



Martin Luther Lutheran Church
211 Luther LN
P. O. Box 362
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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

a monthly publication of

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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: Shaye Kirts-President; Blake Dooley-President-elect; Kayla Peters-Secretary; Samantha Ullrich-Treasurer; Jessica Weidemann-Worship Committee; Cindy Weidemann-Stewardship Committee; Dana Smith-Christian Education Committee; Cheryl Etzel-Outreach/Care Committee; Ronnie Siptak-Property Committee



NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS' DAY is observed on Sunday, September 11 with a reception in the parlor following worship. Care Committee sponsors this reception to honor all grandparents, as well as those who serve as grandparents. Thanks for all of their wisdom and guidance!



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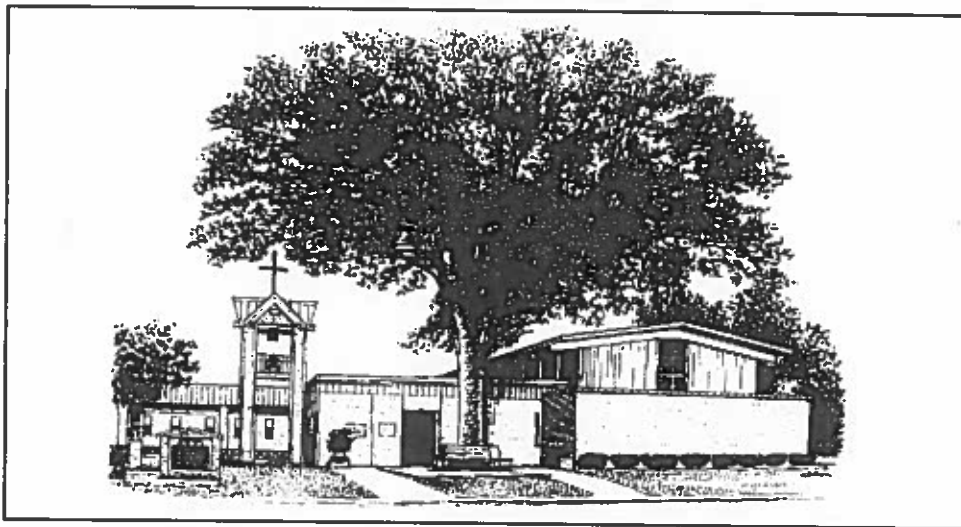
September, 2016

*"Whoever does not carry the cross **†** and follow me cannot be my disciple."*

Luke 14:27

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE TIME CHANGES:

Starting Sunday, September 4, Sunday School/Adult Bible Study will begin at 9:00 a.m., with Worship service at 9:45 a.m. (This time change will be in effect for a six-month trial period). See the church calendar for other time changes and many special events this month. **ALL ARE WELCOME! COME WORSHIP WITH US!**



DAYCARE



MARTIN LUTHER LUTHERAN SCHOOL WILL CONTINUE!

At the meeting of Sunday, August 14, it was decided to continue with the Martin Luther Lutheran School as a Day School. (See MLLS report on page 8.)

Nikki Pohl has been hired as the new Day School Director, and enough money was raised at the recent fundraiser to have the floors cleaned. *Thanks again for everyone's help and donations of time and money.*

Volunteers are needed to help move furniture back into the rooms this Sunday, August 28, at 5:00 p.m. If you could come and help as little as five minutes of your time, the MLLS staff would be thankful! Some items are very heavy and the teachers will not be able to lift them. There is a sign-up sheet in the parlor to volunteer. *So, please, if you or your spouse or friends can help, thank you so much!*

Please see page 2 about the Thank-You Celebration for Kelli Meinholdt scheduled for Sunday, September 18.

LABOR DAY SERVICES AND POTLUCK LUNCHEON on Sunday, September 4 (both in the fellowship hall).



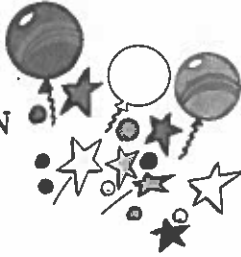
This is the first Sunday for the time change - 9:45 a.m.

The Worship Committee is providing the sloppy joes for lunch along with pickles, onions, sauce, buns, tea & punch. Sides and desserts are to be provided by members. Games for children and adults—Feel free to wear your work clothes (*uniforms, if you wore them*).

*** Next rehearsals:** The choir practices on Sunday, September 4, at 9:15 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The group will sing "Change My Heart, O God".
Tone Chimes will practice on Sunday, September 18, at 9:00 a.m.

*** Groundskeeper Applications** are still being accepted for yard maintenance at MLLC. Interested persons may contact the church office (278-3388).

THANK-YOU CELEBRATION FOR KELLI MEINHOLDT



On Sunday, September 18, we will recognize the faithful service of Kelli Meinholdt. At the end of July this year, Kelli stepped down as the director of our Martin Luther Lutheran School. She served in this role for 14 years, almost since the school was founded.

We invite you to show your thanks to Kelli with a special recognition on the 18th. This will include several elements: At worship (9:45 a.m.), we will commemorate her ministry among us. After worship (about 10:55-11:00 a.m.), we will have a reception in her honor.

You are invited to add to the day of thanks in one or more of these ways:

- 1) Attend the worship service and reception.
- 2) Make a financial gift to the Martin Luther Lutheran School in honor of Kelli. Please include a note that you are doing this in her honor.
- 3) Provide a monetary gift for Kelli through the church office. Cash or checks, payable to MLLC. It would be helpful to have these by noon on September 14 so we can write one check to Kelli.
- 4) Bring or send a card or letter to express your gratitude.
- 5) Include a gift of your choice with your note. (*If you cannot attend on the 18th, know that we can receive these personal notes and gifts at the church office to pass these along to Kelli.*)

✠ CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE FOR FALL, 2016:

Wednesdays, September 7 & 21,
October 5 & 19, and November 2
& 9 - 4:15-6:45 p.m. at MLLC
with classes meeting in the
Mission & Ministry Building
(250 Augsburg Ave.)

(Classes are in conjunction with
Bethlehem Lutheran, Round Top,
and Waldeck Lutheran).

Women of the ELCA NEWS:



New Yearbooks are available in the narthex in alphabetical order. Extras are available for anyone who would like a copy. (*See the church office.*)

Next regular meeting date:
September 8

Bible study theme: *When God's not fair-Coming to terms with a merciful God*

Session 1: *Jonah and the terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day: when God forgives the guilty*

Ladies Aid meets at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. *Pastor Tinker* gives the Bible study; *Dorothy Rothermel & Dianne Sager* are servers.

Mary Group meets the same day at 6:30 p.m. in the parlor. *Leonita Sanders* gives the opening devotion; *Pastor Tinker* leads the Bible study; offering meditation by *Colette Wunderlich*, and hostess is *Joys Baird*.

LWR School Kit Assembly:
Everyone is welcome to help with this project on Wednesday, September 14, at 2:00 p.m. in the Mission & Ministry Building. We have enough items to make 125 kits. Thanks to everyone!

The Ingathering of school supplies in September is for MLLS Day School/Preschool.

Items needed are: *construction paper, disinfectant spray, washable crayons, washable finger paints, Lysol wipes, baby wipes and paper towels.*

HELP MAKE QUILTS!

The quilting project makes covers available for Lutheran World Relief, Krause Center and Camp for All. Our regular participants who meet the second Monday of each month are Dianna Gerland, Jenell Jaster, Loydine Mays, Nancy Eilers, Beverly Cucuzza, Colette Wunderlich, Terry McIntosh, and Diana Wunderlich. Dorothy Rothermel and Loydine Mays work on projects at home.



Please consider helping with the project by joining the group which begins at 9:00 a.m. The tasks are varied. Quilts are assembled, hems are pinned and stitched in place, the layers are tacked together, not quilted. Other jobs involve ironing, cutting quilt pieces, and creating a design. There's something for everyone to do!

Donations of new and used fabric and used full-size or larger sheets are needed. During September, there will be a basket at the back of the sanctuary for fabric donations. A gift of cash can be used to purchase needed fabric. Please help with the quilting project!!

The next quilting day is
Monday, September 12, at
9:00 a.m.

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Upcoming WELCA event:

The TX-LA Gulf Coast Synod Convention, September 16-18, is at Memorial Lutheran Church, 2021 19th St. N in Texas City. *Barbara Jacob will serve as delegate.* Envelopes will be handed out on Sundays, August 28 and September 4, and need to be returned by September 11.

The theme for the convention is *"It's a Coastal Affair!—Let anyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who desires, drink freely from the water of life...Revelation 22:17."*

For the physical offering to **Water to Thrive**, Ladies Aid and Mary Group are giving \$100 each. For others interested in attending, registration fee is \$75 if you sign up by September 1, and \$85 after that.

Registration includes two meals—Saturday lunch and dinner, and refreshments at two socials.

**SHARED
CHURCH**



**MINISTRY
SCHEDULES:**

From St. Paul-Shelby: Regular Sunday service time is 8:00 a.m. with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

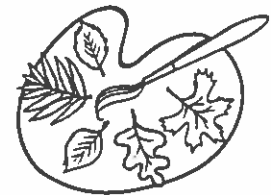
Other upcoming events:

10-02-16: 8:00 a.m. - joint service with Bethlehem Lutheran-Round Top, Pastor Blair Lundborg, Assistant to the Bishop, presiding.

10-07-16: 5:00 p.m. - Annual chicken fry, dine in or plates to go

10-30-16: 8:00 a.m. - Semi-annual congregational meeting.

**FIRST DAY OF FALL -
SEPTEMBER 22**



2017 Time & Talent sheets will be included in the October newsletter. If committees know of any changes to the sheets, please contact the church office before September 16.

The Harvest Festival & Homecoming is set for Sunday, October 16. There will be both a live and silent auction. The Stewardship Committee invites you to donate items for the auctions. They are asking for new items, along with gift certificates/ cards, artistic items, and baked goods. These may be brought to the church office. For fresh baked goods, please notify the church office and bring your item on the morning of the auction. The Stewardship Committee will make the determination of which auction to put it in.

† Baptism Remembrance Days are this *Saturday & Sunday, August 27 & 28*. Persons to be remembered are: *Kellen Bishop, Amber Dooley, Todd Dooley, Joyce Eilers, Vilette Finke, Jeff Flinn, Jimmy Flinn, Joyce Fuchs, Cole Garlin, Dwayne Garlin, Hayden Garlin, Kannon Jacob, Tucker Jacob, RaChelle Kuecker, Codie Lange, Kash Lewis, Tyler Marth, Mason Mikeska, Morgan Mikeska, Eldon Mikeska, Jr., Leatha Miller, Marjorie Morris, Code Muske, Paula Noak, Reese O'Malley, Tracy Pawlak, Garry Sanders, Faith Stork, Rylan Stork, Joyce Ullrich, Marlene Waak, Jack Weidemann, Carah Weiss, Carly Weiss, and Abby Wunderlich.*

The next Remembrance will continue on the 4th Saturday & Sunday, September 24 & 25.

ELEMENTARY YOUTH CAMP AT LUTHERHILL, AUGUST 7-12, 2016



Pictured left-right: Abby Wunderlich, Kennedy Flinn, Pastor Tinker, Kimberly Rohde, Karly Sturrock



Pictured: Pastor Tinker, Brody Dooley



Anita Drydale	03
Kim Lewis	03
Maggie Hinze	04
Cindy Hinze	06
Charles Mueller, Sr.	06
Ally Harper	09
Cheryl Etzel	10
Kooper Kirts	10
Troy Carmean	11
Ronnie Hinze	11
Jed Leppard	11
Berrie Etzel	13
Amy Huebner	13
Darlene Etzel	14
Ann O'Hara	15
Monty Mayer	16
Cohen Miller	17
Jordan Weidemann	17
Eddie Marburger	18
Kerry Lehmann	20
Presley Lange	21
Drayton Oakes	21
Kennedy Flinn	22
Jacquelyn Ray	22
Roy Finke, Jr.	23
Charlene Mueller	24
Kyle Pawlak	24
Joyce Stainer	24
Jake Smith	25
Kelly Warburton	27
Dawn Warner	27
Gene Goolsby	30
Shayne Kirts	30
Ricky Meinholdt	30

ON THE PRAYER LIST:



Josephine Canik (Carol Hall's sister-in-law, cancer); Dave Barney (Paula Barrick's daughter, Bobbie Hughes' boyfriend, upcoming treatment for cancer); Bobbie Hughes (Paula Barrick's daughter, for strength in difficult times); Marilyn Wagner (sister of Leonita Sanders, foot surgery); Terry May (cousin of Susan Ray and Wade Eilers, health concerns);

Remi Krueger (Patti Hart's granddaughter, bitten in the face by dog); Nevilee Marburger (back at daughter's home in Houston, continuing rehab); Gilbert Eilers (Joyce Eilers' brother-in-law, health concerns); Steven Pratt (Bernice Pratt's son, cancer); Wilbert Loewe (back home); Geraldine Rybarski (Dianne Sager's sister, recovering from brain aneurism surgery); Jack Walsh (friend of Wade Eilers, recurring melanoma); Arlin Naegeli (friend Carol Naegeli's husband and Bill Derrick's cousin, heart issues); Joyce Eilers (back at Argent Court); and Joey Pomykal (Paula Barrick's step-nephew, medical concerns).

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Vanita Cain Hodge (Susan Leppard's sister, burns from flash fire); Bertha Ruether (Esther Kelley's mother); Pauline Fischer (health concerns); Eugene Muehlbrad (health concerns); Ed Cain (Susan Leppard's father, in rehab, health concerns); Vera Clepper (Eugene Muehlbrad's sister; stroke); Marie Nelius (chemo for returning cancer); Janie Lange (former member Valerie Meinke's mother, health concerns); Robert Preuss (friend of Gene & Nelda Muehlbrad, head injury); Paul Viertel (declining health); Don Steinbach (former member, stem cell transplant); Michael (Butch) Schulz (Barbara Schulz's husband; health concerns); Milton Poehls (Pauline Peetsy Fischer's brother, cancer and heart trouble); Jimmy Flinn (eye problems and stroke); Herman (Ham) Kovar (Rick Kovar's father, back problems); Mary Edwards (Linda Kovar's sister, battling

lupus); Nelson Neutzler (friend of Alvis Mueller, health concerns); Josh Dow (15-year-old friend of Wade & Nancy Eilers, cancer); Amanda Sebastian (friend from Blue Bell Creameries and Randall Kohring's cousin, brain tumor); Lisa Mayer (health concerns), and Delores Oppermann (niece of Joyce Eilers, cancer).

Members in Care and Assisted Living

Facilities: Joyce Lehmann (at private care facility in Giddings); Verline Schulte (Brenham Rest Home); Elvera Limmer and Shirley Mueller (Brenham Nursing & Rehab); Lynda Kominczak (Mission Nursing & Rehab in Cuero); Elvira Dallmeyer and Joyce Eilers (at Argent Court, Brenham).

Homebound Members: 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, James Dunham, and all who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.



...to the families and friends of: Willie Prigge, Jr. (friend from Burton); Robert Gall (former RT-C teacher & coach); Brett Conner (Ann O'Hara's nephew); and Sue Manning (former Carmine resident).

FROM THE PASTOR:

Connecting with the Pastor

By Pastor David Tinker



Stay Connected

September begins our new Shared Ministry arrangement with Waldeck Lutheran Church. I invite your prayers, support, flexibility and conversation in the months to come as we all work together in this new venture.

One area of arrangement includes my time as pastor in connection with the people of both congregations as we work together in ministry. To ease this connection, I offer the following information.

The best way to make sure you and I can meet up about something is to contact me directly to arrange for a time together. I will always do my best to find a mutually agreeable time to meet. I will gladly meet at the church, a home, a hospital or care facility, or any other workable and appropriate location.

I strive to be as reachable as possible. Here are various ways to reach me. Even if I can't immediately answer your call or see your message, please leave a message so I know you are contacting me. Also note, cell phone service is not always very good at either of the two churches. Therefore, please always leave a message if you call my cell phone, but only connect with the voice mail service.

Cell – 979-530-6091 – call or text
Home – 979-278-3384
MLLC office – 979-278-3388
Waldeck Church office – 979-249-3802
Email: pastordjt@industryinet.com or djtmiles93@yahoo.com

I am also on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/david.tinker.9619>
and Twitter @DavidJTinker

I will offer general office hours at the MLLC office on these days. Week to week these have been the times I have already been at the office anyway. This is not a limit of my availability for connection and ministry, but merely a standard set of times when I plan be in the office.

Monday--9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday--9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Thursday--9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

My main office is at MLLC, but I will also spend time most every week at the Waldeck church office. At this point I plan to be at the Waldeck Lutheran Church office on Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon.

My normal day off each week continues to be Friday.

There are occasional meetings and commitments which will sometimes cut into these hours. Even when I am away from the office on some mornings, I am still reachable. At least once or twice a month I attend the Lutheran Pastors meetings earlier on Tuesdays. There are also occasions a pastoral emergency, pre-surgery visits with families at a hospital, or other situations which will arise which would likely reduce my time at the office on these days. Even with these realities, day to day and week to week I will continue to be at the church office as I have been. If you stop by the office at any time I am not available, please tell the office staff that you are trying to reach me. That way I will know of your message and I will be able to follow up and reconnect with you.

Remember: The best way to make sure you and I can meet up about something is to contact me directly to arrange for a time together. I will always do my best to find a mutually agreeable time to meet. Frequently this ends up being on relatively short notice. In all this, let us strive to love God, to love our neighbors, and to love one another.

† OFFICIAL ACTS:

Wedding: *Shelby Markwardt & Robert Vaughn* were united in marriage by Pastor Tinker at MLLC on Saturday, July 30. May God bless your marriage!



Baptisms: *Kash Lynn-Edward Lewis*, son of Tori Brooks and Colten Lewis, was baptized at MLLC on Sunday, August 7, 2016. His sponsors are Michael Hargrove, Jaden-Rae Eckermann, Tana Brooks, and Emily Noak. Kash was born March 1, 2016.



...and *Kellen Michael Bishop*, son of Michael and Ashley Ray Bishop, was baptized at MLLC on Sunday, August 14, 2016. His sponsors are Christy Kelley and Karen Offner. Grandparents of MLLC are Susan & Daryl Ray.

Welcome to the Lord's Family!

CHURCH COUNCIL SUMMARY:



Martin Luther Lutheran
Church – Carmine, TX,
Church Council Minutes
August 15, 2016
Minutes taken by
Pastor David Tinker,
per request of council president.

Members Present: Shayne Kirts, Blake Dooley, Cheryl Etzel, Cindy Weidemann, Jessica Weidemann, Samantha Ullrich, Ronnie Siptak, Pastor David Tinker.

The meeting was called to order by Shayne Kirts, council president.

Devotion – by Blake Dooley
This devotion was based on Matthew 11:28

Minutes from July were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

July Summary
YTD

Church: Income \$148,814.57
Expenses \$182,756.52
Net income: (\$33,941.95)

This includes parsonage renovation expenses of \$24,602.55 and Mission & Ministry building construction expenses of \$8,564.92 (gravel parking lot). The difference between income and expenses, when not including the major building projects, is (\$774.48)

School YTD Income \$102,201.97
Expenses \$102,726.99
Net income: (\$525.02)

MLLS Fundraiser – August 7

Income \$4,767.00
Expense \$1,317.53
Net Income: \$3,449.47

Discussions took place regarding MLLS Director as to how vacation is used for future staffing. The planning for this has been delegated to the school board and they will report back at the September Church Council meeting.

Pastor and Committee Reports were included in the church council member packet. Additional notes from these reports are included in these minutes.

Pastor's Report presented.

Added note: New Member transfer request: Lauren "Nikki" Pohl, and her daughter Kalli Wellman, to join MLLC. They have been members at Christ Lutheran Church in Brenham.

School Board Report:

School Board representative presented information regarding MLLS Director Interviews to take place on Tuesday evening, August 16.

The School Board is working on details regarding pay scale and other financial issues regarding the potential new hire for the MLLS Director. Discussion with council occurred to make suggestions for certain details in the pay package.

Suggested salary range: \$27,000-30,000/year, according to experience. Two weeks vacation (pending decision by school board). It was moved by Cindy, and seconded by Jessica, to offer this salary range for the new MLLS Director. The motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Worship – as in printed report

Outreach – Thursday, August 18, at 8:30 a.m. will be the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast. Teachers from RT-C and MLLS are invited. The Carmine State Bank will provide gift bags for attendees.

New Member Reception event is in the works. Also a thank-you event for Kelli Meinholdt is in the works.

Property – Office area HVAC repairs are soon to be finished. The sanctuary lights project is in the works. Eldon Mikeska will be getting estimates on a new ladder to help with this project.

Stewardship – no additional report.

No Old Business

New Business

Harvest Festival:

Tickets - \$10 each
Ronnie moved, and Blake seconded, to set the price for tickets at \$10 each. All agreed.

Shared Ministry with Waldeck:

Working on details for the shared contract between the two congregations. Suggested meeting with both church councils on Wednesday, August 31, at 6:30 p.m. in Waldeck.

MLLC Pastoral Guidelines:

The council offered these guidelines for priorities for pastor time as the congregation enter into a Shared Ministry arrangement with Waldeck Lutheran Church. This is meant to help the pastor manage time for what is most needed in MLLC. The council at Waldeck Lutheran Church will also work through a set of pastoral priorities for their context.

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COUNCIL SUMMARY, continued---

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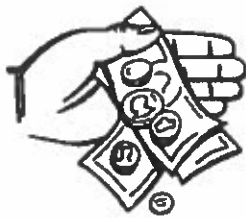
- Visit shut-ins, nursing homes, and members who are hospitalized or in need of a pastoral visit.
- Fill out mileage log daily and turn in by the 10th of each month for the previous month. A cap is set by council and Pastor must notify if he will be going over. Mileage amount does not roll over from month to month.
- Keep office and petite parlor clean so as to be used for private meetings with families of members who have passed, pre-marital counseling, etc.
- Preach weekly on the lesson of the day and provide children's sermon accordingly.
- Set office hours during week, and be available without disruptions and taking on another church.
- Work with church council to set up a Mutual Ministry Committee.

This list will be reviewed over time and at six-month mark with shared ministry arrangement.

Ronnie moved, and Cindy seconded, to adjourn. All agreed.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION REPORT:



date	attendance	general	school	building
07-31	86	3,332.00	1,001.01	10.00
08-07 7:30 am	17	-0-	-0-	-0-
08-07 9:00 am	143	4,132.00	2,560.00	25.00
08-13	20	815.00	-0-	-0-
08-14	102	3,345.00	5,421.50	30.00
08-21	94	2,338.02	1,127.50	150.00



With the money received from the sale of the aluminum cans donated to **Men in Mission** by members of MLLC, the group has donated \$600.00 to the Youth Camping Fund to help 12 youths go to camp. Continued donations of aluminum cans to the MIM program is greatly appreciated and will continue to help the youths of our church. THANK YOU from the MLLS Men in Mission!

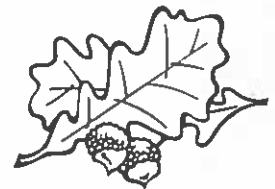
...and to the *Office Helpers for August: Kay Schmidt* folded bulletins, *Sara & David Eilers* assembled the September newsletter, *Nancy Eilers* sent bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors, and *Vickie Schroeder* put supplies in pews.

AREA EVENTS:

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Round Top, 150th Anniversary Year. Their September special date is Sunday, the 18th, with a Country-Western Service, starting at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call 979/249-3686, or go to: ble@cvctx.com

Also, on September 18, is the **Cedar Creek Schuetzen Verein** fried chicken dinner fundraiser at Carmine Hall, with pick up from 11:00-1:00. Contact the following for tickets: Cherrie Wines (713/553-4122), Ilo Dean Ullrich (979/278-3281), Sonny Marth (979/278-3175), Floyd Etzel (979/278-3346), Berrie Etzel (979/830-7119), Stuart Markwardt (979/278-3298), or Glenn Treude (979/249-7571).

Lutherhill Retreats:



Big Bend Retreat for ages 18 and older, Sept. 22-25

Creation Care Retreat, all ages, Sept. 30-Oct. 2

Fall Family Retreat, families, October 7-9

Communion Retreat, families, Oct. 21-23

Junior High Retreat, 6th-8th grade, Nov. 11-13

Advent Retreat, 1st-6th grade, Dec. 2-3

Advent Family Retreat, families, Dec. 9-11

To register or for more information, call 1-888-266-4613, or go to: www.lutherhill.org.

MLLS SEPTEMBER REPORT:

FIRST DAY OF PRESCHOOL -
Thursday, September 1



Picture-taking day is Wednesday, September 21, starting between 8:00-8:30 a.m. (*Letters have been sent to parents about this.*)

I am so happy to be on board and can't wait to see what the future holds for MLLS!
Nikki Pohl

Please mark your calendar for Friday, September 16, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for our Open House/Late Registration presentation. Meals will be available for purchase for \$7.00 each on the night of the Open House. Meals will include hamburgers and chips. If you know of anyone who may not know about us, send them our way! This event will be open to the public. Our teachers will each give a 15-minute presentation starting at 6:00 p.m. to let parents know what they can look forward to for the school year and explain our daily functions. We will also have a bouncy house set up with a freewill donation bucket for kids to jump. You can call the school at 979/278-3380 with any questions. Thank you for your support!

In our classrooms during the month of September, we will be exploring the alphabet, numbers, learning to write our



names, and learning our colors. We will be learning about families, pets and animals through Bible activities, songs, stories, math worksheets, cooking activities, science experiments, and art projects. The children will also enjoy some extra activities such as new games and songs and other outdoor games!

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., which are led by Pastor David Tinker.

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, Rebecca Mayer, Marie Loewe, and Carol Carmean for reading to the children. They enjoy it very much!

TOYS AND BOOKS FOR MLLS:
If you are cleaning up or moving out old toys, MLLS will take them if they can be easily sanitized. They will also take children's books if they are in excellent condition. There are collection baskets in the MLLS lobby and in the church parlor. Any items that cannot be used will be donated to the Burton Bridge Ministries.

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.

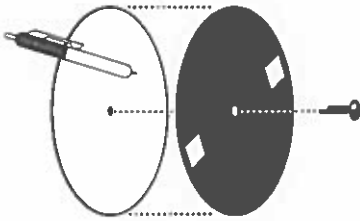
Thank you to everyone for your support of our Day School Ministry!

Nikki Pohl, Savannah Chapman,
Sofia Galvan, Kaci Neumann,
Ashley Pohl, Ashley Santos,
and Maggie Woodruff.



PROMISE WHEEL

This craft will remind you that God is always with you.



What you need:

- A large round bowl
- 2 large pieces of construction paper
- A pen
- Scissors
- A ruler
- A brad
- A Bible or search engine

What you do:

1. Turn the bowl upside down and trace around it on both pieces of paper.
2. Cut out the circles. Draw a dot in the center of each.
3. On one circle, trace and cut out two 2" squares opposite each other, with the dot in the middle.
4. Align the dots and place the brad through both circles.
5. In the space left by one square, write a fear you have. Then write a comforting Bible verse in the other square.
6. Rotate the circle to a new blank space, and write another fear and verse.



THE LORD WILL PROTECT

God always watches over us, during good times and bad.



Directions: Connect the dots, according to the instructions below. Then use the resulting word to complete the Bible verse.

Start at 19. Draw from 19-18, 18-17. 47-62, 62-77. 22-21, 21-20. 50-51. 82-81, 81-80, 80-65, 65-50, 50-35, 35-20. 24-38, 38-53. 24-40, 40-55. 17-32. 47-48. 32-47. 26-41, 41-56, 56-71, 71-86. 56-57, 57-58. 55-54, 54-53, 53-68, 68-83. 55-70, 70-85. 58-43. 57-73, 73-88. 43-28, 28-27, 27-26.

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>> "So do not __ __ __ __, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God." Isaiah 41:10, NIV <<

Answer: fear

NOTE: A completed puzzle is in a file called kid0916b_a on this month's CD and on the website, www.NewsletterNewsletter.com.

September 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				1 1 st Day of MLLS Preschool 	2	3
PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGES -Baptism Remembrance is on the 4 th & 5 th Sundays of each month (depending on how the month falls); Choir rehearsals are at 9:15 a.m. on the first Sunday (normally in the rear of the sanctuary); Christian Ed Committee will continue to meet on the 3 rd Sunday (time TBA)-but the Committee will NOT MEET in September; Hymn Sing is on the 4 th Sundays at 9:30 a.m.; LYO will continue to meet on the 4 th Sunday (time to be announced).						
4 16 th Sunday after Pentecost Labor Day Sunday Worship 9:00 am -Sunday School/Adult Bible Study in fellowship hall 9:15 am-choir rehearsal in fellowship hall 9:45 am -Worship w/Holy Communion in fellowship hall/Potluck meal to follow 5:00 pm-AA meeting	5 Labor Day Day Care & Office closed	6 9:00 am-Special Prayer Service for MLLS first week of school year 6:00-Worship Committee	7 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime 6:00-Worship Committee	8 2:00 pm-Ladies Aid 6:30 pm-Mary Group	9	10 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion REMEMBER TO COLLECT YOUR LOOSE CHANGE FOR THE NOISY OFFERING SUNDAY
11 17 th Sunday after Pentecost Grandparents' Day 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:45 am-Worship w/Holy Communion led by Praise Team/Noisy Offering collected/ Reception honoring grandparents Property Committee--(Time to be announced) 5:00 pm-AA meeting		13 Council agenda deadline	14 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime 2:00 pm-Assembly of LWR school kits in Mission & Ministry bldg.	15 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	16 Newsletter deadline 6:00-8:00 pm- MLLS Open House Sept. 16-18, WELCA Synod Convention, Texas City	17 9:00-4:00, Fellowship Hall used for shower
18 18 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Tone Chimes rehearsal 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:45 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/ Kelli Meinhold to be honored, reception after church 5:00 pm-AA meeting	19 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 1:30 pm-Sr. Citizens Domino party 6:15 pm-Church Council	20 Council agenda deadline	21 8:00 am-MLLS picture taking 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	22 First Day of Fall 	23	24 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion/Baptism Remembrance
25 19 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:30 am-Hymn Sing 9:45 am-Worship w/Holy Communion/Baptism Remembrance LYO meeting--(Time to be announced) 5:00 pm-AA meeting	26 9:00 am-Day Care Chapel 7:00 pm-Men in Mission	27 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	28 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	29 9:00 am-Day Care Storytime	30	

SERVERS FOR: September 2016

SERVERS FOR:

Assisting Ministers: Susan Bathe (09-04-Labor Sunday; 09-10);
 Dianna Gerland (09-11); Leonita Sanders (09-18);
 Jessica Weidemann (09-24); Dana Smith (09-25)
 Offering Counters: Amy Dooley, Vickie Neutzler, Boo Goolsby
 Send bulletins to shut-ins & cards to visitors: Carol Carmean
 Prepare Communion for shut-ins: Dean & Joyce Ullrich

Bulletin folder: Carol Hall
 Acolyte Organizers: Parents of September acolytes
 Put supplies in pews: Kay Schmidt
 October newsletter assemblers: Nancy Eilers &
 Leatha Miller (the weekend of September 24 or 25)

date	acolytes	ushers	readers	flowers	communion assistants	communion set-up
09-04 Labor Sunday	Miles	Team #5-LYO	Amy Dooley	Susan & Daryl Ray	Dianne Sager	Susie M.
09-10		Volunteers				Ann
09-11	Kaitlyn	Team #6-Jeff Flinn, capt., Mia & Buck Williams, greeters; Lisa Mayer, Susan Leppard, Emma Leppard	Bobbie Weidemann	Ann O'Hara	Shelley Scheffer	Ann
09-18	Faith	Team #7-Diana Wunderlich, capt. & greeter; Cole Garlin, Hayden Garlin, Kelli, Ricky, Faith & Emily Meinholdt	Dana Smith	Darrell & Esther Kelley	Susan Ray	Susan B.
09-24		Volunteers				Vickie
09-25	Hannah	Team #8-Tim Weigelt, capt., Ann O'Hara, greeter; Lori Weigelt, Justin Roemer, Claire Mayer, Hannah Roemer	Susan Bathe	Paula Barrick	Jocie Jacob- Braun	Vickie