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Pastors Note:

I know God won't give me anything I can't handle. (I just wish He didn't trust me so much!)

So much is going on in the world and right here in our own corner, that I am often overwhelmed. Sometimes I long to crawl under the proverbial rock and hide. Almost like a bear during its winter hibernation. But then the phone rings, or someone walks into the office, and I am reminded once more of reality, and my place therein. Oiy!!!

Sometimes I fantasize about being alone on a beautiful beach where the waves cascade over the shore. Each lap of the cresting wave drives my burdens of daily life farther out to sea. Then I am reminded that the source of

the burdens are often not found in the circumstances and situations of our lives, but in the way we approach the difficulties. As followers of Christ, we are called to view life not from the world's perspectives; rather, we are to approach life as one who believes in the Prince of Peace, the King of Kings, and the Lord of Lords!

In John 14:27, we are reminded that Christ came to give us peace, "not as the world gives," but as the One who overcame the world. To overcome the world literally means Christ deprived the darkness of its power to harm or conquer us. So then, why do we insist on moping and viewing the world as if it were a cup half empty? Why are we keeping to ourselves the gospel message? Why do we so often choose to live our lives as if only to be struggled through or endured? No wonder people don't want to go

to church. There are just as many sad sacks on the television, "and they don't make you dress up or pester you for money." We fail to live our lives as ones blessed by grace. A grace so awe inspiring that we are commanded to live lives of full abundance! Lives full of peace, mercy and grace. Lives which point to the Prince of Peace, the King of Kings, and the Lord of Lords! Lives that beckon others to come and see. Lives which glorify the Triune God.

Never are we told that we will never have difficulty, in fact John 16:33 states very clearly that we will indeed face distress and frustrations. But then, just like the dawn following the bleakness of the crucifixion, assurance comes, "...in Me you will have (perfect) peace and confidence....For I have overcome the world!" In that I will trust!

Pastor Thea

"I'll Be There Sunday"

Sunday May 18 will be a special day at Church of the Savior. There will be a special worship service with special music and following worship an indoor picnic. Ants, wind and rain are not invited, but **you are**. There will be entertainment for children of all ages. We hope you will invite friends, relatives, neighbors and anyone else you wish to invite. We'll see **you there**.

Youth Truth

Every time I think of you my heart is full of joy. A great sprint and summer ahead..... and we continue to grow in number. I'm so very proud of each of you as people and want to continue to encourage your growth as Christians!

Looking ahead: Fri. May 30th Lock in and Dance, come and bring your friends.

Don't forget about youth night during the Billy Graham Crusade

To all Graduating! We are so very proud. Good Luck and God Speed!

In our Prayers

Helen Hanselman
 Nancy Murphy

Evelyn Snyder
 Will Kamp

Our sympathy and prayers go to Richard Jenkins and his family in the recent death of his father Robert Jenkins.

If you know of someone who would benefit from a visit by our Caring Commission or Pastor, please contact the Church office.

Bible Study

Monday morning Bible Study will meet through May 2003. There will be no meetings in June, July and August. We will start again Sept. 8, 2003. If you have any questions call Marge VanWyngardner 843-5400.



You all did an outstanding job during the Easter Season. "He is Alive" has brought much joy to all and you sounded so wonderful. It does my heart good to see such a wide variety of age groups in our choir. To all of you... thank you for your continual hard work, beautiful music and faithfulness! Keep on keeping on for our Lord!

May Birthdays

Aron McKee	3	Sue Clark	11
Kristen Clarke	6	Mary Webster	13
John Reeves	9	Eileen Morgan-Voyce	15
Shirley Hammil	9	Josh Boucher	28
Laura Williams	11		

COTSY Cafe

The proceeds from last Sunday's lunch was \$142.50. This was a big boost for the mission trip budget. Thanks, church family.



Great summer ahead for you guys and I hope you are enjoying your Sunday Nights with the youth group each month. Don't forget the "Kids Gig" during the Billy Graham Crusade.

50+ Gospel Matinee

Saturday May 31, the 50 Plus Group will travel to Weatherford, OK to enjoy the Gospel Matinee at the Country Jamboree. The trip will include lunch, the matinee and transportation. we will leave the church at 9:30 am and return at approximately 5:00 pm. The cost is \$15.00 per person including lunch and the show. Please sign up and pay by Sunday, May 25 so we will have your reservation. Watch for information about another trip in June!

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:30 am Early Worship
9:30 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship
5:00 pm Youth Group

Monday

9:00 am Mobile Meals
9:30 am Bible Study
1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Wednesday

10:00 am Quilters
4:30 pm Chapel
7:00 pm Choir

Thursday

7:00 am Men's Breakfast
9:00 am Mobile Meals

Friday

10:00 am Chapel

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Newsletter Deadline: Friday, May 16
Next Mailing: Tuesday May 20

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4 COTSY Cafe	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Special Mother's Day Service	12	13 10:00 am WOC 11:30 am WOC Lunch 7:00 pm Commission Meeting	14	15	16 Newsletter Deadline	17
18 I'll Be There Sunday	19	20 Newsletter 7:00 pm BOE Meeting	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Youth Lock-in & Dance	31 9:30am 50+ Gospell Matinee
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