First Lutheran

September 2019

First News

PMC

September's approach reminds us of a coming 'reset' to our lives. It marks the beginning of school for many and the promise that fewer hours of daylight are on the horizon. Some welcome the end of summer while others mourn its conclusion. We celebrate Labor Day and many rhythms return as we take a step away from summer's freedom and nearer to the crisp slant toward the fall. With this natural reboot upon us I pray The Meyer Minute for June 28, 2019 from Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer (President of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis) would be a blessed 'reset' for you and your family.

"Forgot your password?" I paid two bills this morning but when I came to the third… "Incorrect password." So, I tried again, failed again, and decided to click for a new password.

Psalm 25 is a reset, one that I've come to treasure over the years. The psalmist was being criticized by people and was at a loss how to move forward, but he knew how to reset his attitude. "To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me" (verses 1-2). In the push and pull, the back and forth of dealing with obvious sinners, the psalmist looked up.

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He knew ways forward, worldly ways, political ways, power plays to deal with his detractors, but he looked up for a better way forward. "Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me" (verses 4-5). "Lord, take my hand and lead me" (LSB 722, 1). Settle that prayer down into your troubled emotions. You don't have to solve your problem, whatever it may be. Don't ignore it but don't imagine you'll be your own Savior. "Wait for the Lord" (Psalm 27:14). In time the light will go on, the light from above. "For you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long" (verse 5). AKA, your situation may not be better when today ends, but you have the spirit to wait. The Father of Jesus your Savior knows your situation and knows all the players in your life better than you do.

"Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old" (verse 6). Note the plural, "they." Mercies are many, the specific things that the unseen God of grace does for you. Little things, not heaven-rending things, just little acts of loving-kindnesses that do come down from heaven to you. Sometimes His mercies are delivered by others, sometimes perceived only by the eyes of faith, and many realized only in hindsight. Troubled soul, mercies to you!

Like my detractors, I'm also a sinner. "Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord" (verse 7). Since the Father has embraced you with the forgiving love of Jesus, "We are more than conquerors through him who loved us" (Romans 8:37). "Your password has been reset."

On the Journey,
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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Missouri Synod

Circuit Conference Pastor Winkling

September 17th @ Trinity in Block
November 19th @ Trinity in in Mission
December 10th @ Beautiful Savior in Olathe
January 21st @ Bethany in Overland Park
February 18th @ Christ in Overland Park
March 147th @ Christ Our Savior in Louisburg
April 21st @ First Lutheran in Paola
May 19th @ Hope in Shawnee

Little Wooden Cross

I had been looking at the little wooden cross a while back and every once in a while it looked a little different. I noticed that a few of our wishes have fallen off, which is ok. It is reminding me that it seems that our wishes or even prayers seem to fall away or it may even seem they have not been heard.

Just like in the picture, a few of the rocks are just laying around at the bottom and seem a bit lost. I know there are times that I think that I am all alone in the wishes that I have dreamed of but there are also times I need to remind myself that I am not the one that is in complete control.

God has told us to ask and we shall receive, but I am just like everyone else. I want it now. Sometimes my patience is not in honor of Him, but do not want to wait for his answers. I want It now. And sometimes it seems like he is paying attention to that other person way to much and does not take time for me. I want it now.

Not disclosing this to very many people until now, during my time in Iraq, we had times of rockets and small arms fire that I had made the decision to put myself in God's hands. I did not worry very much when the alarms went off and the rockets would come flying in. I knew that if it were my time, it would not have been in my hands. I put my trust in God and, at least I think, He heard my prayers at that time. I still think about those time a lot, but I did not want that at that time.

Please take a look at that cross and see if any of those are your dreams or wishes or maybe some of our prayers, we may need to find a way to ask God about them again, especially if yours look like the ones that are falling away and laying around at the bottom.

- Brian Mead

July

Financial

Summary

Total monthly offerings for July were $25,556, roughly $9,200 behind our Monthly budget.

Halfway through the year, we are $79,000 behind on offerings although expenses remain in line with budget. A wall repair payment of $99,310 was made leaving the general fund balance at $116,052.

2 Corinthians 9:12

For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

Director of Christian Education

I have had such a wonderful welcome here at First Lutheran. I can not thank the congregation enough for all you have done to help make First Lutheran and Paola my home. The gift cards were helpful while I was waiting on my household items to get delivered. I was able to try out some of the local restaurants since I wasn't able to cook at home. Many of you have stepped in to help with getting my office ready, settling in and figuring out things at my house, and with connecting me to different people in the congregation and community. I really appreciate everything, y'all have been such a blessing to me and Silas!

I am looking forward to getting to know everyone better. I am very excited to get to spend time with the youth on Sunday mornings in Bible study and at Youth Group on Wednesday evenings. All 7th-12th grade youth are welcome to join us at the youth house.

I've already been able to enjoy my first Roots Fest, and am looking forward to my first Blocktoberfest coming up in September. I will be helping the youth in the beverage tent. If you are able sign-up for a shift, and we can get to know each other better as we serve.

Thank you again for your kind welcome. I look forward to more opportunities to get to know y'all better and to get to serve alongside of you!
In Christ,

Angel Gillespie

Fellowship Team

The Fellowship Team is planning the next Chili Cook-off! We thought Reformation Sunday sounded like a good time to do this and may become the annual event on that day. Stay tuned for more details and start planning what recipe you want to use for your submission. We will also have another dessert auction in conjunction with the Chili Cook-off so again, plan on what dessert you'd like to donate or save some money to bid on your favorites! It was a big hit and a great fund-raiser for the youth account last time.

Youth Group Events

Wednesday Hangouts
6:30—8 PM

Sunday School
FLY House
9:15– 10:30 AM

Movie Night Sunday September 8th to watch Overcomer in Olathe followed by Pizza Street

Remember to sign up for Blockoctoberfest Sign-up in the narthex

Family Ministry

Family Ministry is extremely excited to be working alongside DCE Angel! She has such great ideas and hopes for growing our youth group & elementary age kids and expanding their activities. She's very excited just to get to know the kids as well, so please encourage your kiddos to attend Wednesday night Hangouts in the FLY house so they can get to know her, too. Just a few things we've talked about are implementing mission work/trips locally, within the states and outside of the US and taking advantage of the KS District events. In fact, there's one coming up in November for High School youth that we hope we'll get a large group from FLC to attend. Quarterly activities for elementary/confirmation kids are being planned as well. Fund raising is a must for these things to be possible so look for opportunities for you and your child to volunteer.

FAMILY MINISTRY

Together We Can Make a Difference

Youth Action Team

The Youth Action Team is busy organizing volunteers and donations for Blocktoberfest coming up on Sept 21st. This is another great fund-raiser for the youth account and always great food, fellowship and entertainment so mark your calendars. Encourage your youth 6th-12th to volunteer for a shift of selling drinks. The signup genius is on the FB page as well as the Church page. YAT is also planning another movie & pizza afternoon out on Sunday Sept 8th to see Overcomer. Times to be announced once we see the movie schedule. All are welcome & encouraged to come along. Looks like a great Christian movie with an important message.

Trustees and Family Ministry

After discussions with Pat Tagler, the decision was made to postpone the church picnic & fishing until next spring as they are enduring a big construction project that would make it hard to host a big event right now. We thank Pat & Brenda for being willing to host us and we look forward to next spring!

-Mary Kettler, Family Ministry Chair

Lutheran Women Invite and Thank you

Thank you to all who generously donated school supplies to help fill the backpacks for Lutheran World Relief.

LWML would like to invite the ladies of the congregation to our first 2019-2020 meeting on Thursday, September 12, at 7:00pm, in the church basement.

Come help us fill the backpacks to get ready to send to Lutheran World Relief!

"Annual bake sale will be held on Saturday, September 21st at the Fall Bazaar and Craft Show, on the Paola Park Square." - Lindsay Sinclair

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

To all of the lovely ladies at First Lutheran Church, we welcome you all to join us on Thursday, September 12th for our first meeting of the year! Our mission project will be putting together school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. This is always an exciting project to get our generous hearts in gear for the year.

The Executive Board met in August in preparation for the upcoming year for LWML. There are many great plans for this year, between mission projects and programs for our meetings, it's bound to be an exciting term for our league.

The annual bake sale will be held on Saturday, September 21st at the Fall Bazaar and Craft Show, on the Paola Park Square. If you would like to help with this event, we would love to have you! We are seeking volunteers to help run the bake sale table as well as bake up some tasty treats to sell. All proceeds go to our mission projects through the year, which impacts not only our community, as well as the communities around us and across the globe. Don't like to bake? Don't have time to help? No problem! You can always come by and purchase our baked goods at the Craft Fair while you shop for Christmas presents, or fall decorations that you just can't live without.

Upcoming Events:
Thursday, September 12th at 7:00PM: LWML September Meeting
Saturday, September 21st at Paola Park Square from 9:00AM – 2:00PM: LWML Bake Sale
Saturday, October 12th at 8:00AM: Fall Crossroads Event at Hope Lutheran Church in Shawnee
Sunday, October 13th: LWML Sunday – wear your Purple!

September Birthdays

Sandra Lake	September 02, 1945
Jordan Medlin	September 03, 1986
Glenn Prothe	September 05, 1963
Teresa Damron	September 09, 1969
Dolores Surbaugh	September 09, 1953
Clarene Prothe	September 10, 1935
Joel Haley	September 12, 1958
Kaycee Page	September 12, 1976
Hannah Menefee	September 14, 2000
Wayne Young	September 14, 1956
Ronald Moore	September 15, 1962
Jacob Hinman	September 18, 1999
Mary Kettler	September 18, 1967
Loree Gardner	September 20, 1937
Jacob Page	September 20, 2004
Amanda West	September 23, 1982
Deborah Keele	September 24, 1954
Karla Lohaus-Fast	September 24, 1976
Thomas McMillin	September 25, 1940
Sharon Haley	September 26, 1958
Phillip Ward	September 26, 1944
Chris Lohaus-Fast	September 28, 2003
JoAnne Ashburn	September 29, 1930
Karen Brown	September 29, 1957
Anita Ward	September 29, 1949
Hayden West	September 29, 2004

September Anniversaries

Lohaus, Karl & Ruth	September 01, 1962
Welch, Dan & Gabi	September 06, 1989
Schrotberger, Russell & Sarah	September 08, 2007
Wehmeier, David & Georgia	September 11, 1976
Horn, Matt & Chrissy	September 13, 2008
Miller, Orval & Karen	September 23, 1967
Berggren, Preston & Lindsay	September 25, 2010

Evangelism

Saturday, Sept 7th beginning at 8am at Miola Lake!
Anyone wanting to join us for the Steph Strong 5K, please do!
The Evangelism Team will be there passing out water
as well as participating.

Please join us for the Annual

Fall Bazaar and Craft Fair

Saturday, Sept 21st from 9am – 2pm
We already have almost 50 crafters and vendors, baked goods from our very own Lutheran Women In Mission, hamburgers and hots dogs and more from the local Lutheran Early Response Team, Snow Cones, face painting, jewelry, scroll saw wood work, stained glass, books, painting, charactures, bears, elephant and moose, hats, scarves, quilts, florals and more.
This would be a great time to start your Christmas shopping or get ideas!
We also have a really nice quilt that will be raffled, donated by Cindy Forsberg as well as some really nice gifts from some of the vendors.
Alll funds raised will go towards Christmas gifts that we find are needed.
Last year we raised enough to pay off school lunches, donated needed items to two elementary schools, adopt 2 families of four and 10 foster kids.
Make it a day- stop by here early in the day
and then head to Blocktober Fest for the afternoon.

And not that far off is Trunk -or-Treat!
Saturday, October 26th from 10am -1:00
We need lots of candy and volunteers, some chili and a few Thrivent cards would be great! This is a large event for the community and we need lots of help to make it worth coming to. Please plan on donating candy, or setting up your vehicle as part of the trunk-or-treat, or making chili, or getting a Thrivent card- we will be happy to help!

Cindy Mead
First Lutheran Church, Paola
Evangelism Team

Rotary project builds a better night's sleep for kids

OSAWATOMIE — Heather and Skyler Gravatt applied elbow grease and wood stain to freshly made bed frames behind Lang Chevrolet on the morning of Saturday, Aug. 17. Inside a nearby shop area, Osawatomie Rotary Club member and local banker Mark Fuchs was busy driving a screw into a board while Helene Kambach, an Osawatomie High School exchange student from Germany, steadied the bed frame.

The mother-daughter Gravatt team, representing OHS After Prom, Fuchs and Kambach were part of a contingent of 88 volunteers who gathered at Lang Chevrolet on Old Kansas City Road as part of the Osawatomie Rotary Club's 2019 community service project to build and deliver 20 beds to children in the community who do not have one.

Osawatomie Rotary President Kari Burchett said there are children in the community who are sleeping on couches, floors or sharing a bed because they do not have one of their own.

Rotary project builds a better night's sleep for kids

Volunteers with the bed-building project represented a variety of Osawatomie organizations, churches and individuals. Some of the volunteers included parents and children as they made it a family affair.

“It’s a great project and we wanted to help give kids a bed to sleep in at night,” Brandi Armstong said.

The Osawatomie resident was using a sander to smooth boards. Her husband, Billy, and children Lillie and Addyson, were running sanders alongside her.

Osawatomie Rotary worked with Sleep in Heavenly Peace’s KS-Kansas City South Chapter which brought the materials and its volunteer members to show local residents how to assemble the beds and then worked alongside them.

The national organization helps children in need of better sleep by providing them with beds that can be assembled as a single bed or built into bunk beds, depending on a family’s needs, during its “Build Day” events.

It was the Kansas City South chapter’s first bed-building project in Miami County and the ninth overall since its first build event in August 2018, said Rachel Kroh, SHP’s chapter president.

The chapter’s territory includes five counties — Johnson, Wyandotte, Douglas, Franklin and Miami.

Kroh said the beds usually are not built and delivered in the same day, but the Miami County project was going to accomplish both tasks on Saturday.

“After today, we will have delivered 270 beds,” said Kroh, who sported a light blue shirt with the SHP slogan “No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in Our Town!” printed on the back.

“There are a lot more volunteers here today that we expected. This is great.”

Dr. Burchett, Rotary president, said she was grateful for the community’s support.

She said each bed would include a mattress, pillow and bedding. Members of the Miami County Quilters Guild also made and donated 20 quilts, one for each bed.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace recently made a presentation at a Paola Rotary Club meeting as well as attended a Serving Our Students event in the community. Kroh said she is encouraged by Paola’s interest and hopes the chapter can do more build events in Miami County in the future.

Rotary project builds a better night's sleep for kids

On its Facebook page, the Osawatomie Rotary Club reported the kids were excited to receive the beds.

“The neatest thing was kind of realizing there was a true need for what we were doing,” Burchett said late Saturday afternoon in a follow-up phone message. “These beds should last these kids a long time and put them in a lot better situations at night. It was nice to do a service that really meets a need we have here in town.”

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Stewardship

Jr High Youth Rally
September 27-28

The LCMS Kansas District hosts Junior High Youth Rallies every fall, with music, mixers, and Bible study for grades 5–8. The rally will be held at Timber Lakes Camp in Williamsburg under the theme “Changed in Christ” (1 Cor. 15:51-52). The event this year will focus on the doctrines of sinner/saint, baptism, grace, and sanctification using the story and life of the apostle Paul in the context of the movie How to Train Your Dragon 3.

Cost for the rally is $50 which covers a t-shirt, room, and food on Saturday.

Registration fees are due by September 8.

We also need adults to help transport and chaperone. If interested, please contact either DCE Angel or Cindy Forsberg.

Any questions should be directed to DCE Angel (dce@firstlutheran-paola.org) or Cindy Forsberg (cidforsberg@gmail.com).

September 2019

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8 Ezekiel 38-39	**9** Ezekiel 40-41	**10** Ezekiel 42-43	**11** Ezekiel 44-45	**12** Ezekiel 46-48	**13** Joel 1-3	**14** Daniel 1-3
15 Daniel 4-6	**16** Daniel 7-9	**17** Daniel 10-12	**18** Ezra 1-3	**19** Ezra 4-6 Psalm 137	**20** Haggai 1-2	**21** Zechariah 1-7
22 Zechariah 8-14	**23** Ester 1-5	**24** Ester 6-10	**25** Ezra 7-10	**26** Nehemiah 1-5	**27** Nehemiah 6-7	**28** Nehemiah 8-10
29 Nehemiah 11-13 Psalm 126	**30** Malachi 1-4	1	2	3	4	5
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3 PreSchool Starts Evangelishm (AB) 6 PM Trustees 6:00 PM	4 PreSchool Starts Mens Bible Study (MH) 6:00 AM Youth Bible Study (FLY) 6:30 PM	5 Family Ministry 6 PM	6	7 Step Strong Race 8:00 AM
8 Grandparents Day North Point Devotions 1:30 PM Medicalodge 2:15 PM	9 Mary Martha 1 PM Pastor's Bible Class 10:00 AM (B) Quilt Tying 1:00 PM (B) Ruth Circle 6:30 PM	10 Council Meeting (MH) 6:00 PM	11 Mens Bible Study (MH) 6:00 AM Youth Bible Study (FLY) 6:30 PM	12 LWML (B) 7:00 PM	13	14
15	16 Senior Breakfast Whistle Stop Café 8:00 AM Elders Meeting (MH) 6:00 PM	17	18 Mens Bible Study (MH) 6:00 AM Youth Bible Study (FLY) 6:30 PM	19 Braille 8:30 AM	20	21 Blocktoberfest Noon- 6 PM Bazaar Craft Show 9 AM to 2 PM
22	23 Quilt Tying 1:00 PM (B)	24	25 Mens Bible Study (MH) 6:00 AM Youth Bible Study (FLY) 6:30 PM	26	27 Junior Youth Rally Contact Cindy	28 Junior Youth Rally Forsberg
29 PMC Vacation One Service 9:00 AM Volunteer Training Town Hall Meeting	30 Pastor's Bible Class 10:00 AM	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	Notes *B = Basement *MH = Mission House * FLY = First Lutheran Youth				

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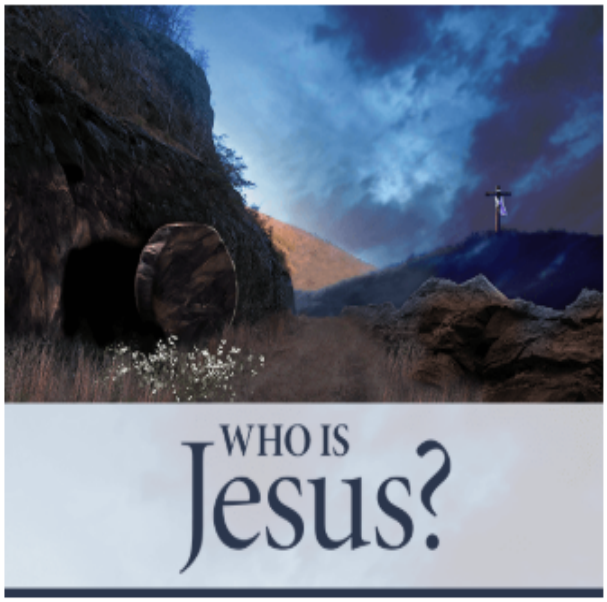
Elder: Ron Moore

Church Assistants September 2019

Paraments: Joby Brown

		September 1	September 8	September 15	September 22	September 29	
Greeters	8:00 AM	Donna, Kevin, & Jessica Erwin	Joe and Vicki Teagarden	JoAnn Russell Lois Moore	Teresa Damron Mary Lou Helm	ONE SERVICE 9 AM	Thank you for volunteering your time to help serve the Lord in this way! Remember: If you are unable to be here on the Sunday that you are scheduled please find your replacement, then call or email the church office so that we know who will be covering for you. Try to trade weekends if at all possible. Also, please be at the church at least 15 – 30 minutes before Worship or Sunday School begins to adequately prepare yourself to serve. **Church office: 913-294-3476** **Office@firstlutheran-paola.org**
	10:30 AM	Jean Kaiser	Ella Hinman	Jean Kaiser	Ella Hinman	Norlene Medlin	
Ushers	8:00 AM	Dallas Armbruster Jeff Menefee	Dennis Rentz Virgil Lyons	Dean Lovig Jeff Menefee	David Wehmeier Bob Gardner	Dean Lovig Randy Fast	
	10:30 AM	Jake Hinman Randy Fast	Don Polson Jason Decaire	Alex Kamprath Terry Drugg	Jake Hinman Jason Decaire		
Acolytes	8:00 AM	Erin Livingston (SWA) NeCelia Herrera Xavier Herrera	Logan Page Wyatt Mock	Jace Reifinger(SWA) William Mock Evan Reifinger	Brody Latto Alex Forsberg	Amanda Pitzer Braden Thoden	
	10:30 AM	Maddie Pitzer (SWA) Amanda Pitzer Brielle Garcia	Ruby Kane Keira McIntire	Anna Kane (SWA) Ruby Kane Braden Thoden	Elizabeth Schrotber Brielle Garcia		
Lectors		Sandi Armbruster	Mark Minden	Helen Tagler	Mark Fuchs		
Communion Assistants	8:00 AM	Joe Teagarden Daryl Benedict Virgil Lyons		Daryl Benedict Mark Fuchs Dean Lovig			
	10:30 AM	Ron Moore Brian Mead Terry Drugg		Jonathan Kamprath Ron Moore Brian Mead			
AV Tech	8AM	Kim Rentz	Mark Fuchs	Matthew Brandt	Matthew Brandt	Emily Mead	
	10:30AM	Christopher Lohaus-Fast	Emily Mead	Julie Kamprath	Melinda Pitzer		
Counter/Helper		Cindy Forsberg Ella Hinamn	Lindsay Sinclair Betty Hewitt	Helen Tagler Pam Meyer	Jean Kaiser Helen Webster	Camille Benedict Ella Hinman	
Organist		Leona Smith	Leona Smith	Kris Fuchs	Janet Bucher	Janet Bucher	
Sunday School Teachers/Helpers	9:15AM	Karla Lohaus- Fast	Suzy Karigan	Sandi Armbruster	Karla Lohaus-Fast	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Kid's Ministry Leaders/Helpers	10:30AM Service	Karla Lohaus-Fast Jody Brown	Suzy Karigan Mary Kettler	Jody Brown Loree Gardner	Karla Lohaus-Fast Sarah Schrotberger	Angel Gillespie	
Tiny Disciples	10:30AM Service	Justin and Autumn Diehm	Amanda and Haleigh West	Preston and Lindsay Berggren	Amanda and Haleigh West	NO TINY DISCIPLES	
FLC Youth Sunday Classes	9:15AM	Pam and Ken Meyer	Cindy and Brian Mead	Julie and Jonathan Kamprath	Joe and Becky Patton	NO YOUTH BIBLE STUDY	



Devotional
Healing

Thursday, August 29, 2019 3:00:00 PM

Luke 14:1-6 - One Sabbath, when He (Jesus) went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. And He said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" And they could not reply to these things.

Provided by: Lutheran Hour Ministries

First Steps
Members Class

September 15th @ 9:15 AM
September 22nd @ 9:15 AM

September 29th ONE SERVICE (NO CLASS)

October 6th @ 9:15 AM
October 13th @ 9:15 AM

Interested in learning more about membership at First Lutheran? Check out FIRST STEPS, a class where you can explore the teachings, practices, and ins & outs of First Lutheran Church.

Questions?
Call Pastor Mark (913.731.0673)
pastormark@firstlutheran-paola.org)
office@firstlutheran-paola.org

POBLO International

Redeemer Lutheran Church is Pleased to Announce Rev. Farrukh Khan of POBLO Ministries is Conducting Workshops on September 14th, 2019 from 9:30 am-2:30 pm.

Pastors and Congregation members are invited for a workshop on:

- *Testimony of POBLO Missionary Sarah Christian a Saudi Convert*
- *Unequally Yoked/Jesus Film Project*
- *History of Islam*
- *Teachings of Islam*
- *How to Respond to the Challenge of Islam*
- *Allah of the Quran VS God of the Bible*

Pre-Registration is Required.

For more information, please contact Rev. Perry Sukstorf at (913) 764-2359 or e-mail: pastor.sukstorf@redeemerolathe.org

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Bible Study Fellowship

Interdenominational

Bible Study Fellowship For Men & Women

Tuesday Nights: 6:30-8:00pm

Lighthouse Presbyterian Church 1402 E. 303rd Street, Paola

September 10 – December 10, 2019
January 7 – May 5, 2020

Our study this year is called ***Acts and Letters of the Apostles***.

This is the remarkable fulfillment of God's plan through the powerful preaching of Peter, Paul and other apostles.

Acts documents the infancy of the early Church from Jesus' instruction of His apostles before His ascension to the day of Pentecost and the explosion of Christianity, which continues to this day. We will study the Acts, 1 Corinthians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, Hebrews, 1 Peter and James.

Overview

Acts and Letters of the Apostles captures the joys and sorrows in the lives of first-generation Christians for 30 years after Jesus ascended to heaven. It describes the Holy Spirit's empowering of their intrepid mission to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the world.

Acts can also be called the Acts of the Holy Spirit, as it describes Jesus fulfilling His promise to dwell in the apostles through the Holy Spirit. The indwelling of the Holy Spirit enabled the apostles to perform acts that were previously impossible when Jesus was with them, but not in them.

Women & men can sign up at the first meeting on September 10th. There will be an informational meeting that night for anyone new. Women will meet in the sanctuary; men will meet in the Harbor. **Childcare will be available.**

For more info you may contact

Women: Roberta Briley: 816-223-0543 ; sonicrlb@gmail.com

Men: Larry Beyer: 913-961-5015; larrybeyer1@gmail.com

Prayers

Our Members	Mel Brown; Alvin & Martha Brunkhardt; Kathy Courtney; Jane Chronister; Jane Drugg; LeRoy Elliott; Irene Hodge; Matt Klawonn; Bob Medlin; Norman Minden; Ron & Brenda Prothe; Gail Sawyer; Marjorie Smith; Helen Webster; Dale Windler;
Expecting Parents	Justin and Autumn Diehm Kelsie Bohn and Cale Karigan Rev. Matthew and Kali Wood
Family & Friends	Ed Albin; Paul Argeropoulos; Stella Beard; Rob Beck; Diana Bhamgara; Rodney Brandt; Casey Brown; Diana Brown; Milton & Janice Capps; Heather Cardin; Donald Davis; Bill Dempsay; Grace Donham; Jim Donner; Aspen Espey and family; Patty Fouts; Jerrie Frizzel; Larry Gary; Mary Ginkel; Larry Gray; Grant Haley; Nikki Harrison; Rob, Suzy & Slater Hedrick; Lisa Hunter; Win Jordan; Landon Kletke; Samantha Kriesel; Jacob Larsen; Richard Larson; Martin Lohaus; Robby Manthei; Jackie McGann; Peggy McVey; Damian Mekonnen: Amerson Miles; Bill and Linda Mobley; Betty Morris; Chrissy Newcom; Joe Peterson; Tony Reese; Chris Rodendauth; Heather Ryan; Dottie Salchow; Stender Family; Doris Surbaugh; Ellie Teagarden; Dan Thompson; Val Tribble; Valentena Upton; Joyce Wassmer; John Weaver; Mary Windisch; Ruth Youngblood
Missionaries	Herron family; Rev. Matthew & Kali Wood and family
Military Service	James Bernard; Dalton Hawks; Caleb Lofing; Matthew Lofing; Seth Lofing; Adam Merrill; Graham Mosley; Garrett Scott; DJ Weaver; Darin Schweer; Ethan Stahl; All Military Families

Acolyte Schedule

Date	Service	Senoir Worship Assistant	Service	Acolyte	Acolyte
9/1/2019	8:00	Erin Livingston	8:00	NeCeliah Herrera	Xzavier Herrera
	10:30	Maddie Pitzer	10:30	Brielle Garcia	Amanda Pitzer
9/8/2019	8:00		8:00	Logan Page	Wyatt Mock
	10:30		10:30	Ruby Kane	Keira McIntire
9/15/2019	8:00	Jace Reitinger	8:00	William Mock	Evan Reitinger
	10:30	Anna Kane	10:30	Ruby Kane	Braden Thoden
9/22/2019	8:00		8:00	Brody Latto	Alex Forsberg
	10:30		10:30	Elizabeth Schrotberger	Brielle Garcia
9/29/2019		ONE SERVICE			
	9:00		9:00	Amanda Pitzer	Braden Thoden

If you cannot acolyte on your assigned date, it is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF ANY CHANGES!

Prayers

LWML has received word from their mission family The Woods. As many of you know this missionary family has been on our prayers list for expecting their third child. Currently Matthew, Kali, Laurel, and Eleanor serve in Medan, Indonesia with LCMS international. Matthew supports The Indonesia Christian Lutheran Church, by mentoring pastors, proving continuing education, and overseeing translation projects.

In their latest update they have exciting news, after several regular check ups with their doctor everything with Kali's pregnancy is going well and the doctors say they are ready for birth. Kali is scheduled to give birth August 26th!!! As I write this to you they are eagerly anticipating the arrival of their newest family member.

Reading this that addition may already be here and enjoying time together! But please keep in mind Kali, the baby, and Wood family still need your prayers. For most of us we don't stop to think about the birth being in Indonesia, that in its self initiates a somewhat complicated process of registration, citizenship confirmation, and passport application.

So please keep the Wood family in your prayers over the next few months.

Trustees

Our west wall building project was a huge investment of money, ministry, and time. The aftermath of such an endeavor is now new momentum in our ministry and unity as a church.

Pictured here is Pat Tagler working on lighting and the projector system as we approach the next steps in this immense project.

Continue to pray with us that we as a church continue to have the have a momentum in ministry, outward focus, and internal unity.

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September 29th following the 9AM Service

Special voters meeting to approve our Director of Christian Angel Gillespie's allotted housing allowance.