



# Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod



## MAY 2011 NEWSLETTER

*"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me." [Saint John 10:27]*

### AMERICAN IDOLS

America has fallen in love with them. Some are a little far-fetched, laughable, and have little following. Others are exhilarating, attractive, and very popular. The rivalry is fierce. The competition is for your heart. And there is always a winner. I am speaking, of course, about *idolatry*.

Idolatry, in simple terms, is looking to and trusting in *something created* rather than *the Creator*. Though these created things, in and of themselves, are good gifts from God, sinful man takes these good gifts and perverts them, lusts after them, and places them at the center of his life. The most obvious form of idolatry is worshipping a physical image or statue that represents a false deity. Old Testament examples include Baal, Dagon, and Molech. I doubt any of you are visiting pagan temples or bowing down before such physical images.

Idolatry comes in many forms, though. They are very subtle, yet very appealing to the flesh. The American idols competing for your devotion include:

- ✓ Placing more value on the pursuit of wealth, prosperity, and an easy life than on eternal treasures.
- ✓ Placing more worth on toys, gadgets, and entertainment than on God's name, day, and Word.
- ✓ Placing more importance on you and your wants than on God's family and its needs.
- ✓ Placing more energy on holding grudges than on extending Christ's forgiveness.
- ✓ Placing more trust in country, leaders, and military than in the Lord, who alone is strong to save.
- ✓ Placing more effort into saving "mother earth" than into reaching the lost with the Gospel.
- ✓ Placing more attention to satisfying your fleshly desires than to living in your baptismal grace.
- ✓ Placing more time into texting, surfing, or updating your Facebook status than into confessing your sin.
- ✓ Placing more devotion to sports, gaming, or television than to hearing, studying, and praying God's Word.
- ✓ Placing more hope in your doctor and your lifestyle than in the medicine of immortality (Lord's Supper).

Take an honest look at your life, schedule, priorities, and values. Where is the Triune God in all this? Where is Jesus Christ? Where is the forgiveness, life, and salvation He won for you? Where is your fear, love, and trust in Him manifested? Where is His name being hallowed in your thoughts, words, and deeds? Where is His house and His day being held sacred? Where is your hearing and study of His Word? Where is your hunger and thirst for His body and blood? Where is the returning of the firstfruits of your time, talent, and treasures in thanksgiving to Him and for the upbuilding of His kingdom? Where is God in your life? Is He an afterthought? The guy in the sky you occasionally go to? Or He is at the heart and center of *everything* you do?

Repent! You (like me) have bowed down to any number of American idols. And we do it regularly. Heed God's Word, which tells you to "**flee from idolatry**" (1 Corinthians 10:14), to "**keep yourself from idols**" (1 John 5:21), and to "**put to death what is earthly in you**" (Colossians 3:5). Because the world continually places these idols before you, your Lord exclaims: "**Come out of her, My people, lest you take part in her sins**" (Revelation 18:4). In other words, forsake these idols daily. Return to the Lord in repentance and faith. And find your joy and contentment in Him alone.

This Easter season is proof that you have everything you need in Jesus Christ. He has redeemed you by means of His holy precious blood and His innocent suffering and death, and now He gives you His new life to live in Word and Supper. Rejoice in Him alone. Fear, love, and trust in Him alone. And look to Him alone for every good of body and soul. On your own, you can never do this. But in Christ, it is already being done in and through you. "**If we are faithless, He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself**" (2 Timothy 2:13). Thanks be to God!

**Pastor Mumme**



## Calendar

### Week of Easter 2

Sun, May 1, 9:00 am - Divine Service  
 Sun, May 1, 10:30 am - Sunday School & Bible Class  
 Sun, May 1, 11:30 am - Elders Meeting  
 Tues, May 3, 8:30 am - Pastor @ Conference  
 Wed, May 4, 5:00 pm - Youth Catechesis

### Week of Easter 3

Sun, May 8, 9:00 am - Divine Service  
 Sun, May 8, 10:30 am - Sunday School & Bible Class  
 Wed, May 11, 1:00 pm - Women's Bible Study  
 Wed, May 11, 5:00 pm - Confirmation Practice  
 Sat, May 14, 8:00 am - PATHways

### Week of Easter 4

Sun, May 15, 9:00 am - Divine Service (Confirmation)  
 Sun, May 15, 10:30 am - Confirmation Reception  
 Tues, May 17, 9:00 am - Pastor @ Circuit Meeting  
 Tues, May 17, 7:00 pm - Book of Concord Study  
 Fri, May 20, 7:00 pm - Youth Lock-In  
 Sat, May 21, 10:00 am - Altar Guild Meeting  
 Sat, May 21, 11:00 am - Ladies Aid Meeting

### Week of Easter 5

Sun, May 22, 9:00 am - Divine Service  
 Sun, May 22, 10:00 am - Church group Photo  
 Sun, May 22, 10:30 am - Bible Class & Sunday School  
 Sun, May 22, 11:30 am - 3:fifteen Youth Study  
 Tues, May 24, 7:00 pm - Preschool Graduation  
 Wed, May 25, 10:00 am - Preschool Picnic  
 Wed, May 25, 11:00 am - Pastor @ NICL Study  
 Sat, May 28, 8:00 am - PATHways  
 Sat, May 28, 8:30 am - Men's Bible Breakfast

### Week of Easter 6

Sun, May 29, 9:00 am - Divine Service  
 Sun, May 29, 10:30 am - Bible Class

## May Birthdays

04 Mike Stache  
 04 Alaina Ziesemer  
 09 Edna Cordero  
 12 Ray Brieschke  
 12 Maggie Sychowski  
 13 Elizabeth Leslie  
 13 Ron Ruisz  
 15 Adam Mumme  
 15 Shawn Murray  
 16 Connor Delaney  
 16 John Henricks  
 16 Barb Potempa  
 19 Justin Kreier  
 23 Gregory Mazurkiewicz  
 26 Matt Data  
 27 Dennis Weed  
 29 Jolene Schultz  
 31 Keith Fox



## May Baptismal Anniversaries

02 Ceili Delaney  
 02 Pastor Huxhold  
 02 Larry Jordan  
 02 Kyle Jordan  
 03 Kelli Olifirowicz  
 03 Laverne Stephens  
 11 Pastor Mumme  
 13 Edward Cruz  
 15 Don Fiolka  
 15 Maggie Sychowski  
 16 Ryan Stache  
 17 Alaina Ziesemer  
 22 Isabella Cruz  
 22 Payton Cruz  
 25 Adam Mumme  
 27 Robin Wise



## May Wedding Anniversaries

06 Tom & Ginny Page  
 20 John & Lynn Henricks  
 23 Chuck & Teri Novy  
 27 Jim & Carey Zeller  
 29 John & Melissa Buoncore

Read the Bible to be wise,  
 believe it to be safe,  
 practice it to be holy.

## Bible & Lutheranism Studies

### Sunday Bible Class

Topic: Isaiah

When: Sunday mornings @ 10:45 a.m.

Where: Luther Hall

### Women's Bible Study

Topic: Women of the New Testament

When: **Wednesday, May 11 @ 1:00 p.m.**

Where: Luther Hall

### Book of Concord Study

Topic: Formula of Concord

When: **Tuesday, May 17 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Where: Luther Hall

### Youth 3:fifteen

Topic: Mormonism

Where: **Sunday, May 22 @ 11:30 a.m.**

Where: Pastor's Study

### Men's Bible Breakfast

Topic: Job

When: **Saturday, May 28 @ 8:30 p.m.**

Where: Honey-Jam Cafe (Route 53 & Boughton)

## True Treasures

It is amusing the gimmicks local churches were using to draw people in this past Easter Sunday. One local congregation was raffling off a new flat-screen television. Another local congregation was offering inflatable bounce houses for the children. Others had similar events, prizes, or offerings. And yet, none of the mail fliers that came across my desk said a single word about Jesus Christ, His death or resurrection, forgiveness, etc. Not a word. Of what are they so ashamed? Why the bait and switch? It's no wonder most in our country see the Christian Church as a joke. Too many "Christian" congregations make it too easy for them not to think anything else. As Lutherans who are not ashamed of the Gospel, let us be bold in confessing *whose* we are (we belong to Christ) and *who* we are (forgiven sinners who daily remember our baptism and are fed and nourished by Christ's Word and Supper). These are the true Gospel treasures we want our community to have and participate in and live from. By God's grace, let us speak and sing of them regularly!

## Confirmation Sunday

On Sunday, May 15, three of our youth—**Karen McClain, Zachary Mumme, and Gregory Page**—will confess their faith publicly and receive the Lord's Supper for the first time. A reception will follow in Luther Hall. Come and celebrate with them on this special day.

## Vestments 101: Alb

What is an alb? Why do Lutheran pastors wear one?

An alb is a plain, white, ankle-length tunic with long sleeves, generally worn with a rope cincture around the waist. It is the vestment commonly worn by Lutheran pastors during the Divine Service. The stole and chasuble are worn on top of the alb. Assisting elders/deacons are also vested with an alb. The alb is a visual reminder of our baptism into Christ and also serves to cover up the pastor so that he is not the focus, but rather the office of the ministry established by Christ Himself.

Wearing vestments is an adiaphoron (something neither commanded nor forbidden in Holy Scripture). Lutherans have continued this tradition, which has its roots in the worship practices of God's Old Testament people. Our Lutheran Confessions state: "We do not abolish the Mass, but religiously maintain and defend it. For among us masses are celebrated every Lord's Day and on the other festivals, in which the Sacrament is offered to those who wish to use it, after they have been examined and absolved. And the usual public ceremonies are observed, the series of lessons, of prayers, vestments, and other like things." [Apology XXIV.1]

## New Chasuble

An anonymous member (through an Altar Guild donation) purchased the new red chasuble that will be worn by Pastor Mumme on Confirmation, Pentecost, and Reformation.

## LCMS Website

Check out the LCMS' new website ([lcms.org](http://lcms.org)) for a wealth of resources, announcements, and stories.

## Youth Lock-In



The youth group will be having a lock-in for church member youths in grades 5 - 12. There is a sign-up sheet in Luther Hall. Contact Mrs. Wise (630-688-2553) for more information. Hope to see you there!

## Reverence

Out of reverence for God's house and respect for those around you, please silence your mobile devices and refrain from texting during the service. Christ gave you His life. Give Him your undivided attention!

## Bulletin Announcements

The Council is asking that members keep verbal announcements, following the worship service, to a bare minimum. Items should be submitted to Karen ([office@divineshepherdchurch.org](mailto:office@divineshepherdchurch.org)) for printing in the bulletin announcements by Tuesday morning. Please list the start date and how many weeks the announcement should be printed.

## Congregational Photo

We are going to take a group photo of the congregation on **Sunday, May 22**, immediately following our worship service. One camera will be used to avoid confusion on where to look. Digital images and/or prints will be made available soon after to any member who wants a copy. We want every member included, so make plans to join us for worship and then stay for this group photo.

## Ladies Aid

Manna gift cards are great for every day purchases, eating out, gift giving or a way to help provide some basics for those at Divine Shepherd in need. Order cards through Ladies Aid and you will have them one week later. While there is no extra cost to you, our congregation benefits by receiving a percentage of your purchase. It is that easy, and you are helping our church in the process. **May order dates are the 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>.**

Ladies Aid is selling a variety of greeting cards (birthday, anniversary, get well, praying/ thinking of you, baptismal, confirmation, and sympathy) in Luther Hall before and after services. Cards may be purchased individually for \$2.00 or \$10.00 for a box of 12. There is also a booklet to look thru if you want to order a special box of cards.



The annual Divine Shepherd Rummage Sale is on **Friday, June 10 (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.)** and **Saturday, June 11 (9:a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)** We accept all donations of household/kitchen items clothing, books, toys, etc. Feel free to pre-price any item, if you feel it is worth more than our set price. Please notify **Lori Mumme** if you have larger items such as furniture, computers, etc ASAP so arrangements can be made for pickup. Please do not drop off large items in Luther Hall until the week of the sale. Donations may be dropped off starting June 5<sup>th</sup>. Many workers will be needed for setup, selling and taking down. Volunteer signup sheets will be posted in Luther Hall in mid May. We hope the tremendous help and support we have had in the past year continues. Unsold items are boxed for shipment to other charities. Just one request **if possible, drop off all donations before Thursday evening.** It makes it harder for those working to organize and sort everything all at once on Thursday. Please contact **Lori Mumme at 815-676-4444 or [lorimumme@comcast.net](mailto:lorimumme@comcast.net)** with any questions or to volunteer.

If you have a relative or close friend serving in the military overseas, please give their name and address to **Diane Weaver** ASAP so we can remember them with a 'goodie box' in May. Monetary donations and/or items for these boxes are always appreciated. A list of needed items is on the bottom shelf of the bookcase in Luther Hall.

Please remember all military personal and their families in your prayers.



All women are encouraged to attend the **May 21<sup>st</sup>** meeting in Luther Hall at **11:00 a.m.**

## Christian Education

## Sunday School

### VBS:



Now that the grave is empty and we rejoice in our Risen Lord, it is time to begin planning for Vacation Bible School. Our dates this year have moved by one week to July 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>; however, it will still be the hottest week of the year.

It takes so many people to help make each year a success. Last year we shared the message of Forgiveness through Baptism with over 85 children from both our church family and our community. This was truly a blessing.

Our first need will be for individuals to staff the Village Picnic. The Village Picnic is usually the last Sunday in June, and is organized by **Dennis Weed**. We will need people to staff the booth throughout the day and you only need give an hour. We encourage the confirmation age children to help as service points are awarded. Please look for a signup sheet in Luther Hall in May.

### Tee Shirts:

We will be selling Divine Shepherd Tee Shirts again this year. In the past, they have been royal blue with white printing, but we may change the color this year. We are currently investigating the pricing and more details will be forthcoming.

### Divine Shepherd the Movie:

The Church Council has decided a short film about Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church should be made to put on our web site and have available to play at the picnic or other community events and may also be given to prospective members. If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact **Andrew Fox**, or **JoAnn Wrezinski**. We will be meeting in early May to plan and initiate this project.

### Dates to Remember:

May 15 – Sunday school children sing  
May 22 – Last day of Sunday School,  
& Teacher recognition  
July 18 through 22 – VBS  
August 28 – Sunday School sessions begin

In the month of April, the upper grades class lessons in the church season of Lent were, Jesus Heals a Blind Man, Jesus Raises Lazarus, and the lesson on Palm Sunday, The Passion of Christ and the Resurrection of Jesus. The key point in each lesson was that Jesus came into this world to forgive us, and grant us faith.

We are also continuing to learn the Old Testament books of the Bible. Reinforcement activities included several skits, videos, and craft activities. Remaining Sunday school lessons for the year are, God's Servant Stephen, Phillips and the Ethiopian, and will conclude with Peter and Cornelius. We will not have class on May 15, Confirmation Sunday, and we will conclude the regular Sunday school year on May 22.

Finally, the upper grades web page is now up. Class members can see upcoming lessons, announcements and a class calendar. You can get to the class page by going to the Divine Shepherd webpage and find us under the Sunday School link in the Education tab.

*Jim Kranich, Upper Grades Teacher*

## Library News

### New books:

1. *People's Bible Commentary Isaiah 2* by John A. Braun – the newest addition to the People's Bible Commentary set includes an introduction to Isaiah, easy to read text with explanations, scripture and commentary on the same page, maps and charts. This book is a great read and coincides with our Sunday Bible study.
2. *A Theology to Live By: Practical Luther for the Practicing Christian* by Herman A. Preus. 230.41PRE. This is a hard book to put down. Everything you need to know about living and being a Lutheran. Anyone curious about Martin Luther needs to read this book.

There are three books for purchase on the top shelf of the bookcase closest to Pastor's office. Also available but not on display are VHS empty tape cases which are 2 for \$1.00. Anyone wishing to make a purchase please see **Gail Fox**.

## Thrivent Financial

The first quarter of Thrivent Choice Dollars has been entered into your account. Have you noticed the increase in dollars? Remember you may donate these to the church of our choice and remember both Divine Shepherd church and the preschool have accounts.

Thrivent will serve refreshments in Luther Hall after the Confirmation Service. Plan to attend and welcome the three new confirmands into our congregation. The Lord bless you and Keep you.

Gift cards are available to congregation members that need a helping hand. Please see Pastor or one of the elders to obtain one for you.

Its baseball time again. On **Saturday, June 18**, Thrivent is sponsoring a Father's Day Outing. Participants will receive a pre-game picnic and great seats for the game. Tickets are \$15 each payable at sign up. See **Marge Jahnsen** for additional information. Sign up will begin May 1. We look forward to having a great time and visiting with old acquaintances.

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers who Love to tell the story of Jesus and His Love.

*Shirley Norling*

## Hands on Project



Thrivent needs you! Yes you – to honor the 96<sup>th</sup> birthday of our founding Pastor – Rev. Paul Huxhold on Saturday, **June 4<sup>th</sup>** from **9:00 a.m. - ?** Church members come for 1, 2 or more hours to dust, vacuum, polish furniture, clean bathrooms/etc – to clean and spruce the whole house inside and out. Yes, we do windows! Please sign up on the work chart in Luther Hall. A free lunch will be served at church. Any questions please contact Barb **Potempa** at **630-739-4447**. Pickup rides will be available, if needed.

Just think, if it were not for what Pastor Huxhold did to start our church, we would not have our church today. He needs us now.

*Barb Potempa, Coordinator*

## Preschool News

Preschool May schedule:

**Friday, May 6 – noon** – Mother's Day Tea  
(Mothers come and bring your favorite cup/mug).

**Friday, May 13** – Vision & Hearing Screening

**Monday, May 23** – Bike Day

**Tuesday, May 24 – 7:00 p.m.** End of year program and graduation. Children should be at church by 6:45 p.m. A cake and punch reception will follow in Luther Hall.

**Wednesday, May 25 – 10:00 a.m. – Noon**

All school picnic.

Have a God-filled summer.

*Sue Kuhnert, Director*

## Sunday Treats



Do you enjoy treats and fellowship after Sunday services? If so, please consider signing up to bring treats on any given Sunday(s). The sign up sheet is posted on the Luther Hall bulletin board. Ladies Aid only provides drinks, not "goodies" when no one has signed up for a given Sunday. Monetary donations are accepted to defray the cost of drinks/supplies.

## Bulletin Covers/Altar Flowers

The 2011 flower chart and May – September bulletin cover chart are posted in the narthex. Sign up for any open Sunday(s) to celebrate a special occasion or to honor/remember someone. Cost of two bouquets is \$40, \$45, or \$50. Cost of bulletin covers is \$10. See **Karen Moritz** for details

## Prayer Chain

Several of our women are part of a church prayer chain. If you (women or men) would like to join them in praying for our congregation's special needs, please contact **Nadine Parmenter** at **815-43-4908** or **Pastor Mumme**.

## Important Phone Numbers

**Church office:** 630-759-5300  
**Preschool:** 630-759-3995 (Sue Kuhnert)  
**Pastor Mumme:** 815-676-4444  
**Prayer Chain:** 815-436-4809 (N. Parmenter)  
**Newsletter info:** 630-759-3188 (Karen Moritz)  
**(Due May 27, 2011)**

## Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2011

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Expenses	\$35,328	\$33,660
Income	33,182	35,660

### A Mother's Day Blessing



If God has given you the blessing of being a mom, He has given you the promise that you will not be alone in doing it. You are the everyday hero, and He is the divine power that will give you everything you need the moment you need it.

May His grace, peace, and love surround you this Mother's Day, making you feel as special – and exceptional – as you truly are.

Into a precious vessel God pours tenderness, and love, an understanding heart, and all the joy a child dreams of. He gives her His compassion and kindness like no other, then wraps her in a quiet strength and gently calls, her Mother.

### Memorial Day Prayer



Gracious Lord, heavenly Father, on this day we pause to remember the sacrifices made for freedom throughout the past centuries. We do indeed owe a debt of gratitude to those who have paid dearly for the liberty we enjoy. Yet, O Lord, we know that good government, peace, and freedom are really gifts granted from Your fatherly hand, as we confess the Creed. As we remember those who have served our nation, help us to remember that civic duty, no matter how well done, does not grant entrance to Your kingdom. We are saved by grace, through faith in Christ, apart from our works. Freed from the Law's demands, we know that we are now free to serve our neighbor for our neighbor's sake. May the sacrifices of those who have gone before us serve as examples. When we meet those who have served, remind us to thank them. Almighty God, guide the leaders of our nation. Watch over those who serve in our armed forces, especially those far from home. And above all, grant that we, your children by faith in Christ, may find a field of service in which we may uphold righteousness, order, and peace; in Jesus' name. Amen. (Lutheran Book of Prayer).

## Thank you Lord

Dear Lord, I thank you for this day. I thank You for my being able to see and to hear this morning. I am blessed because You are a forgiving God and an understanding God. You have done so much for me and You keep on blessing me. Forgive me this day for everything I have done, said or thought that was not pleasing to you. I ask now for Your forgiveness.

Please keep me safe from all danger and harm. Help me to start this day with a new attitude and plenty of gratitude. Let me make the best of each day to clear my mind so that I can hear from You.

Let me not whine and whimper over things I have no control over. Let me continue to see sin through God's eyes and acknowledge it as evil. And when I sin, let me repent, and confess with my mouth my wrongdoing, and receive the forgiveness of God.

And when this world closes in on me, let me remember Jesus' example -- to slip away and find a quiet place to pray. It is the best response when I'm pushed beyond my limits. I know that when I cannot pray, You listen to my heart. Continue to use me to do Your will.

Continue to bless me that I may be a blessing to others. Keep me strong that I may help the weak. Keep me uplifted that I may have words of encouragement for others. I pray for those who are lost and cannot find their way. I pray for those who are misjudged and misunderstood. I pray for those who do not know You intimately. I pray for those who do not believe. But I thank you that I believe.

I believe that God changes people and God changes things. I pray for all my sisters and brothers. For every family member in their households. I pray for peace, love and joy in their homes that they are out of debt and all their needs are met.

I pray that every eye that reads this knows there is no problem, circumstance, or situation greater than God. Every battle is in Your hands for You to fight. I pray that these words be received into the hearts of every eye that sees them and every mouth that confesses them willingly. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

God's Word is like refreshing rain  
That waters crops and seed:  
It brings new life to open hearts,  
and meets us in our need. (Sper)

## Recall Notice

The Maker of all human beings (GOD) is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to a serious defect in the primary and central component of the heart. This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units code named Adam and Eve, resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units. This defect has been technically termed “Sub-sequential Internal Non-Morality,” or more commonly known as S.I.N., as it is primarily expressed.

### Some of the symptoms include:

1. Loss of direction
2. Foul vocal emissions
3. Amnesia of origin
4. Lack of peace and joy
5. Selfish or violent behavior
6. Depression or confusion in the mental component
7. Fearfulness
8. Idolatry
9. Rebellion

The Manufacturer, who is neither liable nor at fault for this defect, is providing factory-authorized repair and service free of charge to correct this defect. The Repair Technician, **JESUS**, has most generously offered to bear the entire burden of the staggering cost of these repairs. There is no additional fee required. The number to call for repair in all areas is: **P-R-A-Y-E-R**. Once connected, please upload your burden of **SIN** through the **REPENTANCE** procedure. Next, download **ATONEMENT** from the Repair Technician, **Jesus**, into the heart component.

No matter how big or small the SIN defect is, **Jesus** will replace it with:

1. Love
2. Joy
3. Peace
4. Patience
5. Kindness
6. Goodness
7. Faithfulness
8. Gentleness
9. Self control

Please see the operating manual, the **B.I.B.L.E.** (Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth) for further details on the use of these fixes.

**WARNING:** Continuing to operate the human being unit without correction voids any manufacturer warranties, exposing the unit to dangers and problems too numerous to list and will result in the human unit being permanently impounded. For free emergency service, call on **Jesus**.

**DANGER:** The human being units not responding to this recall action will have to be scrapped in the furnace. The SIN defect will not be permitted to enter Heaven so as to prevent contamination of that facility. Thank you for your attention!



## - GOD

P.S. Please assist where possible by notifying others of this important recall notice, and you may contact the Father any time by “Knee mail”!

## For the Garden of Daily Living

For the Garden of your daily living, plant three rows of peas: (1) peace of mind, (2) peace of heart, (3) peace of soul.

Plant four rows of squash: (1) squash gossip, (2) squash indifference, (3) squash grumbling, (4) squash selfishness.

Plant four rows of lettuce: (1) lettuce be faithful, (2) lettuce be kind, (3) lettuce be patient, (4) lettuce really love one another.

No garden is without turnips – plant (1) turnip for meetings, (2) turnip for service, (3) turnip to help one another.

Plant thyme – (1) thyme for each other, (2) thyme for family, (3) thyme for friends.

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love. There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.

