

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

The first part of the Alleluia verse that remains constant during Easter is Rom. 6:9: "We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him."

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!

What wonderful news for Christians! First, Christ is raised from the dead. If He wasn't raised from the dead, your faith would be for nothing. Second, He will never die again because death no longer has power or authority over Him. This means that Christ lives eternally, that He will never, ever die again.

Selections for part of the Gradual for Easter are from Psalm 8: "Christ has risen from the dead. God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor, He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet." Psalm 8 brings us hope. It is referenced in Hebrews also. The point here is that everything is put into subjection to man. Human beings have authority over the earth and living things. Jesus, being 100 percent man, also has this power and authority over creation. But Jesus, as 100 percent God, has greater control over the earth and all living things. In this psalm, David is reminding you that all of creation is the work of God's hands.

As Lutheran Christians, you confess that Jesus has authority over your lives and He also has authority over all things. Jesus "will transform your lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself" (Phil. 3:21).

Thanks be to God that He is the One who is in control. Being in Christ, you have died with Him in your baptism and been raised from death to new life as a child of God. We rejoice in the crucified Christ's victory over sin, death and the devil to give everlasting life to all who trust in Him.

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Rev. Donald Klatt
Lakeland Region Pastoral Counselor

Young women selected

The Young Women Committee is pleased to report that it has reviewed the Young Woman Representative (YWR) applications and selected two young women to represent the LWML Minnesota North District at the LWML 38th Biennial Convention June 20-23 in Mobile, Ala. Introducing Miranda Garman and Daylin Paulson:

Hello! My name is **Miranda Garman**, I'm 22 years old and from Sartell. I have a wonderfully supportive family, including my dad and mom, Bob and Chris, and my younger siblings, sister Eden and brother Beau.



I am currently going to college in Moorhead, for my RN-BAN in nursing. I graduated from Sartell High School in 2015.

Growing up in Sartell, I attended (and still do!) Messiah Lutheran Church. I enjoy singing on the praise team, partaking in servant event trips, being a part of youth group and teaching Sunday school and VBS.

Hi, my name is **Daylin Paulson**. I live in Cold Spring and my home congregation is Holy Cross Lutheran Church, St. Cloud.



I am currently going to college for a communications degree, and am also heavily involved in music and theater. When I do have free time, I love being with my family, practicing flute, goofing off with friends or doing just about any outdoor activity.

I am really looking forward to this summer! I feel so honored to be blessed with this opportunity. I can't wait to see what God has planned for me at the LWML convention!

Sharing Christ ... wherever you go



Ruby Prochnow, Lakeland I Regional VP, had the honor to speak at the Gun Bay United Church Women's Fellowship gathering on Feb. 22. Gun Bay is located on the east end of the Cayman Islands, and the Prochnows visit the church when on vacation.

"What a pleasure it was having Ruby join and share with us about the LWML in America," said Aliceann Kirchman of the Women's Fellowship. "It was so nice to be encouraged and to hear what women are doing in other countries."

Ruby also spoke about Lutheran Hour Ministries. Several of the ladies' faces glowed when they heard

"The Lutheran Hour" mentioned and they happily said that they listen to the program. Some said they listen to the devotions every day. What an encouragement for those in the United States who support this ministry.

Ruby brought the fragrance, the pleasant aroma of Christ from the LWML and LCMS to the Cayman Islands. St. Paul speaks of this aroma in 2 Cor. 2:14-16. How sweet it is.

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