OLLC Annual Meeting
Sunday, June 7, 2015
after worship

Items included in the meeting will be a brief recap of the past year, election of 3 new Church Council Members, a Nominating Committee member, an Endowment Committee member, adoption of a budget for 2015-16, brief standing committee reports, and other New Business that may arise.

Please mark your calendars and be sure to attend this important meeting.

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COLLECTION TO HELP IN NEPAL

For the rest of this month we will be collecting your change in jars at the back of the sanctuary to help Lutheran World Relief with their work in Nepal following the disastrous earthquake on April 25. LWR was already working near the epicenter of the quake. Visit lw.org/nepal for more information.

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On Saturday, May 30, Thrivent Builds will partner with Habitat for Humanity on a new house build. We will be raising the walls beginning at 8am and lunch will be provided. Additional opportunities to help are on the schedule posted in the narthex. Directions to the house are as follows:

Take Airport Road to SW 59th and turn right to County Line Road. Turn right and Faith Landing will be on the right.

Contact Louis Kastens with questions (285-9330).

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May 2015 Church Council Report

The May 2015 Church Council Meeting was held on Sunday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. It was reported that GuideOne is now our new insurance provider and that a new copier is being leased. The treasurer reported that as of the end of April, OLLC is in the black budget wise. A proposed budget for 2015-16 was developed and will be presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting. The Nominating Committee is obtaining candidates for 3 Council positions, an Endowment Committee member and a Nominating Committee Member. Standing Committee Reports were presented and discussed. For further details contact any of the Council Members or consult the minutes which will be posted later.

The next Council Meeting will be held on Sunday, June 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. You are invited to attend.

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Habitat for Humanity

The May Habitat for Humanity Critical Home Repair project is scheduled for May 20-22. The home repair site is at 1738 NW 10th St., OKC, OK 73106. Note that the days this month are Wednesday – Friday instead of Thursday – Saturday. If you have time and wish to lend a hand, you are encouraged to participate in this gratifying experience. For more information contact Fred Grosz.

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Hands of Mercy Quilters

Thursday, May 21, 9am

Quilters (and quilter wannabes) are invited to join us for a time of caring and sharing and fellowship. The only talents required are the ability to thread a needle and to snip thread.

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BIRTHDAY PARTY!

We’ll be having a special coffee hour following church on May 24th to celebrate Pentecost, the birthday of the church. Come and enjoy a time of sharing and fellowship as we remember this special time.

P.S. – Remember to wear something red, the color of the day for Pentecost!

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June/July Newsletters

We will be combining the June and July newsletters this year. The deadline has been moved for this month only to Sunday, June 7, so that we may include items from the Congregational Meeting. Please watch the bulletin for announcements and for the names of those serving on the Sundays of June 7 and 14.

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**THIS WEEK AT OUR LORD’S:**

**Sunday, May 17 - Easter VII**
- 9am  Christian Education
- 10:30am  Worship

**Monday, May 18**
- 11:30am-7:30pm  Office Hours
- 10:30am  Alanon
- 10am-1pm  Weight Watchers
- 5pm-8pm  Weight Watchers

**Tuesday, May 19**
- 8:15am  Tuesday Prayer Group
- 7pm  AA (Conference Room)

**Wednesday, May 20**
- 9am-4pm  Office Hours

**Thursday, May 21**
- 9am  Quilting
- 4:30pm  S.T.O.P.

**Friday, May 22**
- 9am-4pm  Office Hours

**Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost**
- 9am  Christian Education
- 10:30am  Worship

**Monday, May 25**
Office Closed for Memorial Day

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**SILENCE IS GOLDEN.** Please be mindful of your noise level when entering the sanctuary as we prepare for worship.

**ACTIVITY SHEETS,** crayons, and pencils are available for children elementary age and younger from an usher.

**PASSING THE PEACE** with a gentle handshake would be appreciated by those with arthritis.

**LWR HEALTH KIT** items may be placed in the green box in the narthex. A full list of items needed is provided at the Information Center.

The item will be focusing on for May - July are 2 bath-sized bars of soap (4-5oz.), any brand, in original wrapping.

**INFORMATION CENTER,** located just outside the sanctuary:
- Christ In Our Home devotions;
- The Parish Life newsletter;
- event information;
- other items of interest.

**FLOWER CHART** has many open spaces. Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers for any of the open Sundays: May 24 (1), May 31 (2), June 7 (1), June 14 (1), June 21 (2), June 28 (2).

**MEALS OF CARING** sign-up sheets are at the information center to provide and deliver a meal to the Collings to help Jim get back on his feet, and the McGrath-Malahys to help them after the birth of Laurel. Thank you for blessing these families.

**OLLC NOTEBOOKS** are available for purchase to existing members for $5. Proceeds from the sale of these notebooks will be used to defray the cost of those given to new members and visitors. Please see Lois Joseph for more information.

**LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE** is accepting donations to assist those affected by the earthquake in Nepal. Donations may be made by visiting ELCA.org/disaster or through the church by designating it on your check. Remember: 100% of donations go to people in need! (Your regular giving supports all administrative costs.)
WORSHIP NOTES

For Guests
Thank you for blessing us with your presence today! It is our prayer that you will encounter God's love in this place! We love to greet our guests and have them sign the guestbook, but we'll never point you out in worship or make you stand up. Please feel free to share as much or as little information as you like. Coffee, doughnuts, and lots of laughter usually happen after worship in the fellowship hall, which is located through the doors next to the coat racks. Please join us for this time also. Check out our web page for more information about who we are, how we live in the power of the trinity, and what we believe. OLLC.org.

Our time together for worship typically lasts at least an hour and fifteen minutes. Our hearts are just too full of praise to limit ourselves to an hour. If you have reason to leave a bit before we conclude, we won't judge you. We are thankful that you joined us for the time that you did, and hope you will return!

About Communion
In the tradition of Jesus eating at the tables of all kinds, with all peoples, we practice Eucharistic hospitality, which means YOU ARE WELCOME. In tradition, this is Christ's meal of renewal for those who have been baptized and have received some type of instruction regarding the importance and holiness of being in communion with God. In scripture, Christ invites all to his table. You are welcome at Christ's table, and strongly encouraged to be in conversation with the pastor, and prayer with God, if you have not yet been baptized, or have been baptized but have not received instruction. Communion without baptism is incomplete. Children are welcome when their parents/guardians believe they can understand that this is a special time where they receive God's love. Until this time, children are offered a grape instead.

The simplest way to understand the manner in which we receive communion is to watch the people who go ahead of you. It is easier to see than to read. As the usher guides you, take a glass from the tray, circle up around the altar and kneel or stand as you are able, receive communion, take a moment to pray if you wish, then leave down the side steps behind you and place your cup in the basket at the front row.

If you need grape juice, please indicate this by placing your hand over your glass as the chalice (the fancy cup) approaches. If the steps are a challenge for you, you may stand at the base of the steps or stay in your place, and the servers are glad to come to you. If you stay in your place, please make sure to catch the attention of the usher.

Prayer Requests and Announcements
Prayer and announcement requests may be made by filling out a green card, found in the pew racks. Please use separate cards for announcements and prayer requests, and limit announcements to events concerning the mission and ministry of the whole congregation and save personal sharing for coffee hour; write legibly. Please fill out these cards at the beginning of worship. The ushers will pick them up during the hymn of the day.

John 17:116

That they all may be one.
He leads me beside still waters. –Psalm 23

In nature, I have only seen perfectly still waters once. It was while I was on a cave tour in New Mexico. There were several pools of perfectly clear water. You could see the bottom, and you could see what looked to be tiny stalagmites coming up. The water was cold enough that nothing visible grew, so it looked like you could reach in your hand and touch the floor. But, the tour guide told us that the pool was over a hundred feet deep, and those tiny stalagmites were actually huge pillars. It was a sight to behold, and has stayed in my mind’s eye ever since.

Most of the time though, waters are not still. Oceans have tides and rivers have currents. They move in all sorts of interesting ways, and if they aren’t moving, we almost insist on disturbing them. Everyone knows they have given in to the urge to jump in a perfectly situated puddle!

We all long for stillness in our lives, a stillness we can’t seem to find or create for ourselves. It is the stillness of our souls that is much like those pristine waters of the cave pond, allowing the depths of God’s love to shine through. No matter how much we try, we can’t get there on our own, but when we are willing to be led into new life through the one who has been raised from the grave so that nothing will ever separate us from the love of God, then we live in Christ who stills the waters, restores our souls, and gives us a place to dwell in deep peace.

May you have moments beside still waters this week, and may you have eyes to see where God is using you to create them for others. Amen.
THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Let us rise as we are able and face the baptismal font, a place where we are joined into the One who is forgiveness, and we join into the body of Christ. If you have not been baptized, please join with us in the celebration of God’s work and take part in as your faith allows. If the Holy Spirit is moving you towards baptism, please speak with the pastor!

Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

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As we begin, all make the sign of the cross, the sign with which we are sealed at baptism.

We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we have died with him and are raised with him to new life, to live together as the body of Christ.

As we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness, let us give thanks for all the ways we are being made new each day through this gift.

Water is poured into the font as the thanksgiving is said.

WEST: For the community of Christ, gathered and upholding us in faith.
EAST: For allowing our old self to die away.
WEST: For bringing new life our brokenness, shortcomings, and sin.
EAST: For your nourishment and forgiveness by the Word and the Eucharist.
WEST: For trusting us to proclaim your good news to the world.
EAST: For opportunities to serve all people in your name.
WEST: For being free to love, through hope in you.
EAST: For allowing us to see reality as more than the world present to us.
ALL: And for bringing us into your eternal kingdom on the day of the resurrection.

Pour out your Spirit on all those gathered around your font today, allowing them to know your peace, live from your hope, know their sins are forgiven, and have vision to see you working to bring new life in their lives and in the world.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

April 26 #789 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
May 10 #832 My Lord of Light
May 17 #393 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

DISMISSAL

The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission:

Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Let us go in hope, to bring new life to the world!

Thanks be to God!
GATHERING HYMN

April 26 #502 The King of Love My Shepherd Is
May 10 #419 For All the Faithful Women (vss. 1, 4, 2, Last)
May 17 #389 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE

Refrain

Ky-rí-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-rí-e e-lei-son, ev’ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spirit to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for hun-gry and the poor;
friends and fam-i-ly;
wa-ter and the word; that you

COMMUNION HYMNS

April 26 #377 Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!
#390 The Risen Christ
#782 My Shepherd, You Supply My Need
#847 Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs
Praise Him, Praise, Him, All You Little Children
#555 Oh, Sing to God Above
#576 We Are All One in Mission
#366 The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done
#361 The Day of Resurrection!

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Let us remain seated for the blessing and post-communion song.
May the body and blood of our Living Lord, Jesus Christ, bring new life in you!

Amen

The assisting minister leads the congregation in prayer:

Let us pray,
God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen
Let us join in the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
    hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen

COMMUNION

The presiding minister invites the people to renew their connection to the body of Christ at the table our Lord sets for us.

Jesus was raised that we have life.
Come be made new at Christ’s table.
Let us be seated for all is prepared.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person responds: Amen

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.
PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray.
A brief silence is kept before the prayer.
After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen

Let us be seated.

Word

FIRST READING
A reading from __
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM
The psalm for the day is sung.

Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:
. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy God, Mighty Lord, Gracious Father, ...
... For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore O God, with this bread and cup...
... we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit...
... and receive our inheritance with your saints in light.


Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and place...
... now and forever.

Amen
Meal

OFFERING
An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set and the choir offers a gift of music. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts are brought forward as the assembly offers their hearts in song.

OFFERTORY SONG

#692   We Are an Offering

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads the assembly in prayer:
Let us pray.
Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and respond to those in need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister continues:
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . .

SECOND READING

A reading from First John.
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Let us rise as we are able to greet the Word of God coming to us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel, according to .

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading of the Gospel:
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.
Let us be seated.

SERMON

Let us rise to proclaim the Word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY

April 26  #780   Shepherd Me, O God
May 10  #822   Oh, Sing to the Lord
May 17  #548   Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen
NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
ETERNALLY BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

An assisting minister invites the assembly into prayer:
With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
LET US PRAY for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Prayers reflect the wideness of God's mercy for the whole world -
for the church universal, its ministry, and the mission of the gospel;
for the well-being of creation;
for peace and justice in the world, the nations, and those in authority,
the community;
for the poor, oppressed, sick, bereaved, lonely;
for all who suffer in body, mind, spirit;
for the congregation, and for special concerns.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the faithful departed may include those who recently
have died and those commemorated on the church’s calendar.

Each portion of the prayer ends:
Hear us, O God,
and bring new life.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers with these words:
Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
TRUSTING IN YOUR MERCY; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of
the risen Christ:
The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We share a sign of God’s peace with one another using the words:
“Peace be with you.”

Let us be seated.