

# Abiding Peace NEWS & NOTES



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## **WELS Website**

You can access our synod website @ [www.abidingpeace.org](http://www.abidingpeace.org) or visit it directly - [www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net) - to find a faith-based Q & A section. Ask a question or find gems like:

*Q: It is often said that God hates the sin, but loves the sinner. But, is it accurate to say that God hates the sinner as well? If so, how do I know that God doesn't hate me?*

A: Yes, it is accurate to say that God hates both the sinner and sin. God speaks this way in the Bible, so it is proper for us to express it that way. When God speaks of his hatred of sin and sinners, he is speaking Law to us and others, to impress on us our sinfulness and need for a Savior. You ask how you may know that God doesn't hate you. Find your answer in the gospel message of God. The messages of law (sin) and gospel (grace) are opposites and irreconcilable in a sense. Both are true, but can be reconciled only at the foot of the cross of Christ. And the gospel message outweighs the law message and prevails in the heart of God and in our Christian hearts and lives. Sin may abound, but grace overflows all the more!



## **WELS Night with the Brewers**



Miller Park in Milwaukee, WI, is offering a night for WELS churches and members to purchase discounted tickets for the **Friday, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>** Milwaukee Brewers' game against the Phillies. *If anyone is interested in going to the game as a group, please let us know in the church office. Thanks!*

## ***Birthdays & Anniversaries***

This week, special birthday greetings are sent to Dale Manzel (July 6), Sam Kalenowski (July 6), Jon Kammerer (July 11), Anne Woltman (July 12), Zac Bruemmer (July 13), Davey Henningsen (July 14), Earl McCormack ( July 22), Mark Kreklow (July 23), and Madison Kacer (July 25).



God's blessings are wished on the anniversaries of Joshua & Joey Free (July 17), and Glenn & Donna Miller (July 18)!

## ***Free! 2015 Summer Events in Elgin***

### **Tuesday Evening Concert Series**

WHERE: Wing Park Band Shell, Elgin

WHEN: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**July 14, 21 & 28**

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### **Grand Victoria Concert Series**

**July 18 Gary Allen**

**July 19 Huey Lewis & The News**

**August 7 Jerrod Niemann and Rodney Atkins**

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### **Movies in the Park**

Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m. in Festival Park

**July 16, 23, 30 & August 4, 11**



## ***Welcome New Member!***

Please join us in a warm welcome to our newest member - Hudson Diersen, son of Brett & Jenna Diersen and brother to Brody. Welcome to our AP family!

*Welcome!*

## ***WELS on Instagram***

You can now find WELS on Instagram - @welslutherans.

Not on Instagram? You can also find us at facebook.com/welslutherans and twitter.com/welstweets.

## ***Meditations***

*Meditations* is now available for iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch. This app has the same devotions, readings, and prayers you know and love, plus added digital benefits!

Adjust font and text,

bookmark your favorites, even set a daily reminder alarm.

The app also comes preloaded with two weeks of free content. It's an easy way to get devotions:

***itunes.apple.com/us/app/meditations-daily-devotional***



## ***An Encouraging Word***

**Vision for Christian Living - Mark 6:1-6**



“We can’t do that!” can be a reaction in some congregations to establishing new ministries or planning for an expansion of facilities. We look to the past and say, “We tried that before and failed, so why try again?” As stewards of God’s gifts, we sometimes need to develop trust that God can work miracles of faith through us. We

must not let the naysayers discourage us when God places a challenge before us, but trust him to provide the leadership and the resources to accomplish what he has for us to do. God’s promise of support for proclaiming his message of salvation should be encouraging to us. As stewards of the gospel, let us place our trust in the Lord and go in the direction he sets.

## ***Mission Prayer***



*Multi-Language Publications* – Lord God, you rule all things for the good of your church. We thank you for the work of WELS Multi-Language Publications, which brings the gospel to many people, often in places where our missionaries cannot go. We thank you for leading Rev.

Nathan Seiltz to accept the call as the coordinator of Multi-Language Publications. As he now begins his work, grant him success so that the gospel can continue to be proclaimed in print form around the world. Amen.

## ***Service to Our Lord***

	<b><i>July 7 – 13</i></b>	<b><i>July 14 – 20</i></b>	<b><i>July 21 – 27</i></b>
<b><i>Pianists</i></b>	<i>M. Schubring</i>	<i>Becky Miller</i>	<i>Dave Frick</i>
<b><i>Ushers– Sunday 10:00 am</i></b>	<i>E. McCormack F. McCormack</i>	<i>T. Whitney A. Whitney</i>	<i>D. Woltman H. Smith</i>
<b><i>Ushers– Monday 7:00 pm</i></b>	<i>D. Salzwedel</i>	<i>M. Kreklow</i>	<i>D. Salzwedel M. Kreklow</i>
<b><i>Refreshment</i></b>	<i>Kammerer</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<b><i>Lawn Mowing</i></b>	<i>Stumpner</i>	<i>Kreklow</i>	<i>Salzwedel</i>

## ***Give Thanks to the Lord!***

Worship Attendance (6/28): 99

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