea McClellan of Wichita. McClellan, a wife and mother of four, says for years she was an angry person. She will share how that anger wore her out until she finally learned about "Letting Go," which is the title of her talk

Cost of the event is \$12.50. Reservations are due by Thursday, May 10, to daisymae0917@yahoo.com or to (785) 202-1036. Hays After 5 is affiliated with Stonecroft Ministry of Overland Park.

#### Relay for Life to take place June 1

The Ellis County Relay for Life will take place from 7 p.m. to midnight on Friday, June 1, at the Downtown Pavilion, 10th and Main in Hays.

Relay for Life is an annual fundraising event for the American Cancer Society. Team members take turns walking a designated path. Each team is asked to have a member on the path at all times to signify that cancer never sleeps.

Each team sets up a themed campsite at the event and continues its fundraising efforts by collecting donations for food, goods, games and activities. This money will count towards the team's overall fundraising goal.

Those wanting to sign up may visit http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/Re-layForLife/RFLCY18NOR?pg=entry&-fr\_id=88099.

More information is available by contacting Mary Ann Randa at (785) 623-1971 or Kim Peach at (785) 639-3603 or kim.peach@cancer.org.

#### CrossCurrent Youth Conference set for June

Celebration Community Church, 5790 230th Ave., will be hosting the CrossCurrent Youth Conference June 22-23.

The theme of this year's conference for middle school and high school students is "Rhythm." According to the event's website, "The non-denominational conference is designed to encourage teens to make a commitment to follow Jesus and grow in their faith."

Speakers will include Jeff Burnett, Tre Giles, Derek Mayfield and Pastor Brant Rice. Activities will include a pool party Friday night at the Hays Aquatic Park.

The registration fee is \$40 by May 31 More information is available at www. c2yoco.com, or **tre@c3hays.com** or (719) 306-6135.

# **ONE** COLORING CONTEST

ONE is sponsoring a coloring contest in an upcoming issue with the theme "What If Jesus Played Sports." The deadline for submission is Tuesday, May 8. The winner of the contest will have the artwork appear on the cover of the June issue of ONE. Participants should put their name, age, grade and church on the back of their submission.

Participants will portray "What If Jesus Played Sports" with their artwork Submissions can be dropped off at your church or at The Hays Daily News, 507 Main.

WHAT IF JESUS PLAYED SPORTS





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