

DISTRICT NEWS

INDIANA

† THE RESURRECTION

A factual, historical event



Rev. Dr.
Daniel Brege
President

Do we need to “prove” Christ’s resurrection? Absolutely not. However, in Acts 1:3, St. Luke informs us that Jesus “presented Himself alive, after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a period of forty days” (NASB).

So for 40 days after His resurrection — the 40 days we are now reliving in this season of the church year — Jesus verified His resurrection by many convincing proofs.

We defend and preach the Christian faith from facts — facts drawn from Scripture. Some of these biblical facts are also verifiable history. Though someone may doubt some of the facts Christians draw from Scripture, the facts drawn from history are valid simply because history consists of events agreed to be valid. Outside of Scripture we cannot “prove” that Jesus cured lepers, calmed a storm, raised a man named Lazarus from the dead and the like.

But what about Christ’s resurrection? Is this a verifiable fact of history? Luke informs us that Jesus “presented Himself alive ... by many convincing proofs.” Indeed, the Word of Christ’s saving death and resurrection brings faith, without proofs. But the Christian faith is not devoid of thinking. It is not separated from history’s verifiable events.

Brooke Westcott, English bishop, biblical schol-



ar and Cambridge professor, explained “there is no historic incident better or more variously supported than the resurrection of Christ.” Lord Charles Darling, English lawyer, politician and High Court judge, stated “no intelligent jury in the world could fail to bring in a verdict that the resurrection story is true.” (Josh McDowell, *Evidence That Demands a Verdict*, Here’s Life Publishers Inc., 1979, pp. 193-94)

Christ’s risen body would be available to be seen

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The 'enterprise' of curriculum

‘Space: the final frontier. These are the voyages of the starship Enterprise. Its continuing mission: To explore strange, new worlds. To seek out new life and new civilizations. To boldly go where no one has gone before.’”

Thus begins “Star Trek: The Next Generation.”

Whether you are a Trekkie or not, “Enterprise” is an apt description of the new frontier of curriculum in our Lutheran schools of Indiana and Kentucky. Throughout the next four months, Julie Dietrich (Indiana District Curriculum consultant) and Alicia Levitt, (The Lutheran Schools Partnership curriculum specialist), will lead 19 teachers from Lutheran schools across the district to plan and write the social studies curriculum.

Dr. Kevin Brockberg, Indiana District executive counselor for Christian Education, addressed this select group as they convened to start the project.

The text of his message follows.



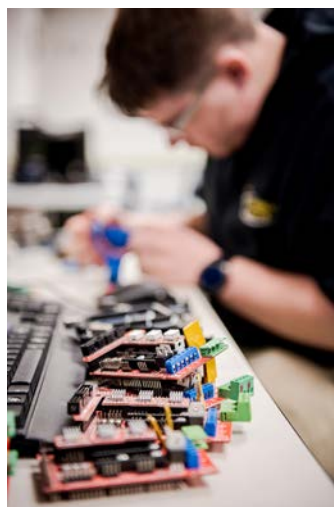
Bringing this metaphor back to earth, now in this space, in Kokomo, this is our new frontier. The Indiana District has never moved the enterprise of Lutheran education this far into curriculum. Space is vast; you are familiar with the

term ‘lost in space.’ While your traverse is uncharted, you do have a destination. Blasting off into the unknown without a plan leads to complete futility. I know under the guidance of Julie and Alicia, and within the dynamics of this select group, come June we can all agree, ‘Mission accomplished!’

“Science fiction? No! Is it rocket science? Perhaps, and perhaps not. Yet I do like the metaphor of a rocket, and the notion of rocketing Lutheran schools to excellence. I believe the curriculum is the fuel for this voyage of excellence. You are the scientists and technicians of this trajectory, Julie and Alicia are mission control, and together you will launch teachers across the district as they propel their students to new orbits of discovery, new horizons of thinking and into the vast reaches of inquiry and the expanse of the social studies.

“Who, then, are the astronauts? The 13,000 students in schools from Gary to Kendallville, New Albany, Evansville, Louisville and locations in between. Please think of the district as your rocket boosters, powering the project toward sky-high standards. You do indeed have the right stuff; for this mission, all systems are GO! Thank you for enlisting in this project!

“Right stuff? We all have the right stuff in our God who authors and commands this universe, and so amazingly places humankind — you, me, our stakeholders and our students — at the center of His plan for new life, in a different heavenly kind of culture and civilization. As David exclaims in Psalm 8: ‘Who is man that you are mindful of him ... consider the heavens.’”



As a reader of *The Lutheran Witness*, please know that our district schools do indeed shoot for the stars! The countdown has begun: 3, 2, 1.

‘Providing a valuable ministry’

Julie Dietrich is serving as the curriculum consultant for the Indiana District, covering the Southern, Central and Northwest regions. She has 28 years of teaching experience, mostly in second grade, and has spent the last 18 years at St. Peter’s Lutheran School, Columbus.



One of Julie’s responsibilities is helping educators build curriculum maps, a process for collecting and recording a teacher’s curriculum by identifying core skills, content, assessments and any other learning activity used for a subject area or grade level.

Because the tool is a living map created online, it can be viewed by other teachers in the same grade levels or content area, allowing for the professional learning community to interact and share ideas.

“Curriculum is sometimes misdefined,” Julie says. “Curriculum used to be thought of as a stack of textbooks. Now it can be visualized more like a Ferris wheel where your curriculum is the center hub of the wheel with the cars representing the varied curriculum components. The textbook can still be one of the cars on the wheel, but other critical curriculum components get a car as well — assessments, state standards, faith connections, resources, instructional strategies, etc. Everything you do is curriculum.

“Teachers can use their curriculum maps as conversation tools with teachers above and below their grade level. Gaps and redundancies can be identified through a variety of reports. Having curriculum maps to engage and lead necessary vertical conversations among teachers is a huge asset. So it’s not just about building the map itself, it’s also the continual conversations those maps will initiate among teachers for healthy reflection of their curriculum and instruction.”

Tracie Douglas, early childhood teacher at Our Shepherd, Avon, says the impact she sees at her school is positive.

“This initiative highlights the importance of high quality early childhood education and will help all early childhood educators in the Indiana District by providing not only valuable resources and information, but also community.”

Julie is also working with a team of teachers from around

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Sandy Price
Trinity, Elkhart,
principal

the district to begin creating another kind of map — a consensus map for grade levels and content areas that creates consistency across all the Lutheran schools. Consensus maps ask critical questions of educators. “What do we want all our Lutheran schools to teach for third grade? How can consensus maps be a tool to intentionally connect our Lutheran faith into everything we teach? Consensus maps get all the schools on the same page,” Julie says.

She is also encouraging community through “conversation days,” when teachers come together across the district to share curriculum ideas. The idea has now expanded to having a conversation day for principals, which is planned for Nov. 29.

“Our teachers can sometimes feel isolated from support or resources that larger schools enjoy, but Julie works to connect schools throughout the district through conversation, encouragement, empowerment and collaboration,” says Sandy Price, principal of Trinity, Elkhart.

Larry Brummet, fifth-grade teacher at Trinity, felt encouraged by his time collaborating with other teachers.

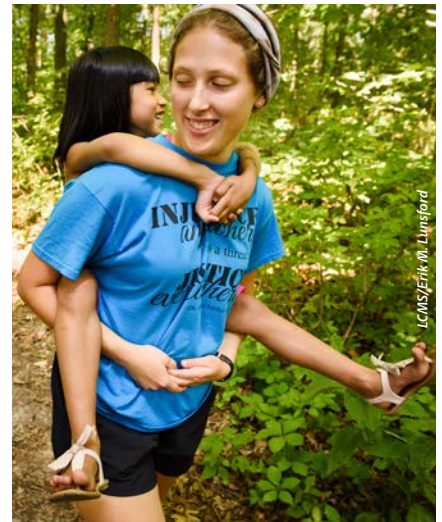
“I left empowered, finding the time worthwhile, especially since I gained ideas from others in my grade level. I was encouraged by positive feedback from my peers about things I was doing in my classroom. I’m thankful to now have a network to collaborate and share ideas moving forward.”

Julie has also created Facebook pages for grade levels to continue the conversation after their meeting is over.

Price adds: “Julie is gifted not only as a curriculum coordinator; she is providing a valuable ministry to everyone that has the privilege of working with her through the attention and acceptance she gives each individual, and the encouragement to see things in a new light, to try a new path and embrace the power of ‘yet.’”

For questions about upcoming conversation days for teachers or principals, contact Julie Dietrich at julie.dietrich@in.lcms.org.

Got summer plans?



Campers enjoy high ropes at Lakeview (left) and a trail at Camp Lutherhave (above).

Camps offer fun and fellowship in Christian setting

What are your children or grandchildren doing this summer? What if they could experience tons of fun while nurturing their faith in Christ amid the great outdoors of God's creation? What if they could also develop more independence, self-worth, leadership skills, responsibility and friendships?

The Indiana District is actually blessed to have two such places — Lakeview Ministries in the south and Camp Lutherhaven in the north.

Although warmer temperatures, green landscapes, sunshine and fresh air sound appealing, more enticing entertainment opportunities are being offered indoors every year. In fact, on average, American kids today spend a whopping 7.5 hours per day on electronics and only four minutes playing outside.

Increasingly, research is telling us what we probably already knew — that being outside is good for you. Studies now show that playing outside makes kids

happier and healthier, and that time spent in nature makes people more caring and generous. As Christians, we also know from Ps. 19:1-2 that:

“The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.”

If you haven't done so yet, check out what these district camps are up to in your neck of the woods. Both camps have sessions for kindergarten through high-school students and also family camps. One- to six-day programs are offered, and financial aid is available.

Lakeview Ministries

You and your family are welcome to three different sites located in Southern Indiana, where Christian experiences of growth, inspiration and recreation are provided.

Camp Lakeview and Lakeview Villages are located in Seymour and operate summer camp programs as well as year-round retreat facilities. Camp Lakeview's summer camp serves kids from kindergarten through sixth grade with classic activities like horseback riding, swimming, zip lining, field games, archery, crafts and more. Lakeview Villag-

es targets older youth with programs for sixth- through 12th-graders, including water sports, mountain biking, high-ropes challenges and archery tag. Both sites have activities and facilities for people of all ages through family programs and rental opportunities.

The third site, Camp Cedarbrook, is new to the Lakeview Ministries' family of camps. Guests can make use of the pavilion, log cabin and bathhouse for day events like picnics, family reunions and weddings. Some rustic overnight camping at primitive sites is also available. Expansion plans for this site are in the works with the goal of furthering the ministry opportunities available, specifically to families and adults.

In 2019, Lakeview Ministries will take major steps toward expansion by conducting the “A Place For YOU” capital campaign. All three sites will benefit from improvements and upgrades so that Lakeview Ministries can continue to serve as many people as possible. Staff can't wait to see you at camp soon!

Camp Lutherhaven

Planning is underway for another great summer that offers your family and congregation an array of options, including

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Bethesda has resources available to help welcome people of all abilities

Bethesda Lutheran Communities' mission is to enhance the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through services that share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Bethesda is happy to share ways for you to include people of all abilities in the life

of your congregation. Bethesda also has resources to assist you in welcoming people of all abilities, including:

- ▶ *Adapting Curriculum Using the Five Senses* is a pamphlet that encourages teachers and leaders to support learners who need to understand concepts

in a different way. It provides educators with ideas and examples about reaching objectives and goals. The pamphlet is available at cph.org.

- ▶ *Building on the Rock* is a Bible study curriculum that covers the basics of confirmation. Written at a grade 3-4 reading level, each lesson covers one concept for complete understanding by the entire class. Units consist of "The Bible," "Baptism," "Communion," "The Ten Commandments" and "The Lord's Prayer." Sold by the unit, they are available at cph.org.
- ▶ *Welcome to My World* is a coloring book that is great for those up to grade 5 who are discovering that people of all abilities belong in the classroom, church and community. Sample pages are available for free at bethesdalc.org-faith-resources, and the entire book is available at cph.org.
- ▶ *Wonderfully Made* disability awareness materials are available for free at bethesdalc.org-faith-resources. Materials include a chapel service and Bible studies for children of all ages.

Bethesda is available as a resource to you and your church or school. For more information, reach out to Kimberly.Trombley@bethesdalc.org.



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CAMPS

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programs tailored for all ages. It also features weekend family programs, including family camp, father/son weekend, mother/daughter weekend, 5K run/walk, and kindercamp.

Lutherhaven's carefully chosen staff, along with a program that includes recreation, God's Word, group activities, a Christian community, worship, personal growth and tons of fun create an unforgettable experience.

This year marks Lutherhaven's 70th anniversary in ministry! Started in 1949 by Gene Burger, a Lutheran school principal, Lutherhaven began as a summer-only ministry and has now ex-

panded, adding facilities and programs that accommodate a wide range of needs year-round. These include groups and events such as family retreats and reunions, women's/men's retreats, boy/girl scouts, school outdoor education, staff/team retreats, servant events, church picnics, personal retreats, and more. In fact, families or couples may now rent a lake cottage that was just added last year.

This summer, come help Lutherhaven celebrate God's mighty handiwork both in its rich history and into an exciting future. A special 70th anniversary celebration is planned for July 21 beginning at 11 a.m. and featuring outdoor worship, chicken dinner and an afternoon

of fun.

Lutherhaven reaches out with the love of Christ by providing the setting and resources to strengthen the faith of individuals and complement the ministry of churches.

For more information, contact:

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Camp Lutherhaven

Tim Jank • 260-636-7101

lutherhaven.org

Give or get?



Ken Schilf
Council of
Resources

Years ago when it was time for a family picture, someone was always left out. Unless you hired a professional photographer, the picture-taker wasn't in the picture. However, with smartphones today, you can "turn" the lens around and with a long attached "stick," snap the picture with you in it.

We are living in a "selfie" world today. We strive to have the latest and best possessions — things that we can call our own like our house, car, friends, phone, possessions and money. We think we own it all because of our hard work or our great education. When we graduate from school, we think we can control our future. As a result, our lives are characterized more by self-sufficiency than depending on God.

However, the Bible tells us in Eccl. 5:15:

"As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand."

From day one of creation, all is God's. So if nothing belongs to us, we are to be good stewards of God's creation. And with that being said, then our thinking and actions should be one of an attitude of gratitude. It releases us from the rat race of how much more do we need to get, to the responsibility of being wise managers of what God gives us.



MESSAGE

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and touched for 40 days, during which such touching and seeing created many convincing historical proofs, demonstrating that the man Jesus, at a specific point in time, truly rose from the dead. In Acts, preachers would approach unbelievers by pointing to the historical fact of Christ's resurrection. In Acts 17:31, the apostle Paul appealed to the pagans on Mars Hill by stating that God will judge the world through a man, and that man God had validated "and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead." Paul here states that Christ's resurrection is such a verified historical event, that as history it stands as "proof to all men."

After Paul proclaimed to King Festus the death and resurrection of Jesus, Festus maintained that Paul must be out of his

mind (Acts 26:24). Paul responded: "For the king knows about these things. ... For I am persuaded that none of these things has escaped his notice, for this has not been done in a corner" (v. 26). Indeed, the evidence for the Lord's resurrection did not occur in a corner, but was so publicly known that Festus could not deny it. Many through the years have tried to disprove Christ's resurrection, only to realize it is a factual, historical event.

Do we need such historical proof? No, a baby is saved through Holy Baptism without grasping a bit of such evidence. However, the Christian faith, unlike other religions, has solid history on its side. As did preachers in the early history of the faith, so, too, we can use this resurrection history to perk up the ears of unbelievers. We then also proclaim our God entered history, became the center of history, and by His historical death and resurrection saves those caught in man's fallen history.

Prayer list



Week of May 6

- > Kansas District
- > Circuit 22 – Evansville East
- > St. John, Evanston
- > Our Saviour, Evansville
- > Our Redeemer, Evansville
- > Trinity, Henderson
- > Peace, Owensboro
- > Emmanuel, Tell City
- > Mission: Campus Ministry, University of Louisville
- > RSO: Lutheran Social Services, Fort Wayne

Week of May 13

- > Michigan District
- > Circuit 2 - Gary
- > Trinity, Crown Point
- > Faith, DeMotte
- > Good Shepherd, Gary
- > Our Saviour, Gary
- > St. John, Gary
- > St. Michael, Hebron
- > Trinity, Hobart
- > Trinity Memorial, Merrillville
- > Mission: Campus Ministry, Indiana State University, Terre Haute
- > RSO: Lutheran Special Ed Ministries, Fort Wayne

Week of May 20

- > Mid-South District
- > Circuit 6 – Kendallville
- > Trinity, Auburn
- > Immanuel, Avilla
- > St. John, Columbia City
- > Zion, Columbia City
- > Zion, Corunna
- > Clear Lake, Fremont
- > Lake George, Fremont
- > Zion, Garrettsville
- > St. John, Kendallville
- > Shepherd by the Lakes, Syracuse
- > Messiah, Wolcottville
- > Living Water, Wolf Lake
- > Mission: Campus Ministry, Purdue, Indiana Tech; Ivy Tech, Fort Wayne
- > RSO: Siberian Lutheran Mission Society, Fort Wayne

Week of May 27

- > Memorial Day — Please remember our veterans, active military and those who gave their lives for this country.

May Birthdays

May 1

Myrtle Trubey, 96
Trinity, Hobart

May 2

Margaret Moeller, 93
Heritage, Valparaiso

May 4

Carl Wohlschlegel, 91
Faith, Louisville

May 5

Anna Rosebrough, 91
Our Shepherd, Avon
Norma Hentchel, 90
Grace, New Albany

May 7

Alberta Duwe, 97
Immanuel, Seymour

May 8

Fran Sapper, 95
Trinity, Hobart
Clarice (Kelley) Porter, 92
Zion, Decatur

May 9

Walter Scare, 90
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

May 10

Janas Brandt, 92
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

May 12

Oguerita McKinney, 97
St. Peter's, Brownstown

May 13

Josephine Lawson, 92
Grace, New Albany



May 14

Doris Loretta Hackman
93, Immanuel, Seymour

May 16

Lucile Hall, 92
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne
Helen Stebbe, 90
Calvary, Indianapolis

May 20

Arnita Schroeder, 94
St. John (Bingen), Decatur
Donald Voelker, 94
St. John's, White Creek
Edgar Baumgart, 92
St. John, Lanesville

May 25

Dean Bennett, 94
Calvary, Plymouth

May 27

Harriett Facks, 94
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne
Rev. David Graef, 92
Heritage, Valparaiso
Arthur Pinnow, 90
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

May 28

Agnes Martin 90
Calvary, Plymouth

May 29

Laverne Bernhardt, 96
Calvary, Indianapolis

May 30

Bob Hegerfeld, 95
St. John, Monroeville

May 31

Glenroie Pruss, 61
St. John's, Farmers Retreat
Lenora Strakis, 90
Our Shepherd, Avon

Belated

April 18

Verna Schuette, 91
St. John's, Farmers Retreat

April 28

Marvin Schroeder, 98
St. John (Bingen), Decatur

May Anniversaries

May 1

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hayes, 65
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Sonner, 54
St. John, Lanesville

May 2

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baumgartner, 62
St. Paul (Preble), Decatur

May 3

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith, 62
Immanuel, Avilla

May 4

Mr. and Mrs. Max Myers, 51
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

May 5

Mr. and Mrs. Al Boring, 51
Our Redeemer, Evansville

May 6

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kruger, 58
Bethlehem, Fort Wayne

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kalinke, 52
Heritage, Valparaiso

May 9

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baxter Jr., 50
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

May 10

Mr. and Mrs. William Foerg, 50
St. James, Logansport

May 11

Mr. and Mrs. Don Voelker, 72
St. John's, White Creek

May 12

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Werle, 51
St. James, Lafayette

May 13

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crowley, 58
St. Peter's, Brownstown

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Howell, 53
Immanuel, Avilla

May 14

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Wortmann, 64
Trinity, Darmstadt

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Myer, 58
St. James, Lafayette

May 15

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyer, 54
Our Shepherd, Avon

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Niederbaumer, 60
St. John's, Farmers Retreat

May 16

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Collins
Calvary, Indianapolis

May 17

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnett, 50
St. Peter, North Judson

May 18

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Peerman, 52
Our Redeemer, Evansville

May 19

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hawkins, 57
Zion, Seymour

May 20

Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Grieb, 58
Grace, New Albany

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Snyder, 52
Grace, New Albany

May 21

Rev. and Mrs. Richard Maassel, 59
St. Paul's, Fort Wayne

May 22

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Rust, 64
Immanuel, Seymour

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Scheumann, 54
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Schuette, 54
St. John's, Farmers Retreat

May 23

Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown, 55
Zion, Decatur

May 24

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Luke, 61
St. John's, Farmers Retreat

May 25

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wiser, 72
Grace, New Albany

Mr. and Mrs. Don Feagley, 62
Trinity, Darmstadt

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Herring, 56
St. Peter, North Judson

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McCoy Sr., 56
Trinity, Darmstadt

Mr. and Mrs. Rod Swearingen, 51
Grace, New Albany

May 26

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hackman, 56
St. Peter's, Brownstown

May 28

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Schulte, 64
Immanuel, Seymour

May 29

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Scare, 54
Grace, New Albany

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Woodward, 54
Holy Cross, Fort Wayne

Belated

April 29

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Luke, 58
St. John's, Farmers Retreat



Calendar

May 1

Vicarage and Call Services,
Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

May 6-8

Southern Pastors Conference,
Camp Lakeview

May 13-14

Northern Pastors Conference,
Oakwood Resort

May 17

Graduation: Concordia Theological
Seminary, Fort Wayne (CTFSW),
and Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

June 1

Early Childhood Conference

June 16-29

Christ Academy: Timothy School,
CTFSW

June 16-29

Christ Academy: Phoebe School,
CTFSW

June 17-21

Organist Workshop (Primer Level),
CTFSW

June 24-28

Organist Workshop (Intermediate
Level), CTFSW

July 11-15

LCMS Youth Gathering,
Minneapolis

July 18-19

Indiana District Administrators
Conference

July 19-25

LCMS Convention, Tampa

Oct. 9-19

Best Practices Heartland,
Cornerstone, Carmel



Blessings in Churubusco

Rev. Roger Mullet was ordained and installed as associate pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, Churubusco, on Feb. 17. Pastors participating were, from left (front row) Revs. Lane Burgland, Herbert Schumm, L. Joe Fichtner, Dr. E. Anthony Sikora, Mullett, Peter Brock, Daniel Dahling, Daniel Sheaffer, Bill Mueller; (back row) Dr. Carl Fickenscher, Steve Voelker, Dr. Ryan Tietz, Dr. Timothy Quill, Dr. John Pless, Dr. Robert Bennett, Dr. Charles Gieschen.

Celebrate with district congregations

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, Bremen, celebrated the debt retirement of its multipurpose facility with a mortgage-burning ceremony on March 24.

The 173-year-old congregation began construction of the \$1.2 million project in October 2011. The structure is used primarily for the school (preschool through eighth grade) and is available to the public for hosting events, including wedding receptions, sports, concerts and civic programs.

The facility includes a two-story lobby, gym, food-preparation area and studios that overlook the gym below. The 12,000-square foot project became the most modern, up-to-date multipurpose facility in Bremen upon its completion in September 2012.

Please join St. Paul's in praising God for His blessings and provision.

Feb. 24 was a special day in the life of **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Franklin**, as the congregation celebrated its 50th anniversary of sharing God's Word with the community, located south of Indianapolis.

Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege, Indiana District president, gave the sermon and Rev. Gregory Cynova, a member of the congregation, wrote the service.

Former pastors joined in the celebration and fellowship that followed. Pictures can be viewed at [facebook.com/gslcfranklin.org](https://www.facebook.com/gslcfranklin.org).

Share your news!

Do you have exciting news you'd like to see published in the Indiana



District *Lutheran Witness*? We'd love to share your news and see photos of what's happening in our district! Be sure to send in your submissions.

Please remember that photos sent electronically should be in hi-resolution, with a minimum of 300 dpi.

Your stories and photos are welcomed and most appreciated. Please send all submissions to Jan Koenig at:

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Conference is designed for Lutheran laity

"Issues, Etc.," a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in St. Louis, is bringing its one and only 2019 Making the Case Conference to Concordia University Chicago on Friday, June 7, and Saturday, June 8. Speakers include Ross

Douthat, New York Times columnist; LCMS President Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison; Wesley Smith, author or co-author of 13 books; LCMS Worship Director Rev. Will Weedon; Aaron Wolf, editor of *Chronicles* magazine; and Rev. Hans Fiene, pastor of River of Life Lutheran

Church, Channahon, Ill.

Registration is \$125 and includes meals Friday night and Saturday afternoon and evening. Child care is free for children ages 1-12.

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