



Martin Luther Lutheran Church
211 Luther LN
P. O. Box 362
Carmine, TX 78932

*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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Martin Luther Lutheran Church

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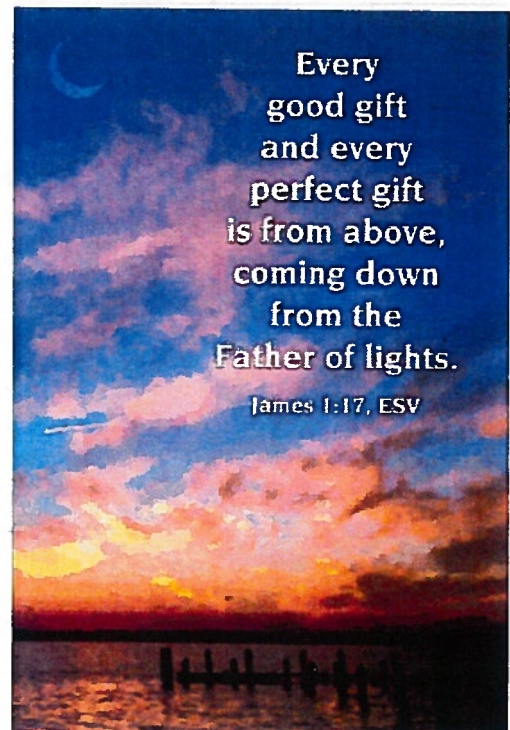
Worship schedule:

Sunday School for all – Sundays 9:00 a.m.

Sunday worship w/Holy Communion – 10:00 a.m.

**2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month – Worship
w/Holy Communion 6:00 p.m.**

Church Council: Tim Sanders-President; Buck Williams-
President-elect; Anita Drydale-Secretary; Cindy Weidemann-
Treasurer; Shelby Vaughn-Worship Committee; Karen Roemer-
Stewardship Committee; Dana Smith-Christian Education
Committee; Tina Mikeska-Outreach/Care Committee;
Brick Peele-Property Committee



Every
good gift
and every
perfect gift
is from above,
coming down
from the
Father of lights.

James 1:17, ESV



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Martin Luther Lutheran Church

September, 2018

This Month's ACTIVITIES

LABOR DAY WEEKEND WORSHIP AND LUNCH:

We will celebrate God's Love and Labor Day weekend on Sunday, September 2, with Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. as usual. Worship with Holy Communion is at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. You are encouraged to wear what you would have for your current, pre-retirement, or planned-for-

future work/vocation. It is always fun and fascinating to see the various uniforms, work logos, and the like at this worship service each year. We will end worship with a commissioning for our Christian Vocation.

(See Pastor's Article on page 5 for more on Labor Day Worship.)

The Church Lunch after Worship, should start about 11:15 a.m. We continue our time together with a time of food, fellowship, and old-fashioned games. Worship Committee provides grilled hamburgers, buns, condiments, and drinks. The congregation is asked to bring side items such as chips, desserts, slaw, beans, veggie trays, or salad to share.

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY – SEPTEMBER 9.


The purpose of National Grandparents Day, celebrated on the first Sunday after Labor Day, is threefold: to honor grandparents, to give grandparents an opportunity to show love for their children's children and to help children become aware of strength, information and guidance older people can offer. Grandparents—and, in this mobile society, surrogate grandparents—also serve as examples of how to endure challenges with God's help. Elders describe how God remains present, faithful and steadfast throughout the years. As Psalm 145:4 says: *"One generation commends your work to another; they tell of your mighty acts."* (Newsletternewsletter, Vol. 40, Number 9.)




There will be a reception in the parlor following worship on September 9 honoring Grandparents and Surrogate Grandparents.


 **THE BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES** (who were here at MLLC previously) will display their Olive Wood Carvings and have them for sale before and after worship, on Saturday and Sunday, September 8 & 9. This is an opportunity to view their products and creations in wood created by the hands of Christian artisans in and around the Holy Land region. The Rishmawi Family has been designated as the representative for these artisans and has been

authorized to show their products. The proceeds support the struggling Christian families in the Holy Land.

 **CHOIR PRACTICE** – Sunday, September 2nd, 9:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

 **STROKE SCAN SPEAKERS** will be at MLLC following the Saturday, September 22 worship service, and again on Sunday, the 23rd, after worship. The speakers will be at Waldeck Lutheran

Church on Sunday, the 23rd, at 8:00 a.m. The Stroke Screening then will be on Wednesday, October 3, at MLLC from 2:00-8:00 p.m.

 **TONE CHIMES** will begin practicing Sunday, September 23rd at 8:30 a.m. before worship. New members are always welcome! There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for anyone who enjoys music and would like to play. If you have any questions, contact Jessica Weidemann at 979-540-7761.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ▶ **A.M.E.N. Bags and Envelopes** may be returned at any time for the food pantry in La Grange. They gladly accept any non-perishable food and have given this list as especially needed: *cereal, oatmeal, soup, juice, peanut butter, chili without beans, canned chicken, spices, salt, pepper, ketchup, mustard, plastic jars of jelly, and hot sauce.* The brown bags for these items may be picked up in the narthex.
- ▶ **THE NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASSES** will begin on Wednesdays, September 5 and 12, from 4:15-6:45 p.m. in the Mission & Ministry building.
- ▶ The 2019 **TIME & TALENT SHEETS** will be included in the October newsletter. If committees know of any changes to the sheets, please contact the church office by September 15.



Please note: Next Wednesday, August 29th, School Kits for Lutheran World Relief will be assembled and packed starting at 2:00 p.m. in the Mission & Ministry Building. Help is needed and appreciated!

The Rebekah Group meets for its regular meeting on Thursday, September 13, at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Barbara Jacob leads the Bible study; Colette Wunderlich presents the offering meditation; and Joys Baird and Leonita Sanders are hostesses.

REPENTANCE IS THE THEME OF GATHER'S FALL BIBLE STUDY:

September Bible Study
Theme: Repentance, Session 1: Time after time: Turning to God.

From Interchange: *"Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love."* With these words, the prophet Joel reminds us that repentance is nothing to be afraid of – for when we turn to God, we find grace. What does it mean to

(re)turn to God with all our hearts, and how do we do it?



■ **Quilting days:** The Fleece Blanket Tying Day is Saturday, September 8, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., and the regular quilting day is Monday, September 10, starting at 9:00 a.m., both in the Mission & Ministry Building.

About the **September 15, 2018 TX-LA Gulf Coast Synod Women of the ELCA Convention: REGISTER NOW!** **Grace Changes Everything** is the theme, with featured speakers, workshops, displays, quilt raffle,

silent auction, breakfast, lunch, and business meeting. The convention will be at House of Prayer Lutheran Church, Houston, starting at 8:00 a.m. Cherrie Wines has offered transportation to and from Carmine; let Leonita Sanders know if you're interested in going.

Registration forms are available at the church office, or you may register online. Colette Wunderlich will be our delegate and Cindy Weidemann is organizing the convention booklet. Leonita serves as treasurer. If you have any questions, please ask any of these women.



Ladies birthday report--July 26, Care Inn: Cake and ice cream were served and the four residents with birthdays were given gifts. Helping with the party were: *Joys Baird, Nancy Eilers, Barbara Jacob, Sedalia Ullrich, and Colette Wunderlich.*

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WELCA NEWS, continued---



☼ The Birthday Party at Oakland Manor in Giddings is set for Friday, October 19.

☼ The Annual Turkey & Dressing dinner is set for Sunday, November 11, with a Veterans Day theme.

REPORT FROM SHARED MINISTRY MEETING - Saturday, August 11, 2018

The Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry met at MLLC. Representatives from all four congregations were present, including several from MLLC. There was discussion of various upcoming activities and of recent events at the churches. There was discussion of the four-church joint service which we held on April 29 at Lutherhill. The committee decided to move forward with another joint service in 2019. The possible date for this service is being researched by the pastors, in consultation with Lutherhill and congregational leadership.



There was also discussion of ideas for shared youth ministry, including how the four churches already do Confirmation Ministry together.



LUTHERHILL SUNDAY - AUGUST 19

MLLC welcomed *Katharine Cameron*, Director of Day Camps & Retreats, and *Matt Kindsvatter*, Executive Director, for Lutherhill Sunday. Matt was the preacher that day. Katharine led the music and played guitar. The two of them led the Sunday School lesson during the usual Sunday School hour. After worship, the MLLC Quilters presented Katharine and Matt with a quilt made by the quilters. This is a donation for the 12th Annual S'mores & Champagne Gala, which will be held on Saturday, September 8, 2018, at the Woodlands Resort. Pastor Tinker is shown with Katharine & Matt (holding the quilt).

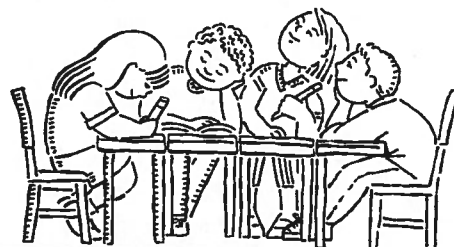
(See this web page for details: <http://lutherhill.org/support/gala>)



--A.M.E.N. Food Pantry, 805 Mode Lane, La Grange, sends the following:

Dear Friends, On behalf of the A.M.E.N. Board of Directors, we thank you for your generous support in providing emergency assistance for our needy brothers and sisters in our area. MLLC's generous donation of 151.5 lbs. of assorted groceries received July 19, 2018, is very much appreciated. Sincerely, Carolyn Rotter, For A.M.E.N. Board of Directors

--Thanks to the Office Helpers for August: Cherrie Wines sent bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors; Betty Porter & Carol Hall compiled the September newsletter; Joann Ullrich placed supplies in pews; and Jerry & Barbara Jacob folded bulletins.



Please note: The Day School Board continues to search for a director for the After-School program which has been postponed until possibly Spring or Fall, 2019.



Current Member Prayer Concerns:

Tom Brinkmeyer (friend of David & Sara Eilers, health concerns); **Shirley Mueller** (recent hospitalization); **Ilo Dean Ullrich** (recent shoulder surgery); **Nick Colpetzer** (health concerns); and **Johnny Dunham** (health concerns).

Current Friends and Family Prayer Concerns:

Fritz Schoenst (friend from Round Top, health concerns); **Bill Delk** (brother-in-law of LouAnn Stokes, health concerns); **Charles Ruby Weigelt** (brother-in-law of JoLynn Schoenberg, Kay Schmidt, and Darrel & Vickie Neutzler, health concerns); **Billy Joe Jasinski** (injuries from car accident, Becky Jasinski's brother-in-law, friend of the Roemer family, and his wife works at Carmine Feed & Fertilizer); **Frank Menix** (Bobbie Weidemann's brother, quadruple bypass surgery); **Andy & Haley Goebel** Glueck and daughter

Frances (baby health concerns, cousin of Stacy Eilers); **Sharon Johnson** (mother of Lista Morris, friend of Buck & Mia Williams, heart attack); **Hunter Pomykal** (grandson of Pauline Fischer and nephew of Paula Barrick, health concerns); **Beverly Devillier** (sister of Linda Mattocks, on hospice, cancer); **Kay Griffin** (Debby Peele's aunt, serious health concerns); **Kathy Gray** (friend of Paula Barrick, cancer); **Kevin Taylor** (Debbie Peele's sister, cancer).

Ongoing Member Prayer Concerns:

Pastor Bill Derrick, Bobbie Weidemann, Louis Kartous, and Lisa Mayer.

Ongoing Friends and Family Prayer Concerns:

Kaitlyn Pieper, Berkley Fincher, Mikayla Peschke, Lucas Smith, Izzy Depaz, El Gene Schulle, Dale Walker, Paula Watkins, Kaitlyn Fritz, Jimmy Alvarado, Perry Crow, Russell Zickley, Kalisa Pomykal, Kenneth Bishop, Dave Barney, Bobbie Hughes, Steven Pratt, Joey Pomykal, Bertha Reuther, Don Steinbach, Michael (Butch) Schulz,

Herman (Ham) Kovar, Mary Edwards, Josh Dow, and Amanda Sebastian.

Members in Care and Assisted Living Facilities: Joyce Lehmann (at Beck's Blessing in Giddings); Bill Derrick (at Bec's Blessing near Ledbetter); Dora Miller, Elvera Limmer, Verline Schulte, Joyce Eilers, and Angeline Zwernemann (Brenham Nursing & Rehab); and Elvira Dallmeyer (Kruse Village in Brenham).

Homebound Members:

Nevilee Marburger (in Houston); Mamie Roemer, Judith Yarborough, Peetsy Fischer, Elvera Rudloff (in Houston), and Shirley Mueller (at home at their Bed & Breakfast in Brenham).

Military Personnel:

MLLC members: Joseph Vogel and Bryan Miller. Family & Friends: Tyler Malinak, Rowdy Chaddock, Michael Martin, Jonathan Noak, Justyn Bearden, Wade Friedrich, James Dunham, Kyle Slaughter, and all those who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.

**TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST, AUGUST 23, 2018, IN MLLC'S FELLOWSHIP HALL
(See report on next page)**



THANKS, TEACHERS & STAFF!



The Annual Teacher Appreciation Breakfast was held on Thursday, August 23, 2018, in the fellowship hall of MLLC. The Outreach/Care Committee organizes this event each year. The committee and volunteers served breakfast for approximately 67 teachers and

school staff members from the Round Top-Carmine Independent School District, and friends and servers. A heartfelt thank you goes to all who so generously contributed food and monetary gifts to make it happen. Pastor Tinker gave the welcome, and offered appreciation to the attendees before blessing the food. Carmine State Bank provided gift bags for the teachers and staff. All those attending expressed their gratitude for MLLC continuing to host this event every year. One teacher commented, "It gets better every

year!". The Outreach Committee appreciates the support of our church members in this ministry.

MLLC and the RT-C ISD have had a friendly and positive connection for many years now. Another time of service to the local schools is when MLLC hosts the annual Baccalaureate Service on the Sunday evening in late May just before graduation day. This student-led service is a prayerful and uplifting closing of the local school career of many students.



Worship on Labor Day Weekend By Pastor David Tinker

Sunday, September 2 (Labor Day Weekend), is a Holy Day of sorts for all of us. Labor Day is a civic holiday to celebrate the opportunity for work and the contribution of the Labor movement to life in our nation. As Lutheran Christians, we go deeper with this and view all work as part of God's calling and his provision of our daily bread. All Christians are doing the work of God, regardless of where or what they do in their honorable vocation in life.

Some years ago I discovered a concise statement written by a fellow Lutheran pastor regarding the Lutheran Christian understanding of vocation. Here is an excerpt of what Pastor Samuel Schuldheisz, Redeemer Lutheran Church (LC-MS) of Huntington Beach, CA, writes, "...our early vocations or 'stations in life' as Luther called them are

fruits of our heavenly calling as God's children in baptism. The purpose of vocation is to love and serve the neighbor in the particular stations in life that God has called us to whether we are a husband, wife, father, mother, son, daughter, teacher, student, etc. We don't live life hidden in a corner. This was the danger of many priests and monks in the Reformation era. Many taught that the highest form of Christian living was to become a monk and live in a monastery. Luther wrote extensively against this false teaching as he re-discovered the doctrine of vocation and began to teach and preach about its necessity in the Christian life. Luther taught that on one level, there is no difference between monk and magistrate or priest and plumber. Each Christian is called according to God's Word and Spirit, regardless of what their status in society is. This means that God's calling of a Roadkill Collector is just as holy as God's calling to be a pastor.

The difference is the office and duties that are unique to each vocation. For example, the pastoral office is not the office of school teacher, just as the office of father is not the same as the office of mother. Each vocation, or calling from God, has particular

and unique duties attached to it. This is how God works in, with, and under the ordinary means of this life to accomplish His good and gracious will, physically and spiritually."

To celebrate this blessing of vocation, we will be taking the Sunday of Labor Day weekend to give thanks for the blessings of daily bread, of work, of school, of family, etc. To enhance our time together, you are invited to wear the clothes or uniform of your current or pre-retirement vocation. Younger folks are encouraged to dress in the manner of those in your aspired-for vocation. No matter what, know that we will be giving thanks for and honoring all that God has called each of us to do as part of his greater work in the world. Know that who each of us is and what God has called and equipped each of us to do is important. On Sunday, September 2, we will take time to give thanks for all which God calls and equips us to do.

(See page 1 for more details).

We look forward to seeing you September 2 and on other Sundays in the weeks to come.

**MARTIN LUTHER
LUTHERAN CHURCH
CHURCH COUNCIL
MEETING SUMMARY
Monday, August 20, 2018**



Members present: Cindy Weidemann, Anita Drydale, Karen Roemer, Brick Peele, and Pastor David Tinker. Members absent: Tim Sanders, Dana Smith, Tina Mikeska, Shelby Vaughn, and Buck Williams.

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by Cindy, Council treasurer. The devotion was presented by Pastor.

The minutes and treasurer's report from the July meeting were approved.

Pastor's Report

Upcoming weddings:
September 8 - Tiffany Carmean and Jarrod Jamail, at a rural lakefront, not at MLLC.
October 6 - Emily Meinholdt and Justin Vincent, wedding at MLLC. (Emily is a member at Waldeck.)
October 20 - Cari Meinke and Britt Harper, wedding at MLLC. (Cari is a member at Waldeck).

Pastor participated in the Confirmation Camp week at Lutherhill. Youths from MLLC, Waldeck, Bethlehem-Round Top, St. Paul-Shelby, and Emmanuel-Greenvine were in a group together. All the youths who attended Confirmation Class with this same group this past school year attended as part of our group.

The Confirmation Class for 2018-19 begins September 5. The five-church group will continue to meet at MLLC in the Mission & Ministry building.

Pastor worked with office staff on updating the Confirmation Class Reunion addresses and deaths, in preparation to send letters for the October Harvest Festival.

There has been discussion with Round Top and Shelby to hold the Thanksgiving Eve service together with MLLC and Waldeck. The church councils at Round Top and Shelby are deciding this soon. Neither church currently hosts a Thanksgiving Service, but have participated with Shared Lutheran Ministry of Fayette County in the past. With our four congregations working together for other things, they thought it would be good to consider this for 2018. The current plan is to host this service at Waldeck, as previously planned. This service would be on Wednesday, November 21, at Waldeck, 7:00 p.m.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education Committee: No report.

Worship Committee: No report.

Property Committee:
2nd phase of fluorescence lighting replacement with LED bulbs in main office and counting room completed. Replacement of fellowship hall lighting will be next phase. Replaced doorknobs on fellowship hall restrooms with non-lockable, hall/closet type. Urinal screens and floor mats installed in sanctuary, office hallway, and fellowship hall men's restroom. Replacement of A/C filters in fellowship hall and sacristy completed.

Additional shelving unit would be beneficial for quilters in M&M building. Church push lawn mower needs replace-

ment. Cost of shelving unit is \$159 (on sale from \$189). Cost of mower is \$259 with 10% discount (*Brick's military discount*). Council approved as presented.

Ongoing: Replacement of defective fluorescent lamps. Sheetrock repair in ceiling and misc. painting when possible. Maintenance of church grounds. Connect/repair flex ducting in attic over fellowship hall. Bull rock placement to address erosion rear of school building is ongoing. Vent screens for fellowship hall crawl space openings - construction pending.

Stewardship Committee: No report. **Correction from last month: Stewardship is discussing music; not planning music for Harvest Festival.**

Dayschool Committee: No report

Old Business:
Harvest Festival planning. Marlene will do the posters, pending feedback from Christian Education of kids' activities. The price for meals will be the same. Worship at 9:30 a.m. Food planning is underway. First silent auction items have been received.

New Business:
Endowment Committee update needed.

Announcements/Letters:
None.

Karen will present the devotion at the next meeting - Monday, September 17, at 6:15 p.m. The meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Anita Drydale, MLLC Council Secretary

MLLC Financial Information

July, 2018 year to Date

Total income \$158,651.85
 Total Expenses 145,154.70
 Net Income: \$ 13,497.15

July, 2018 Month

Total Income \$22,557.30
 Total Expenses 22,112.68
 Net Income: \$ 444.62

Year to Date Expenses Highlights:

Salaries and Benefits \$89,683.14
 Benevolences 14,670.05
 Property Insurance 9,886.50
 Utilities 8,741.49
 Printing 4,930.06
 Supplies & Forms 2,670.70
 Equipment & Tools 2,293.09
 MLLC Camping Ministry 2,250.00
 Bulletins & Envelopes 1,897.07
 Reimbursements 1,779.21
 Computer & Software 1,768.46
 Maintenance & Repair 1,388.59
 Postage & Handling 1,018.00
 Convention Expenses 780.20
 Special Services 500.00
 Pest Control 375.64
 Miscellaneous 340.00
 Road Signs 182.50

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION REPORT:

Date	Attendance	General	School	Building
07-28	31	895.00	-0-	-0-
07-29	55	1,922.00	-0-	-0-
08-06	67	5,707.00	-0-	-0-
08-11	17	682.00	-0-	30.00
08-12	66	1,890.00	-0-	25.00
08-19	77	3,224.00	-0-	-0-



CONGRATULATIONS... to Jason & Vickie Schroeder on the birth of their son, **Spence Charles Schroeder**, born August 2, 2018, in Austin. Spence weighed 4 lbs., 3 oz., and measured 17 inches. From MLLC, his grandparents are Garry & Leonita Sanders.



ABOUT THE ONE YEAR TO LIVE MEN'S RETREAT, October 22-28, 2018, at Camp Chrysalis: This retreat is sponsored by ELCA's Men in Mission for men all across the nation. This gives men an opportunity to spend time away together and come closer in their walk with Christ. Early (discounted) registration is \$195 by Saturday, September 15. Regular registration is \$225, due October 8. There are sponsorships for men between the ages of 20-30, which would pay up to 90% of the registration fee. For more information, go to: www.lutheranmeninmission.org.

MORE ABOUT THE SEAFARERS COLLECTION: The items will be collected throughout September, October, and November at MLLC. The Men in Mission will gather at the end of November to assemble, wrap, and send the boxes. The Port of Houston Chaplains are our ambassadors to the seafarers. They visit the ships and bring the boxes to the crews. For 2018, please gather items for the men on the ships - you can buy things throughout the year and drop these off at any time. There is a large blue storage bin for this purpose in the room directly across from the church office. The Men in Mission Group does not need boxes this year. See the list of requested items below:

Address books, Band-aids (fabric), Baseball caps, 2019 Calendars, Comb, Dental floss, Antiperspirant/deodorant, Disposable razors, Flashlight and batteries, Kleenex (small packs), Lip balm, Lotion, Nail clippers, Gold Bond cream, Gold Bond powder, Hot chocolate (individual serving size), Needles and thread, Q-tips, Shaving cream, Soap, Shampoo, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Gum and hard candy, Key chains, Pocket-sized notebooks, Mechanical pencils, Pens, Playing cards, Microwave popcorn (individual packages), Socks, Sudoku books, Texas souvenirs, T-shirts, USB flash drives, Word search books.



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

GETTING READY FOR THE 9TH ANNUAL HOMECOMING AND HARVEST FESTIVAL - October 21

Worship at Carmine hall begins at 9:30 a.m. We will again recognize the Confirmation Classes from the years ending in 3 and 8. Music will be by our Praise Team. The fried chicken meal (\$10/plate) will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. There will be Live and Silent Auctions. We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones!



AROUND TOWN

☛ **The Carmine City Park "Buy A Brick Project"** is now underway. Don't miss this opportunity to support our beautiful little park while honoring someone we love or in memory of our loved ones. Brick pavers are available in small (4" x 8") for \$75 and large (8" x 8") for \$125. Forms with engraving/ordering information are available at the City Office or by calling Leonita Sanders at 979-278-3668. We thank you for supporting this project for purchasing park equipment. Thank you! Leonita

☛ **The Drive-Thru BBQ Chicken & Sausage dinner** benefitting the Billy Jo Jasinski Family is set for Sunday, September 9. The meal also includes

potatoes, beans, sauce & dessert catered by J's Bar-B-Q with pickup from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Burton Fire Station #2, 1687 FM 1697, Burton, or Dan's Meat Market, 1003 S. Austin St., Brenham. Karen Roemer can get tickets for you at church or by calling her at 979-277-5737. Tickets are also Sold at Carmine Feed & Fertilizer.

☛ **Carmine Hall** will sponsor a fried chicken dinner on Sunday, September 16, with pickup from 11:00-1:00. Tickets are \$10, advance only, and will soon be available from hall members. On the menu: Half chicken, buttered noodles, and green beans.

LUTHERHILL FALL RETREATS 2018-19

Fall Family Retreat - October 12-14, 2018
Escape to the Hill for a fun-filled family weekend.

Converge - November 9-11, 2018
A gathering for 6th-8th grade youths to laugh and learn.

Advent Retreat - December 7-8, 2018
A gathering for 1st-6th grade youths to explore the joy of advent.



Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministries
September 2018 Happenings
Waldeck Evangelical Lutheran Church – St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby
Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top – Martin Luther Lutheran Church - Carmine

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Luther Ln & Augsburg Ave,
just a block south of US 290.
<http://mlccarmine.com>
Find us on Facebook
Worship on Sunday – 10:00 a.m.
Worship on 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month –
6:00 p.m.
Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
Pastor David Tinker
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384
President: Tim Sanders 713-502-3075

Women's Bible Study – 2nd Thursday at 2:00 p.m.
Men's Fellowship and Study Group – 4th Monday
at 7:00 p.m.

Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels and fellowship
Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
(excluding Federal holidays) 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
All seniors welcome. Small donation invited to
cover cost of food. The group meets at 250
Augsburg Ave, in the Mission & Ministry building,
across the street from the church.

Labor Day Sunday – September 2

Come to worship dressed as you would for your
current, former, or hoped for vocation.
Worship in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited to
bring a salad, side, or dessert to share at the meal to
follow. Meat, buns, condiments and drinks
provided by the Worship Committee.

Olive Wood Carved Arts Sale. Representatives of
the Bethlehem Christian Families will be at the
church before and after worship on Saturday,
September 8 (6:00 p.m.) and Sunday September 9
(10:00 a.m.) to display and sell the finely crafted
Olive Wood arts.

Harvest Festival and Homecoming. Sunday,
October 21, at the Carmine Hall. Worship at 9:30
a.m.; Fried Chicken meal (\$10/plate) serving from
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Live and Silent Auctions.

Waldeck Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Ledbetter, TX 78946
Located at the intersection of
FM 1291 and FM 2145
(979) 249-3802
Find us on Facebook
Worship on Sunday – 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.
Pastor David Tinker
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384
President: Sue Schoenst 979-250-1783

Blessing of Animals Service. In early October.
Details upcoming.

Thanksgiving Eve Service. Wednesday,
November 21, at 7:00 p.m. at Waldeck.

New Phone Number for Pastor David Tinker.

Please make changes to your records – Pastor
Tinker's new cell phone number is 713-461-8007.
*The old cell number (979-530-6091) is no longer in
service.* All other numbers continue to be the same.

Four Church – Crossroads - Meeting

The Next Shared Ministry 4 Church meeting will be
on Saturday, November 10, 9-11 a.m. at St. Paul in
Shelby.

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministries

September 2018 Happenings

Waldeck Evangelical Lutheran Church – St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby
Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top – Martin Luther Lutheran Church - Carmine

Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top

412 S White St
Round Top, TX 78954
(979) 249-3686
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Worship on Sunday – 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 1st Sunday at 8:30 a.m.
Noisy Offering on 1st Sunday monthly
Pastor John David Nedbalek

First Thursday of each Month
9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle Visitors Welcome

Second Tuesday of each Month
9:00 a.m. Sewing Circle Visitors welcome



Stand at the crossroads and look...
Ask where the good way is, and walk in it,
And you will find rests for your souls.
Jeremiah 6:16

St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby

6814 Skull Creek Road
Fayetteville TX 78940
Located just a few blocks east of FM 1457
(979)836-8972
www.stpaulshelby.org
Find us on Facebook
Regular Sunday Service time – 8:00 AM
– Sunday School @ 9:45 AM
Pastor John David Nedbalek – cell 210-422-7599
President: Verlyne Aschenbeck 979-250-1442

Quilting – 3rd Wednesday each month

Noisy Offering – 3rd Sunday each month

Game Day – First Wednesday of each month
from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the community.
Everyone is welcome. Bring snack, board game,
dominoes, etc.

Four Church – Crossroads – Meeting

The Next Shared Ministry 4 Church meeting will be
on Saturday, November 10, 9-11 a.m. at St. Paul in
Shelby.

New Phone Number for Pastor David Tinker.

Please make changes to your records – Pastor
Tinker's new cell phone number is **713-461-8007**.
*The old cell number (979-530-6091) is no longer in
service. All other numbers continue to be the same.*

Miracles happen!

Create this colorful reminder of God's wondrous works.




What you need:

- white cardstock
- white wax crayon
- paintbrush
- water
- watercolor paints

What you do:

1. Across the paper horizontally, write with the white crayon "Miracles happen!" (or a Bible verse such as Job 5:9; Psalm 77:14; Jeremiah 32:27; or Matthew 19:26).
2. Wet the paintbrush and paint over the words with different colors.
3. Let dry and then hang up.









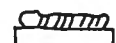



PUZZLE

IT'S A MIRACLE!

Jesus performed many amazing miracles during his earthly ministry.

Directions: Match the words and pictures of different healings, from one column to the other. Then fit the word pairs in the blanks below to complete Matthew 11:5, NIV.

	blind	hear	
	leprosy	walk	
	lame	raised	
	deaf	sight	
	dead	cleansed	

The _____ receive _____, the _____, those
 who have _____ are _____, the _____
 _____, the _____ are _____.

MATTHEW 11:5, NIV

Answer: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised Matthew 11:5, NIV

Servers for: **SEPTEMBER**

Assisting Ministers: Dana Smith (09-02-Labor Day, 09-30); Susan Bathe (09-08, 09-23);
 Jessica Weidemann (09-09, 09-22); Dianna Gerland (09-16)

Offering Counters: Karen Roemer, Todd Dooley, Shelley Scheffer

Put supplies in pews: Bobbie Weidemann

Bulletin folders: Dean & Joyce Ullrich

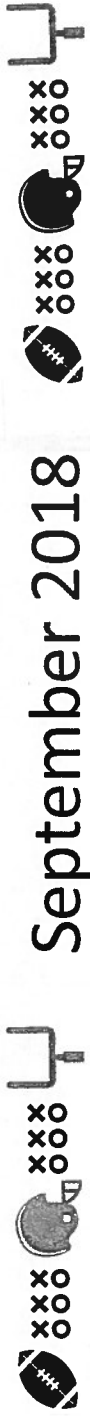
Acolyte organizers: Parents of September acolytes

Send bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors: Nancy Eilers



October newsletter assemblers: Leatha Miller & Nancy Eilers

(the weekend of September 28 or 29)

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Readers	Flowers	Communion assistants	Communion set-up
09-02 Labor Day Sunday	Abby	Team #16-Dennis Gerland, capt., Boo Goolsby, greeter, Brick & Debby Peele, greeters; Jennifer Mohr, Carol Carmean	Stephanie Sanders	Jim & Linda Mattocks	Bobbie Weidemann	Jessica Weideman
09-08		Volunteers				Connie Peters
09-09	Ryan	Team #17-Dean Ullrich, capt. & greeter, Joyce Ullrich, greeter, Dianne & Ted Sager, greeters; Tori Brooks, Robbie & Diane Tovey	Carol Carmean	Cindy Hinze	Shelby Vaughn	Connie Peters
09-16	Carter	Team #18-Garry Sanders, capt., Leonita Sanders, greeter; Jason Schroeder, Theresa Garlin, Cole Garlin	Tony Dooley	Shelley Scheffer	Connie Peters	Joann Ullrich
09-22		Volunteers				Jadon Weidemann
09-23	Drayton	Team #19-Monty Mayer, capt., LouAnn Stokes, greeter; Lisa Mayer, Claire Mayer, Gwen Woelfel, Kevin Woelfel	Susan Ray	Paula Barrick	Susan Ray	Jadon Weidemann
09-30	Cody	Team #1-Floyd Etzel, capt. & greeter; Cheryl Etzel, RaChelle Kuecker, Scott & Amie Pratt, Casey Lange, Codie Lange	Vickie Schroeder	Clint & RaChelle Kuecker	Vickie Schroeder	Karen Dooley



September 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 15th Sunday after Pentecost ✪ Labor Day Sunday 9:00 am-Sunday School/ Adult Bible Study/9:30 am-Choir practice (Envelopes handed out for WELCA Synod Convention) 10:00 am- <i>Informal Worship with Holy Communion in fellowship hall</i> /Potluck meal after worship/HOME COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION 5:00 pm-AA meeting	3 Labor Day 	4 6:00 pm-Worship Committee meeting	5 4:15-6:45 pm-Confirmation class	6 2:00 pm-Rebekah Group meets	7 10:00-1:00-BLANKET TYING FOR LWR SATURDAY→	8 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion/Baptism of Joshua Aranzola and Emily Ortiz (Olivewood Carvings for sale) REMEMBER: Collect change for the noisy offering Sunday
9 16th Sunday after Pentecost ♥ National Grandparents Day 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study (Olivewood Carvings for sale) 10:00 am-Worship with Holy Communion led by Praise Team /Noisy offering collected/Reception for Grandparents After worship-Property Committee 11:00 am-Christian Ed Committee 5:00 pm-AA meeting	10 9:00 am-Quilting 6:30 pm-Stewardship Committee Meeting	11 Council agenda deadline	12 4:15-6:45 pm-Confirmation class	13 2:00 pm-Rebekah Group meets	14	15 WELCA Synod Convention in Houston 
16 17th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:00 am-Worship with Holy Communion 5:00 pm-AA meeting	17 ---→1:30 pm-Senior Citizens Domino Party ---→ 6:15 pm-Church Council	18	19	20	21 Newsletter deadline	22 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion/Baptism Remembrance Stroke Scan Speakers after worship
23 18th Sunday after Pentecost (8:00 am-Waldeck-Stroke Scan Speakers and after worship at MLLC) 8:30 am-Tone chimes practice 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:45 am-Hymn Sing 10:00 am-Worship with Holy Communion 5:00 pm-AA meeting	24 7:00 pm-Men in Mission	25	26	27	28	29
30 19th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:00 am-Worship w/Holy Communion 5:00 pm-AA meeting	31	1	2	3	4	5

August 2018

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October 2018

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