



Martin Luther Lutheran Church
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MLLC's Mission Statement:
Martin Luther Lutheran Church, called by the Spirit to be a community of faith, welcomes all to a ministry of Word and Sacrament, that together we may grow in faith, and be equipped for service to God and our community.

Luther's Letter

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Worship w/Communion:

Sundays - 9:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School for all -Sundays 10:10 a.m.

Church Council: Todd Dooley-President; Shayne Kirts-President-elect; Dennis Smith, Secretary; Samantha Ullrich-Treasurer; Jessica Weidemann-Worship Committee; Vickie Neutzler-Stewardship Committee; Amber Dooley-Christian Education Committee; Cheryl Etzel-Outreach/Care Committee; Ronnie Siptak-Property Committee



Exodus 20:12



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June, 2015

"...our inner nature is being renewed day by day...for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal." 2 Corinthians 4:16-18



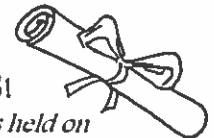
Father's Day is June 21. The Outreach Committee sponsors a reception for all Dads and for those who loved and raised us following worship on that day.



CONFIRMATION DAY

WAS MAY 3 and the following affirmed their baptisms. **Dana Marie Kelley**, whose parents are Esther & Darrell Kelley, and sponsors are Jerry Ruether, the late Becky Clay, Ginger Robinson, and Wayne Brugger; **Aaron Scott Kohring**, whose parents are Randall & Michelle Kohring, and sponsors are Amy Huebner, Cheryl Joswiak, and Lori Reichwein; **John Edward Leppard**, whose parents are Steve & Susan Leppard, and sponsors are Jeff & Faith Bailes and Richard & Vanita Hodgc; **Dylan Henry Thomas Mueller**, whose parents are Charles Edward Mueller, Jr. and Crystal Dawn Davis, and sponsors are Barbara Gamez, Brenda Medack, and Becky Jasinski; and **Faith Allyse Stork**, whose parents are Robbie & Gwen Stork, and sponsors are Glenda Oakes, Ron Stork, Rodney Stork, Jason Stork, and Jarrett Stork.

*(Pictured, front row L-R, - Dana Kelley, Faith Stork, Pastor Tinker
back row, L-R -)-Aaron Kohring, Jed Leppard, Dylan Mueller*



MLLC GRADUATES!

A reception for all graduates was held on Sunday, May 24, after worship.

Faith Meinholdt from Round Top-Carmine High School;
Kayla Peters from St. Mary's Law School in San Antonio with a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree and a certificate for Pro Bono and Service Work at the Immigration Office;
Claire Mayer from Texas A&M University with a Master's degree in Finance;
Whitney Hinze from The Pennsylvania State University with a Master of Science degree in Higher Education-Student Affairs Emphasis; and **Matthew Accardi, Autumn Applewhite, Luther Bockman, Bree Dooley, Brooklyn Gold, Porfirio Llamas, Ronson Muegge, Jake Smith, Caden Tovey, Reagan Williams, and Bailey Wunderlich** from Martin Luther Lutheran School Preschool.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to all!



REDEVELOPMENT OF FRONT GARDEN SPOT: Last year the church needed to cut down the old oak tree in front of the building. It was in the process of dying and was dropping large limbs on the building and where the children walked. This special tree is missed by all. The Church Council and the Property Committee are in the process of making plans, receiving bids for work and making decisions regarding this redevelopment of this spot of land. The goal is to create an attractive gathering spot with benches. The hope is that all will move forward in a timely manner on this project. Assuming all goes smoothly with bids and proper approvals, the goal is to have the plans finalized and ready to begin construction by early August. If you have any further questions about this, please speak or communicate directly with Property Committee Chair Ronnie Siptak or Council President Todd Dooley.

CAMPING NEWS:

The dates for Confirmation Camp are June 14-19 at Lutherhill in La Grange. Five youths are attending from MLLC (*Faith, Jed, Aaron, Dylan, Carson*) along with others from Bethlehem in Round Top.

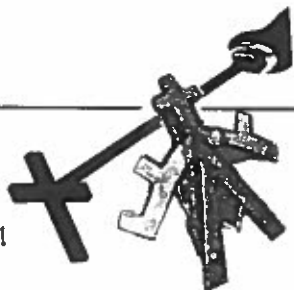


THE JUNE CAMPING OFFERING ENVELOPE IS ATTACHED TO PAGE 1

OF THIS NEWSLETTER. *The funds will go to help the MLLC children pay for their Lutheran camping expenses. MLLC Church Council has approved \$50.00 scholarships for non-confirmation students. And, MLLC's Men in Mission will also give a \$50.00 camper scholarship. These may be returned at any time during June.*

WELCA NEWS:

Round Up Your Friends for the Women's Banquet!



"**Branded for Christ**" is the theme for the Women of the ELCA Banquet on Wednesday, June 3, at 7:00 p.m. at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Carmine. All ladies are invited and encouraged to bring guests. The more the merrier!



We have a duo, trio, and a quartet singing and two girl groups singing western songs. The whole group will also be singing.

You won't want to miss it! Dust off your boots and come explore through readings and songs about how some of the items from the Old West relate to Christ in our lives. For info, call Colette at 979-250-1201 or email, colettewun@aol.com

All MLLC ladies are asked to bring a salad, either main dish, side dish, or dessert.

Ladies Aid decorates for the banquet and asks all who would like to share their western-theme items to be used for table decorations to bring them. They need them by 5:00 p.m. on June 2 which is when they will be decorating. Mary Group has kitchen duty.

The Bulletin Board

*****Elvera Limmer** is now residing at Brenham Nursing and Rehab.

***The **WELCA General meeting** will follow worship on Sunday, June 7. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

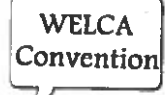
***The **Nursing Home Birthday Party** at Brenham Resthome, where Verline Schulte resides, will be held on Tuesday, June 16, at 2:30 p.m. (Verline's birthdate is June 18.) There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to provide sandwiches, cheese puffs, plates, napkins, forks, cups, and to note if you can attend. The nursing home will supply the punch bowl, ice, ladle and cake cutter. Barbara Jacob will provide the cake & punch, and Nancy Eilers the gifts.

Circle meeting date.
Thursday, June 11

Ladies Aid meets at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Bible study is by *Susan Ray*. All ladies will serve.

Mary Group meets the same day at 6:30 p.m. in the church parlor. Opening devotion is by *Colette Wunderlich*; Bible study is by *Dianna Gerland*; offering meditation by *Barbara Jacob*, and *Karen Springer* is hostess.

✂ **Next Quilting Day** is Monday, June 8, at 9:00 a.m. in the new building.



The Annual Convention of the TX-LA Gulf Coast WELCA is set for September 19, 2015, at St. Paul Lutheran, 110 W. Walnut, La Grange. Registration fee is \$50.00 if received by September 1, and \$60.00 after the 1st. Registration includes two meals, (Saturday breakfast & lunch). The Board will host a reception at Carby Chapel at Lutherhill on Friday, September 18, starting at 7:00 p.m.

For the silent auction, each unit is asked to bring one larger item (theme basket, quilt, etc.). For the physical offering, they are asking everyone to bring items for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. The kits will be assembled at the convention. Proceeds from the offering and silent auction will be given to the Meals on Wheels program in La Grange. (See the registration form in the church office).

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LWR REPORT: (From Dianne Sager)

Thank you for your generous gifts to LWR. I wish I could thank each of you individually for all those bars of soap, pencils, diapers, combs, or whatever gift you gave to LWR. Here is a list of what MLLC shipped (on April 6, 2015).

22 quilts, 71 school kits, 21 personal care kits, 16 baby care kits, and two fabric kits, Soap-601. A total of over 730 bars of soap were collected.

MLLC also sent \$270.00 toward shipping of these items. Amazing!

Next year the emphasis will be on School Kits. I want to challenge MLLC to send 100 School Kits to LWR. Can we do this? If we can collect over 700 bars of soap, I think we can donate 100 School Kits. July is the month for collecting School Kits. Maybe, VBS will again help with this cause.

LWR just recently shipped over 9,000 quilts and over 1,000 Personal Care Kits to Nepal. We can and do make a difference in the world.

In September, our Synod is asking churches to join together for **JOIN HANDS DAY**. I will be applying to Thrivent to have an Action Team Event and purchase many items for LWR. I will be asking for your help to pack many of these kits on that day. *"None of us can help everyone, but all of us can help someone. And, when we help them, we serve Jesus."*

**NEW E-MAIL
ADDRESS
FOR THE
BENGSONS**




Pastor Glen & Cathy Bengson
gabengson@gmail.com

OTHER REMINDERS:

☞ **Pastor's Bible Study.** This study, led by Pastor Tinker, is on Philip-
pians, and oriented to older teens and adults. The class meets each Sunday morning after worship in the bridal room.

☞ There will be **no Tone Chimes** rehearsals during May-August.

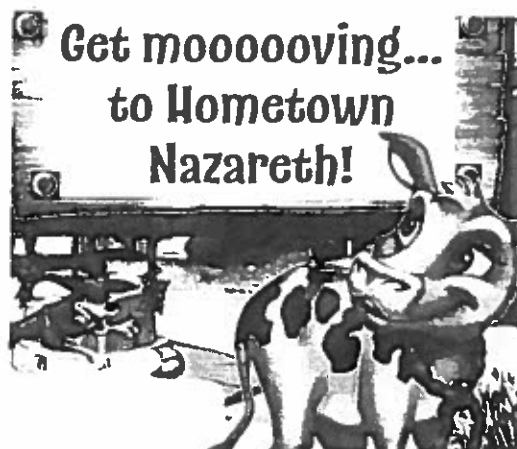
☞ **Construction update.**  The Mission & Ministry Building sidewalks are ready for use. If you wish to reserve the building for your event, please contact the church office for availability and rental rates.



The Parsonage renovations are moving along. The driveway and garage foundations have been completed. Most of the interior framing and exterior siding are complete. Plumbing and wiring are moving forward.

Thank you for your support, prayers, and financial gifts to this project. Our work together in mission is making this happen.

☞ **Need some graduation cards?** Check out the boxes on the shelf in the parlor that LYO is selling. There are lots more for different occasions. Categories are labeled on the shelves, and prices are listed on the boxes.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Join us for an exciting Bible-times adventure in Jesus' hometown, Nazareth! Teachers and staff will be installed on Sunday, June 21.

Vacation Bible School is drawing near...and we want all children age 3 through 6th grade, and any family members who wish to participate with their children, to join in the fun! This year's program will run from June 22-26, with the closing program to be held during regular worship on Sunday, June 28. Activities each evening last from 5.30 to 7.45 p.m., with supper provided for all participants.

Hometown Nazareth. Where Jesus Was a Kid is this year's theme, and participants will be transported back to Bible times in Jesus' boyhood home through songs, games, visits to market tents, crafts, lessons, and lively discussions. In addition, all participants will receive a free theme t-shirt, and each family will receive a CD of all the songs from this VBS.

To register, simply fill out the form included in this newsletter, and return it to the church office or Dana Smith by Wednesday, June 10. (Although later registrations and walk-ins will be accepted, registering by the deadline will aide in everyone receiving a t-shirt.) Additional registration forms are available from the church office.

Volunteers are still needed to help during the week. All scripts and materials will be provided to you, and training will be held prior to VBS. We are looking for:

Tribe leaders - Each leads a small group of mixed-age participants through the evening's activities.
Eunice - She is a neighbor of Mary, and acts out her part to help teach participants more about Jesus' life.

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Tent/Shopkeepers - Each mans a tent for the whole week, teaching small groups of participants a craft or activity related to their trade as the kids stop in to visit.

People to provide a meal and/or cookies for one of the nights.

We also are looking for the following items to borrow for the week or as donations. (Please, contact Amy Dooley at amy.dooley@bluebell.com or 979/203-4343 concerning these items).

- Pop-up tents (like for a booth or tailgating)
- Sheets/Mexican and other blankets
- Baskets
- Decorative pottery
- Decorative greenery/trees
- Fake fruit
- Burlap material
- Uplights

If you have any questions, wish to volunteer, or wish to give a monetary donation, contact Dana Smith at: dennisanddana@yahoo.com, or 979/966-8866, or you may register at mlccarmine.com.

PRAYER CHAIN TO BE REINSTATED:

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Prayer Chain of MLLC, please let Susan Bathe or Pastor Tinker know.



ON THE PRAYER LIST:

Most recently: Avalda Pohl (upcoming surgery on Tuesday); Mark Weintraub and his mother, Saline, (friends of Susan Ray--Mark suffered a fall and will have more surgery, and his mother is his caregiver); Rosa Lee Krebs (friend from Shelby, health concerns); Mark Jacob (Jocie Jacob Braun's son and Karen Roemer's uncle, cancer); Wayne Wagner (friend from Round Top, recent heart surgery); Louis Kartous (recovering

from surgery); Boo Goolsby (recent knee replacement surgery); Kenneth Schultz (friend from Led-better, at daughter's home, recent ATV accident); Nelson Neutzler (friend of Alvis Mueller, health concerns); Leroy Bennetsen (Leonita Sanders' brother-in-law, health concerns); Fritz Schoenst (friend from Round Top, surgery); Natalie Broadway (friend of Daryl & Susan Ray, health concerns); Josh Dow (13-year-old friend of Wade & Nancy Eilers, cancer); Don Steinbach (former member, treatment for leukemia); David Dunlap (friend from Waldeck, recent serious fall); Amanda Sebastian (friend from Blue Bell Creameries and Randall Kohring's cousin, brain tumor); Antonio Galindo (friend of friends, Wendy & Jesse McDaniel, health concerns); Lisa Mayer (health concerns); Delores Oppermann (niece of Joyce Eilers, cancer); Ralph Barrick (Peetsy Fischer's son-in-law, cancer); Marie Nelius (friend from Round Top, lymphoma); and Sheila Hanke (friend, melanoma treatment).

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Carol Hall (home); Tim Coleman (friend of Alvis Mueller, cancer and recent foot amputation); Michael "Butch" Schulz (Barbara Schulz's husband; health concerns); Sandy Pierce (health concerns); Milton Poehls (Pauline Peetsy Fischer's brother, cancer and heart trouble); Larry Glenz (friend from Brenham, cancer); Jimmy Flinn (eye problems and stroke); Herman (Ham) Kovar (Rick Kovar's father, back problems); George Shannon (father of Brenda Callahan's daughter-in-law, battling melanoma); and Mary Edwards (Linda Kovar's sister, battling lupus).

Members in Care and Assisted Living Facilities: Verline Schulte (Brenham Rest Home); Elvera Limmer, LeVerne Hinze and Shirley Mueller (Brenham Nursing & Rehab); Lynda Kominczak (Mission Nursing & Rehab in Cuero); (Kruse Village); and Elvira Dallmeyer (Argent Court-Brenham).

Homebound Members: Joyce Lehmann, Nevilee Marburger (in Houston), Mamie Roemer, Judith Yarborough, Peetsy Fischer, and Elvera Rudloff (in Houston).

Military Personnel: MLLC members: Joseph Vogel and Bryan Miller; Family and Friends: Rowdy Chaddock, Michael Martin, Wacey Lanier, Jonathan Noak,

Justyn Bearden, Wade Friedrich, Scott Busby, James Dunham, and all who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.



In Sympathy

† Christian Sympathy to the families and friends of: Cliff Miller, Pastor Nolan Sucher (friend of Pastor Bill Derrick); Joe Autrey (Barbara Schulz's brother); P. J. Hornberger (Carmine resident); Ricky Mantey, Sr. (turkey & dressing meal caterer from Somerville); Kathryn Duddelston (cousin of Bill Derrick).

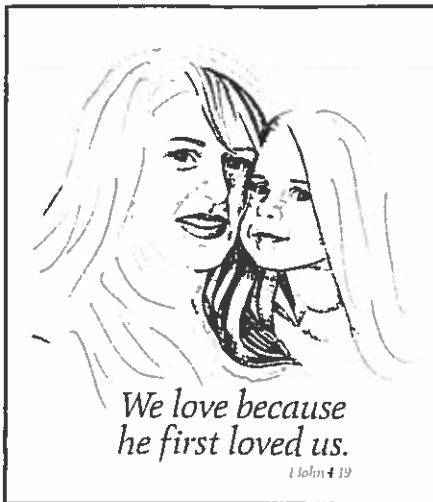


Prayer During Time of Distress

In this time of economic downturn, layoffs, floods, and tornadoes, we ask God for guidance, relief, support, and direction for those who have been impacted by these difficulties. The significant drop in oil prices, the Blue Bell Creameries recalls, and the significant weather events have impacted so many in our congregation and community. We give thanks to God for sustaining us during times of distress.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Thanks to the Office Helpers for May. Barbara & Jerry Jacob and Cherrie Wines folded bulletins; Jessica Weidemann sent bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors; Karen Roemer placed supplies in pews; and Sara & David Eilers assembled the June newsletter.



PASTOR'S ARTICLE:

God's Action and Our Calling - Part 2 of 6

1 John 4:19: Our Response to God's Love

By Pastor David Tinker

Last month we looked into God's love for us. Pure and simple, it is God acting for us. Now we will look into our response to God's love.

We read in John's first letter, chapter 4, verse 19: "We love because he first loved us." To clarify we could say, "We love because God first loved us." This is the same form of love which is noted in John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." This is the sacrificial, self-giving, care and goodness for others which God offers to all. The Apostle John is teaching us that we live out this same love for God and others which was first given to us.

This teaching is that God has done great things for us. God's love in action through Jesus Christ is abundant and overflowing. This abundant love of God spurs us on to follow the way of Jesus. We remember that Jesus exhibited God's love for us in many ways. Two of the most prominent ways are his washing of the Disciples' feet and his suffering and death on the cross. Because he has been so good to us, we now share that goodness with others.

This idea is not a new one with Jesus' ministry. Actually, the Covenant at Mt. Sinai with the Ten Commandments is a great example of God's love in action spurring his people on to love. The presentation of the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20 begins with an announcement of God's love in action: "Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery..." (Exodus 20:1-2a). It is only after the LORD has acted for the Hebrews that he calls on them to show love to God and to neighbor. The Hebrews could have said, "We love because the LORD loves us."

We today have all of this before us. We have God's abundant grace, mercy, forgiveness, and love. Because of us, we are empowered to take actions of self-giving love which benefit others. We give of ourselves because God first gave of himself for us. We love and serve God and neighbor because God has been to us, and because we are followers of Jesus who showed us the way. We love because he first loved us.

Next month: Ephesians 2:8-10: Saved by Grace, through Faith, for Service

† OFFICIAL ACTS in May,

--Affirmation of Baptism. (See Page 1 for a picture and the names of the confirmands, parents and sponsors)

Each confirmand was presented a gift of a Thrivent Financial cross, a Lutheran Book of Prayer, MLLC history books, and a confirmation certificate. Congratulations to all!

--Funeral. The funeral service for *Cliford James "Cliff" Miller* was conducted at MLLC on Thursday, May 21, 2015, with committal at Carmine Cemetery. Cliff passed away on May 18, 2015, at Baylor Scott & White Hospital in Temple at the age of 57. Christian Sympathy to his family and friends.

--Baptism. Kyle David Sanders, son of Tim and Stephanie Hintzel Sanders, was baptized at MLLC on Sunday, May 24, 2015. His sponsors are Natalie & Chris Coufal, Vickie Schroeder, and Randy Sanders. Kyle was born March 3, 2015. Welcome to the Lord's Family!



The Church Council of Martin Luther Lutheran Church of Carmine, Texas, met for its monthly meeting in the church parlor on Monday May 18, 2015, at 6:15 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Council President Todd Dooley. Pastor David Tinker and nine Council members were present. Ronnie Siptak provided the devotion.

The minutes for the April 20, 2015 Council meeting were presented. A motion passed to accept the minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Expenses for the month of April 2015 for MLLC (not including MLLS) were \$39,019.43 which included expenses of \$16,768.71 for the parsonage renovations. Total income for MLLC for the month of April 2015 was \$25,239.54. For the year-to-date ending April 30, 2015: total expenses for MLLC (not including MLLS) were \$122,831.34 & total income was \$85,829.75. For the MLLS expenses for the month of April 2015 were \$14,250.03 and total income was \$14,120.78. For the MLLS, total year-to-date ending April 30, 2015: expenses were \$58,120.61 and total income for MLLS was \$58,629.98. As of the end of April 2015 the General Fund checking account balance was \$1,962.84. A motion passed to accept the report as presented.

Pastor David Tinker made the following report. A letter of transfer to MLLC was received for Mike and Terry McIntosh. The dates for the photo directory picture taking will be September 15-19th.

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The wedding of Sierra Kunkel & Alan Richard is July 11, 2015. Pastor is working on premarital classes and planning for the upcoming wedding. Pastor continues to lead the adult and teen Sunday School classes and Chapel with the MLLS students. Confirmation class has concluded. Confirmation Day was May 3rd. The following students affirmed their baptism: Dana Kelley, Aaron Kohring, Jed Leppard, Dylan Mueller, & Faith Stork. Confirmation Camp is June 14-19th. He attended several committee meetings in April. He remains involved in the community by working with organization to organize and promote the fundraiser event for the Jacob Family. There was a recent death of a church member. Cliff Miller passed. His service was on May 21st. Upcoming special dates: May 22nd- MLLS Graduation @ 7pm; May 23rd- Vigil of Pentecost @ 6pm; May 24th- RTC High School Baccalaureate service @ 6pm; June 14-19th – Confirmation Camp at LutherHill; June 22-26th – VBS; August 2-7th – MLLC and Bethlehem LC youth to attend LutherHill; September 6th – Labor Day Sunday; October 4th – Synod staff visitor, Peggy Hahn, to preach; October 18th – Harvest Fest; & November 8th – WELCA Thankoffering Service.

The MLLS Day School reported enrollment numbers for April 2015 were 29 full-time students and 13 drop-in students. Jennifer Vaclavik and Kelli Meinholdt serve as the housekeepers and staff relief. Students enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt and parties on April 2nd. Picture Day was held on April 6th for a fundraiser. Students practiced for graduation and student recognition scheduled for May 22nd.

The Worship Committee reported the Altar Guild and Acolyte training was held after worship on April 19th with Susan Bathe and was a great success. The lapel microphone quote has been accepted: 2 Lavalier Wireless systems, 2 headsets, 1 cordless handheld mic, 2 microphone cables and installation. The quote was \$1,729.93. The Worship Committee contacted the Stewardship Committee to request Memorial Funds/ Designated Gifts to purchase the microphones which was approved. The Prayer Chain is still a work in progress. There are some volunteers but more are needed. The green altar parament was inspected. A decision was made to contact Darlene Etzel to see if she could repair the tassels and replace the stained fabric. Discussion was made concerning placement of the lectern during Praise Services. A request was made to place the lectern on the middle step. Labor Day Sunday is approaching and the Com-mittee requested to permanently change the time/order of services. Council members agreed to permanently change times on Labor Day Sunday: Sunday School at 9am and Church service at 10:15am. This would immediately be followed by a potluck luncheon.

The Outreach Committee reported they hosted a Mother's Day reception on May 10th. Upcoming receptions: Graduation reception - May 24th; Father's Day – June 21st; the new building and new member receptions are still pending. The Stewardship Committee reported the quote

of \$1,729.93 for the wireless microphones was accepted and will be paid for from Designated Gifts funding.

The Property Committee reported the forms for the sidewalk to the new building have been built, but we are waiting on better weather to pour the concrete. This will be done at the same time the garage slab is poured at the parsonage. The Committee approved the purchase of a steam mop to be used on the kitchen floor in the Fellowship Hall. Work is progressing at the parsonage. The Committee is accepting bids for work to be done on the grounds in front of the main doors to the Church building.

The gravel for the new parking lot in front of the multipurpose building is still on hold. It is planned to be completed once the weather and grounds improve. Robert and Karen Tappe requested release of membership to the Cowboy Church in Brenham.

The next regular Council meeting was set for Monday June 15, 2015 at 6:15PM and Jessica Weidemann volunteered to provide the devotion. A motion passed to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Respectfully Submitted, Dennis Smith, MLLC Council Secretary

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**FOLLOW-UP SHARED MINISTRY CONFERENCE** is set for Saturday, June 27, at St. John's-Rutersville, from 9.00-noon. Cost: One coffee cake or cookies per congregation. Evan Moilan will be the speaker, helping us think outside the box and look at ways of developing trust as we share ministries. There were 76 in attendance at this conference here at MLLC in February. This ministry is for congregations of the Brazos Valley and Colorado River Conferences, exploring ways we can serve Christ in various forms of shared ministries. Please RSVP to: 979/249-3155 or [sharedmn@cvctx.com](mailto:sharedmn@cvctx.com) (From Pastor Marcia Kifer, Shared Lutheran Ministries of Fayette County).  
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ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION REPORT:

date	attendance	general	school	building
04-25	36	816.00	-0-	-0-
04-26	48	1,285.52	755.00	-0-
05-03	183	5,598.50	1,161.00	-0-
05-09	36	1,763.00	-0-	-0-
05-10	103	5,104.00	3,705.50	180.00
05-17	67	2,246.00	6,742.00	-0-
05-23	26	1,349.00	-0-	-0-
05-24	111	2,301.00	925.00	-0-

MLLS JUNE REPORT:



Thank you, MLLC members and MLLS parents, who have generously donated food, supplies, and monetary donations for our Day School ministry! Thank you also goes to MLLC members who have directed their Thrivent Choice Dollars to MLLS! We appreciate your thoughtfulness and support. These donations greatly help us with our expenses.

Thank you to those of you who have donated supplies for our new MLLS Activity and Art Room!

Please see our school wish list in the school lobby. We would like to purchase sets of wooden unit blocks for our classrooms and we also need other items. If you would be interested in making a donation toward this, please do so by leaving your donation in an envelope labeled "MLLS Wish List donation". Thank you for your support!

In our classrooms during the month of June, we will be exploring a different theme each week.

June 1-5 will be **Dairy Week** and we will learn about National Dairy month, dairy foods, and learn the song, "The Cows on the Farm".



June 8-12 will be **Transportation Week**, and we will learn about planes, boats, hot air balloons, and learn the song, "I'm a Little Airplane".



June 15-19 will be **Under the Sea Week**, and we will learn about ocean animals and also about Father's Day.



June 22-26 will be **Romping and Roaring Dinosaurs Week**, and we will play the game/song, "Dinosaur Pokey".



June 29-July 3 will be **Independence Week**, and we will learn about our country's flag and sing, "Way Up in the Sky".



We will be learning about these topics through Bible activities, songs, stories, cooking activities, science experiments, and art projects.

During **Chapel** services, we will be studying various Bible topics through use of Bible storybooks. We will recite *The Lord's Prayer*, *The Pledge of Allegiance*, *The Pledge to the Christian Flag*, and *The Pledge to the Bible*, and sing Bible songs during our weekly Chapel services. Visitors are welcome to join us during Chapel services on Monday mornings at 9.00 a.m. Chapel services are led by Pastor David Tinker.

We visit our Activity/Art Room on Tuesday mornings where we explore painting at the easel, block play, and arts and crafts with Mrs. Ann and Mrs. Susan as our volunteers. Thank you to these ladies!



Children's storytime is held each Wednesday morning in the school library. We wish to thank our library volunteers, *Nancy Eilers, Susan Ray, Ann O'Hara, Ed Eargle, Marie Loewe, and Carol Carmean* for reading to the children. They enjoy it very much!

And, thank you to Pastor Bill for coming to sing with us occasionally.

Thank you to everyone for your support of our Day School Ministry!

Kelli Meinholdt, Jennifer Burrow, Jessica King, Kaci Neumann, Ashley Santos, Brenda Townsley, and Jennifer Vaclavik

June Birthday Celebrants.

Delores Pohl	01
Abby Wunderlich	01
Hayden Garlin	02
Garry Sanders	03
Vilette Finke	04
Cole Garlin	05
Haley Kokel	06
Randy Sanders	06
David Tinker	06
Joy Treude	06
Tucker Jacob	11
Douglas Ullrich, Jr.	11
Sedalia Ullrich	11
Ronnie Siptak	12
Faith Stork	12
Alvis Mueller	15
Elvera Rudloff	15
Tonia Dunham	17
Daniel Kieke	17
Mason Mikeska	17
Elvera Limmer	18
Ruby Renck	18
Verline Schulte	18
Amber Dooley	19
Marie Loewe	19
Joyce Fuchs	20
Dennis Gerland	20
Delbert Stiewert	21
Jerry Jacob	24
Richard Kovar	25
Josephine Drydale	27
Morgan Mikeska	27
Codie Lange	28
Gwen Stork	28
Rylan Stork	28
Leatha Miller	29
Dylan Mueller	30



Congratulations to Mr. Otto Fuchs, Jr., for being featured in the April 24, 2015, edition of the The Fayette County Record on being an "Enduring Legacy of the GI Bill". Mr. Fuchs spent 34 years of his life teaching vocational agriculture to Fayette County World War II veterans in Round Top, La Grange, and to students at Round Top-Carmine High School. (Part 2 of this story should appear in the May 29, 2015, edition of the newspaper).

BURTON BRIDGE MINISTRY REPORT, April, 2015



There are currently 60 students and 44 households enrolled in the program that provides backpack meals and fresh produce, grains, and eggs.

This ministry is served by many volunteers. Besides Ted and Dianne Sager and Gene Goolsby from MLLC, many others from Emmanuel Lutheran, Greenvine, St. John's UCC-Burton, Zion Lutheran-Zionsville, Pastor Karen Nelson, Sharon Chapmann, and the Burton Unit of the Washington County Boys and Girls Club.

Food is delivered by Bread Partners of Washington County, and in return for the food products received and distributed, Burton Bridge Ministries makes a donation to Bread Partners on a quarterly basis.

Much more information can be read of their report in the church office.

LOCAL AND AREA NEWS:

→ *Putt to Cure MS* is June 9 at Horseshoe Junction in Brenham, starting at 6:00 p.m. For more information, see the letter in the church office. Mark Brinkmeyer (who has worked on our sound system) is organizing this event as his daughter has MS.

→ There will be a *Benefit for Judith Mikeska* from Rek Hill, (a Bluebonnet Electric employee, and wife of Glenn Mikeska.) at Carmine Hall on Saturday, June 13, starting at 4:00 p.m. Judy was diagnosed with lung and brain cancer, and is currently undergoing multiple pinpoint radiation treatments along with chemotherapy. Help is needed to support her battle with cancer. There will be a BBQ chicken meal (\$10.00 per plate) served from 4:00-6:00 p.m., a raffle drawing, live and silent auctions, music by the Anthony Moreno Band. For tickets, see Jason Carmean, Melba Zingelmann, Ruby McCullough, or Melissa Wickel, or you may donate via the website.

www.gofundme.com/JudyMikeska.

→ Circle #1 of St. John's UCC in Burton invites everyone to their *Eighteenth Annual Gospel Jubilee and Sing-a-Long* on Monday, June 15, at 7:00 p.m.

in their Family Life Center. Enjoy the complimentary refreshments.

56TH ANNUAL POTATO PANCAKE SUPPER at Bethlehem Lutheran, William Penn (north of Brenham)

is set each year for the first Friday of June - the 5th this year. This event is sponsored by the church's Laymen's League Men's Club. The tradition started on April 24, 1959, when the church's men's club members decided to fry some potato pancakes as a social occasion for the club, and it has since become an annual event for the public. Ticket prices have been reduced to \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 6-12 and older, while those 3 and under eat free. Call the church office for tickets, 979/836-7303.



JUNE 14 IS FLAG DAY!

Flag Day, the anniversary of the Flag Resolution of 1777 (*when the Continental Congress sanctioned a flag for the USA*), was officially established by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916. In 1949, President Harry Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14 of each year as National Flag Day.

TREEHOUSE LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY--A Ministry of the Lutheran Church (ELCA) of Texas A&M and Blinn College (*MLLC's 2015 Noisy Offering recipient*).

From their website, www.treehouseministries.com:
"Treehouse is a faith-based organization offering hope, guidance, and unconditional love to at-risk teens. It provides a safe environment and mentorship for teens to receive support, guidance, and practical skills in making better choices today to live as healthy adults tomorrow".





Registration Form



Name(s) and age(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (_____) _____ Cell phone: _____

Home email address: _____

Number of family members participating in Hometown Nazareth: _____

Will parents be helping in other areas of Hometown Nazareth? _____ Where? _____



In case of emergency, contact: _____
Name and phone number

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

Home church: _____

Tribe name (for church use only): _____

Name of a special friend your child might like to be with: _____

June 2015



1	9:00 am-Day Care Chapel	2	6:00 pm-Worship Committee	3	9:00 am-Day Care Storytime 7:00 pm-AVELCA Banquet	4		5		6	
7	2 nd Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/AVELCA General Meeting 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 5:00 pm-AA meeting	8	9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 9:00 am-Quilting	9	Council agenda deadline	10	9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	11	2:00 pm-Ladies Aid 6:30 pm-Mary Group	12	
14	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost (Flag Day) 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion led by Praise Team/Noisy Offering collected 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:10 am-Property Committee 11:10 am-Christian Ed Committee 5:00 pm-AA meeting	15	9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 1:30 pm-Sr. Citizens 6:15 pm-Church Council	16		17	9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	18		19	Newsletter deadline
21	4 th Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/Installation of VBS staff/Reception for Fathers 10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 5:00 pm-AA meeting	22	9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 7:00 pm-Men in Mission	23		24	9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	25	**Presentation of the Augsburg Confession**	26	
28	5 th Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 am-Hymn Sing 9:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLOSING/10:10 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:30 am-LYO meeting 5:00 pm-AA meeting	29	9:00 am-Day Care Chapel	30		31		June 22-26, 5:30-7:45 pm			

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July 2015

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SERVERS for:



Lay Assistants. Dianna Gerland (06-07, 06-28);
 Susan Bathic (06-13); Dana Smith (06-14); Leonita Sanders (06-21);
 Jessica Weidemann (06-27)
Put supplies in pews. Deane & Joyce Ullrich
Offering Counters. Samantha Ullrich, Ted Sager, Jack Weidemann
Send cards to visitors & bulletins to shut-ins. Nancy Eilers
Prepare Communion for shut-ins. Deane & Joyce Ullrich
Acolyte organizers. Parents of June acolytes
July newsletter assemblers. Linda Kovar, Betty Porter, & Nelda Muehlbrad
Bulletin folder. Cheryl Etzel
 (the weekend of June 26 or 27)

date	acolytes	ushers	readers	flowers	communion assistants	communion set-up
06-07	Aaron	Team #8-Glenn Treude, capt., Melissa Wickel, greeter; Melvin Schoenst, Rene Runge, Ed Eargle, Dana Smith	Leonita Sanders	Floyd & Cheryl Etzel		Ann (green paraments)
06-13 Saturday		Volunteers				Susic M.
06-14	Hannah	Team #9-Tim Sanders, capt., Alvis Mueller, greeter; Steve Leppard, Amanda Leppard, Theresa Garlin, Ryan Hinze	Vickie Schroeder	Tony & Karen Dooley	Jocic Braun	Susic M.
06-21	Carson	Team #10-Monty Mayer, capt., Ronnie Siptak, Colter Siptak, Shayne Kirts, Kevin Woelfel	Amy Dooley	Mason & Morgan Mikeska	Amy Dooley	Vickie N. (All. Banner)
06-27 Saturday		Volunteers				Susan B.
06-28	Janette	Team #11-Gene Muehlbrad, capt. & greeter; Connie Peters, greeter; Kayla Peters, Breanna Marburger, Jordan Peters	Bobbie Weidemann	Deane & Joyce Ullrich	Gene Goolsby	Susan B.