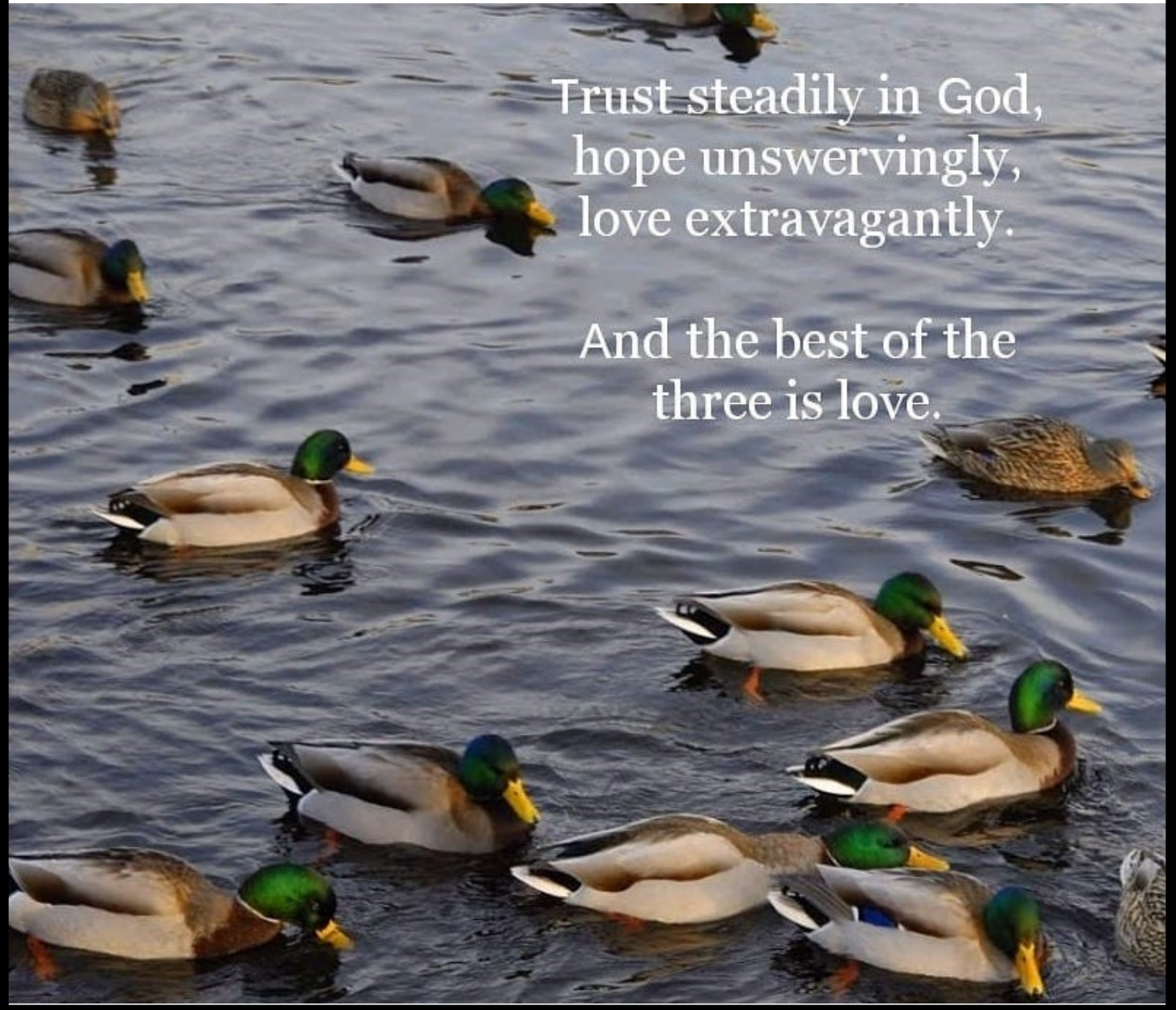


“What Makes You Happy, Part 2: Plan For It.”

A photograph of several mallard ducks swimming in a pond. The ducks are scattered across the frame, with some in the foreground and others in the background. The water is dark and reflects the light. The ducks have characteristic green heads, yellow bills, and brown bodies.

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hope unswervingly,
love extravagantly.

And the best of the
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Laketon Bethel Church

May 2, 2021

Dr. Sherwin Brantsen

Welcome!

When open, we are practicing the following safety guidelines during this pandemic:

Congregational Singing In an effort to minimize risks, the consistory has voted to suspend congregational singing at this time.

Social Distancing We need to maintain the 6 foot distancing practices to keep everyone safe. As much as we would like to, there will be no hugs, handshakes or touching. We ask that you leave three empty chairs between your family and the next group. Seats have been spaced farther apart to make distancing easier. We will not be serving coffee and cookies, the kitchen and gym will be closed until further notice.

Masks We strongly encourage everyone to wear masks to protect yourself and others. Masks must be worn by staff and consistory.

Family Worship For now each Sunday will be Family Worship. Children's Church is planned to reopen in the fall. The Nursery will not be staffed, but will be open as a cry room for parents.

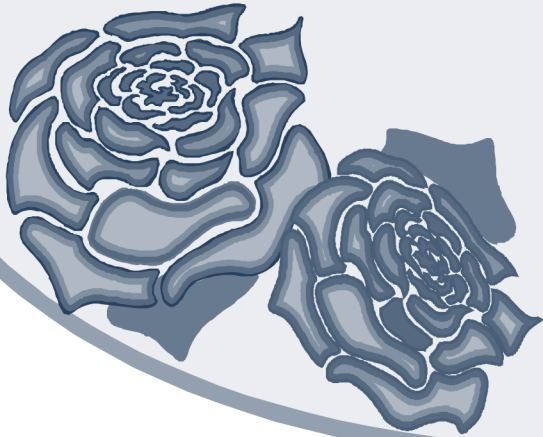
Offering, Chocolates and Bulletins To minimize contact, there will be offering tables inside the Worship Center for you to place your tithes and offerings and prayer requests. Bulletins will be stacked by the worship center doors and chocolate stations will be in the entryway for self-serve.

Attendance Books We will not be using them at this time.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Special Senior of the Week:

*Please show your support by signing the cards located
on the table in the entryway.*



***Maxine
Pulsipher***

***Please remember in prayer our friends who are
battling long-term illnesses:***

Donald Bayne

Jana Belladone

Betty Bonneville

Larry Budreau

Patti Buurma

Craig Carlson

Amanda Cihak

Stephanie Cutler

Amy Fredericks

Jacob Geers

Bob Hanson

Scott Hladki

Avery Lynn

J.T. Maskell

Tom McKee Sr.

Patti Mercer

Paul Ortquist

Lynn Pluger

Shirly Pummell

Aaron Rop

Gary Samples

Joe Shavalier

Ida Shealy

Sandy Streeter

Kathy Tabor

Inga Weavers

Marv Wegner

Order of Worship-9:00am

We Approach Our Friend

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

Special Music

Congregational Prayer

Response of Praise

“Heaven Came Down”

“Jesus Is the Joy of Living”

“Wonderful Grace of Jesus”

We Learn, Remember and Renew

Crosstalk - “What Makes You Happy, Part 2: Plan For It”

We Respond to Our Friend

Benediction

“Doxology”



Order of Worship 11:00am

We Approach our Friend

Welcome

Prayer of Confession and Reminder of Pardon

Response of Praise

“Good Good father”

“The Lord’s Prayer”

Congregational Prayer

Response of Praise

“Washed Clean”

We Learn, Remember and Renew

Crosstalk - “What Makes You Happy, Part 2: Plan For It”

We Respond to Our Friend

Benediction

“Washed Clean”

Scripture Readings

May 2, 2021

Today's readings are from the Good News Translation.

Matthew 5

Jesus saw the crowds and went up a hill, where he sat down. His disciples gathered around him, ² and he began to teach them:

³ "Happy are those who know they are spiritually poor;
the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them!

⁴ "Happy are those who mourn;
God will comfort them!

⁵ "Happy are those who are humble;
they will receive what God has promised!

⁶ "Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires;
God will satisfy them fully!

⁷ "Happy are those who are merciful to others;
God will be merciful to them!

⁸ "Happy are the pure in heart;
they will see God!

⁹ "Happy are those who work for peace;
God will call them his children!

¹⁰ "Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires;
the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them!

Matthew 7

²⁴ "So then, anyone who hears these words of mine and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain poured down, the rivers flooded over, and the wind blew hard against that house. But it did not fall, because it was built on rock.

²⁶ "But anyone who hears these words of mine and does not obey them is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain poured down, the rivers flooded over, the wind blew hard against that house, and it fell. And what a terrible fall that was!"

Deep Sheet

For those who want to go a little deeper into today's message.

What are some possible new applications of Jesus' teaching in Matthew 5 that you can use in your life?

What struck you when you read Jesus' teaching about house construction from Matthew 7?

What is the most significant thought about happiness in today's presentation?

Other notes:

May Daily Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Prayer	Old Testament	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
02	Su	1 Peter 2			Ezekiel 37	
03	Mo	1 Peter 3			Ezekiel 38	
04	Tu	1 Peter 4			Ezekiel 39	
05	We	1 Peter 5			Ezekiel 40	
06	Th	2 Peter 1			Ezekiel 41	
07	Fr	2 Peter 2			Ezekiel 42	
08	Sa	2 Peter 3			Ezekiel 43	
09	Su	1 John 1			Ezekiel 44	

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“To trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.”

Laketon Bethel’s Core Values:

A. ACCEPTANCE:

Everyone, regardless of who they are, what they have done, or what they are doing, will be accepted here. Laketon Bethel will be a safe place to explore your relationship with Jesus.

B. BIBLE:

The Bible is the final authority for faith and practice. We will study it with open minds and the best scholarship available.

C. CONNECTION:

We invite people to connect with Jesus and with each other in all that we do.

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