LUTHER MEMORIAL CHAPEL &
UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTER

CHAPEL NEWS

1916 – 2016: A Century of God's Gifts in Jesus Christ

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The Coronation of Jesus Christ

by Pastor Wieting

Among the most beautiful chapters in the entire Bible is the glorious vision of God's majestic coronation and enthronement of Jesus Christ. Revelation 4 and 5 picture the fulfillment of God's creation and in particular God's redemption and restoration of the human race through His Son, Jesus Christ. This enthronement of the exalted Christ took place after the Resurrection and before the sending of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:32-35; John 7:39; Acts 3:12-13), that is, at His **Ascension**. The victorious Lamb appears as one who has been slain but now is alive (Rev. 5:6).

The description of Jesus' **Ascension** from earth is recorded in Acts 1:6-11. The description of Jesus' **Ascension** to heaven – of Jesus being received by His heavenly Father – is recorded in Revelation 4 and 5. The Son's coronation and enthronement are pictured by God's giving the scroll to the Lamb. That celebration is still going on and will continue into eternity. Joyous song broke forth in heaven in praise of the victorious Son! All creation joins in! It continues forever! In Christ, we are privileged to join in His praise.

The same words of praise raised to God the Creator (Rev. 4:11) are raised also to the Lamb (5:12): *glory, honor, and power.* Then, to Christ, further words of praise are ascribed: *wealth, wisdom, strength, and blessing.* These additional words of worship – given to the Son of God – relate to His work as the Savior of the human race. The Father gave His beloved Son to the world in the flesh for this purpose. The Holy Spirit testifies to the past and present work of the God-man for this purpose. In Jesus Christ the human race receives and acknowledges the wealth of God's saving grace and the wisdom of His sacrifice for the sins of the world. *Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. The Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.*

We will gather at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Whitefish Bay, for the Divine Service as we praise God for the glorious **Ascension of Our Lord** on Thursday, May 5. The Reverend Michael Henrichs will preach and A Place of Refuge will receive our Ascension offerings. Our choirs will combine for this joint service. Eats and visiting will follow.

Serving Us

- Kenneth W. Wieting, Pastor
- Brad Akey, Vicar
- Kathryn Hill, Church Secretary
- Martha Galvin, Director of Music
- Bessie Fick, ISM Coordinator
- Sarah Reynolds, USC Coordinator

SEE PAGE 10 FOR A LIST OF ALL STAFF, THEIR PHONE NUMBERS & EMAIL ADDRESSES.

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Witness, Mercy, Life Together

by Vicar Brad Akey

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can ***testify*** *(μαρτυρία), and beyond their means, of their own accord, begging us earnestly for the favor and the* ***fellowship*** *(κοινωνία) of the* ***service*** *(διακονία) among the saints.*

2 Corinthians 8:1-4

Before Pentecost arrives, and with it our centennial celebration and guest preacher Dr. Albert Collver, Luther Memorial Chapel has chosen to do a study written by the same Dr. Albert Collver. "Witness, Mercy, Life Together" is a study that centers around the mission of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and not only that, but also the mission of the whole Church of God.

Witness, Mercy, Life Together describes what the Church does in this world while living under the shadow of Jesus' cross. The Word and the Sacraments bear witness to Jesus Christ (1 John 5:7-8). The sent ones such as John the Baptist and the apostles testified to Jesus, the Lamb of God (John 1:7, 15, 29). We as individual Christians also bear witness to Jesus today.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus showed compassion on people in need (Mark 6:34). Jesus came not to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many (Mark 10:45). When Jesus saw people hungry or sick, He fed and healed them, and even raised them from the dead. Jesus served and had mercy on those in need.

Just before He was handed over to be crucified, Jesus prayed that the Church might be one (John 17:11, 21, 23). Jesus desires His Church to have fellowship, or life together, as one people before His Father, just as He and the Father are one. Indeed, by the Spirit's power through the Word, God has called us into the fellowship of His Son (1 Corinthians 1:9). From the Gospels, we see that Jesus' word is to bear witness, to show mercy, and to share His divine life together with His people. In a similar way, the Church, as the Bride of Christ, engages in Witness, Mercy, Life Together.

The emphasis of Witness, Mercy, Life Together developed a way to get a handle on the restructuring of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, mandated by the July 2010 convention in Houston, TX. The restructuring of the Church should take place in such a way that the Church, as it is found in the national office, in districts, and in congregations, engages in the work Christ has given His Church to do. The Witness, Mercy, Life Together emphasis emerged as a descriptor of what the Church has done from Pentecost until today.

In our five-week study we will dive into each of the Greek words, μαρτυρία (marturia) – Witness; διακονία (diakonia) – Mercy; and κοινωνία (koinonia) – Life Together; and how Scripture uses them. So please join us in order to better understand Witness, not only to those outside the Church, but also how witnessing happens within the Church; to see the compassion Christ has shown and the Mercy we too can embody; and to learn about how life together is not only a goal of LCMS Christians, but also Christians as a whole.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST: REMEMBERING A CENTURY OF GOD'S GIFTS *BY PASTOR WIETING*

O Lord, I love the habitation of your house, and the place where your glory dwells. Psalm 26:8

May 15 is Pentecost, and we will rejoice as the readings proclaim the pouring out of the Holy Spirit who continues to inspire the proclamation of Christ crucified and risen, and repentance and forgiveness of sins in His name. On this Pentecost Day we will also remember the Holy Spirit's gifts in Word and Sacrament for a century at Luther Memorial Chapel.

The Reverend Dr. Albert Collver (Director of Church Relations/Assistant to the President LCMS) will give a presentation/study at 8:30 a.m. in the University Student Center. His travels are worldwide. (At left, he is pictured preaching in Nigeria.) In many lands, the Gospel opportunities for Scriptural/Lutheran teaching are exploding. Come and hear what our church body is doing! Come and hear what your gifts are supporting throughout the world – sometimes through former vicars and members of LMC now serving the church abroad!

The collect for the Anniversary of a Congregation asks that God would *strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of peace and love and increase our faithful witness to God's salvation*. Such strength and love and peace our risen Lord continues to deliver to us in the Divine Service – with gifts of His choosing! **The Divine Service on that Sunday, May 15, is at 10:00 a.m.** Following the Divine Service there will be a reception in the Parish Hall, and following the reception, starting about 12:15 or 12:30 p.m., the 100th Anniversary Banquet will be held in the gymnasium.

Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANNIVERSARY VERSE

Alleluia. Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness. Alleluia.

GOD SO BLESS US IN OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS HIS SAINTS AT LUTHER MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

OUR PRIMARY ANNIVERSARY EVENTS INCLUDE…

- Combined Sunday/Monday service at 10 a.m., Pentecost Sunday, May 15. Dr. Albert Collver preaching and presenting.
- Church Picnic Sunday, June 26. Pastor Mark Post preaching Sunday and Monday.
- Fall Service on Sunday, Sept. 25. Pastor Michael Larson preaching Sunday and Monday.
- Combined Sunday/Monday service at 10 a.m., Reformation Sunday, Oct. 30. Dr. Benjamin Mayes preaching and presenting. *Your willingness to help organize the potluck following the Reformation service on Oct. 30 is requested. Please contact Diane Kretsch*

CURRENT PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL GUEST PREACHERS & LITURGISTS

- Sunday and Monday, June 19 and 20. Pastor Chad Hoover, former vicar of LMC, preaching.
- *Tentative* Sunday and Monday, July 3 and 4. Pastor Paul Rockrohr, former vicar, preaching.
- Sunday, July 10. Pastor Christopher Stout, former vicar, assisting with the liturgy. He will be in Milwaukee for the LCMS Convention. Also, both July 10 and 11, Pastor Benjamin Hertel, former member of LMC who now serves St. Luke Lutheran Church, Rensselaer, IN, will preach.
- Sunday and Monday, Sept. 4 and 5. Pastor John Olson, our former university student and member, preaching.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH AT LMC

BY BESSIE FICK, ISM COORDINATOR

May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? Acts 17:19b

International Student Ministry is a ministry of friendship and hospitality that we might have the privilege of inviting our international friends to hear God's Word. Many volunteers and members assist in helping internationals feel welcome in the Milwaukee area. Here J. extends his thanks for help given his family. We have been privileged to invite him and his family to learn about God's love for them.

Thank You, LMC

As a visiting scholar, with a seven-year-old boy, when I just arrived in the city of Milwaukee at UWM, in August 2013, I was very nervous. Because my English is not very good, I could not open my mouth to talk with others and I could only understand some of what others were saying. Fortunately, one of my friends told me to go to Luther Memorial Chapel where there were English classes which would help me improve my English, so I went. At the church I met Bessie Fick, a very nice person, and also met several volunteers: Tim, Cheryl, Deb, John, Nancy, Jeff and others. With their help, my English improved quickly and now I can talk with others.

LMC made available household items which helped us to easily settle down in our apartment. At LMC I have had many opportunities to learn about the American traditions and culture through the rich and varied activities organized by LMC: for example, the Milwaukee Tour and Summer Bible School. These gave me a new view about Americans. In addition, I have made many friends from different countries, enjoyed myself, and reduced my homesickness.

Thank you, all LMC members and volunteers!

Upcoming Activity: Tour of an Eagle Wisconsin Country Home – seeking transportation help for a Thursday in May.

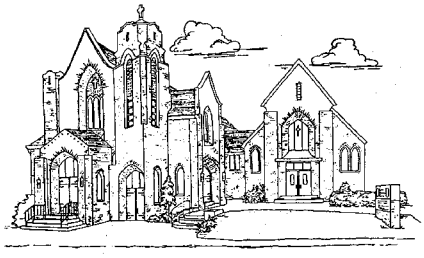
ISM EVENTS IN MARCH

ISM prepared a Lenten Supper for the congregation March 9.

Two pictures below from March 10:
Baby shower for three new moms delivering their babies in April.

Centennial Capital Improvement Match

by John Burfeind, Congregational President



Included with this mailing is an offering envelope for the **Centennial Capital Improvement Fund**. An anonymous donor from our congregation has made a commitment to match all donations to this fund up to $20,000 over the course of calendar year 2016. All funds received in this endeavor will be committed to capital improvements for our beautiful facility, including the replacement of our air conditioning compressor, computer upgrades for the office, and other needs that are inherent in the ongoing care of a facility that in some areas is over 90 years old. Additional envelopes are available in the church office, in the narthex, and on the tables by the elevator. We also plan to include another envelope in a fall mailing.

Contributions to this special fund can be donated in the "designated offering" envelopes in our envelope boxes as well. Keep in mind that any money you donate to this fund will be doubled, as a result of the generosity of the anonymous donor.

We will report the balance of this physical improvement fund in the *Chapel News* each month.

$1406.16 received to date

will equal $2812.32 *after matching*

Centennial Capital Improvement Fund as of April 19, 2016

Christ Is Present to Serve

The love that God gives us in the Divine Service is love incarnate. Rather than simply hearing about something in the past, the risen Christ is present to give us His gifts in the present. He purchased them in the past. They reach into the eternal future. Wondrously they are now present in the Divine Service because He is present. His gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation are our greatest need.

Fresh from the grave, Jesus preached about Himself and was recognized in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:13-35). Freshly poured out on the Church, the Holy Spirit led the apostles to preach Christ (Acts 2). The Spirit also led the Church in equal devotion to receiving Word and Sacrament (Acts 2:42). Luther called the preached Word the living voice of the Gospel. He said concerning the sermon and the Lord's Supper, "The sermon ought to be nothing else than the proclamation of this testament" (AE 44:56).

Reprinted from *Lutheranism 101: The Lord's Supper,* pages 128-29.

Coffee Break Volunteers Needed

We certainly need additional groups/people to help serve coffee break on Sundays. This wonderful opportunity to greet one another and meet our guests needs a few more hosts.

If you cannot host but would like to provide the cost of a Sunday's provisions, that would be gladly received.

If you're interested in helping out or learning more about what is involved please contact me. Or you can simply sign up in the fellowship hall on the volunteer sheet on the lectern. Thank you!

Ann Gurneau

Baptismal Birthdays

God's Child	Rebirth Date
Roxanne Tibbits	May
Kelly Clark	May 1
Caleb Fitzgerald	May 1
Andrew Brondos	May 2
Tristan Zirkle	May 2
Sophia Carlton	May 4
Anjelica Visgin	May 6
Howard Toll	May 9
Richard Sovitzky III	May 10
Brittany Fremder	May 11
Alexis Rebholz	May 12
Susan Simon	May 13
James Walters	May 13
Teresa Staff	May 16
Catherine Andersen	May 17
Barbara Knetzger	May 17
Barbara Gregory	May 19
Magdalene Lane	May 22
Isabel Sovitzky	May 23
Evelyn Kelm	May 26
Garrett Stevens	May 28
Rheanne Tibbits	May 28
Rachel Ploetz	May 30

Membership News

ADDRESS CHANGES

Mrs Dorothea Ede

Sean & Amanda Kilpatrick

NEW MEMBERS

Garrett & Shelby Stevens

Altar Guild for May

In May we continue the Easter season with white paraments as we observe the Sixth and Seventh Sundays of Easter. For Ascension Day, Thursday, May 5, and for Holy Trinity Sunday, May 22, the color is also white.

On the Day of Pentecost, May 15, red paraments remind us of the "tongues as of fire" that rested on Jesus' followers.

The Sunday Gospels for May are:

May 1	John 16:23-33
May 8	John 15:26—16:4

May 15	John 14:23-31
May 22	John 3:1-17
May 29	Luke 16:19-31

Don't Believe All the Hype

by Pastor David Groth, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church & School

At the SWD Spring Pastors Conference, April 12-13, I sat at table with Pastor Groth from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Watertown. He was aware of my cancer history, and his wife has also received treatment for about seven years. As he relayed some of the misleading hype our age is known for he mentioned an article he was writing for his members. I asked if I could include it in our newsletter for your reading. It follows here. – Pastor Wieting

If you believe the billboards, cancer is an enemy we've all but licked. It's just a matter of mopping up a few stray and stubborn cells. Here are a few advertisements from various hospitals and cancer centers:

- "Cancer isn't going to like these odds"
- "Making Cancer History"
- "Together we will end cancer"
- "We make cancer the victim"

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- "Meet Cancer's Newest Enemy" [Accompanied with a picture of a newly hired oncologist.]
- "She never gave up. So her cancer did." [It makes cancer sound like an attitudinal problem!]

Add to these the home-grown remedies made popular on the web … cancer fighting super foods that the big pharmaceutical companies don't want you to know about because they're so effective. Add to these the essential oils, and supplemental vitamins and alternative medicines. There's some great boasting going on in these highly profitable industries. One begins to think cancer is no longer a big deal. The big deal is getting the word out that we finally have all these cures and preventative measures.

The reality is cancer remains a clear and present danger, a menace and a killer. In spite of the bombast and bluster of the billboards, cancer is not history. Cancer centers are not being repurposed. In fact, more are being planned and built.

As for me, I'm deeply grateful for modern medicine and for those who work in health care. But at the same time, I know the death rate is still pretty much 100 percent. Therefore, my ultimate hope and trust is not in modern medicine. I'm placing all my hope on God's Son, Jesus Christ. He is the resurrection and the life. He is the death of death. He is the Good Physician and the ultimate source of health and life. I am far more confident in His promises than I am in the promises of man or the marketing department.

In this present life God uses and will continue to use health care workers as his ministers of healing and relief. But only God can provide us with the ultimate healing, and he has in his Son, Jesus.

Don't believe all the hype. Instead, "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved" (Acts 16:31).

Centennial Searchings: Snippets from Mrs. Behling's Book

by Sue Rebholz, LMC Historian

September 1917

"The 400th anniversary of the Reformation will be celebrated on Wednesday at 8, corner of Atwater and Cramer; where a hearty welcome and a free seat await you to hear Special Sermons on Events from the Life of Luther."

January 1918

"These were war years. To get a sack of flour you had to buy several subscribed items. A member took an order of three bags of flour and all the other products (i.e. 3 pounds of navy beans for each bag). She didn't have a car so she made her deliveries with a childhood sled, through the snow, after dark!"

March 1918

"We were so happy with our kitchen. Though small it had cupboards for our dishes, a two-burner electric plate for cooking and especially heating water for our coffee. What's a Ladies Aid without coffee? We had running water and two much needed lavatories!

1920

"Mr. Behling called attention to the fact that some of our members of the church were not built on prominent up and down lines and recommended that a ladder be secured for their use when requested. Agreed. It was also suggested that the ladder be of fairly substantial build that it might fulfill its intended duties for all members."

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MAY 2016

WEEK ONE ***May 1-7***

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Num 3:1–16, 39–48
Luke 14:25—15:10
Num 4:1—8:4

Monday Num 8:5–26
Luke 15:11–32

Tuesday Num 9:1–23
Luke 16:1–18

Wednesday Num 10:11–36
Luke 16:19–31

Ascension Day
Num 11:1–23, 31–35
Luke 17:1–19

Friday Num 11:24-29; 12:1-16
Luke 17:20–37

Saturday Num 13:1–3, 17–33
Luke 18:1–17

WEEK TWO ***May 8-14***

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Num 14:1–25
Luke 18:18–34

Monday Num 14:26–45
Luke 18:35—19:10
Num 15:1–41

Tuesday Num 16:1–22
Luke 19:11–28

Wednesday Num 16:23–40
Luke 19:29–48

Thursday Num 16:41—17:13
Luke 20:1–18
Num 18:1—19:22

Friday Num 20:1–21
Luke 20:19–44

Saturday Num 20:22—21:9
Luke 20:45—21:19

WEEK THREE ***May 15-21***

Pentecost Sunday
Num 21:10–35
Luke 21:20–38

Monday Num 22:1–20
Luke 22:1–23

Tuesday Num 22:21—23:3
Luke 22:24–46

Wednesday Num 23:4–28
Luke 22:47–71

Thursday Num 24:1–25
Luke 23:1–25

Friday Num 27:12–23
Luke 23:26–56

Saturday Num 32:1–6, 16–27
Luke 24:1–27

WEEK FOUR ***May 22-28***

Holy Trinity Sunday
Num 35:9–30
Luke 24:28–53
Acts 1:1—7:60

THE TIME OF THE CHURCH

May 23 Song 7:6—8:14
John 6:41–59

May 24 Eccl 1:1–18
John 6:60–71
Esther 1:1—10:3

May 25 Eccl 2:1–26
John 7:1–13

May 26 Eccl 3:1–22
John 7:14–31

May 27 Eccl 4:1–16
John 7:32–53

May 28 Eccl 5:1–20
John 8:1–20

WEEK FIVE ***May 29-31***

May 29 Eccl 6:1—7:10
John 8:21–38

May 30 Eccl 7:11–29
John 8:39–59

May 31 (Visitation)
Eccl 8:1–17
John 9:1–23

Luther Memorial's Officers & Staff in 2016

President:	John Burfeind
Treasurer:	Louis Sagert
Assistant Treasurer:	Ben Latendresse
Secretary:	Judy Hessel
Chair of Elders:	Mark Paterson
Vice-Chair of Elders	Don Toll
Secretary of Elders:	Luther Himsel
Chair of Trustees:	Aaron Siegmann
Chair, Bd. of Christian Ed.:	Deirdre Christiansen
Sun. Schl. Superintendent:	Judy Swanson
Chair of Dorcas Guild:	Marie Zimmerman
Chair of Altar Guild:	Judy Hessel

Geographical Elder Areas

Don Toll – North 53211

John Galvin – South 53211

Carl Swanson – Riverwest/East Side

Ben Wieting – Near North

Peter Gurneau – Far North

Jeff Hagedorn – South

Joe Bratz – Wauwatosa/Near West

Luther Himsel – West/Far West

The members of the **Board of Trustees** give attention to the financial responsibilities of the congregation and the church's physical properties. Concerns about budgets, maintenance of the church, or similar items should be addressed to the Trustees.

The members of the **Board of Christian Education** give attention to education programs. Concerns about Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Adult Classes, or similar items should be addressed to the Board of Christian Education.

The members of the **Board of Elders** are to work closely with Pastor for the spiritual well-being of the congregation. Concerns about the Divine Service, service times, pastoral care, church membership, or similar items should be addressed to Pastor or the Elders.

Luther Memorial Chapel Staff Directory

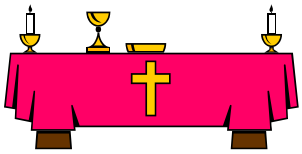
NAME/TITLE
Pastor Kenneth W. Wieting
Vicar Brad Akey
Bessie Fick, International Student Coordinator
Martha Galvin, Director of Music
Kathryn Hill, Church Secretary
Treasurer Louie Sagert
Sarah Reynolds, University Student Coordinator

SCHEDULES FOR MAY 2016

USHERS

Tom Rebholz, *Head Usher*
Temish Christiansen
Jim Genthe
Ellis Grasse
Natalya Gurneau
Paul Hessel
John Kretsch
Carl Schramm
Aaron Siegmann
Prince Solomon
Daniel Swanson
John Swanson
Aaron Viets

Anyone interested in helping usher on Sundays, please contact Tom Rebholz.



ALTAR GUILD

Bethany Bratz
Marcia Genthe
Diane Kretsch

COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

May 1

May 8

May 15 *Centennial Reception*

May 22

May 29

ELDERS ON SUNDAYS

May 1 Peter Gurneau

May 8 Ben Wieting

May 15 ***All on duty***

May 22 Jeff Hagedorn

May 29 Mark Paterson

HYMN OF THE DAY & PSALM OF THE WEEK

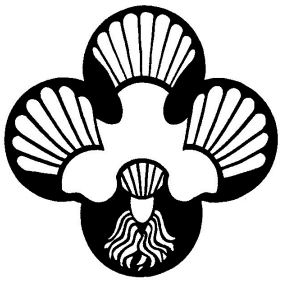
May 1 Ps. 107:1-9
LSB **766** *Our Father,Who from Heaven Above*

May 8 Ps. 51:1-12
LSB **539** *Christ Is theWorld's Redeemer*

May 15 Ps. 143
LSB **497** *Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord*

May 22 Ps. 29
LSB **498** *Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest*

May 29 Ps. 33:12-22
LSB **768** *To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray*



Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

1
Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,
And make our hearts Your place of rest;
Come with Your grace and heav'nly aid,
And fill the hearts which You have made.

2
To You, the Counselor, we cry,
To You, the gift of God Most High;
The fount of life, the fire of love,
The soul's anointing from above.

3
In You, with graces sevenfold,
We God's almighty hand behold
While You with tongues of fire proclaim
To all the world His holy name.

4
Your light to ev'ry thought impart,
And shed Your love in ev'ry heart;
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.

5
Drive far away our wily foe,
And Your abiding peace bestow;
With You as our protecting guide,
No evil can with us abide.

6
Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And You, from both, as Three in One
That we Your name may ever bless
And in our lives the truth confess.

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