



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**

*a monthly publication of*

**Martin Luther Lutheran Church**

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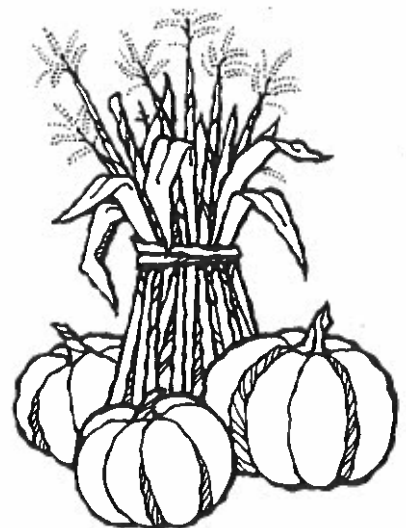
**Worship schedule:**

**Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion 6:00 p.m.**

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

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

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



**OCTOBER**



Martin Luther Lutheran Church presents the 9th Annual

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# Harvest Festival

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All "WILLKOMMEN" to a German-Polka service at 9:30 am  
with confirmation class recognitions

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019 at CARMINE HALL**  
**Famous Carmine Fried Chicken Meal**  
**serving from 11:00 to 1:00**

**FESTIVITIES INCLUDE:**

LIVE AUCTION ~ SILENT AUCTION ~ KIDS ACTIVITIES  
PUMPKIN DECORATING ~ POLKA DESSERT WALK & MORE

**MEAL TICKETS ARE \$10**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL CHURCH OFFICE**

979-278-3388, 9:00 - 2:00, Mon. - Fri.



# LUTHER'S LETTER

Martin Luther Lutheran Church

OCTOBER, 2019

**THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL AND HOMECOMING** will be held Sunday, October 20, at the Carmine Hall. Worship will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the Confirmation Classes from the years ending in 4 and 9 being recognized at the beginning of the service. Praise Team will lead songs to German-Polka music. Items for both the live and silent auction are being accepted. They are asking for new



items, along with gift certificates/ cards, artistic items, and baked goods. The Stewardship Committee will make the determination of what items will be offered at each auction, and they ask all members and interested friends to contribute items for the auctions. Melvin Schoenst will serve as the auctioneer. Of course, bidders and buyers will also be needed. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Tickets for the meal are available for \$10. Congregation members are asked to provide desserts. Some plates will be delivered to Brenham. If anyone would like to sell tickets, contact Amy Dooley at 979-203-4343.



## OCTOBER IS STEWARDSHIP MONTH:

The 2020 Time & Talent sheets are included in this newsletter. Please fill these out and return to the box in the narthex by the end of October, so that the 2020 All-Servers Lists may be compiled in early November.



*Volunteers of all ages are encouraged to add their names to help fold worship bulletins, assemble monthly newsletters, help with Communion set-up and assisting, ushering at worship services, being a lay reader on Sundays, placing supplies in church pews, sending cards to visitors and bulletins to shut-ins, being a bread provider, bread & wine presenters, and cross bearers. Please prayerfully consider helping in these and other ways as we all strive to serve God and His Church. Can you help?*

(Usher Teams will remain the same unless you ask to be removed. Team Captains are asked to notify the church office of any changes to their teams for 2020.)

**OLIVE WOOD CARVING 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, October 26 & 27. 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.



**PASTOR TINKER WILL BE ATTENDING A RETREAT OCTOBER 3-6.**  
**If you are in need of a Pastor during this time, please call the church office--278-3388. Pastor Jen Kindsvatter will preside at both the Saturday & Sunday service, October 5 & 6.**

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**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

⇒ **CHOIR PRACTICE** is set for Sunday, October 5, and the choir will sing "Pass It On".

⇒ **YOGA CLASSES** began on Tuesday, September 3, and continue each Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in our fellowship hall. Please bring a yoga mat or heavy bath/beach towel. The type of class is gentle, restorative, Hatha Yoga, and is led by Betty Porter.

⇒ **CONFIRMATION CLASSES:** Next classes are October 9, 23, & 30. (*Confirmation Day is set for the first Sunday of May, 2020.*)



⇒ **REFORMATION SUNDAY** is **October 27.** The text and music for the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress", may possibly be the best known of the many hymns that Martin Luther wrote. Found on pages 504 & 505 of the ELW, the hymn ends with "The kingdom's ours forever!"

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**CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR PORT OF HOUSTON SEAFARERS**

By Pastor David Tinker

We will be collecting items and preparing the Christmas boxes for the Port of Houston Seafarers. The goal for this year is 100+ boxes. Items may be placed in the room across from the main church office. The Packing Day for the boxes is Monday, November 25, at 6:00 p.m. The work will take place in the parlor, and all are invited to participate.



We are looking forward to another generous and joyful year of preparing and sending the Christmas Boxes for the Seafarers at the Port of Houston. A few years ago, we revived this ministry and it has gone quite well. The Men in Mission organization of MLLC organizes this each year. They are thankful for the congregational partnership in this caring ministry.

The items will be collected through November, up to Monday, November 25, at MLLC. After that date, these wrapped boxes will be delivered to the Port of Houston Seafarers Center. The Port of Houston

Chaplains at the Center are our ambassadors to these seafarers. They visit the ships and bring the boxes to the crews. With our work together at MLLC, we can help reach even more with the love of Jesus Christ.

For this year, 2019, please gather items such as those listed on the next page 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.

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The Men in Mission Group does not need boxes this year. These were provided by Home Depot in Brenham. The requested list of items include the following:

Address books	Nail clippers	Gum & hard candy
Band-aids (fabric)	Gold Bond cream	Key chains
Baseball caps	Gold Bond powder	Pocket-sized notebooks
2020 Calendars	Hot chocolate (individual serving size)	Mechanical pencils
Comb	Needles & thread	Pens
Dental floss	Q-tips	Playing cards
Antiperspirant/deodorant	Shaving cream	Microwave popcorn (individual pkg.)
Disposable razors	Soap	Socks
Flashlight and batteries	Shampoo	Sudoku books
Kleenex – small packs	Toothbrush	Texas souvenirs
Lip balm	USB flash drives	T-shirts
Lotion		WordSearch books



## WOMEN OF THE ELCA NEWS:




**WELCA Brazos Cluster Fall Gathering** will be held Saturday, October 5, at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Brenham with the theme, "*Love Over Hate*", based on Hebrews 13:16. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the program begins at 9:00. Speaker is Mary Barnes, volunteer at Bluebonnet Haven in Brenham. Monetary offering is to purchase Teen Bibles. Physical offerings include arts and craft supplies, card games, dominoes, board games, scrapbooking supplies, and water paints.

**COMMUNION SERVICES** will be held on October 8 at care facilities in La Grange: 2:30 pm-Care Inn; 3:15 pm-Jefferson Place; 4:00 pm-Monument Hill. If you would like to help, contact Pastor Tinker.

**Next regular Rebekah Group meeting:**  
**Thursday, October 10, at 2:00 p.m.**

Barbara Jacob leads the Bible study; Nancy Eilers gives the offering meditation; and Jocie Braun and Carol Carmean are hostesses.

The 2020 Yearbook and November Thankoffering day will be planned.

 The regular Quilting Day is Monday, October 14, starting at 9:00 a.m. and Fleece Blanket Tying Day is Saturday, October 12, 10:00 a.m. until noon, both in the Mission & Ministry Building.

**Items for Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief** will be collected. The following are needed:

- One light-to-medium-weight bath-size towel, 52"x27" or smaller
  - Two bath-sized bars of soap
  - One adult toothbrush
  - One sturdy comb
  - One metal nail clipper (with or without attached file)
- Wrap items in a towel and secure with yarn.



Several names were inadvertently omitted from the list of campers in the September newsletter. Please excuse the mistake.

The following is the correct list of youths from MLLC attending camp in July and August at Lutherhill: *Kennedy Flinn, Abby Wunderlich, Jace Carmean, Bree Dooley, Brody Dooley, Reagan Williams, Caden Tovey, Brayden Scheffer, Cody Wunderlich, Emma Baird, Bailey Wunderlich, Carter Wunderlich, Summer Dooley, Brenner Bishop, Morgan Williams, Seth Kelley, Janette Wunderlich, Miles Tinker and Kandyce Hughes.*



**Current Member Prayer Concerns:** Dean Ullrich (shoulder surgery); Daniel Kieke (surgery); Allyne McGilvra (recovering at Brenham Nursing & Rehab); Jack & Bobbie Weidemann (health concerns); Louis Kartous (health issues); Sedalia Ullrich (recent shoulder surgery); Johnny Dunham (health concerns); Ruby Renck (health concerns); and Robert Vaughn (Shelby's husband, at Oakland Manor in Giddings).

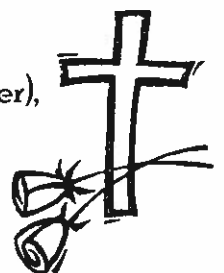
**Current Friends and Family Prayer Concerns:** Angie Colpetzer (mother of Josh Aranzolo and Emily Ortiz, recent surgery); Terry Davis (acquaintance of Susan Bathe, recent heart surgery); Debbie Walch (friend of Ed Eargle and Carol Carmean, continued treatment for health problems); Ricky Weyand (friend, recent surgery); Gordon Tinker (Pastor Tinker's father, health concerns); Stephany Hamrell (neighbor of Susan Bathe, health concerns); Carl & Linda Richardson (friends of Daryl & Susan Ray, Carl for healing of colon cancer and Linda for strength and courage); Bill Clarke (friend of Daryl & Susan Ray, declining health); Mark Riggan (cousin of Daryl Ray, recent heart attack); Edna Mae Krivacka (friend of Carol Carmean & Ed Eargle, health concerns); and Bruce Muske (Carol Hall's son-in-law, health issues).

**Ongoing Member Prayer Concerns:** Sara Eilers, Lisa Mayer, Linda Kovar, Jack Flinn, Jack Weidemann, Vickie Neutzler, and Ashley Weiss.

**Ongoing Friends and Family Prayer Concerns:** Annie Pietsch, Branch Neutzler, Charles Marburger, Shirley Neumann, Frances Glueck & family, Pastor Bill Derrick, Sharon Johnson, Hunter Pomykal, Kay Griffin, Kevin Taylor, Berkley Fincher, Mikayla Peschke, Lucas Smith, El Gene Schulle, Dale Walker, Kaitlyn Fritz, Jimmy Alvarado, Russell Zickley, Kenneth Bishop, Steven Pratt, Joey Pomykal, Bertha Reuther, Don Steinbach, Michael (Butch) Schulz, Mary Edwards, Josh Dow, Amanda Sebastian, Doris Fay Georges, Natalie Broadway, Kaitlyn Nienstedt, Edna Krause, Fred Kessel, Eugenia Fuhman, Lloyd Pieper, C. J. Lehmann, Harris Kubos, Jr., and Sam Reeves.

**Members in Care and Assisted Living facilities:** Joyce Lehmann and LaVerne Kunkel (at Bec's Blessing in Giddings); Bernice Mueller, Dora Miller, Elvera Limmer, and Verline Schulte (Brenham Nursing & Rehab); and Elvera Rudloff is at a small assisted living facility in Houston.

Our Sympathy to the families & friends of: Pauline Jaster (sister-in-law of Jenell Jaster), Kathy Gray (friend of Paula Barrick, Tara Freeman (Carmine resident); and Reymiro "Ray" Luera (friend of Leatha Miller).



**OFFICIAL ACTS IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER:**



**Baptism: Darren Wade Kokel**, son of Haley (Woelfel) and Colt Kokel was baptized at MLLC on Sunday, August 25, 2019, by Pastor David Tinker. His sponsors are Heather Wright, Kevin Woefel, Kyle Kokel, and Brent Mersioskyk. Darren was born April 6, 2018. Welcome to the Lord's Family!



**Wedding: Codie Lange and Bridget Holloway** were married at MLLC on Saturday, September 14, 2019, with Pastor David Tinker presiding. May God bless your marriage!



♥ We cannot begin to express how much everyone's love, prayers and generosity mean to us. We would like to say thank you to everyone who took time out of their weekend to help cook, fill plates, deliver plates, served desserts, brought desserts or showed up to help in any way. We would also like to thank everyone who donated by getting meals, desserts or just donated, it is greatly appreciated.

*Love, Robert, Shelby, Sadie and Emery Vaughn.*

♥ Thanks to the Office Helpers for September: *Carol Carmean* sent bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors; *Dianna Gerland* folded bulletins, *Vickie Schroeder* placed supplies in pews; and *Nancy Eilers and Leatha Miller* assembled the October newsletter.

♥ Lutherhill Ministries sends the following thank you: "On behalf of Lutherhill Ministries

and our community, thank you for your generosity and support. With each gift entrusted to us, we renew our commitment to providing an opportunity for all people, of every generation to experience the love of Christ in unique settings and new ways.

Your support and involvement has helped Lutherhill Ministries grow into the summer

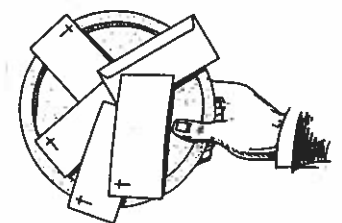
camp and retreat center it is today—with two locations and countless opportunities to provide faith transformation among holy spaces. Thank you again for your gift to Lutherhill Minis-tries and for your willingness to partner with us in our -mission." Signed – Matt Kindsvatter, Executive Director. *(The \$25.00 donation was dated 9-5-2019 to the Road to Wonder campaign).*



...to Tucker Jacob and Caitlin Patty who were married on September 21, 2019, at 2K Reserve near Hempstead. Reverend David Luckenbach presided. May God bless your marriage!

**ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTIONS:**

Date	Attendance	General	School	Building
08-24	22	775.00	-0-	-0-
08-25	102	4,937.40	-0-	-0-
08-31	26	485.00	-0-	-0-
09-01	61	6,555.00	-0-	30.00
09-07	21	815.00	-0-	-0-
09-08	87	2,304.17	-0-	175.00
09-14	24	492.00	-0-	-0-
09-15	52	2,292.24	-0-	-0-
09-21	23	280.00	-0-	-0-
09-22	70	3,584.00	-0-	30.00



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Heather Wright	01	Stephanie Sanders	16
Chance Waak	02	Bailey Conway	17
Nolan Waak	03	Liam Diehl	17
Drake Waak	03	Cody Marburger	17
Theresa Garlin	06	Kalli Wellmann	17
Larry Pohl	06	Jimmy Flinn	19
Kandyce Hughes	07	Vickie Schroeder	19
Aaron Moore	08	Reuben Wunderlich	19
Jonathan Dunham	09	Jack Flinn	20
Scott Pratt	09	Stuart Markwardt	20
Chance Schoenst	09	Clarissa Wright	20
Luke Kelley	10	Patricia Bruchey	21
Susan Bathe	11	Bowen Williams	23
Danielle Nelson	11	Patti Hart	24
Ryan Smith	13	Otto Fuchs, Jr.	25
Andrew Eckert	14	Jaycie Pohl	26
Nancy Eilers	14	Glenn Treude	26
Tanner Jacob	15	Michelle Marburger	28
Allyne McGilvra	15	Lauren O'Malley	29
Jennifer Marburger	16	Casey Lange	31
Gary Mueller	16	Matthew Roemer	31



**BLOOD DRIVE REPORT:** At the Blood Drive on Sunday, August 25, 22 persons came to donate and five were deferred. Seventeen were able

to donate, and of those, three were doubles for a total of 20 units credited to us. Thank you to all who volunteered and to those who donated blood or attempted to donate to make the drive a success. Also, thank you to everyone for their patience in starting late as one van had a flat tire on the way here. Karen Roemer brought breakfast food, which was greatly appreciated.

## Financial Report



### MLLC Financial Information

#### August 2019 Year to Date

Total Income	\$220,546.61
Total Expenses	180,944.58
<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$ 39,602.03</b>

#### Without Vaughn Fundraiser

#### Donations & Expenses:

<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$ 15,263.28</b>
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#### August 2019 Month

Total Income	\$ 44,415.51
Total Expense	25,790.72
<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$ 18,624.79</b>

#### Without Vaughn Fundraiser

#### Donations & Expenses:

<b>Net Loss:</b>	<b>\$ 5,713.96</b>
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#### Year to Date Expenses Highlights:

Salaries and benefits	\$111,967.26
Benevolences	16,481.64
Property Insurance	10,614.00
Utilities	9,683.32
Maintenance & Repair	6,466.95
Printing	5,367.27
Reimbursements	4,223.61
Vaughn Fundraiser Expenses	3,988.25
Supplies & Forms	3,882.81
Confirmation Ministry	1,567.52
Bulletins & Envelopes	1,423.44
Postage & Handling	1,081.48
Convention Expenses	999.28
Camping Ministry	850.00
Miscellaneous	675.09
Equipment & Tools	601.02
2018 Harvest Festival	500.00
Pest Control	403.17
2019 Harvest Festival	168.47



For Everything There is a Season

FROM ECCLESIASTES 3:1, 2b

"For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted...."





Monday, September 16, 2019

Members present: Ronnie Eckert, Tina Mikeska, Pastor David Tinker, Jessica Weidemann, Buck Williams, Brick Peele, Cindy Weidemann, Karen Roemer, and Shelby Vaughn. Absent was Anita Drydale.

The meeting was called to order at 6:24 p.m. by Ronnie. The devotion was presented by Pastor. The minutes and treasurer's report from the August Council meeting were reviewed and approved.

#### Pastor's Report

--New member by Holy Baptism: Darren Wade Kokel, infant son of Colt and Haley (Woelfel) Kokel.

--Two Sundays of vacation used in August.

--The New Confirmation Class year began in September. Classes remaining this semester: Sept. 18, Oct. 9, 23 & 30; 4:15-6:15 p.m. This is the Bible Year. We will continue our partnership with Round Top, Shelby, Waldeck and Greenvine.

--Community Event: Vaughn Fundraiser

#### Upcoming events:

October 20 – Harvest Festival and Homecoming

October 27 – Bethlehem Christian Families Olive Wood Carving display and sale.

November 27 – Thanksgiving Eve service at MLLC – 7:00 p.m. – Joint service with Waldeck.

December 4, 11, 18 – Advent Wednesday Services at MLLC – 6 p.m. Meal; and 7 p.m. worship.

May 3, 2020 – Confirmation Sunday

May 22-23, 2020 – Gulf Coast Synod Assembly in New Orleans

#### Committee Reports:

Christian Education Committee:

Met on Sunday, August 25.

--It was decided to do the bounce house for the Labor Day service.

--It was also decided that on Sunday, September 8, they would do a New Year celebration with the kids during Sunday School time.

--New separated Sunday School classes would begin on Sunday, September 15. Activities

for the Harvest Festival were discussed.

--August participations were blessing of the backpacks on August 11 and promotion Sunday on August 25.

--Next meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, October 6, and they will continue to discuss the Harvest Festival, 2019 Christmas Program and 2020 VBS.

#### Worship Committee:

--Met with three members present and finalized potluck Labor Day Sunday event, scheduled tone chimes and planned to put a sign-up sheet in the narthex for volunteers. There was a total collection of \$76.00 from the potluck meal that will be donated to the Lutherhill Roads Project.

--Next meeting is scheduled for October 1 at 4:30 p.m.

#### Outreach Committee:

--Hosted the Grandparents' Day reception after church on September 8.

--The group will also partner with Worship Committee to help provide an Advent meal on one of the Wednesday worship dates in December.

#### Property Committee:

--Victor's Tree Service (Brenham) trimmed live oak, post oak, and pecan trees (29 total trees) on church, parsonage and M&M building grounds on 8-9-19.

--The two broken glass windows at the M&M bldg. will be replaced by Quality Glass out of Burton for a total of \$358.00.

--Several electric outlets are dead in the fellowship hall. Checking with Eldon Mikeska to see about getting them fixed.

--Getting quotes to repair the slab in the NW corner of the church.

#### Stewardship Committee:

--Did not meet yet, but are gathering auction items for the Harvest Festival. They would also like to see if anyone would be willing to join the Stewardship Committee. They are in need of a few more members to help alleviate some of the duties.

#### Dayschool Committee:

--Have not met, but will meet in September.

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**Old Business:**

--Vaughn Fundraiser total intake was \$31,053.00 (Vanco \$805; Checks and Cash \$27,522). MLLC deposited \$28,327 (to be paid in one lump sum after debits are paid to the Vaughn Family) and \$2,726 directly given to Robert Vaughn (due to checks having his name on them). Expenses paid \$2,355.26 and \$1,632.99. Total income for the Vaughn family \$27,064.75.

**New Business:****Harvest Festival**

People responsible for duties.

Ticket Sales – Amy Dooley

Desserts/Tea – Joys Baird

Cooking, Chicken Order & Supplies – Bubba Etzel, Tony Dooley & Todd Dooley

Serving Line – Berrie & Darlene Etzel

Meal will consist of fried chicken, green beans and German potatoes.

It was discussed to possibly purchase a new TV for the parlor. This item was tabled for the time

being to gather more information about what is needed.

It was discussed and decided to form an informative committee consisting of three church members, one Council member and Pastor, to gather information about the decisions that were made at the ELCA Synod Gathering. We have asked that this committee have their report presented to the Church Council by November 10, so that it can be reviewed before being released to the congregation later in November.

A yearbook ad in the 2019-2020 RT-C yearbook will be purchased in the amount of \$40 with corrections and update to be made from last year's ad.

Respectfully submitted,

*Shelby Vaughn ( in the absence of Anita Drydale).*

## IN THE AREA AND COMMUNITY



**Ledbetter Fireman's Feast** will be Saturday, October 5, at the Ledbetter Volunteer Fire Department building. The fried chicken dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m., and there will be an auction. For questions, call Gwen Woelfel at 979-540-0105.

All Seniors are invited to the Austin County Fair in Bellville for **Senior Citizens Day** on Wednesday, October 9, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for lunch served from 11:30-1:00 in the Expo Building at the Fairgrounds. A \$3.00 special admission price, barbecue from Prasek's Hillje Smokehouse Sealy will be served for the dine-in free lunch consisting of barbecue sandwich, chips, drink and dessert. Music will be provided by Trailboss Troy of KTEX 106.1, and door prizes will be given.

The Austin County Fair Association wants to show in this small way that seniors are appreciated. For questions, call Carolyn at 969-251-4745; Anita at 979-885-8639, or Mary at 713-876-7102, Senior Citizen Day Co-Chairmen.

**Carmine Night Out** will be held Thursday, October 17, at the Carmine Volunteer Fire Department fire station beginning at 6:00 p.m. There will be kids' activities, a hot dog cart, desserts, drinks, and door prizes. Local and county dignitaries will speak. The Carmine Lions Club raffle winners will be drawn. The event is sponsored by the Carmine Chamber of Commerce and Carmine Fire Department.



**Hospice Brazos Valley** offers [grief support](http://www.hospicebrazosvalley.org) to those who have lost a loved one and/or caregivers dealing with a loved one who has Alzheimer's or dementia. This service is free of charge to anyone who feels a support group would benefit them. All are welcome! Hospice Brazos Valley, 1048 N. Jefferson, La Grange 78945, phone number – 979-968-6913, or on Facebook, Instagram, or at: [www.hospicebrazosvalley.org](http://www.hospicebrazosvalley.org). (There are schedules in the narthex of times and locations of where the groups meet. If you have questions, contact Cindy Fanning at 979-968-6913.)



Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministries  
October 2019 Happenings



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

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Find us on Facebook  
Worship on Sunday – 10:00 a.m.  
Worship on Saturdays – 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.  
Pastor David Tinker  
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384  
President: Buck Williams

**Women's Bible Study** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 2:00 p.m.  
**Men's Fellowship and Study Group** – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday  
at 7:00 p.m. (6 p.m. in October)

**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.

**Harvest Festival and Homecoming.** Sunday,  
October 20, at the Carmine Hall. Worship at 9:30  
a.m. The music for worship will be German Polka  
songs, led by the MLLC Praise Team.

All are invited to enjoy the Fried Chicken meal  
(\$10/plate) serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Live and Silent Auctions beginning around 12 noon.  
Kids activities after worship. Contact the church  
office by October 13 to reserve or purchase tickets.

**Olive Wood Carvings Sale – October 26-27**

Folks from Christian Families from Bethlehem will  
be at the church after worship displaying and selling  
items. These olive wood creations are made by  
these various families over in the Holy Land.

**Thankoffering Service and Turkey Dinner.**

Sunday, November 10, worship at 10 a.m., followed  
by the ticketed meal. Tickets available at the after  
the Harvest Festival and Homecoming (10/20/19).

**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.** Sunday, September  
29. Worship at 8:00 a.m. at the outdoor pavilion.  
Bring your pet, livestock, or plush friend for a  
special blessing.

All are invited to bring a donation of dog or cat  
food, or a monetary donation, for the animal shelter  
in La Grange. The shelter especially appreciates  
puppy and kitten food.

This service is always scheduled on a Sunday near  
October 4 – the commemoration of St. Francis of  
Assisi. He had a special ministry of care for the  
animals of God's creation.

**Thanksgiving Eve Service.** Wednesday,  
November 27, at 7:00 p.m. at Martin Luther in  
Carmine. This is a shared event with all 4 churches.

**Crossroads Confirmation Ministry**

Our class of students from Crossroads (our 4  
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October 2019 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  
Find us on Facebook

Worship on Sunday – 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 8:30 a.m.  
Noisy Offering on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday monthly  
Pastor John David Nedbalek pstrjd@cvctx.com  
– cell 210-422-7599

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

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**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  
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– Sunday School @ 9:15 AM  
Pastor John David Nedbalek pstrjd@cvctx.com  
– cell 210-422-7599  
President: Verlyne Aschenbeck 979-250-1442

Quilting – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month

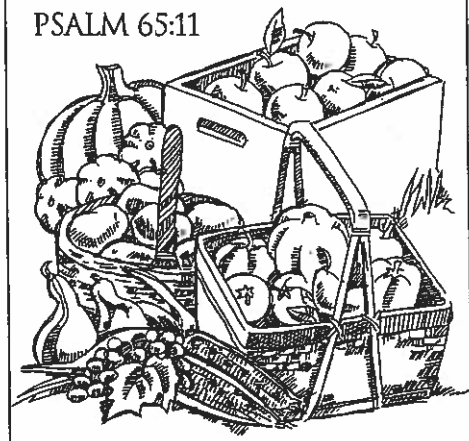
Noisy Offering – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month

**Game Day** – Note additional day per month  
**First and Third** Wednesdays of each month  
from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the community.  
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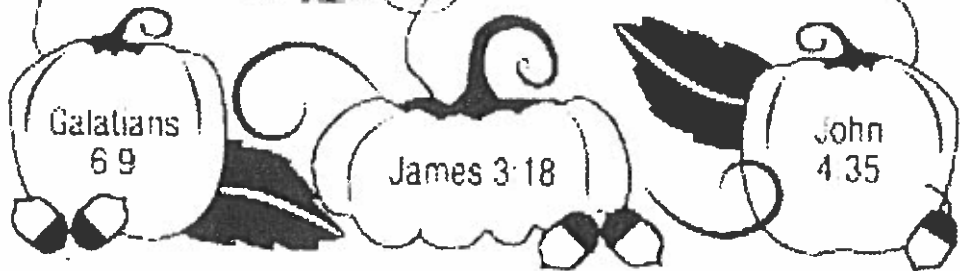
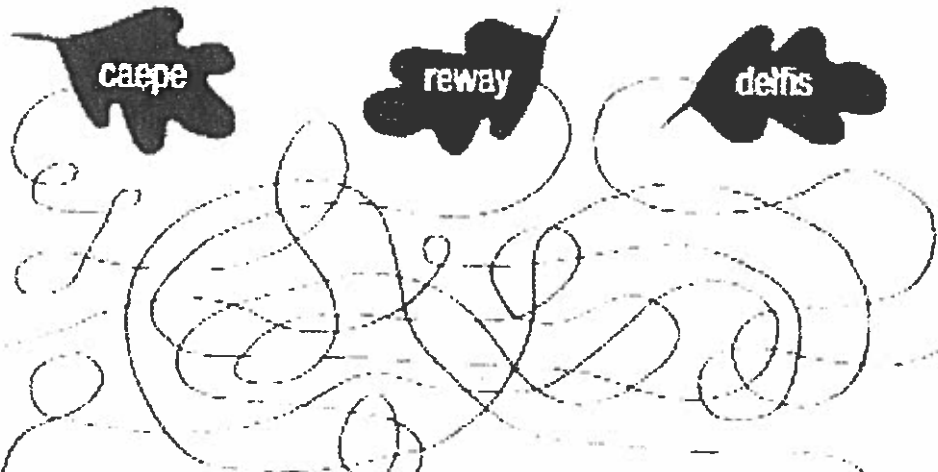
PSALM 65:11





# Harvest hunt

Directions: After unscrambling each leaf's word, follow the vine to complete the Bible verse.



Peacemakers who sow in  
righteousness. James 3:18, NIV

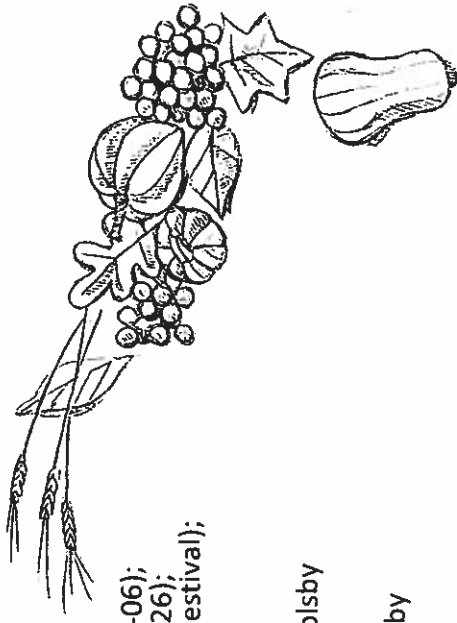
reap a harvest of

Let us not become \_\_\_\_\_ in doing good, for at the proper  
time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9, NIV

I tell you, open your eyes and look at the \_\_\_\_\_  
They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35, NIV

spring from a seed that was sown.

# Servers for: *October*

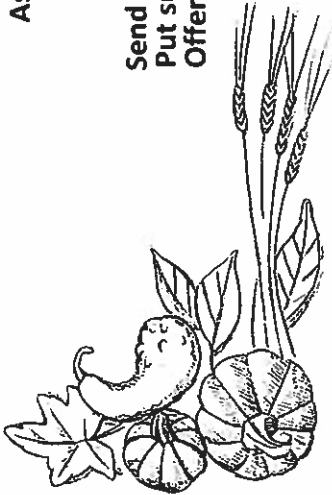


**Assisting Ministers:** Shelby Vaughn (10-05); Debby Peele (10-06);  
 Ronnie Eckert (10-12); Jessica Weidemann (10-13, 10-26);  
 Shayne Kirts (10-19); Dianna Gerland (10-20-Harvest Festival);  
 Susan Bathe (10-27-Reformation Sunday)

**Send bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors:** Carol Carmean  
**Put supplies in pews:** LouAnn Stokes  
**Offering Counters:** Deposit-Karen Roemer, Bev Cucuzza, Boo Goolsby


**Acolyte organizers:** Parents of October acolytes  
**Bulletin folder:** LouAnn Stokes

**November newsletter assemblers:** Gene & Boo Goolsby  
 (the weekend of October 25 or 26)



Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Readers	Flowers	Bread provider	Bread & wine presenters	Cross bearer	Communion assistants	Communion set-up
10-05		Volunteers							Jessica W.
10-06	Josh	Team #8- Tim Weigelt, capt., Jadon Weidemann, greeter; Lori Weigelt, Justin Roemer, Hannah Roemer	Blake Dooley	Dorothy & W. T. .Marth					Jessica Weidemann (green paraments)
10-12		Volunteers							Susan M.
10-13	Kalli	Team #9- Eldon Mikeska, Jr., capt., Mason Mikeska, Stuart Markwardt, Jimmy Loewe, Randall Zwernemann, Renè Zwernemann	Carol Carmean	Helen Georges & family				Shelley Scheffer	Susan Markwardt
10-19		Volunteers							Cheryl Etzel
10-20 Harvest Festival	Avery	Team #10- Glenn Treude, capt., Melvin Schoenst, Glenda Oakes, Renè Runge, Ed Eargle	Susan Bathe	Amber & Blake Dooley				Cheryl Etzel	Cheryl Etzel
10-26		Volunteers							Joann Ullrich (red paraments & ML banner)
10-27 Reformation	Jace & Drayton	Team #11- Tim Sanders, capt., Alvis Mueller, greeter; Steve Leppard, Amanda Leppard, Shayne Kirts, Jed Lepperd	Tony Dooley	Shelley & Brian Scheffer	LYO	Jadon & Jessica Weidemann	Kennedy Flinn	Shelby Vaughn	Joann Ullrich

# October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>PASTOR TINKER ATTENDING A RETREAT OCTOBER 3 – OCTOBER 6.</b>		<b>1</b> 4:30 pm-Worship Committee meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion (Pastor Jen Kindsvatter presides)
<b>6</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:30 am-Choir practice 10:00 am-Worship with Holy Communion/Pastor Jen Kindsvatter presiding/HOME COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION 5:00 pm-AA meeting	<b>7</b> 6:30 pm-Stewardship Committee meeting (Harvest Festival meeting)	<b>8</b> Communion services at La Grange Care facilities 2:30 pm-Care Inn 3:15 pm-Jefferson Place 4:00 pm-Monument Hill	<b>9</b> 4:15-6:15 pm-Confirmation Class (Senior Citizens Day at Austin County Fair, Bellville. See the church office for more information).	<b>10</b> 2:00 pm-Rebekah Group meets	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10:00 am-Noon-Blanket Tying for LWR in the M&M Bldg. 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion Please remember to collect your loose change for noisy offering Sunday
<b>13</b> 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:00 am-Worship with Holy Communion/Noisy offering collected Property Committee after worship Christian Ed. Committee after worship 5:00 pm-AA meeting	<b>14</b> 9:00 am-Quilting	<b>15</b> Council agenda deadline	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6:00 pm-Carmine Night Out at the Fire Station	<b>18</b> Newsletter deadline	<b>19</b> 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion
<b>20</b> 19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost HARVEST FESTIVAL 9:30 am-Worship service with Holy Communion at Carmine Hall led by Praise Team/Confirmands recognized 11:00-1:00-fried chicken meal 5:00 pm-AA meeting	<b>21</b> 1:30 pm-Sr. Citizens' Domino Party 6:15 pm-Church Council meeting	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 4:15-6:15 pm-Confirmation Class	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR TIME & TALENT SHEET to the Church Office???	<b>26</b> 6:00 pm-Worship w/Holy Communion/Baptism Remembrance/Bethlehem Christian Families with Olive Wood Carvings for sale
<b>27</b> Reformation Sunday/20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 am-Tone Chimes Olive Wood Carvings for sale 9:00 am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:45 am-Hymn Sing 10:00 am-Worship with Holy Communion/Baptism Remembrance M&M Building reserved 5:00 pm AA meeting	<b>28</b> 5:00 pm-Men in Mission Family Night in fellowship hall	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 4:15-6:15 pm-Confirmation Class	<b>31</b> Reformation Day 		

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