♦ ♦ Dad, God's Masterpiece ♦ ♦

God took the strength of a mountain, The majesty of a tree, The warmth of a summer sun The calm of a quiet sea,

> The generous soul of nature The comforting arm of night, The wisdom of the ages

The power of the eagle's flight Then God combined all these qualities, When there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete,

And so, He called it DAD ANY NAME HERE, (Dad)

You indeed are God's Masterpiec

ANY NAME HERE

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**** NEW SUNDAY** SCHEDULE 9:00 am Adult study 10:00 am Worship

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"A Brief History of Father's Day"

Father's Day is coming up, so in honor of dear old dad, the Art of Manliness is presenting a series of father-themed posts. Today we look into the history of Father's Day. Sadly, retailers and marketers, in an effort to make a quick buck, have bastardized the original meaning of Father's Day. A holiday that was supposed to honor dad and enumerate his special qualities, now is used to sell chili pepper ties and shop vacs. Hopefully by understanding why the concept of Father's Day was created, we can better celebrate and honor the fathers who raised us into men.

The History of Father's Day in the United States

There are two stories of when the first Father's Day was celebrated. According to some accounts, the first Father's Day was celebrated in Washington state on June 19, 1910. A woman by the name of Sonora Smart Dodd came up with the idea of honoring and celebrating her father while listening to a Mother's Day sermon at church in 1909. She felt as though mothers were getting all the acclaim while fathers were equally deserving of a day of praise (She would probably be displeased that Mother's Day still gets the lion's share of attention).

Sonora's dad was guite a man. William Smart, a veteran of the Civil War, was left a widower when his wife died while giving birth to their sixth child. He went on to raise the six children by himself on their small farm in Washington. To show her appreciation for all the hard work and love William gave to her and her siblings, Sonora thought there should be a day to pay homage to him and other dads like him. She initially suggested June 5th, the anniversary of her father's death to be the designated day to celebrate Father's Day, but due to some bad planning, the celebration in Spokane, Washington was deferred to the third Sunday in June.

The other story of the first Father's Day in America happened all the way on the other side of the country in Fairmont, West Virginia on July 5, 1908. Grace Golden Clayton suggested to the minister of the local Methodist church that they hold services to celebrate fathers after a deadly mine explosion killed 361 men.

While Father's Day was celebrated locally in several communities across the country, unofficial support to make the celebration a national holiday began almost immediately. William Jennings Bryant was one of its staunchest proponents. In 1924, President Calvin "Silent Cal" Coolidge recommended that Father's Day become a national holiday. But no official action was taken.

In 1966, Lyndon B. Johnson, through an executive order, designated the third Sunday in June as the official day to celebrate Father's Day. However, it wasn't until 1972, during the Nixon administration, that Father's Day was officially recognized as a national holiday.

This Father's Day, don't just buy your Pops a crappy "World's Best Dad" mug. Write him a card expressing some of the things you love and admire about him. Nothing mushy. Just tell him that you're glad to be his son or daughter. Other countries that celebrate Father's Day on the third Sunday in June– Antigua,

Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cy-prus, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Guyana, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Netherlands, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Saint Vincent, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Trinidad, Turkey, United Kingdom, Venezuela, Zimbabwe.

This Week At Living Word

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
20	21	22 10:00 am PUSH	23	24	25	26
9:00 am Adult Study						
10:00 am Worship-COMM						

Celebrations This Week



Robert Hodo

Jessica Lyons

Joan Gabrielson

Bruno Kolb

June 24

June 24

June 26

June 30



June 20Paige HostertJune 20Anne LyonsJune 29George HostertJune 30Sarah Bonnar

Anniversary



June 18Pastor & Elaine LeeJune 26Anita & Gary MeierJune 30Deanna & Kurt Meier

Stewardship Snapshot

June 13th

32 Worshipped 14 Watched Online <u>2 Watched DVD's</u> 48 Total <u>Financial Support</u> 1,862.00 General Fund <u>400.00</u> Excess Flooring Sold (Designated Funds) 2,262.00 Total Deposit

Living Word's budget calls for weekly offerings averaging \$3654 to fund our ministry. Regular, intentional and meaningful contributions from what the Lord provides you helps carry this out.

VBS is back again. YAY! Please see the advertisement above for our VBS that will take place the last week of July. If you are available to help out, please see Diana Motel or myself to let us know that you can volunteer sometime during that week. We will be having a sign up sheet for volunteers and as the time gets closer, we will be letting you know what supplies they need for their crafts. Let's all get aboard, lol for the Rocky Railway VBS 2021.

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Join us for VBS 2021 WHEN: JULY 26-30 TIME:9- NOON AGES: 3 (POTTY TRAINED) TO 12 CLOSING CEREMONY SUNDAY, AUGUST 1 @ 10 AM

REGISTER ONLINE HTTPS://LIVINGWORDORLAND.ORG/ WELCOME/VBS/

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Living Word News

ALUMINUM CANS will not be collected any longer going forward, if you have been collecting the cans, you can always drop them off by the recycling center at the Orland Park Highway Department Facility on Wolf Rd.

DEVOTIONAL OF THE WEEK Therefore, we never stop thanking God that when you received his message from us, you didn't think of our words as mere human ideas. You accepted what we said as the very word of God—which, of course, it is. And this word continues to work in you who believe. - 1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NLT)

As you follow Christ, remember the power of the Word of God. Know the Scriptures by consistently reading and meditating on them. Watch for confirmation through your interaction with other Christians, and in the timely provision that can only come from God. Be encouraged as you look back and see how God has answered your prayers, and continue to seek His face daily. May God bless you as you do.

POW (People of the Word) Bible Study will meet this Friday at 9:30 am in person. Starting on July 16th, they will continue to have class studying the book of Isaiah, and for those who wish to continue to meet here, can do so, but we will add the Zoom feature going forward and anyone wishing to participate via Zoom from home will be able to do so. The new time starting next month will be 9:45 am, as it is two hours earlier in Nevada, IoI. With word pictures to spark your imagination, the preeminent prophet Isaiah paints pictures of the holy and composes symphonies of hope. Witness the double-edged dynamic of God's holiness, both burning away sin in the furnaces of His judgment and refining the humble so they are fit for His presence. God the looming judge also sends the Suffering Servant, who takes our sorrows upon Himself. Watch Isaiah bring these seeming contradictions to dramatic resolution in his magnificent masterwork.

ADULT SUNDAY FORUM meets each Sunday with a new start time of **9:00 a.m.** Join us each week in our new location in the conference room, even though it might be a smaller group than usual, we still want to maintain safe social distancing.

ED & RUTH GREBIK HALL DEDICATION was last Sunday. There were inserts in the worship folders showing all of the bequeathments from these two very special people and how we put that generosity to very good uses. A portion of the service was in their honor and we of course had refreshments and fellowship time in the somewhat newly renovated and dedicated Grebik Hall. Thank you to everyone for your service in donating the good food and helping with the set-up before and the clean up afterwards. There are pictures on the next page showing the good food and the good times that were had by all. But none of that would have been possible if it weren't for our two dear friends, Ed & Ruth. Thank You!!

COMMUNION PRACTICE will be changing and moving forward in the next couple of months. For the month of June we will be offering both the traditional communion at the altar and for those wishing to wait a little while longer, can still have the individual communion cups with the wafers at their seat. More information will be forthcoming. In July, Pastor Lee is hoping to have only the traditional communion practice at the altar. To ensure the safest possible experience, he will hand each person the wafer, minimizing any risk. We will keep you posted if anything changes between now and then.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is scheduled for next Sunday, June 27th following the worship service. For those watching from home, there will be a separate link like we had for previous congregational meetings, that will be emailed directly to the members. We will be electing new council members as well as voting for the budget for the fiscal year 2021/2022.



WHERE ARE PASTOR AND ELAINE LEE? The Lee family have been on vacation for the month of June. Pastor Lee has been riding his motorcycle with his buddy Bob along all the west coast

states. They were in Oregon last week and rode down to California where they met up with Elaine, who has been in San Francisco with her sister-in-law. Pastor Lee and Elaine are celebrating their 44th wedding anniversary on Friday, June 18th at their favorite lake in California with their fancy, discounted rental car, Ford Mustang. God's blessings on your joyous celebration. We are so happy for both of you and will continue to keep you in our prayers for safe travels and a blessed celebration. We look forward to hearing about all you adventures.



Grebik Hall Dedication













Mission of the Month

MAY MISSION OF THE MONTH was Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries. Our very generous congregation donated a total of \$382.00 to help with the remodeling of the maternity home. Thank you all so much for your contributions. It will be very helpful for their future home.

JUNE MISSION OF THE MONTH is Working on Wellness Foundation, which helps with mobility exercises among other benefits for patients with MS, Parkinson's, among conditions. They will be providing us with weekly links for their exercise classes and promoting our church in those links as well. Please see below for their schedule, I watched their video and even though you can do them standing up or sitting down, it is a pretty good workout and is somewhat easy to do. Please



The Working On Wellness Foundation provides online, seated exercise sessions, created and conducted by our experienced and certified instructors.

Monday	9:45 AM	Yoga
Tuesday	10:00 AM	General Exercise - Sponsored
		by the Multiple Sclerosis
		Foundation
Wednesday 9:45 AM		Strength Training - Sponsored
		by a donation from
		Living Word Lutheran Church
		in Orland Park
Thursday	9:45 AM	Range of Motion / Parkinson's
		Exercise

Join us on YouTube: Each week, our channel will highlight a week of yoga, strength training, big movement, and general exercise sessions. You can do all while remaining seated. They include cardio, upper body, lower body, core, balance, coordination, and hand exercises. Contact us to get free links to both Zoom and YouTube sessions.

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Email: info@workingonwellnessfoundat on.org see the flyers on the table next to the office for full details and let us know if you are joining in with the videos. This is a win-win for both them and us, and we just might get into better shape and health while we are helping out someone right in our community. We would like to thank George Hostert for his help in connecting our church with their foundation. The Working On Wellness Foundation provides online, seated exercise sessions, created and conducted by our experienced and certified instructors. Join us live on Zoom (all times are Central): Monday 9:45 AM Yoga Tuesday 10:00 AM General Exercise - Sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation Wednesday 9:45 AM Strength Training - Sponsored by a donation from Living Word Lutheran Church in Orland Park Thursday 9:45 AM Range of Motion / Parkinson's Exercise Join us on YouTube: Each week, our channel will highlight a week of yoga, strength training, big movement, and general exercise sessions. You can do all while remaining seated. They include cardio, upper body, lower body, core, balance, coordination, and hand exercises. Working On Wellness Foundation focuses on providing exercise for those with conditions that require it just to keep moving. We now provide online seated/chair exercise opportunities for anyone with mobility issues. There will be a guest speaker here from Working Wellness today to show us a video and to help get us moving in our seats. LOL!

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