2 Corinthians 1:1-11

THE SECOND LETTER OF PAUL TO THE Corinthians

Salutation

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the church of God that is in Corinth, including all the saints throughout Achaia: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Paul’s Thanksgiving after Affliction

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, 4 who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. 5 For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. 6 If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. 7 Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation. 8 We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, of the affliction we experienced in Asia; for we were so utterly, unbearably crushed that we despaired of life itself. 9 Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death so that we would rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead. 10 He who rescued us from so deadly a peril will continue to rescue us; on him we have set our hope that he will rescue us again, 11 as you also join in helping us by your prayers, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted to us through the prayers of many.

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, May 22
8:45am Traditional Worship
10:00am SS Year End Party
11:00am Contemporary Worship
1:00pm Spring of Eternal Life Church
3:00pm Luther Seminary Graduation at Central Lutheran

Monday, May 23
9:00am Quilting
6:45pm Lives Worth Living

Tuesday, May 24
1:00pm Staff Meeting
6:30pm Youth Ministry Team Mtg
7:00pm SEL (S)

Wednesday, May 25
9:30am Bible Study

Thursday, May 26
6:45am Men’s Bible Study
12:30pm OWLS event
6:30pm Living Your Strengths (FH)

Friday, May 27
6-8:00pm Girl Scouts (FH)

Saturday, May 28
5-9pm SEL (S) (FH)

Sunday, May 29
9:30am One Worship Service with SEL
11:15pm Potluck
1:00pm Spring of Eternal Life Church

Welcome to worship!
If you are visiting, thank you so much for joining us in worship! If this is your first time here or if you have been here before and would like to know more about this church, please fill out a Visitor Information Card (located in the card racks in front of you on the pew) and place it in the offering plate. Please feel free to join us after service for conversation and fellowship. Thank you for visiting and experiencing the power of God and hearing the promise of His Word with us!
Thank you to all who participated in making the post card campaign in support of the bonding bill for the Second Phase of Dorothy Day Center a great success. ORLC and Presentation of Mary sent 420 post cards to 12 MN Senators and 16 MN Representatives. Our hope was to help move our elected officials to approve 12 million for new bonds for the second phase of building. Pray now that the bonding session bills will be completed by May 22nd. Continue to be moved by the Holy Spirit to “Act Justly, Love Mercy, and Walk Humbly with God.” Micah 6:8

Pictures
Thanks to all who have had their photos taken for our new church directory. If you missed your appointment or were not able to sign up there are three options - 1. You can visit another local congregation in this next two weeks (a list is at the Gift Card Table today or call the office). 2. You can take your picture today from 12:15-1:00 by Ellie Peterson. 3. You can submit one of your own photos to be included - drop this off at the office.

Come join us for worship on Sunday June 5th as immediately following worship we will take a congregational picture. If the weather is good this will be done outside from the rooftop. Come to smile then stay to eat treats, drink coffee and visit.

Gardening gets going
Our front flower gardens are taking shape. The side rain garden got a workout this past week. The back vegetable gardens got weeded and planted as we worked with the Bhutanese immigrants who will be growing food in thirteen of the raised beds while we will again tend to five beds and donating the produce to the food shelf. If you are interested in helping with any of these gardens please speak with Pastor Karsten, Bruce Ring or Carol Rodriguez.

Gift Card Challenge Winner
The winner of the April Gift Card Challenge is Melrose Diekman. She will receive a $25 gift card of her choice. Congratulations Melrose!

Summer Stretch
Students entering grades 6-12 are invited to this fun ministry! We meet once a week for seven weeks on Wednesdays (except Valley Fair Day). Students gather in the morning at 8 am for some ice breakers and prayer. By 9 am we are headed out to various service sites (Sole Hope, Feed My Starving Children, Merrick, street clean-up, Scout Base Camp). We volunteer at the sites for about 2 hours and then break for lunch. After lunch, we go to various recreational sites (Como Park, Comedy Sportz, Cascade Bay, Movie, Canoe Day Trip). Each day ends by 4 pm. The last day of the ministry is a Thursday worship service with Summer Stretch youth from all over the Twin Cities followed with all-day rides at Valley Fair! Adults are needed to help provide transportation and chaperone event days. Contact Intern Pastor Anne for more information.

S.U.N.N.Y (Serving Up Nutrition Now for Youth) Sunday, May 29 meeting between service in Intern Pastor Anne’s Office
Interested in helping fight hunger in our own community? Want to help educate families about nutrition? Do you have a passion for caring for children? Join with members and community volunteers in helping serve lunches two days a week here at ORLC! Together we can and will make a difference in the name of Christ! To join the email chain and become a partner in this project please contact Intern Pastor Anne.

OWLS (Older Wiser LutheranS) May Event
Join us for the St. Paul Police Department’s annual K-9 graduation ceremony and demonstration on Thursday, May 26th. It will be held at their training facility on Roselawn Avenue. This event will take place outdoors rain or shine and will involve considerable walking. Bring a lawn chair as there is limited seating. We will be stopping afterward for an afternoon treat at the Taste of Scandinavia on Rice Street. The event is free; the afternoon treat is at your expense. We will meet at church at 12:30 pm to carpool and return at approximately 4:30 pm.