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Volunteer Registration

Before VBS, I would like to help by:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Praying | <input type="checkbox"/> Preparing craft materials |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Helping with administrative tasks | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning decorations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating classrooms | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting banners, backdrops, set |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building sets | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning publicity | |

During VBS, I would like to help in one or more of the following areas:

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| Time Traveler Team: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| Crafts: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| Snacks: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| Games: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| Music: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| Missions: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| Nursery: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama | <input type="checkbox"/> Sound/AV | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photographer | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean-up Crew | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Assistant |

Age Level Preference

- | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 0-2 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 2-4 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-6 years |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6-9 years | <input type="checkbox"/> 9-12 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Wherever needed most |

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Days Available: Every day Certain days (please specify): _____

Time Lab!

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I hereby grant permission for _____
St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church
CHURCH NAME

to record sounds, images, or video of my child _____
NAME

while attending *Time Lab*. I also give permission for _____
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CHURCH NAME

at its sole discretion, to use these sounds, images, or videos in publications (including print, websites, and social media platforms) owned by _____
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in relation to *Time Lab*.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

The Soul at Rest is Active in Love

by Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
3 June, A.D. 2018
Dt 5.12-15; 2 Cor 4.5-12; Mk 2.23-28

Introduction

CCT: Jesus Christ is LORD, giving _____ of soul which is active in love.

We have _____ the love of God in Christ, and we then _____ that love to others, serving them.

I. Jesus on The Sabbath

Mark 2:23-24

The Pharisees were saying that picking heads of grain and eating them was "_____" and a violation of the "_____ commandment" (Ex 20).

Yet God had said (Deuteronomy 23:25 (ESV)):

²⁵ If you go into your neighbor's standing grain, you may pluck the ears with your hand, but you shall not put a sickle to your neighbor's standing grain.

Why did Jesus reply with reference 1 Samuel 21 when a young David was fleeing from King Saul?

In effect, Jesus reply to the Pharisees is this:

"The priest in 1 Samuel 21 recognized that David was the LORD's anointed and, therefore, fed him from holy food reserved for priests, but you Pharisees are complaining about something that is clearly lawful because the promised descendant of David, the _____, is standing right here in front of you giving assent to it!"

Mark 2:27-28

"Sabbath" is Hebrew for "_____", but Jesus teaching is about more than _____ rest.

Matthew 11:28-30 (ESV)

²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

What is a "yoke"?

Why is Jesus' "yoke of salvation" light for us?

For what sins did Jesus carry the yoke of salvation?

Jesus is King, Priest, THE _____.

"Lord of the Sabbath" means that only He can truly give us rest for our souls: the _____ of sins.

Who does Jesus forgive?

What did the Bread of Presence in the Old Testament point to? What is the significance for us?

What warning to the Pharisees must we consider?

II. Rest of Soul and Serving Others as Citizens

The soul at rest is “active in _____.”

Let’s begin to ponder what that means for us in our vocation as Christian citizens of the United States of America...

2 Corinthians 4:1–5 (ESV)

¹ Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ² But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God’s word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone’s conscience in the sight of God. ³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake.

How might most orthodox Christians in the United States be failing in an opportunity to serve their neighbor by defending the 1st Amendment of the United States Constitution?

Consider this quotation:

First they came for the Socialists, and I did not speak out-- Because I was not a Socialist. Then they came for the Trade Unionists, and I did not speak out-- Because I was not a Trade Unionist. Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out-- Because I was not a Jew. Then they came for me--and there was no one left to speak for me.

—Rev. Martin Niemöller (1892-1984)

If we do not stand for First Amendment freedoms-- especially if we do not stand with those whom we disagree or even _____--then we forfeit our moral authority in the civic realm. If we want the freedom to practice religion according to conscience. If we want our pastors to be able to proclaim the truth of God's Word from our pulpit and our teachers to be able to teach and common people be able to speak to their neighbors--without fear of arrest or astrocism by the highest executive official in the land--then we must stand with _____.

Conclusion

Pray:

- Repentance and trust in Christ
- To be strengthened in habit of weekly worship that gives rest for the soul
- For insight into how to be a better citizen.

Register me for Time Lab!

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Child's name _____

Gender: Male ___ Female ___ Birthdate ___/___/___ Grade completed _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parents/Guardian _____ Home phone _____

Work phone _____ Cell phone _____ Email _____

Emergency contact _____

Relationship to child _____ Phone _____

Please place my child with _____

Name of home church _____

Food allergies Y ___ N ___ List _____

Medical concerns Y ___ N ___ Explain _____

Free-to-Serve Capital Campaign*

as of May 22, 2018

<u>Campaign Pledges</u>	<u>\$1,119,970</u>	
<u>Pledges Received</u>	<u>\$646,955</u>	58%
<u>Distributions</u>	<u>\$516,491</u>	
<i>Mortgage Payments</i>	\$425,000	
<i>Lutheran High School Assoc.</i>	\$17,597	
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	\$12,905	
<i>Family Promise</i>	\$12,905	
<i>Miscellaneous Expenses**</i>	\$48,085	
<u>Account Balance</u>	<u>\$127,840</u>	

We encourage all members to prayerfully consider contributing to this worthwhile campaign, on a continuing basis, a one time basis, or whatever amount a member would be comfortable contributing.

*Campaign runs Sep 1, 2015 thru Aug 31, 2018

**Consulting Fees, brochures, etc.