Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

2541 Forestbrook Road Myrtle Beach, SC 29588

May 2024

Insights Into the Beauty of Our Hymns

The hymns with which we praise God are poems set to music. Whether the poet sat down and wrote words to a melody he knew, or music was written later is a toss-up. My first point is that the poet has story to tell, a message to share, a prayer to offer, or a Bible verse to illuminate. He or she is a craftsman, take time to notice their work.

If you've never done so, the next time you have a hymnal notice that the author of a hymn is seldom the composer of the music. The music often has its own title and its own life. For instance, we all know LSB 805, as "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow;" but the organist knows it as "Old Hundredth." "Old Hundredth" is written in Long Meter (LM); this tells the organist or the pastor or music committee that "Praise God..." can be sung to any other setting of Long Meter. To make life easier for musical people a Metrical Index for our hymns is at the back of our Service Book.

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Try it. When no one is listening, sing "Praise God..." to the melody called "Duke Street" (you know it from "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461).

Hymns are ecumenical, they cross denominational lines. Many of our hymns are translations, they cross cultural lines. Hymn 454 in LSB, is a Latin Good Friday hymn; it's been sung since the 6th century!

When we studied poetry in high school, we learned about meter, internal and external rhyme, alliteration and assonance. English poetry relies on sound, on the beauty and diversity of our words—made even more beautiful by the music. Take as an example the 17th century poem by Samuel Crossman (#430).

My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am *I*That for *my* sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh and *die?*

Older English language hymns are occasionally modernized: *thee* and *thou* are frequently replaced by *you* and *your*. There's no rule that requires us to address God with Shakespearean pronouns. *Thee* and *thou* is simply an archaic form of address. For that matter there is no rule requiring that every reference to God be capitalized. To print the pronouns he, him and his in lower case is standard English practice. The pronoun "I" is the exception.

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You may want to look at LSB 680, "Thine the Amen..." Herb Brokering is one of our more modern hymn writers. In this hymn he doesn't use punctuation! Here, Herb is not into crafting full sentences; he is presenting a collage of images; the Church at worship, Christians kneeling at altar rail, the ringing of bells, the lifting of the cup. He relies on the sound of words and the juxtaposition of pictures.

In the first line of LSB 680 Brokering contrasts the praises of the Church on earth with those of the angels in heaven. He presents the headship of Jesus over his Church, with the servanthood of Jesus in his Church at the "breaking of the bread." Words like "harvest and cup" suggest Jesus' story instead of tell it.

And let's not be blind, Brokering uses the archaic terms *Thee* and *Thine*, capitalizing them throughout the hymn. He knows better. Perhaps it's his way of saying that the Church today is same Church that existed in years, if not millennia, past. "We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church" which exists through all time.

Finally you will want to notice our hymns point us to Christ and God. The hymns in Lutheran Service Book are not about us, and very seldom about our feelings and wants. Our hymns lift up the Gospel of Jesus Christ and set our sights on heaven. That's as it should be.

"Now" let us "thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices."

Pr. Steve



Call Committee Update

Please continue to pray for all involved in the call process and especially for the new pastor as we are awaiting additional names from the District. As we continue to say, this can be a long process. Have faith in it and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Blessings on your day! The Holy Lamb Call Committee

LWML News

May 5th is Mite Box Sunday. Please put your mite box or money from mite box in a plastic bag and deposit in the large purple mite box. Don't forget to pick up another box if you are leaving yours. Checks are also accepted made out to Holy Lamb and in the memo area put LWML MITES. Thank you very much. Continuing to contribute to Help4Kids, we are collecting for the month of May, **BATH TOWELS**. Please put them in the marked box in the Narthex.



Karen Bombria, President, LWML of Holy Lamb

Stewardship Committee Report

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

The Stewardship Committee meets on the 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:30am service.

Our current committee members are:

Cheryl Bingham, Chair; David Bingham, Ron Hajduk, Caroline Twentier, Bill Steele, and Reyne Harris.

Here are some of the items the Stewardship team is working on.

Praying in Color: This team supports those congregation members who are in need of prayer. If you know of anyone who may need this ministry or would like to join this ministry, please reach out to Eileen St. Clair

First Time Visits with Local Guests: This ministry visits guests in the Myrtle Beach area who join us for worship. We encourage everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service. Welcome Packets are available in the Narthex to provide information to them about Holy Lamb. If anyone wants to join the team, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Visitor Thank You Card Outreach: To date, for 2024 we've sent out 8 thank you cards to out of town visitors who've joined us for Worship Service. We want to plant seeds to those who've joined in hopes that they'll visit us again in the future. We ask everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service.

Family Reads – Please join us for our next book cleaning on Saturday, March 30th from 10am – noon. Any and all are welcome to help us clean books to give to Forrest Brook Elementary School. The books are given away to support children reading. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together in fellowship for a good cause. We are also in need of gently used children's books. If you know anyone who has children's books in good condition and would like to donate them, we are collecting them in the narthex under the table.

Day Trip Opportunity: This is an opportunity to get to know and fellowship with other members of Holy Lamb. The Georgetown Waterfront Historical trip has been postponed and will be rescheduled when summer tours are available. Watch for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

If you have any ideas or are interested in joining us, please let us know.

In His Service,

Cheryl Bingham, Chairperson



Holy Lamb Financial Profile—Giving		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Month of April (to date)	\$10,508	\$10,665
Year to Date Needs	\$53,871	\$56,880

Evangelism - Expansion Ministries Committee

The expansion ministry committee meets once a month on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are working on or have completed the following projects. If you have any ideas for a ministry or questions, please contact one of the committee members, Darcy Taiani, Cheryl Bingham, Reyne Harris, Ron Hajduk, Phil Harris, and David Bingham.

Myrtle Beach History Trolley and Step-On Tours

For those of you signed up our first trolley tour - the Area Ghosts, Pirates and Historic families on Thursday, May 2nd at 10:00 AM. We will meet at Market Common in front of the Grand 14 Cinemas at Deville and Reed Streets to board the trolley. This tour offers insights into Murrells Inlet and the spookier and more historic aspects of Myrtle Beach. Including sights of Brookgreen Gardens, the Hammock Shops Village, and Murrells Inlet. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham. For more information here is their website. Myrtle Beach History Tours (fareharbor.com)

Restaurant Dining Group

Thanks to all who attended the restaurant dining group this past Tuesday at Bovine's. Our next dining group will be meeting at California Dreaming. The address is 2657 Beaver Run Blvd, Surfside Beach, SC 29575 on May 28th at 5:15. If you plan to attend there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Church Signs

We are looking at updating the church sign that is on Dick Pond Rd as well as looking at other possibilities of placing signs out with the church information. We are reviewing the documents from the Horry County Publics works to get clarification on the replacing an existing sign as well as placing new signs. Work is in progress.

Microbrew Group

Thanks to all who attended the Luther Brew Crew meeting on February 24th, Old Café Vienna. Our next meeting will be at the Tidal Creek Brewhouse - on May 11th at 4:00 PM. The address is 3421 Knoles St, myrtle beach, SC 29577. If you are planning on attending, there is a signup sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Whoever drinks beer, he is quick to sleep; whoever sleeps long, does not sin; whoever does not sin, enters Heaven! Thus, let us drink beer! Attributed to Martin Luther:

Ziplocs for the Less Fortunate

We are working on the Ziploc bags available for the less fortunate to have these in the narthex for members to take and give out. We will have 40 bags available containing a bible, bottle of water, snack bar, a gift card for a local food place, a pair of socks and the 'What We Believe' pamphlet. Work is in progress.

Dining with Friends

Thanks to all who attended the lunch at Simply Southern Smokehouse on April 20th. On May 18th, we will be meeting at the church at noon for a meal prepared by Chef Tom. The menu and cost will be determined and will be published in the bulletin as soon as it is available. If you are planning on attending, there is a signup sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.



May



3rd	Gene McCarthy	10th	Chuck & Litta Russell
7th	Kyla Thomas	13th	Bob & Kathy Orlowski
9th	Aubrey Swails	17th	Marty & Terrie Reynolds
17th	Steven (Doc) Rehm	19th	Joe & Jen Hirsh
18th	Ashlee Reimer	28th	John & Karen Bombria
18th	Pastor Steve Vogt	30th	Bob & Myrle Rumsey
19th	Madison Gall		j j
19th	Judy Thropp		
21st	Pat Allison	Please 1	notify the office of any changes to the
23rd	Steven Rehm	Birthday and Anniversary information so that	

Merilynn Sell

Ronald Ziembko

Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter

Sami, friend of Dave & Linda

Terri, Pat Allison's daughter

Mary, friend of Paul & Jane

Pastor Omar Krieger

Michael, Brother-in-law of Lois Murphy

Sue Bennett

24th

25th

Mourning the Loss

Carol Boulet, founding member of Holy Lamb.

The Call Process

Praying for our new-to-be Pastor and the Call Committee decision making process.

For Healing

we are current. Thank you.

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Verlene, sister of Myrle

Ron, Ed's Cousin

Nick, friend of Lois

Erin, daughter of Lois Murphy

Scott, son of J.R.

Jim, husband of Lois Murphy

Brian, Son of Adell Keeney

Joan, friend of Marsha Dunn

Helen, sister of Lois Murphy

Nathan, B-I-L of Blain & Christel Lefort

Alice, friend of Doug & Rose

Bobby, brother of Sharon Bumgarner

Brian, friend of Hayley Lauritsen

Bill, stepdad of Darcy Taiani

Nancy, mother of Warren Gall

Pat Allison Chuck Bumgarner Merle Falke Mary Lee Kathy Orlowski **Marty Reynolds Monica Steele**

Theresa Zweigle

Norm Boulet **Kristy Chaney** Theresa Falke **Karen McCarthy** Steven Rehm

Bob & Myrle Rumsey

Al Stout



Bible Study Opportunities



Sunday Morning Bible Study

Hosea, Joel & Amos

9:15 AM

We are using the Life Light Study guide to look at the Minor Prophets. The study guides are available for purchase at \$14 each. Be sure to come to both Bible studies (Sunday & Tuesday mornings) since different people offer different insights.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

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9:00 AM

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Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

Details below on this page

6:30 PM

Women's Bible Study

We meet every Thursday at 6:30pm on Zoom (use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code) and all women are welcome to join us to delight in God's word as sisters in Christ!



We will finish our current study of the book of Matthew on April 25 then on May 2, we'll begin our next study on the book of Mark using our Lutheran Study Bible as our guide.

Flower Purchase Reminder

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board and place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office.

The cost is \$40.00.

If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

If you have any questions, please contact Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

There are several openings for altar flowers during 2024. Remember a loved one or honor a special occasion with flowers.

Flowers purchased to the Glory of God for May, 2024

May 5 ~ Available for Flower purchase

May 12 ~ In honor of their 46th Anniversary By Kathy and Bob Orlowski.

May 19 ~ In Honor of Our Military Men & Women By Tom and Pat Marquardt

May $26 \sim$ To the Glory of God by Lana McCarthy



In His Service May 2024

Altar Guild	Caroline Twentier	Rose Ruddick
Newsletter Proofer	Bill Steele (May 30th)	
Bulletin Assembly	Lois Murphy	

May 5	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	George Hulshart
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Bill Steele
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Julia Diem
Video	N/A	Seth Rylander

May 12	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Bill Steele
Usher	Dave Bingham	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio	Don Piel	Linda Snyder
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

May 19	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt
Ushers	Pat Allison	Hayley Lauritsen
Ushers	N/A	Rose Ruddick
Audio	Phil Harris	Julia Diem
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt

May 26	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Elder	N/A	Larry Lauffer
Ushers	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
Ushers	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio	Don Piel	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Hayley Lauritsen

Volunteers Needed Ushers (both services) Audio and Video (both services)

Our church relies on volunteers to help us run our worship services smoothly. Without you, it would be difficult to do the many things we need to do. We are need of volunteers to run the sound system (8am and 10:30am) and video (10:30am) services. Just one hour a month is all we're asking ~ male or female. Please volunteer!

Please consider helping out with this important part of our worship services. We could always use more ushers for both services too, especially 10:30am.

Contact Bill Steele if you can help.

Men's Fellowship



The Men's Fellowship group will meet on Tuesday, May 14th, at 11:30 am. All men are welcome to join them.

Family Game Night

The next family game night is Saturday May 4th, from 4pm-7pm. Please bring a finger food to share. Bring your favorite game or plan to learn a new one.











All that's missing is U!



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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:15 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study 9:00 am
Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm