

# Church

## St. Mark

### Lutheran

Waterville, KS  
204 N. Nebraska St.  
At the corner of Walnut St. and Nebraska St.  
785-363-2182 (church)  
785-747-8084 (office)  
Pastor David Thompson  
david@ksu.edu  
785-363-2182  
Sunday Worship and Children’s Church: 10:45 a.m. and on Facebook.

## Olsburg/Walsburg Lutheran

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)  
“God’s Work. Our Hands.”  
Pastor Kaylie Ines  
pastorkaylieines@gmail.com  
**Olsburg Lutheran Church**  
https://www.olsburglutheran.org  
104 N. 1st St., Olsburg, KS  
Sunday Worship – 9:00 a.m.  
Children’s Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.

**All are welcome to worship/fellowship activities!**  
Council will meet May 14 at 7:00 p.m.  
Olsburg Lutheran Church has a new facebook page. Please search for Olsburg Lutheran Church-ELCA and follow the page. We have been posting recordings after the service. We still need 100 followers to post live videos.  
**Walsburg Lutheran Church**  
https://www.walsburglutheranchurch.org  
12351 Union Rd., Leonardville, KS  
Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship – 11:00 a.m.  
Services available in person and live streamed on both church websites/Facebook

**All are welcome to worship/fellowship activities!**  
A 2025 Mowing sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex.  
WELCA will meet Thursday, May 8. Quilting will be from 10:00 A.M.-Noon  
The WELCA meeting begins at 1:30 P.M. Program will be “Just Think!”  
Leader will be Jan Neilson. Hostess will be June Campbell.  
Food Basket Shopping List: peaches, pineapple, apple sauce, canned chicken, Hamburger Helper, refried beans, spaghetti sauce, grape/strawberry jelly, saltine crackers. Your continued support is very much appreciated! Rhonda  
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## Alert Covenant

Senior Pastor: Dwight Diller,  
Phone: 785-944-3416  
Email: alert@alertcovenant.church  
Website: www.alertcovenant.church  
Worship: 9:30

How can we express our love for Jesus given all that He has done for us?  
First and foremost, we need to give our life to Jesus in full surrender. Jesus wants our life and our love more than anything else. Jesus longs that we live in an intimate relationship with Him every day. And when we are in love with Jesus, obedience is a joy not a chore.  
Second, we can give Jesus of our time. This includes spending time in His word and in prayer as we pursue a deeper relationship with Christ. Giving of our time also includes serving other people in Christ’s name. Doing so will open opportunities for conversation about the Lord.

## Randolph Community Church

Pastor Rick Fennell  
Join us on Facebook live.  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Children’s Sunday School 10:20  
**Zarfs and Propitiation**  
The other day I had a zarf in my hand and was peeling off phloem bundles for my nibbling when a fly landed on my philtrum, causing my nibbling to laugh vociferously. If you would like, I can translate that for you. (I didn’t know many of the words either; I came across them recently on the internet.) It translates: The other day I had a card board sleeve which holds coffee cups in my hand and was peeling off the stringy tubes of a peeled banana when a fly landed on the vertical groove between my nose and upper lip, causing the child of my sibling to laugh in a loud and forceful manner.  
Occasionally there is the perfect word for the situation, but since we seldom use or need those words, they are unfamiliar to us. Sometimes the Bible uses such words – words that are perfect for describing the situation but so seldom used that we don’t completely understand them. One such instance is in 1 John 4:10: “In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” We understand most of that thought, but are a little unclear about “propitiation.” It is a very precise word. It means: the satisfaction of God’s wrath or righteous judgment through the offering of a sacrifice.” The sacrifice was Jesus, His Son.  
Propitiation is important. If God had said, “Sin is really bad, but I’m going to overlook it,” then it would mean either sin isn’t really that bad, or God is willing to allow it and is not completely Holy and Righteous. I am very thankful for propitiation. It allowed God to stay true to Himself but made a way for us to have forgiveness from sin and fellowship

with Him. As handy as a zarf can be when the coffee is really hot, propitiation is much better.

## Riley County Larger Parish Presbyterian

**9:30 a.m. services-Fairview**  
**Join us at 12380 Fairview Church Road, Leonardville, KS 66449**  
**11 a.m. services Riley**  
**Join us on the corner of Kansas and Broadway, 104 East Kansas Avenue- Riley, KS 66531**  
**Pastor Gerald Sharp**  
If you miss us on Sunday, join us on our Facebook Page Riley County Larger Parish. Let us know if you would like to receive a copy of our bulletin weekly, contact Sue at sgarverpresby@gmail.com or at 785-485-2697  
May 11th Mothers Day  
Lectionary Readings: First Reading-Acts 9:36-43 Psalter-Psalm 23  
Second Reading- Revelations 7:9-17 Gospel lesson John 10: 22-30  
Sermon: “Hearing His Voice (or Mom’s) – sheep or otherwise”  
Worship Assistants:(F) Alexis Schurle (R) Jarred Anderes  
Wednesdays- Men’s Coffee Group- 9:30 a.m. Riley Fellowship Hall.  
Monday, May 5th -Riley Neighborhood Group, 2:00-4:00- Riley Fellowship Hall  
Wednesday, May 7th-Fairview Women- 1:30 p.m. - Fairview Fellowship Hall  
Sunday, May 11th - MOTHERS DAY  
Parish Potluck follows the Riley Service.  
Wednesday, May 14 RCHS Baccalaureate, 7:00 p.m. led by Pastor Gerry Sharp at RCHS  
Saturday, May 17th - RCHS Graduation at Riley County High School, 1:00 p.m.  
-Easterberg Graduation Celebration- Riley Fellowship Hall  
Tuesday, May 20th - Care Portal Training 6:00p.m.- Riley Fellowship Hall  
Wednesday, May 21st Riley Session 6:30 p.m. Riley Fellowship Hall  
Saturday, May 24th -RCHS Class Reunion-Riley Fellowship Hall  
Sunday, May 25th - Fairview Breakfast 8:30 a.m.- Fairview Fellowship Hall  
We keep All those in nursing homes, hospitals, and hospice care.  
All those who continue to care for those in failing health.  
All those who are currently homebound.  
All those who are and who have served our country.  
All those who have lost loved ones.  
All those who are beginning the journey of extended treatments.  
All those who are facing weather related issues.  
Eldo Heller, Kevin Hardy, Ed Meenen, Sam Brown, and Lesa Heiman.  
MAY Birthdays- Quinton Garver, Bud Wooten, Galen Hageman. Kelsey Klucas, Janie Buseman, Archie Inskeep, Delaine Buseman, Renee Willbrant, Sean Hardy, Rob Jenkins, Cooper Garver, Sue Knight, Zachary Baer, Carol Dornberger, Rielyn Woodward, Aidy Kidwell, Aubrey Reasoner, Teresa Hopper, and Isaac Jenkins.  
Bountiful Bins will be open on Tuesdays 2-6 p.m. and Saturday 9:30-11:30 a.m.  
Please remember that we are so grateful for your donations but are only able to accept them DURING open hours. We are only able to take clothing items. Regretfully, we DO NOT have space for larger items. Thanks for understanding and as always all

your support, it makes such a BIG difference.

## Countryside

### Bible Fellowship

Broughton Rd and Co. 859  
**Riley UMC**  
Worship 9 a.m.

## Sedalia Community

Kevin Larson, Pastor  
Knute Nelson, Youth Minister  
Morning Worship 8:30/11:00  
Sunday School 9:45

## Crossroads Baptist

Q: Isn’t it generally known that the devil disguises himself as an angel of light, which can deceive people if they are not paying attention? Is it possible to sin so much that a person loses sight of what is good and evil?  
A. From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham  
Scripture teaches that the more sins we commit, the easier it becomes to sin. When people indulge in sin, they weaken the strength of resistance, which prepares the way for more frequent assaults of temptation. The Apostle Paul wrote about unbelievers taking pleasure in sin. They became wise in doing evil and fell so deep in sin that they began to call evil good.  
Satan is the great deceiver. When he approaches to tempt, he does not carry a sign warning, “I am the devil.” He comes in a thousand subtle forms, with delusions and lying wonders. This was the first delusion that the devil ever brought to the human race. Though it is worn and threadbare, he is still repeating it today.  
A young golf pro had high ideals in his youth, but he fell prey to the same delusion when his pals insisted that he conform to their way of life. He began to do the things the gang did until he became an alcoholic. He fell victim to the age-old delusion that the way to a full life is to break God’s law. Sin pays—but it pays off in remorse, regret, and failure.  
Many people think that it’s clever to follow the crowd and that real fun is found in conforming to this world, living a life of unrestrained appetite and pleasure. The Bible warns, “The way of transgressors is hard” (Proverbs 13:15, KJV). Following the crowd is devastating. What is the solution? Putting faith in Jesus brings forgiveness of sins and fills the heart with the joy of following Christ every day  
Find peace with God today.  
(This message is based on the words and writings of the late Rev. Billy Graham. Contact https://billygraham.org/  
Dear God, I know that I am a sinner and I am in need of your grace and mercy. Please forgive me of my sins. I believe that Jesus is the true Son of God and that he died on the cross for my sins. I confess Jesus as my Lord and Savior and ask him to come into my heart and life. Fill me Lord with your Spirit. Help me to love you with all my heart, mind, and soul. I want to live for you and follow you every day of my life. Thank you for saving me. Amen.  
If you prayed this pray contact Pastor David VanBebber at (785) 293-2370 or cbriley.com or billygraham.org

## Leonardville Community

## Church

(member of Global Methodist Church)  
110 N Colorado St. 785-293-5358  
Worship Sundays 11:00  
Sunday School 9:30-10:30  
Fellowship 10:30-11:00  
Cornerstone Kids after school on Wednesdays until 5:30  
Some medical equipment is available for your needs.  
Pastor Bruce Ferguson 785-706 -1546  
Pastor Sandy Ferguson 785-706-1595

## Keats Lydia Chapel

Keats Lydia Chapel is nestled in the Wildcat Valley, 4 miles west of Manhattan at 3193 Keats Ave., we are a re-organized non-denom-

# Speaking Truth

By Clint Decker

### The Plea of a Foster Child

His mother gave birth to him while she was in prison. Consequently, as a newborn he was immediately placed with the state. Literally from birth, Davion Navar Henry Only was constantly in foster care. As the years went by, being shuffled from home to home and family to family, Davion had a dream. He dreamed of being adopted before he aged out of the system at 18. Time was getting short, so he shared his dream with his case worker and asked if she could find a church where he could make his desperate appeal. In sharing his story with the congregation he pleaded, “I’ll take anyone. Old or young, dad or mom, black, white, purple. I don’t care.” Then he politely stated, “And I would be really appreciative.”  
Davion’s words quickly spread beyond the church and touched the hearts of millions. Soon Davion was adopted and achieved his dream.  
Across the United States there are over 350,000 children in foster care, from infants to teenagers, just like Davion was. Tens of thousands are on waiting lists in state after state hoping to be adopted. They all have their own story in how they ended up in foster care. Some were abused, neglected or

inational community church. Come worship with us every Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
May 1th Pastor Kendall McFall will be teaching from book of James, 11th Food Pantry Sunday, bring donations, 13th Lydia Ladies meet at 1:30 p.m., 14th Council meeting 7:00 p.m., 3rd Sunday Coffee Hour right after Church, 25th Noisy Offering for Camp LIT, 28th Community Dinner 6:30pm (James will grill hamburgers & hot dogs), bring a side dish and or dessert to share.  
Come see what’s happening at Keats Lydia Chapel, you don’t want to miss out! Everyone is welcome!

abandoned by their parents. Whatever the reason is, when children are taken from their homes and parents with law enforcement or state officials and end up in foster care, it is a traumatic, life-changing experience.  
History’s first recorded adoption took place due to the death of a parent. In ancient times lived a godly man named Abraham. He had a brother, Haran, who died early in life. Upon Haran’s passing, he left behind an only son named Lot. Without hesitation Abraham his uncle and his wife, willingly took him in and looked after him throughout his life.  
Abraham was simply doing what the Lord his God would want him to do. For the Bible says, “Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit [or care for] orphans.” (James 1:27)  
Why does God concern Himself with children like this? Because He created each of them and is the architect of the family. He created children to be raised in loving and godly homes. However, when tragedy strikes from the death of parents, or dads and moms make selfish and immoral decisions that endanger their children, boys and girls can end up without their parents. It is not supposed to

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Bibling is taking a short break. We'll resume on May 15 as we begin our journey through the Book of Esther.  
For the past few months, our Biblers have been reading through the Old Testament Books of Ezra and Nehemiah.  
The Israelites had been conquered and scattered. However, one of their conquerors, Cyrus king of Persia, attributed his successes to the Israelite’s God. Even though he did not follow God. He permitted the Israelites to return to Jerusalem. He also sent back plunder stolen from the Israelites and their Temple.  
Over the next few kings, the Israelites built the Temple’s altar, then the Temple,

and then the wall around Jerusalem. The Israelites also reconnected with God’s laws.  
We were struck with how God used unbelievers. We were also struck with how often believers disobey God’s laws. That led to introspection on how often we disobey. Which led to prayerful requests for guidance.  
You are invited to join Bibling with Coffee for Bible study, fellowship, and prayer. Text Colleen at 571.243.4129 for information. No homework. No preparation. Bring your morning beverage and a Bible. Let us know if you don't have a Bible, and we'll make that happen.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### City of Garnett, Kansas, Comprehensive Plan

The City of Garnett requests proposals from qualified consultants or firms to review city comprehensive plan and develop comprehensive plan for the City. The new, updated plan will provide vision, goals, objectives, and policies to guide the City’s development and redevelopment for the next 20 to 25 years. The plan will guide the City Commission, Planning and Zoning Commission, staff, developers, property owners, and residents on the appropriate growth and redevelopment for the City. The updated plan will integrate all aspects of urban development, including demographics, land use, public facilities and infrastructure, transportation, environmental, and economic growth recommendations. A critical component of the plan will be setting a vision for the City’s development and redevelopment, including areas in the City and possible annexation land. The vision component will need to analyze existing and future infrastructure needs and how technology will play a role in community outreach and City operations. The qualified consultant will need to take a creative and innovative approach to reviewing the needs of the community, while obtaining public input about the plan. The planning process shall develop a comprehensive vision for the City, business opportunities, amenities and programs, as well as complement the recently-completed parks plan.

#### SUBMITTAL DEADLINE

One (1) electronic copy in PDF format, in accordance with this RFP, will be accepted no later than 3:00 PM CST on May 30, 2025 and shall be submitted via the following email address: dwilson@garnettsks.net

Full document and information are available at [www.simplygarnett.com](http://www.simplygarnett.com).

