

Come, Holy Spirit!

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So, with Pentecost upon us (this Sunday, May 28) we encounter the second great festival of the Christian Church. If our historical evidence is reliable, the first annual celebration of the early Christian Church was the sequence of Maundy Thursday - Good Friday - and Paschal (Easter) Sunday. And the remembrance of Pentecost became an annual event not too long after that.

So – what's the big deal about Pentecost? Well, it's not the Church's "birthday" as some imagine - the Church, as the gathering of all believers, existed going back to Adam and Eve. Mind you, there have been challenges along the way, but God has always sent His Spirit to men and women to sustain faith in Him, His Word, and His promises. So, if not the Church's birthday, then what?

Two images captivated the ancient Church. The first was how, on the Day of Pentecost, the Spirit, through the disciples in Jerusalem, began to undo the effects of Babel by the proclamation of the Gospel. You may remember that at Babel, fallen men and women, filled with pride and defiance, sought to "build their way to heaven" by erecting a great tower. Of

to listen more carefully, God confounded the languages at Babel, and thus broke the unity of a sinful humanity that worked against God's plan for their salvation. Various peoples scattered across the globe according to their language-groups, and then remained divided.... And further divided according to ethnicity, nation, tribe, and so-on. But on the Day of Pentecost, as the Holy Spirit manifested Himself in the tongues of flame that rested on the disciples, all nations and tribes were brought back together – not in a common language, but by the preaching of the Gospel in all languages. All the visitors to Jerusalem that day heard the "mighty things of God" proclaimed (His saving work in Jesus) each in their own language. Once divided by sin, men and women were being united in the good news of their redemption. And this work of bringing back what was divided reaches its completion in heaven, where St. John the Apostle saw that great, white-robed army, past all counting, praising God and the Lamb - from "every nation, tribe, ethnos, and tongue" (Revelation 7). So, not only do we rejoice in the good news of salvation in Christ - but Pentecost reminds us that our common salvation in Christ is the one thing that will truly reunite a fragmented human community.

The second image that captivated the ancient Church was the anointing Jesus received by

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the Spirit at His baptism, which He then poured out on us at Pentecost. Here was how they understood it: the Eternal Son took our humanity to Himself in His conception, birth, and public life. But that human nature was given the full dignity of bearing the Divine nature through the anointing with the Holy Spirit. In Jesus baptized, all humanity was given the ability to bear the Spirit. By His death and resurrection, Jesus took away our sin and guilt. And then, on Pentecost, He poured out on us the same Spirit He received in His humanity at His baptism, so that just He came down to us to share our nature, we might be raised to Him to share His life and glory. This is also why the ancients though God chose the Day of Pentecost to do this - as it was the festival of the Old Testament that celebrated the "first fruits" of the grain harvest as the promise of the full harvest to come. Likewise, the Spirit is given us now, so that in faith we would know that the "full harvest" is coming for us too – in which we shall be made like Christ and grow up fully into Him Who is our Head.

And all this brings us to the daily work of the Spirit. The old Latin hymn, *Veni Creator Spiritus* is still in our hymnals. However, the paraphrases that have come to us don't capture the fullness of what we pray for in that hymn. Here's a more literal translation of a few of the original stanzas....

O most blessed Light, fill the inmost heart of your faithful.

Without Your Spirit, there is nothing in man, nothing that is not harmful.

Cleanse that which is unclean, water that which is dry, heal that which is wounded.

Bend that which is inflexible, fire that which is chilled, correct what goes astray. We recognize that it is through the work of the Spirit, and not our own self-chosen initiatives, that healing, faith, hope, and wholeness come. In us, apart from the Spirit – as St. Paul would say, there is nothing good. But with the Spirit, and joined to Christ, we can expect to be re-freshed, cleansed, healed, warmed, corrected – AND shaped.

As we come to Pentecost, rejoice that the Spirit is poured out upon you that you may be shaped, bent, and confirmed to the image of Christ. After all – what other life is there?

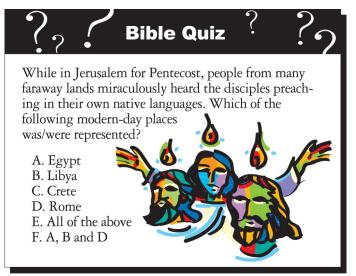
In Christ,

Paston Long

### MEMORIALS USED FOR PARAMENTS

The White Christmas and Easter Paraments were purchased using money from the following memorials:

Earl Johnston David Johnson Conley Stutz Agnes Swanson Betty Walker Robert Cornelius Harold Johnson Nellie Johnson



Answer: E (See Acts 2:9-11.)

#### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- Megan (Brosowske) Kovash Kelly Eckert Dezmond Whilhite
- 3. Tru Brewer
- Martha Lawler Joseph Mirretti Allys Pauli
- 5. Sophie Barr
- 6. Wendy Foote
- Aurora Anders David Heien Judy Honig
- 8. Luke Horst Amy Maske
- 9. Frankie Brill
- 13. Kiera Haynes
- 14. Carol DeJarnett Anne (Heien) Bolwerk ShaeLynn Sturtevant
- 18. Adam Lawler
- Gabe Martinez
  Paul Horst Stella Kimble Danielle Martinez
- 22. Vicky Brosowske
- 26. Erin Parrott
- 28. Jaymeson Claudin Robert Kissner
- 30. Angela Hamm Linda Khattar

### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 1. Larry & Pat Goetz
- 2. Jeff & Cheryl Riebel
- 16. Pastor & Sherri Long
- 17. Andy & Jamie Matson
- Tim & Brooke Anders
  Therry & Jill Adcock
- Scott & Brande Ruskusky

### ALTAR FLOWERS

June 4th — Eileen Benne

June 11ath — Rob Cairncross

June 18th — Pastor & Sherri Long

June 25th Therry & Jill Adcodk



Theresa Johnston & Carol DeJarnett



## Worship Notes

### LESSONS FOR SUNDAYS IN JUNE June 4<sup>th</sup> – Trinity Sunday

Psalm 8; Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; Matthew 28:16-20

### June 11<sup>th</sup> – St Barnabas, Apostle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 112; Isaiah 42:5-12, 13:1-3; Acts 11:19-30; Mark6:7-13

**June 18<sup>th</sup> — 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Psalm 100; Exodus 19:2-8' Romans 5:6-15; Matthew 9:35-10:20

### **June 25<sup>th</sup> — 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Psalm 26:1-12; Nehemiah 8:1-12; 1 Timothy 6:11b-16; Matthew 10:26-33



### ELDERS FOR JUNE

June 4 – Joel Eckert

June 11 – Tom Brosowske

June 18 – Phil King

June 25 – Gary Beenders

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# A timeless timeline Explore your history while compiling this family timeline. What you need: • Paper • Clear tape • Ruler Pencil What you do: 1. Tape together at least 3 sheets of paper horizontally. 2. Draw a straight line across the center of the long paper. Label dates at regular intervals to keep the information organized. For example, each page you add could represent 10 years. 3. Gather information for the timeline. Start with your birth year and memorable events in your

- life. Interview family members to learn what year they were born and when key things in their life happened. Include notes and photos.
- 4. Add pages as needed. Carefully roll up the timeline to keep for generations to come.



+ Prayer List +

Prayer Notes: Folks have asked from time to time "who all are we praying for?" Here's a partial list with reference to their relation to the congregation. **If you know of** 



anyone who needs to be added, or who can be removed, please let Pr. Long or Judy know. Help us keep the list manageable!

- ণ Jacob Achterberg grandson to Ron, nephew to Linda Khattar
- ণ Phyllis Basquin mother to Luann Claudin
- ণ Mary Bonesteel friend to Long family
- ✤ Ethan Saunders grandson to Roger and Carole Hoffman
- ণ Gail and Jonathan von Holten friends of Jessica Horman
- ণ Sharon Wenger daughter to Sally Taylor
- ✤ Cathy Hafley daughter to Sally Taylor
- Sandy Kissner relative to Connie Kissner & family
- Ŷ Pr. Hoech & family (Ivy, Noah and Kayla) our "TIM" partners
- ণ Gordon Adams Lynn Laredo's father
- ণ Dave Maxwell husband to Tina
- ণ Pr. Glenn Niemann circuit pastor, disability
- ণ Jonathan Stutz grandson to Donna
- ণ Maureen Leuba Concordia parent
- ণ Christiane Ramahi member
- ণ Jerry Jungck member
- ণ Ruth Leibel friend to Mark Manthey
- ণ Yasmin Ramahi daughter to Christiane
- ণ Kathy Gruben sister to Jan Heien
- ণ Gloria Carter friend of Nancy Meyer
- ণ Eric Puterbaugh friend of a member
- ণ Patty Reck sister-in-law to Carole Hoffman
- ণ Michael Teeter friend to Long Family
- ণ Dale Warren -
- Ward & Cathy Lenz sister and brother-inlaw to Paula Horst
- ণ Shannon Wilson friend of Maxwell family
- ✤ Alex Zook military, grandson of Barb Zook
- ণ Faith Zook granddaughter of Barb Zook
- ণ Jenna Zook granddaughter of Barb Zook

- Joshua Zook military, grandson to Barb Zook
- ♥ Derrick Foote military, husband to Wendy (nee Crook)
- ণ Josh Crosiar member
- ণ Anne Maske member
- ণ Steve Brinkmann son to Dale & Vonnie
- ণ Braylynn Davis friend to Brill family
- ✤ Steve Brown family to Josh and Michelle Joseph
- ণ Gordon Dupres family to the Tagges
- ✤ Shane Cremeens brother to Brande Ruskusky
- ণ Jan Kiesgen friend to many
- ণ Lil Mulvaney friend to Pauli family
- Ginny Preston friend to LaVelle Borders
- ণ Clara Riddick friend to Brill family
- ণ্ট Jackie Brandt and Family friends to Brill family
- ণ Neil Barnhart friend to Long family
- ✤ Miracle Peyton daughter to Katie, granddaughter to Deb Wilson
- ੇ Max Wessler father-in-law to Carol Wessler
- ণ Bill & Pam Barr members
- ণ Megan Primmer cousin to Ginger Abel
- ও Karen Stabler mother to Tracie Johnson
- ণ Sally Taylor member
- Kenneth Garner acquaintance of Jan Pacey (Phyllis Knebel's daughter)
- Sally Leon mother to Joe Leon (husband to Susie)
- ণ Lorrie Kaspar member
- ੇ Richard Coltrin member
- Constance Danage former cleaning person for the congregation
- ণ Rod Pauli member, son to Harold & Carolyn
- ণ Gary Ruckle member
- ণ Gloria Teeter friend to Long Family
- ণ Mark Buettner associate of Carol Wessler
- ণ Tamesha Gates friend to Szold family
- ✤ Sandra Boyer daughter of food pantry contributor
- থ Mark Leon brother-in-law to Sue Leon
- ণ Shirley King mother to Phil King

# + Prayer List +

(Prayer list continued from page 4)

- ণ Rebecca Sierra friend to Linda Khattar
- ণ Virginia Tackmann mother of Michele Keehner
- ণ Kris Taylor Josh Joseph's aunt
- ণ Delcie Lane member
- ণ Mark Manthey member
- ণ Sherry Emberton Vonnie Brinkmann's sister
- ণ Earl Boyett grandfather of Nick Brusick
- ণ Sharon Rumbold member at Bethel, Morton, occasional organist for us
- ণ Brian Kelly uncle to Josh Joseph
- ণ Luann and Shelby Cooper members
- ণ Victoria Buschard family of Michael Marshall
- ণ Ms. Ellen Rytter teacher at Concordia
- ণ Cheryl friend to Linda Khattar
- ণ Jenny & Olivia Bradley family to Lynn Laredo
- ণ Theo Norman member, child of Cole and Brooke
- ণ Harriet Nora member
- ণ Becky Richards mother of Kim Carver
- ণ Daryl Claudin member
- থ Natalie Brusick member, wife to Nick
- ণ Deb Alig co-worker of Theresa Johnston
- ✤ Carol Loughridge member
- Anne & Miguel Bolwerk daughter and sonin-law to Dave & Jan Heien
- ণ Cheris Hofmann member
- ✤ Harriet Caughey member
- ণ Carole Hoffman member
- ণ Amanda Carpenter member
- Maureen and children extended family to Roger & Carole Hoffman
- ণ Teresa Kerrick -
- ণ Mary Dowds occasional visitor
- ণ Pr. Drews member of our local circuit
- ণ Joann Bettinghouse mother to Abbie Matson
- ণ PJ Comacho friend to Mark Manthey
- ✤ Lorie Livingston wife to Ty
- ✤ Patty Caughey member
- ণ Linda Perrone friend to Patty Caughey

- Maria Vicitoria Corrales extended family to Jan Pacey (daughter of Phyllis Knebel)
- ণ Ada Becker mother of our custodian, Michelle
- ণ Scott Grinslade member
- ণ Pr. Mark Matthews brother-in-law to Tom Brosowske
- ণ Jessica Horman member
- ণ Scott Wilson custodian Michelle's boy friend
- ণ Ron Achterberg member
- ℜ Kinea Howell Deb Wilson greatgranddaughter
- ণ Angel Howell Deb Wilson granddaughter
- ণ Katie Wilson member
- Elizabeth Auer military, daughter to MaryAnn and Doug
- ণ Tomi mother to Chris Brusick
- ণ Nancy Meyer member
- ণ Bill Parrott Brad Parrott's father
- ণ Diane Norris friend of member
- ণ Mr. Paul Thompson Concordia's principal
- ণ Marty Liex friend to LaVelle Borders
- ণ Deb Wilson member
- Ann Jacobson sister to Richard & Harold Pauli
- ণ Jennifer Lenz niece to Paula & Gerry Horst
- ণ Lee Mauschbaugh member
- ণ Doug Auer member
- ণ Hugh friend of member
- ণ Maddie Johnson member
- ੇ Ray Khattar husband to Linda
- ণ Dale & Vonnie Brinkmann members
- ✤ Harold & Carolyn Pauli members
- ✤ Jane Wood mother to Sherri Long
- Ŷ Ryan & Carol Stetzler friends to the Tagges
- ✤ Merrill Manthey friend of the congregation
- ণ Sue Elder friend of Theresa Johnston
- ণ Ben Claudin member
- ੇ Roger Woolsey Carolyn Pauli's brother





### DOCTORAL DEGREE

**Daniel Wessler**, son of Carol Wessler and the late Peter Wessler, received a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in choral conducting and literature from the University of Colorado–Boulder. He and Molly will be moving to the LA area where he will be directing the Westminster Barbershop Chorus. He is also applying for positions as a choral director at LA area colleges.

### COLLEGE DEGREES

**Matthew Freeman**, son of Brian & Diane Freeman, grandson of Barbara Zook, graduated from College of the Ozarks in May. Currently he is undecided on his plans for the future.

**Noah Jiter,** son of Brent & Emma Jiter, of Kenosha, WI graduated from Bradley University this spring. Noah has been worshipping with us during his time at Bradley.

**Kaylin Leon**, daughter of Joe & Susie Leon, graduated from Darke University, Des Moines, Iowa. On Friday, May 12th, she received a Master of Science in Health Informatics and Analytics, and on Saturday, May 13th, she received a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences, Clinical and Applied. She will be dedicating her career to increasing health care for marginalized communities.

Adler Ricords, son-in-law to Rev. Rod & Sarah Benkendorf, grandson-in-law to Judy Honig, graduated from Concordia University Nebraska, College of Arts & Sciences with a Bachelor of Arts Degree on Saturday, May 6th. He will be attending Concordia Seminary, St. Louis in the fall.

**Katie Benkendorf Ricords**, daughter of Rev. Rod & Sarah Benkendorf and grand-daughter of Judy Honig, graduated from Concordia University Nebraska, College of Arts & Sciences with a Bachelor of Arts Degree on Saturday, May 6th. She will be working in St. Louis while her husband attends the Seminary.

### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATIONS

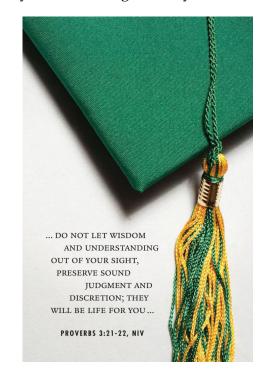
**Frankie Brill**, daughter of T. J. and Sara Brill, graduated from Richwoods High School.

**Kendall Frank**, daughter of Jeremy and Norma (Genie) Frank, granddaughter of Larry and Julie Frank, participated in a diploma/degree program, (also known as D2 program) which allowed her to graduate from Richwoods High School, as well as from ICC with an Associates of Art degree. She is very excited to be heading to University of Illinois in the fall.

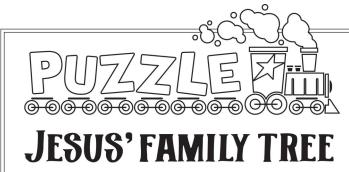
**Grant Riddle**, grandson to Marcia Riddle, graduated from Silver Creek High School in Longmont, Colorado. He will attend the University of Colorado in Boulder.

### GRADE SCHOOL GRADUATIONS

**Chloe Hobratschk**, daughter of Rev. John & Linda Hobratschk, niece of Judy Honig, was confirmed and graduated from Trinity Lutheran School, Jefferson City, Missouri. She will attend Calvary Lutheran High School in Jefferson City in the coming school year.



Attendance		Com.	General Fund Weekly Offering
April 30	100	76	\$9,296.00
May 7	92	63	\$5,668.00
May 14 (Conf.)	122	102	\$1,825.00
May 18 (Ascension)	27	22	-
May 21	80	64	\$4,923.10
		Total	\$21,712.10



Matthew records a timeline of Jesus' family dating back to Abraham. Do you know who is in Jesus' family tree?

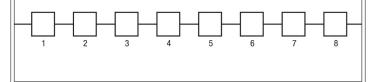
**Directions:** Use Matthew 1:1-17 to order the genealogy. Then put the letters in order in the boxes to answer the question below.

T. Uzziah the father of Jotham

- 0. Jacob the father of Judah
- N. Jacob the father of Joseph
- E. Elihud the father of Eleazar
- U. Boaz the father of Obed
- F. Abraham the father of Isaac
- R. Solomon the father of Rehoboam
- E. Josiah the father of Jeconiah

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How many generations were there from Abraham to David, from David to the Exile, and from the Exile to Jesus, the Messiah?



#### In His Service **MEMORIALS** AND SPECIAL GIFTS Marcia Riddle, LaVelle Borders PASTOR: & Eileen Benne 243-2042 Rev. Barry Long WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY MINISTER OF MUSIC Mr. Bruce Tagge 361-9821 Chairperson Vice Pres: Luann Claudin Theresa Johnston Secretary: Marcia Riddle SECRETARY Mrs. Judy Honig Dawn Henderson Treasurer: 688-4321 ALTAR GUILD Co-Presidents: Abbie CONCORDIA SCHOOL Mr. Paul Thompson, 691-8921 Abbie Matson & Linda Khattar Principal Treasurer: Marcia Riddle **CONGREGATIONAL** SUNDAY SCHOOL **OFFICERS** Gerald Horst Chairman Pre-School-1st Grade — Linda Crook & ViceChairman .David Heien Linda Khattar Judy Honig Secretary ..... ...Carol Wessler Treasurer.. 2nd—5th Grades — Teresa Brusick Finan. Secretary..... Theresa Johnston 6th Grade-High School — Paula Horst & Kelly Eckert **CONCORDIA SCHOOL** BOARD OF BOARD Brooke Anders & Erin Green LONG RANGE PLANNING Timothy Anders, Jarrod Horman, Dr. Joel Eckert CONCORDIA FOUNDATION BOARD OF PROPERTY Douglas Auer, Lisa Cornelius, Josh Crosiar, Larry Frank, Alex Kroenke & Eileen Benne **CONCORDIA TRUSTEES** Tim Gosnell, Lee Mauschbaugh Josh Joseph, Jarrod Horman, Vicky Brosowske Boards of Mt. Calvary BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP Theresa Johnston, Timothy Anders **BOARD OF EDUCATION** eresa Brusick, Paula Horst, & Samantha Dorsey **BOARD OF ELDERS** (families under each Elder's care) **BOARD OF EVANGELISM** Achterberg -Brusick Tom Brosowske Corver — Grinslade Phil King Jan Heien & Julie Eaton Halverson - Kroenke Daniel Keehner BOARD OF YOUTH Michele Keehner & Tina Maxwell Lampton — Norman Parrott — Zook Gary Beenders Dr. Joel Eckert FOOD PANTRY LaVelle Borders Paula & Jerry Horst **CONGRATULATIONS TO:** and Lindsay

Scott and Lindsay Brosowske on the birth of their daughter, Neve Josephine Brosowske, on Monday, May 1, 2023. Neve weighed 6 lb. 1.5 oz. and is



20.5 inches long. Both mother and daughter are home and doing well. Neve's proud grandparents are Tom & Vicky Brosowske.



# Mt. Calvary News & Announcements

### FROM WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE

Beginning this month, in an effort to save paper, we will no longer be printing the hymns in the worship folder. We will again use the Lutheran Service Book for hymn singing, but if you are not able to read the



print in the Service Book, we will print the hymns and put them in your mail box.

### JUNE SEMI-ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING

At the Administrative Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the date of June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am (during the Bible Study Hour) was set for the June Voters' Meeting. The main item on the agenda will be the election of officers, board, and committee members. We will need 25 voting members for a quorum, so please plan to attend. And...if you wish to serve on a Board or Committee, see Jerry Horst. He will be glad to sign you up.

# JUNE WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY SALAD & DESSERT DINNER

Come join the tea party with Women of Mt. Calvary on Monday, June 12, at 6 PM in the parish hall. Tea is not just for two--it is for every lady of the congregation to participate. We hope you will join us for an evening of fellowship and entertainment as Anne Heien Bolwerk shares her beautiful voice with us.

We ask each woman to bring:

- tea cup, teapot or your favorite beverage cup
- a salad or dessert
- smile to share
- laughter to enjoy
- Love is brewing!...God's love for each and every one of us and love

for each other as sisters in Christ! Enjoy a cup of tea or two, a great meal, inspiring music and awesome fellowship as we reconnect with this annual event!

Please indicate your participation on the signup sheet located on the bulletin board.

### CURRENT BIBLE STUDY TOPICS

**Sunday School Classes** – The Sunday School is now on hiatus for the summer months. They will begin again in the fall when school begins.

**Sunday Morning Adult Class -** *Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?* Based on Pastor Matthew Richard's book of the same title, this video series and discussion (led by him) will explore some of the false images of Jesus that tempt Christians to turn from the Lord Who actually comes to us. The books for this study are available and have been a gift of the John Riddle Memorial. We thank the family for providing these books.

**Men's Bible Study Topic** – What do you say to a young congregation (likely only a year old when Paul wrote to them) that is faithful, but still struggles with questions about morality, death, and Jesus' return? Probably what we have in 1 Thessalonians. Join us as we receive encouragement in the Word!

We meet on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am at Gebby's Family Restaurant at 726 East War Memorial Drive in Peoria Heights.

**Thursday Lunch Together and Bible Studyl** – We've added a little extra to our Thursday lunches: a Bible study. As we start expanding our offerings at Mt. Calvary, one of the natural places to begin is around a time of fellowship and meal sharing. So, the plan is to gather for lunch at Noon, eat and visit for a while, and then read a chapter of Scripture together and talk about it. Some days we might have more to say, some days less – so there's no "set" time for this. In fact, if you need to run after lunch, you can; and if you don't want to join us until we get to the Bible part – you can do that too (try to arrive around 12:30 pm for that). We're reading the Acts of the Apostles together. Come join us!

Euesday
9-11:00 a Food Pantry 6:30 p Board Meetings 7:30 p Administrative Council
<b>20</b> 3:00 p Worship & Music 4:45 p Board of Elders
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**THE LORD** BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU; **THE LORD** MAKE HIS FACE TO SHINE UPON YOU AND BE GRACIOUS TO YOU; **THE LORD** LIFT UP HIS COUNTENANCE UPON YOU AND GIVE YOU PEACE.

**NUMBERS 6:24-26, ESV**