



Blessings and Musings

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My brother, Kevin and his wife, Holly left Minnesota at exactly the right time this winter and took their vacation down in Florida. Holly was telling me that not only did they miss out on the 30 below zero weather when they were gone, but they had a great time fishing, eating out and having fun with friends in 80 degree weather.

Oddly enough, one of the highlights of their trip was the plane ride down to Florida. They booked a window seat and an aisle seat, thinking that no one would be placed in between them and they would have more room. But a 12 year old girl bounced up to them and said that the middle seat was her seat. They offered to sit together and the girl boldly said that she would like the window seat, so they gave it to her.

This young girl was enthralled with looking at the different cloud formations and comparing them to animals and other figures. She gushed, "This is the best trip ever!" She pointed out a few more cloud figures and then repeated, "The best trip ever!" They talked and got to know each other and had a very pleasant trip that seemed like no time at all until they reached their destination.

However, midway through the trip the flight attendant said she was bringing drinks and one could have either coffee or water. The young girl said that she was really hungry and was going to order some food. She was crestfallen when informed that there was no food, just coffee or water. Holly remembered that she had a whole bag full of fruit chewies in her suitcase and got up and got them. She offered the candy to the young girl and she began devouring them until she had a lap full of empty candy wrappers. She again exclaimed, "Best trip ever!"

When Holly suggested that the girl take some for her brother, who was seated about four rows back, she gladly accepted, but then looked a little worried. She said, "I guess it is alright, because you guys seem so nice, so I don't think you are kidnappers." Apparently, she had heard the warnings about strangers with candy and was unsure what the motives were behind their kindness and sharing.

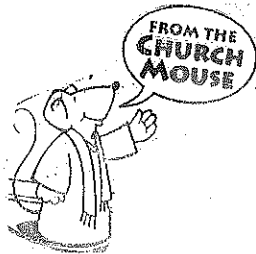
I took away two lessons from this vacation story. One is that it is surprising what little things can excite a young person and impress them for the rest of their life. Some of the little things that we do and say that don't seem like much to adults can leave lasting impressions, both good and bad.

The second lesson is that Christian charity always surprises people and may make them wonder where we are getting this stuff. They may be looking at strangers with candy as kidnappers, but find out they are just Christians.



HAPPY DAY

Happy Mother's Day to all the Mother's and Grandmother's in the congregation. May you have the best day ever. We also remember all the Mother's who have passed away, they are really missed by all.



We five little church mice are looking forward to May 31st. That is our day of rest. We grill our food that day and just have fun. The weather should be nice and warm with sun shining (maybe).

Summer is coming and we are looking forward to all the wonderful things of Summer. There are picnics, sitting in the sun, having light longer in the evenings, and just usually feeling better than in the winter. We thank God for the special Summer and the sun reminds us of God in heaven.

Everyone have a wonderful Summer time. We mice plan to have a great time.

**Squeaky,
The Lutheran Church mouse**



ELECTION TIME

We will have our election on May 23, 2021. We will be voting two deacons back on the council, they are Becca Key-Kerr for Christian Education and Marilyn Pierce for Social Ministries. This will be the second term for both Becca and Marilyn.

New election offices to fill:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Deacon of Evangelism
- Deacon of Property
- Deacon of Worship
- Deacon of Stewardship

A recent survey shows ...

- Americans who believe in God: 94%
 - Americans who pray: 90%
 - Americans who believe in a final judgment day: 80%
 - Americans who believe that God works miracles: 80%
 - Americans who believe in life after death: 70%
- George Gallup Jr. and Jim Castelli

Heartfelt praying

The patient was to undergo open-heart surgery. The day before the operation, he requested communion from the Anglican chaplain to the hospital. The rite began: "Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be opened"

—Source Unknown

Faithfulness

Faithfulness is a pedestrian virtue. It isn't as attractive as love and peace, nor as exciting as joy. But it is so basic that the other virtues won't last long without it.

—J. Ellsworth Kalas

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:30am S.S./B.C.. 10:30am Worship S. Stephanie-	3 9:00am Office	4 9:00am Office	5 9:00am Office	6 9:00am Office 9:30-11:30am Tailgate in parking lot	7 9:00am Office	8
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David Shears

ALTAR GUILD

No Altar Guild this
Month