

Salem Lutheran Church Childcare and Preschool

Blessed

is the family who delights in the **Word** of the **Lord**, and meditates on it day and night.

The family will be like a tree planted by streams of water, **yielding fruit** in its season.

Psalms 1

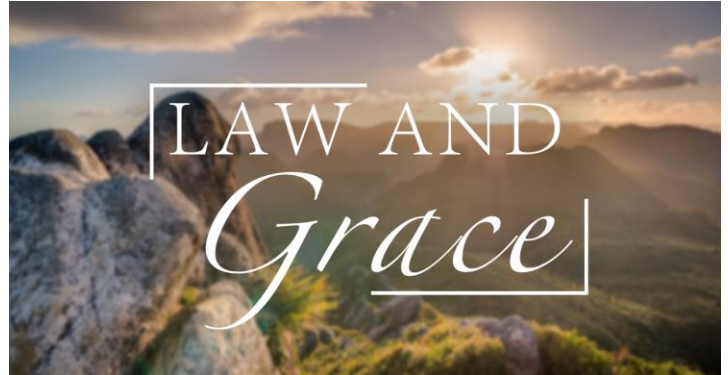
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Pastor's Page

Dear Family of God,

Over the last 7 months I have been sharing with you portions of my work as I earned my Doctor of Ministry Degree. I do not take this accomplishment lightly and celebrate it frequently. As I worked on this project, it is the following section that really drove the point home for me when it comes to parenting children.

As you and I live on this earth we are constantly under the law and under grace. The law is always there guiding us, showing us our sin, and curbing our behavior. Grace is always there for those that say "I'm sorry!" and repent of their sin. In the parenting vocation, practicing law and gospel is critical in the parent/child relationship and it begins with the parent. The parent(s) must remember that they too are a child of God, and it is through the law that guides them and the gospel that motivates them that they are able to raise their children in the Christian faith.

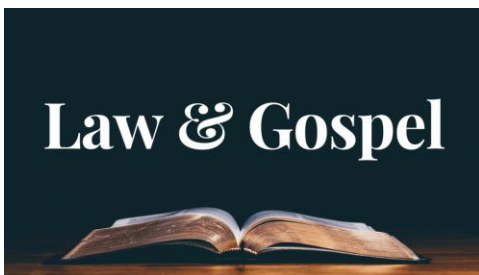


In *The Lutheran Study Bible* there is a brief but phenomenal section discussing Law and Gospel in parenting:

Parenting begins with parents remembering that they live in God's kingdom ruled by God's lavish love in Christ. The Gospel is the basis for parenting, not some how-to book with a list of rules. God's undeserved love in Christ reminds parents that having a child is not a right but a blessing. Parents do not merely produce children (as an industry produces a product). They are entrusted with a child as a gift from God. All parenting flows from this gift of the heavenly father.¹

Godly parenting flows straight from the gospel message that Jesus Christ is crucified and risen from the dead.

This message points to the fact that Christ died for the sins of the world, which will help parents realize that they and their children are sinners who need a Savior. "Children need clear rules and consistent discipline appropriate to their sin. They need parents who follow through on the consequences."² Children need to be held accountable; they need the law in their life. Children also need to hear that their sins are forgiven when they acknowledge their sin and repent. Children need to hear the words "I forgive you," so much more than they need to hear "that's okay," because sin is never okay.



Parents can model this Law and Gospel living in their own life as they acknowledge the sins that they have committed against their children and seek forgiveness from their children, this can begin early on so that there is that constant application of law and gospel in the life of the family. Instead of just teaching the law and giving

¹ Edward A. Engelbrecht, ed. *The Lutheran Study Bible* (St. Louis: Concordia, 2009), 2025.

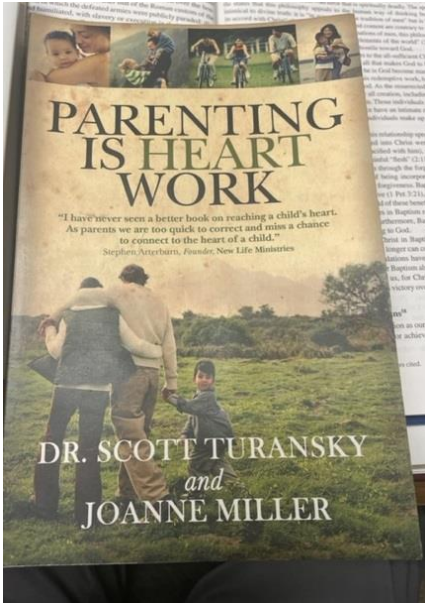
² Engelbrecht, *Lutheran Study Bible*, 2025.

punishments and consequence, give children a generous amount of the Gospel, for that is what it makes for long lasting change.

Practicing Law and Gospel in the Christian family through confession and forgiveness is critical for the life of the parent/child relationship. It is also through the gospel where there is long lasting change.

In Christ's Service,

Rev. Dr. Michael Nielsen



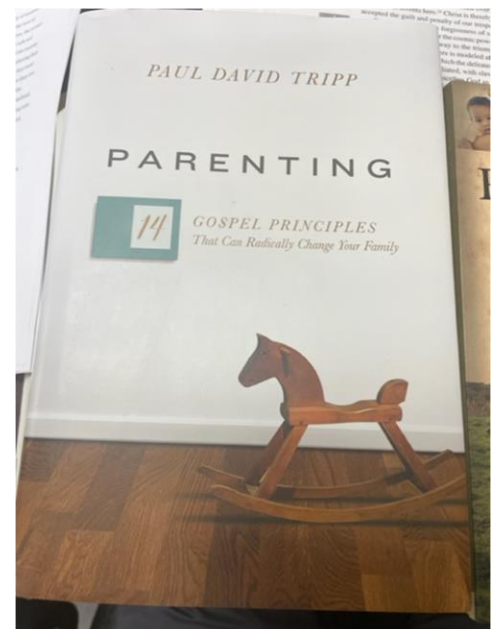
Turansky, Scott and Joanne Miller. *Parenting is Heart Work*. Colorado Springs, CO: David C. Cook, 2006.

Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller write this phenomenal book, *Parenting Is Heart Work*. God doesn't look at the outside of an individual. He looks at the heart. Turansky and Miller write: God is interested in hearts, because that's where real and lasting change takes place (13)." Shortly before that statement they write: "God has a heart based approach to working with people. This same truth changes many of the strategies and approaches parents use with their kids...In fact, when you direct your energies toward your child's heart, amazing things will happen (13)." One of many truths that comes out of this book is that "Parents are teachers (138)." When parents are teaching to the heart of the child, change can take place. As parents teach to the heart, the central controlling factor of this heart teaching comes from the Scriptures. Several practical tips that Turansky and Miller give are

"Study God's Word Yourself," "Tell Bible Stories," "Take your kids to Church," "Memorize Scripture with them," and "Discuss the Bible" with them. A parent teaches with biblical truths because, "God's Word isn't just a book; it's alive and has the ability to reach deep within us to make needed changes (173)." This book is a blessing to all who read it.

Tripp, Paul David. *Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2016.

Paul Tripp in his book, *Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family*, offers help to families that need it. He does it scripturally. He does it faithfully. He does it with great care. The first principle that he provides for parents is critical for the rest of his book: "Nothing is more important in your life than being one of God's tools to form a human being (21)." You are forming and shaping the life of your child(ren). Towards the end of his book, which really bookends his writing, he says, "Your job is to be God's tool for the purpose of forming the image of God's Son in your children. And for that job, The Bible is your primary tool (205)." The Bible is your primary tool to use as you are the primary tool that God uses in raising your child(ren). This book can be life changing for any parent or any expectant parent. I encourage everyone who is a parent to read this book.



A NEW LUTHERAN SCHOOL?

On Sunday, September 11th at 1PM the Christ Community Lutheran School Board will be offering an update and informational presentation on the ongoing work of establishing a Lutheran School as early as Fall 2024. The presentation will take place at **St. Matthew in Almena**. The presentation is for those who desire to see a Lutheran School in our area and who would be open to fiscally supporting these efforts at some level. Donations to the Christ Community Lutheran School Start-Up Fund may be sent to PO Box 128, Almena, WI 54805. **Questions may be directed Rev. Preston Paul – prestonpaul@icloud.com or (715)641-1426.**

Needs List:

Catechisms \$13/book

Study Bibles \$40/book

Certificate Frames \$4/frame

Air Conditioning

Lamp for organ \$250 - \$400

Church Computers - \$600 per computer (replacing 1 every 2 years)

Faith Alive Bibles \$26/book

Additional Hymnals \$27/book

Baptism Frames \$4/frame

Convex Mirror \$50 - \$200

Music Stands \$50 - \$200

Please see the church office before ordering/purchasing any of these items. Any amount of money can be donated toward an item on the needs list.



August 2: Grant Stabenow

August 5: Judy Church & Jeff Kolba

August 8: Cathy Davis, Eli Bisonette, & Isaac Duncan

August 9: Isaac Mickelson

August 10: Janee Anderson, Charlotte Hermann, & Cindy Wright

August 13: Kassandra Rivard

August 16: Jeanne Perala

August 17: Mark Dennis & Shyanne Hammann

August 18: Matthew Thompson

August 19: Jeremy Millerman & Delilah Queiser

August 20: Kathy Mueller

August 21: Jeanette Garrett, Shirley Hehl, & Carol Shearer

August 24: Kelly Mueller & Hunter Mueller

August 25: Wilma Fink

August 28: Chris Mueller

August 29: Ike Bisonette

August 30: Randy Church, Rick Church, & Jeff McGowan





AUGUST 6: RANDY & SUE CHURCH

AUGUST 8: DEAN & KIM HANSON

AUGUST 14: EARL & AMEE STARCK

AUGUST 15: BRAD & CAROL KUCHERA

AUGUST 19: DWAYNE & DENISE STABENOW,
NATHAN & ALICIA KIRKMAN

AUGUST 23: PASTOR & KATHY MUELLER

AUGUST 27: JOHN & EMILY STEELE

AUGUST 30: CHRISTOPHER & JOLENE SEVERT

Baptism Birthday

August 2: Dayten Severt

August 24: Isaac Duncan



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Salem's New Web Page Is: <https://www.salembarron.com/>

Click on enter the following link and follow the prompts to support Salem.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-6137330>

August Greeters

7– Bernie Pedersen

14 – Hinrichs Family

21 –

28 – Rev Ron & Kathy Mueller



July/August Work Group

Marilynn Amundsen	715-637-8777
Don & Mona Duncan	715-637-5915
Nathan & Brianne Duncan	715-642-1638
Trevor & Sarah Duncan	715-296-7279
Gail & Roxie Espeseth	715-637-3949
Joyce Kolba	715-651-3359
Brian Miller	715-357-3916
Tammie Miller	715-637-3055
Richard & Marlene Snyder	715-637-9292
Dwayne and Dennis Stabenow	715-837-1857
Mary Ann Wheeler	715-205-1158
Linda Mullikin	715-637-5888

August Altar Guild: Nancy Koenig & Marcia Elliott

August Elders

7 – Tim Dennis

14 – Josh Millerman

21 – Stan Koenig

28 – Trevor Duncan

August Ushers

James Thalacker

Rev. Ron Mueller

Coffee Schedule

7 – Open for Volunteer

14 – Koenigs

21 – Open for Volunteer

28 – Open for Volunteer



August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7:00 pm Elders	2 7:30 am Bible Class 7:00 pm Men's Club	3	4 11 am Bible Class	5	6
7 Green 9:00 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class	8	9 7:30 am Bible Class 7:00 pm Council	10	11 11 am Bible Class	12 Church Picnic 	13
14 Green 7:30 am BOE 9:00 am Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class	15	16 7:30 am Bible Class	17	18 11 am Bible Class	19	20
21 Green 9:00 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class	22	23 7:30 am Bible Class	24	25 11 am Bible Class	26 Pastor gone-----	27 -----
28 Green Pastor Rose 9:00 am Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class -----	29 -----	30	31 Confirmation Orientation 7pm			



Salem Lutheran

1360 E. LaSalle Barron, WI 54812

**PRESCHOOL OPEN
HOUSE**

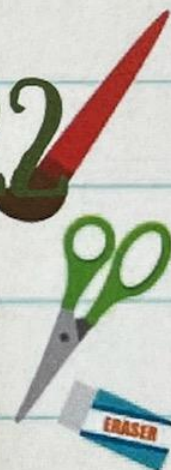
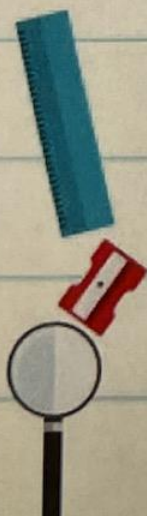
AUGUST 12, 2022

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

*Come and check out what makes us
who we are in the lives of children*

** Christian Educational Experience*

** Creative learning and play
experiences in the context of a
Christian community*

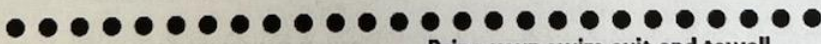


ANNUAL CHURCH

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GAMES | FUN | FOOD



12 AUGUST
@ 4:30PM

Bring your swim suit and towel!
Going to be lots of fun for the whole family!

SALEM LUTHERAN CHILDCARE
AND PRESCHOOL

1360 E. LaSalle Ave. Barron, WI 54812