



"Together in Christ's love, we joyfully serve, actively witness, and dedicate ourselves to caring, teaching, and growing through the Word."

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH, U.A.C.



April 2024

HOW TO READ THE BIBLE

The Scriptures were written over a thousand years in three languages. The newest books were finished nearly two thousand years ago. The people who wrote them down and the people who were subjects of the Scripture lived in cultures very different than modern ones and thought of the world in very different ways. How can we understand them without a lifetime of study?

Fortunately, Lutheran scholars have discovered proven ways to go about it and have recorded them in a series of rules. Together, they are known as Biblical hermeneutics. This year, we will cover eight rules that guide us in studying God's word.

THE SECOND RULE—THE BIBLE IS ALL ABOUT JESUS

Knowing that the Bible is all about Jesus helps us to understand its message and the place of each verse in that message. On the surface, the Bible is a small library of sixty-six books with different messages. They can seem disconnected and at odds from time to time. By this rule, we come to see the Bible has one story with a beginning, middle, climax and end, all tied to what Jesus did and will do to save us. It helps us to see that we are actually a part of this story. Unlike good fiction, this story is real news, not fake news. It actually has a two part message for us—which we'll take up in the next rule.

So, by knowing that the Bible is all about Jesus, or said in more formal language, all theology is Christology, we can unlock the treasures of the Holy Scriptures. The Bible is not all about how to live a happy life in this world, although it can help us with that. It is not about predicting the future, like some giant puzzle or math problem. It is not the key to success and riches, or even about what we should do to be good people. In fact, it is not so much about what we do, but what God has done—in Christ, He made the world, sorrowed over its sin, set out to save the world, was made man in the womb of the Virgin Mary, lived a perfect life in our place, suffered, died, rose again, ascended into heaven and one day will return to raise us from the dead to live with Him forever. As you read the Bible, then, ask yourself—what does this have to do with Jesus? You'll be surprised how much it helps to hear what God is saying to you in his word.

Next Month, we will look at the Third Rule—The Two Main Teachings of the Bible
God Bless,

Pastor Barlau



LWML—LWML will not meet in April. We look forward to meeting next month.

MEN OF FAITH—8AM SATURDAY, APRIL 6—all men are invited for breakfast, fellowship, and study.



FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST—8:30AM THURSDAY, APRIL 11—all are invited. So we can have enough tablespace, please call Gertie B., 785-571-7153.

SALINA RESCUE MISSION—5:45 PM TUESDAY, APRIL 16—will be providing chapel service and helping serve a meal. All are invited to serve. Contact Chris Bielefeld if you have any questions.

BOOK OF CONCORD MONTHLY STUDY—6:30 PM THURSDAY, APRIL 18—will continue the studies at the Barlau home.



TRIVIA NIGHT—6 PM SATURDAY, APRIL 20—at Sterl Hall. This will be a fun night with trivia, heads or tails game, prizes & refreshments. If any members wanted to donate money for prizes or had new items that could be used for prizes, please contact Matt Gustin or Christina Krause. The funds raised will go toward helping community members in need.

EISENHOWER MARATHON AID STATION—SATURDAY APRIL 27—We need 6 people to serve the Aid Station from 5:30AM to 11:30AM. Signup is on the back parament cabinet.



QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING—10:15 AM SUNDAY, APRIL 28—the worship service. All members 18 & older are eligible to vote. Please make it a priority to be involved the life and mission of your church.



GAMES AND BAKED POTATOES—SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH FOLLOWING VOTER'S MEETING—Everyone is invited to bring your favorite game(s) and enjoy a fully loaded baked potato! Sign up the number of people and tell us what side dish or topping for baked potatoes you're bringing on the parament cabinet. See you there!



WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB—3:00 PM SUNDAY, APRIL 28—in the church basement. They will be discussing *The Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip* by Sara Brunsvold. Please contact Karen Schoenbeck (785-479-7013) if you would like more information. All ladies are invited to participate!

LIFE LIGHT BIBLE STUDY—THURSDAYS AT 10:30A.M.—New Bible Study that will cover books of the Bible or Topics of the Bible will begin May 2. Each Class is 9-10 weeks. Our first Life Light is a 9 week Topic—Biblical Feasts. There is a small cost for materials.

LUNCH WITH PASTOR—WEDNESDAYS FROM 11:30A.M. TO 1P.M.—Come to Church over the lunch hour, eat, and spend time with Pastor. There is no format. Come and go as needed. We will talk about life and faith. Lunch with Pastor will begin on May 1.

NO REGULAR WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES—A loving reminder that we will no longer be holding a regular Wednesday night service. We will retain Wednesday night worship during Advent and Lent only.



Faith Lutheran has a prayer chain.

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain texting, please speak with Kathy. To begin a prayer request call/text Kathy Minneman (785)819-2167 or Pastor Barlau (785)-280-3852.

April Anniversaries

Dennis & Kathy Minneman

4-5-1986

Timothy & Tiffany Rahe

4-30-2005

- 1 - Scott Minneman
- 4 - Gary Stuart
- 5 - Megan Bielefeld
- 6 - George Taplin
- 7 - Sarah Sulanka
- 8 - Isaac Savery
- 10 - Anna Barlau
- 12 - Monnica Westendorf
- 13 - Katie Jenne
- 14 - Rachel Barlau
Abraham Foster



- 15 - Jamie Hayes
- 19 - Norman Schmidt
Frank Taplin
- 20 - Randy Soliday
Garrett Bulk
- 21 - Heather Savery
- 22 - Cody Hutchinson
- 26 - Donna Ascher
Joe Rippert
Heide Rippert
- 30 - Jeanie Cameron



FAITHFUL SERVANTS FOR APRIL

Elder: C. Eaton

Organist: B. Schwab



Altar Guild: K. Schoenbeck & D. Ascher

Church Service	Acolytes	Lectors	Ushers
Sunday, April 7 - 9:00 am	M. Jenne	Tom Rahe	M. Aufdemberge & K. Horsfall
Sunday, April 14 - 9:00 am	M. Kuntz	R. Sanders	C. Bielefeld & R. Hayes
Sunday, April 21 - 9:00 am	M. Rogge	G. Taplin	K. & L. Bowers
Sunday, April 28 - 9:00 am	E. Soliday	G. Minson	M. Aufdemberge & K. Horsfall

NOTE: A master assignment list reflecting any changes will be posted in the upstairs office/cry room.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6 8 am Men of Faith Breakfast
7 THE 2 ND SUNDAY OF EASTER 9 am Divine Service 10:15am Basement Dedication	8 5 pm Elder's Meeting	9	10	11 8:30 am Fellowship Breakfast 6 & 6:30 pm Council/Boards	12	13
14 THE 3 RD SUNDAY OF EASTER 9 am Divine Service 10:15am Sunday School /Adult Bible Study	15	16 5:45 pm Salina Rescue Mission Service	17	18 6:30 pm Book of Concord Monthly Study	19	20 6 pm Trivia Night at Sterl Hall
21 THE 4 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 9 am Divine Service 10:15am Sunday School /Adult Bible Study	22	23	24	25	26	27 5:30 am Eisenhower Aid Station
28 THE 5 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 9 am Divine Service 10:15am Quarterly Voter's Meeting 11 am LYF-Games and Baked potatoes 3 pm Book club at church	29	30				