



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**

*a monthly publication of*

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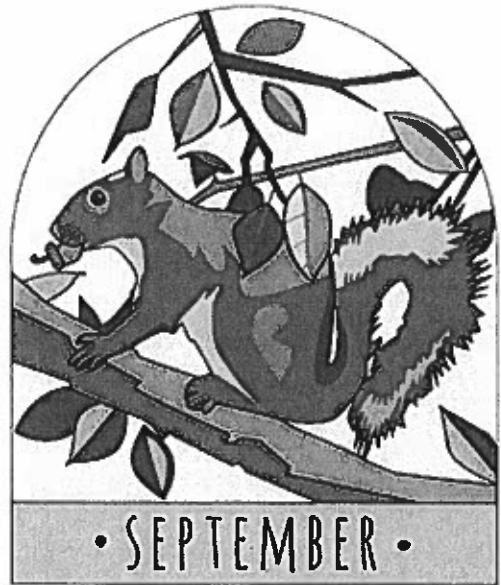
**Worship schedule:**

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: Ronnie Eckert-President; RaChelle Kuecker-  
President-elect; Anita Drydale-Secretary; Cindy Weidemann-  
Treasurer; Jessica Weidemann-Worship Committee; Karen  
Roemer-Stewardship Committee; Shelby Vaughn-Christian  
Education Committee; \_\_\_\_\_ Outreach/Care Committee;  
Brick Peele-Property Committee



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SEPTEMBER, 2020

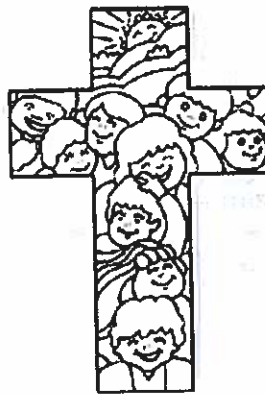


♥ **SUNDAY SCHOOL** classes are being held in groups, which is typical for summer. There will be a Blessing of the Backpacks, and Promotion Sunday is scheduled for September 13, at 10:00 a.m. before the church service. Also---on September 13 there will be a Sunday School "New Year" Party in the fellowship hall during the Sunday School hour.

*(Lutherhill Hill Sunday was observed on August 23. We welcomed Matt Kindsvatter, Executive Director of Lutherhill Ministries, to MLLC. Annually we invite Matt to bring greetings and updates from our local Lutheran Camp, Lutherhill, and related ministries. In the coming months our Sunday School will include Lutherhill staff visits to bring special programming for our students.)*

♥ **GRANDPARENTS DAY IS SEPTEMBER 13.** *Sorry, this year there will be no reception.*

♥ **CONFIRMATION CLASS:** The new confirmation class will begin in September. All unconfirmed MLLC youths, grade 7 and above, are invited to attend. Class for Fall, 2020, will be different. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we plan to present lessons by video along with at home reflection



and reading. The videos will be presented by Pastor David Tinker and Pastor John David Nedbalek (*Round Top and Shelby*). We are seeking to send information to all youths who could be part of this program at MLLC. To ease this communication, parents of such youths are encouraged to also send an e-mail to Pastor Tinker at : [pastordjt@gmail.com](mailto:pastordjt@gmail.com), call the church office at 979-278-3388, or contact him in person. We estimate that the first lesson will be available on September 9. We will need a parent's e-mail address to send the link and materials for the youth.

♥ **OFFERING ENVELOPES** may be mailed to the church at P. O. Box 362, Carmine, TX 78932. You may also give online at: <http://mlccarmine/online-giving/>

✂ **THE LABOR DAY WORSHIP SERVICE** this year, September 6, will be in the sanctuary, and people are invited to wear their work clothes. There will be no meal.

## Harvest Festival



**THE 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL & HOMECOMING** is set for **OCTOBER 18** at the Carmine Hall. Come and enjoy a special "Country Gospel" service starting at 10:15 a.m. There will be no communion served. Our famous kettle fried chicken meal with sides will be drive-through only from 11:00-12:30. Desserts will be available. Tickets must be purchased in advance for \$10. **This year there will be no confirmation reunion.** Members may contact Shelby Vaughn at 979-203-4313 if they wish to take tickets to sell. Members are also asked to take posters to place at businesses in different towns. Raffle tickets are \$10 with six big prizes! Karen Roemer has the tickets, and they are also being sold in the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP TIME – 2021 TIME & TALENT SHEETS** are to be Included in the October newsletter. Committees should notify the church office of any corrections and/or additions to the sheets by September 16.

**MEN IN MISSION** did not meet in August, as originally scheduled. They plan to meet in September.

**LOCK BOX NUMBERS AT CHURCH'S FRONT DOOR REMAIN THE SAME.** Call the church office if you need any further instructions.

**BLOOD DRIVE REPORT:** On Sunday, August 23, the drive was successful, with a credit of 22 units. We appreciate the very good turnout and all who made appointments and gave blood. *Betty Porter*

**CHRIST IN OUR HOME** devotional booklets for July, August, and September are available in the narthex

**THE DOMINO PARTY** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month is ongoing. Everyone is invited! Face masks are encouraged, but not mandatory, and social distancing will be observed to keep everyone safe.

**NOISY OFFERING:** From January 1 through August 26, 2020, \$348.77 has been collected. This year's designated recipient is ELCA-God's Global Barnyard. The money collected will go

toward helping impoverished families have animals for their farms.

Due to the pandemic, we have not been having the children bring the buckets around the sanctuary to collect loose change on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Also, the bank is not able to process the bulk change right now due to the COVID-19 restrictions.

Here is how you can give to support the noisy offering in 2020:

- Include your noisy offering in your offering envelope.



"When the three T's stand for Time, Treasure and Talents I thought you might ask me to give my Telephone, TV and Teddy."

- You can bring in your change which you have been collecting. We can store it in a noisy offering bucket until the bank is open to receive bulk change.
- Give through the <http://mlccarmine.com/online-giving> website. There is a section on the secure giving page for Noisy Offering
- Hold onto your loose change at home, and we will eventually have a time to receive it.

**Together Through the Pandemic**

By Pastor David Tinker

This has been a difficult time for all of us. We are weary from the death or illness of friends and loved ones, lack of time with others, the restrictions, the incessant news coverage, the daily and weekly changes to rules, plans, restrictions, ideas, etc.

The Holy Spirit has stirred in me a two-part calling during this time. One is that we strive together for unity as a congregation in the midst of our separation. The pressures of the current situation could drive us apart. In the midst of this, the Holy Spirit and the Love of God draw us together. We will, even with notable alterations, continue to meet. We will do our best, with God's help, to love one another, to contact one another, to pray with and for one another.

We will seek to do that which draw us together rather than what pulls us apart.



Everything gets to be re-centered in Jesus. Therefore, let us honor him by worship, love for our neighbors, love for one another, and by telling others of what God has done for us.

**The Plan for the September:**

\*Worship on Saturday at 6 p.m.; Sunday at 10 a.m. The Sunday service on Facebook Live video: <https://www.facebook.com/mlccarmine/> Use your best judgment about worship participation.

\*Masks covering nose & mouth are encouraged, but not mandatory. We have fresh masks to use for those who do not have one available. Every other row will be blocked off.

Observe social distancing.

\*Holy Communion by individual, prepackaged kits. Instructions given at worship.

\*Committees and groups continue to not meet or to limit meetings. This is not easy, but together we will emerge from this pandemic together.

\*The church office staff will only be on site as needed, but generally Monday-Friday. For emergencies please contact Pastor David Tinker on his cell phone: 713-461-8007

**Devotional and Worship**

Devotions will continue on the church web site: [mlccarmine.com](http://mlccarmine.com) The link for these is being emailed to the newsletter list, and the links are provided on the church Facebook page. To begin receiving these notifications, send a message requesting that your address be added. [pastordjt@gmail.com](mailto:pastordjt@gmail.com) Bulletins and devotions will continue to be sent to older senior members and nursing home residents.

## Daily Bible Readings for August 30-September 30

These are from "The St. James Daily Devotional Guide for the Christian Year". This is the set of daily readings used by Pastor David Tinker for his scripture reading plan. Let's read these each day as an act of faith and unity in our congregation.

### August 30

Luke 5:1-11 Job 6:15-30  
Psalms 146-147 2 Kings 13

### August 31

Luke 5:12-16 Job 7:1-21  
Psalms 148-150 2 Kings 14

### September 1

Luke 5:17-26 Job 8:1-22  
Psalms 1-4 2 Kings 15

### September 2

Luke 5:27-32 Job 9:1-35  
Psalms 5-7 2 Kings 16

### September 3

Luke 5:33-39 Job 10:1-22  
Psalms 9-10 2 Kings 17

### September 4

Luke 6:1-11 Job 11:1-20  
Psalms 8, 11, 15, 16  
2 Kings 18

### September 5

Luke 6:12-16 Job 12:1-25  
Psalm 12-14, 17  
2 Kings 19

### September 6

Luke 6:17-19 Job 13:1-28  
Psalm 18 2 Kings 20

### September 7

Luke 6:20-26 Job 14:1-22  
Psalms 19-21 2 Kings 21

### September 8

Luke 6:27-36 Job 15:1-35  
Psalms 22-24 2 Kings 22

### September 9

Luke 6:37-42 Job 16:1-22  
Psalm 25, 27 2 Kings 23

### September 10

Luke 6:43-49 Job 17:1-16  
Psalms 26, 28, 31  
2 Kings 24

### September 11

Luke 7:1-10 Job 18:1-21  
Psalm 29, 30, 33  
2 Kings 25

### September 12

Luke 7:11-17 2 Corinthians 1:1-7  
Psalm 34-35 Job 19

### September 13

Luke 7:18-23  
2 Corinthians 1:8-14  
Psalms 32, 36, 38 Job 20

### September 14

John 3:11-17 Numbers 21:4-9  
Psalm 37 Job 21

### September 15

Luke 7:24-35  
2 Corinthians 1:15 - 2:2  
Psalms 39-41 Job 22

### September 16

Luke 7:36-50  
2 Corinthians 2:3-11  
Psalms 42-44 Job 23

### September 17

Luke 8:1-10  
2 Corinthians 2:12-17  
Psalm 45-46 Job 24

### September 18

Luke 8:11-15  
2 Corinthians 3:1-11  
Psalms 47-49 Job 25

### September 19

Luke 9:28-36  
2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:6  
Psalms 50-51 Job 26

### September 20

Luke 8:16-18  
2 Corinthians 4:7-15  
Psalm 52-55 Job 27

### September 21

Luke 8:19-21  
2 Corinthians 4:16 - 5:8  
Psalms 56-58, 60 Job 28

### September 22

Luke 8:22-25  
2 Corinthians 5:9-21  
Psalm 59, 63, 64 Job 29

### September 23

Luke 8:26-39  
2 Corinthians 6:1 - 7:1  
Psalm 61, 62, 65, 67 Job 30

### September 24

Luke 8:40-56  
2 Corinthians 7:2-12  
Psalm 68 Job 31

### September 25

Luke 9:1-9  
2 Corinthians 7:13 - 8:7  
Psalm 69 Job 32

### September 26

Luke 9:10-17  
2 Corinthians 8:8-24  
Psalms 66, 70, 72 Job 33

### September 27

Luke 9:18-20  
2 Corinthians 9:1-15  
Psalms 71, 73 Job 34

### September 28

Luke 9:21-27  
2 Corinthians 10:1-18  
Psalms 74, 77 Job 35

### September 29

Luke 9:37-42  
2 Corinthians 11:1-15  
Psalms 75, 76, 79, 82 Job 36

### September 30

Luke 9:43-50  
2 Corinthians 11:16-33  
Psalm 78 Job 37

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA NEWS:

Rebekah Group plans to meet on Thursday, September 10 at 2:00 p.m.



Quilting Day was held on August 10. The ladies are working on quilts for Camp For All.

## The Bible Study for September: Holy Time Session 1: Remembering the Past

**Lutheran World Relief News:** The church office received an e-mail message from Lutheran Disaster Response dated Tuesday, August 11, and a phone call on August 21, that some of the items destroyed in the industrial explosion were sent from MLLC. In the midst of this loss of relief supplies, we are thankful that we have a dedicated team of volunteers who give of their time, energy and resources to love our neighbors around the world.

Items lost: three 40-foot shipping containers with LWR items were lost in the Beirut, Lebanon, port explosion on

August 4. Lost were: 22,000 quilts, 100 cartons of school kits, 300 cartons of personal care kits, and 125 cartons of baby care kits. LWR is in great need of donations.

The country also is experiencing "...an economic crisis. Their currency has collapsed, as a result of years of mismanagement and corruption. Hundreds of thousands of people can no longer buy food, medicine or fuel. The Lebanese watch helplessly as they see their savings wiped out and their purchasing power disappear."

To make a monetary contribution, go to: <http://mlccarmine.com/2020/08/10/beirut-explosion-and-lutheran-world-relief/>

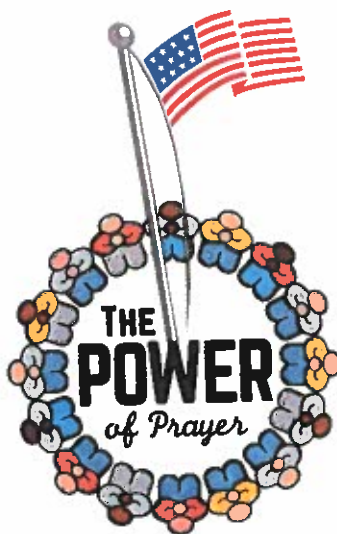
## ON THE PRAYER LIST:

### Current Member Prayer Concerns: ~~~~~

Current Friends and Family Prayer Concerns: Jay and Gary Porter (sons of Bob & Betty Porter, Jay will be the recipient and Gary the donor of a kidney; surgery on September 1); Bobbie Hughes (Paula Barrick's daughter, health concerns); Curtis Konieczny (friend of Becky Jasinski, recent brain cancer surgery); Janet Schnell Beckworth (Praise Team leaders, Jolene & Jerry Wickel's niece, cancer); Kalisa Pomykal (Paula Barrick's sister, recent surgeries);

### Ongoing Member Prayer Concerns: David Eilers,

Pauline Fischer, Jack Flinn, Linda Kovar, Vickie Neutzler, and Ashley Weiss.



Ongoing Friends and Family Prayer Concerns: Jimmy Alvarado, Paul Banks, Kenneth Bishop, Megan Hart Burch, Pastor Bill Derrick,

Sam Doerr, Josh Dow, Johnny Dunham, Ricky Eckert, Mary Edwards, Berkley Fincher, Kaitlyn Fritz, Doris Fay Georges, Frances Glueck & family, Kay Griffin, Stephany Hamrell, Sharon Johnson, Joyce Kelley, Nina Kelley, Fred Kessell, Harris Kubos, Jr., C. J. Lehmann, Kenny Lorenz, Charles Marburger, Bruce Muske, Dina (Schultz) Nelson; Shirley Neumann, Kaitlyn Nienstedt, Mikayla Peschke Annie Pietsch, Lloyd Pieper, Nancy Pietsch, Annie Pless, Hunter Pomykal, Joey Pomykal, Bertha Reuther, Carl & Linda Richardson, Pastor Willie Rotter, Fritz Schoenst, Michael (Butch) Schulz, Amanda Sebastian...

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## PRAYER LIST, continued—

Ongoing Friends and Family Prayer Concerns:

...Lucas Smith, Don Steinbach, Kevin Taylor, Robert Vaughn, Dale Walker, Jack Walsh, Jason Weidemann, Burnie & Nellie Wolff, and Russell Zickley.

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

Homebound Members:

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

Military Personnel:

MLLC member: Joseph Vogel

Family & Friends: Justyn Bearden, Michael Martin, Jonathon Noak, Kyle Slaughter, and all those who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.

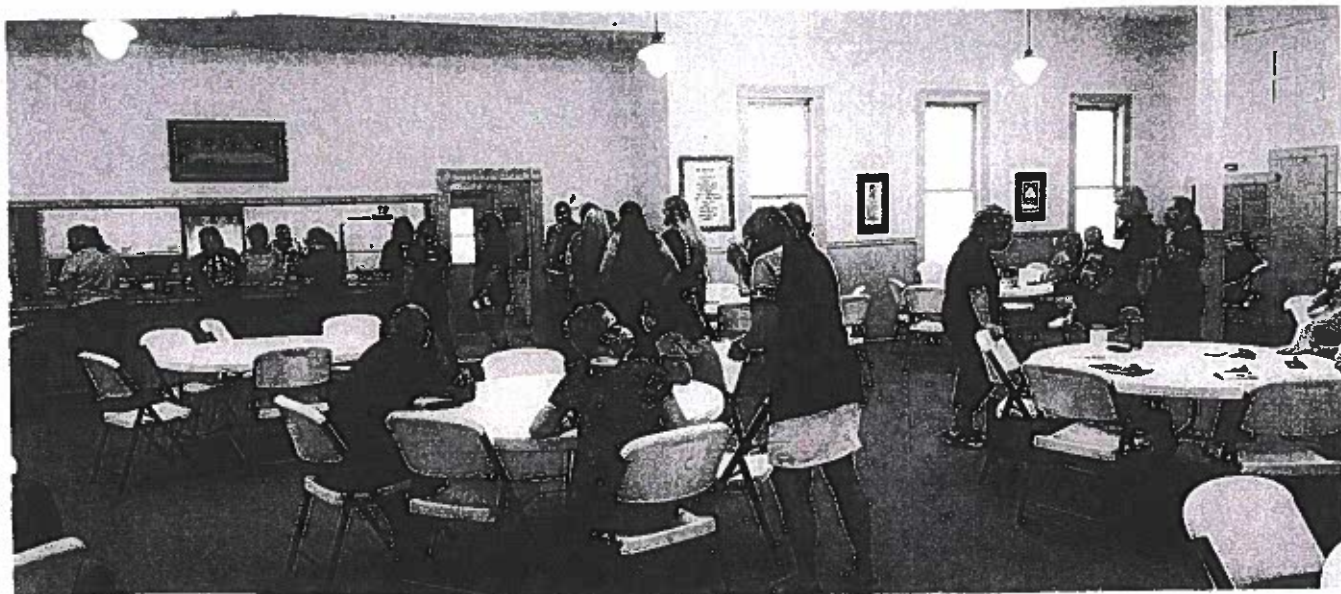


Our Christian Sympathy to the families & friends of: Michiko Peters (mother of Brenda Mueller and mother-in-law of Connie Peters); Carol Mertz Leitzel (Praise Team leaders, Jolene & Jerry Wickel's friend); and Jim Fritsch (Diane Tovey's uncle).

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**TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST**

The Outreach/Care Committee of MLLC hosted the annual Teacher Appreciation Breakfast on Thursday, August 20. Over 40 teachers and staff from the local Round Top-Carmine ISD campuses enjoyed an excellent meal and friendly hospitality. This annual tradition has continued for many years due to the loving dedication of many volunteers. Thank you to our cooks and volunteers for making this such a positive event every year. Thank you to all RT-C teachers and staff.



**OFFICIAL ACTS IN JULY  
AND AUGUST – Baptisms**



✠ **Brinley Adeline Richard**, daughter of Alan & Sierre Kunkel Richard, was baptized at MLLC on Saturday, July 25. Her sponsors are Courtney Kunkel, Mindy Conger, Carl Matthies, and Ryan Phillips. Brinley was born March 10, 2020, and her big sister is Presley Dawn Richard.

✠ **Colbie & Cooper Lange**, twin son and daughter of Casey & Shelbi Lange, were baptized at MLLC on Saturday, August 22. Godparents are Codie &

Bridget Lange, and sponsors are Gabe & Catherine Velasquez. The twins were born July 12, 2018, and have a big sister, Presley.

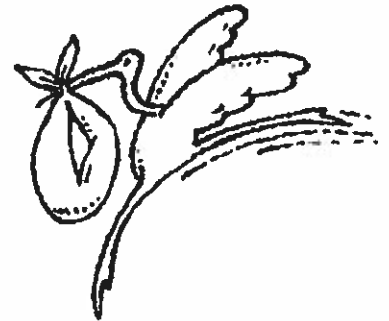
✠ **Kane Duke Jacob**, son of Brittany and Tanner Jacob, is to be baptized at MLLC on Sunday, August 30. His sponsors are Shane Hanchey, Caitlin Jacob, and Wacey Buro. Kane was born May 7, 2020, and has two big brothers, Kannon and Kyler.

WELCOME ALL TO THE LORD'S FAMILY!

AND WELCOME NEW BABIES!

**Congratulations...**to Dawn and Jacob Hentschel on the birth of their daughter, **Chayselyn McKenzie Hentschel**, born August 2, 2020, in Brenham. , weighing 9 lbs., 1 oz. and measuring 21 inches in length. From MLLC, grandmother is Leatha Miller. Chayselyn is also welcomed by her brother, Wesley.

...and to: **Hannah & Robbie Yanowski** on the birth of their daughter, **Briar Rae Yanowski**, born August 7, 2020, at Baylor Scott & White in College Station. She weighed 7 lbs, 5 oz., and measured 19 inches in length. From MLLC, grandmother is Jackie Ray, aka Birdie to her grandbabies.



**Birthdays  
This Month**

<i>Anita Drydale</i>	<i>03</i>	<i>Kerry Lehmann</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Kim Lewis</i>	<i>03</i>	<i>Presley Lange</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Maggie Hinze</i>	<i>04</i>	<i>Drayton Oakes</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Cindy Hinze</i>	<i>06</i>	<i>Kennedy Flinn</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Charles Mueller, Sr.</i>	<i>06</i>	<i>Jacquelyn Ray</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Cheryl Etzel</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Roy Finke, Jr.</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Kooper Kirts</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Raelynn Nelson</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Troy Carmean</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>Charlene Mueller</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>Ronnie Hinze</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>Kyle Pawlak</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>Jed Leppard</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>Joyce Stainer</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>Ryler Boyer</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>Presley Richard</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Berrie Etzel</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>Jake Smith</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Amy Huebner</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>Dawn O'Neal</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>Darlene Etzel</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>Kelly Warburton</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>Monty Mayer</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Diane Tovey</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>Cohen Miller</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Gene Goolsby</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Jordan Weidemann</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Shayne Kirts</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Eddie Marburger</i>	<i>18</i>		

**Martin Luther Lutheran Church  
Church Council Meeting  
Tuesday, August 18, 2020**

Members Present: Ronnie Eckert, Pastor David Tinker, Anita Drydale, Brick Peele, Karen Roemer, Shelby Vaughn, Cindy Weidemann and Jessica Weidemann.  
Member Absent: RaChelle Kuecker

The meeting was called to order at 6:42 p.m. by Ronnie. The devotion and prayer presented by Karen.

Previous Meeting

The minutes from the July Church Council meeting and Treasurer's Report were approved.



Pastor's Report

We are still looking to reschedule Confirmation 2020. It was moved out of May due to the COVID-19 concerns. Even though we have not had the official ceremony, the four youths - Jace Carmean, Kennedy Flinn, Kalli Pohl, Abby Wunderlich will be moved to

the Confirmed Roster of the congregation. We will have a Confirmation Sunday event when the conditions allow this to happen.

Fall Confirmation Class plan - The fall semester will be online videos, plus reflection questions for the students to do at home with parental guidance. In the fall we will evaluate what classes will be like after the new year. There are about 4-6 new students coming into the class from MLLC.

Christian Education Committee:

No meeting this month. 2020 VBS postponed to June of 2021. Sunday school kids have been meeting as a group on Sunday morning.



Outreach Committee:

Teachers Appreciation Breakfast, August 14<sup>th</sup> was a success with approximately 40 people in attendance.

Property Committee:

--Four parlor conference chairs completed by Church Lane Upholstery/Ledbetter. They look good with the vinyl.

--Washington County Landscaping contacted to

replace sprinkler head in courtyard.

--Expert Air and Refrigeration Service (Hutto, TX) contacted regarding repair of water fountains in parlor and hallway.

--Repair of NW corner of church slab. Pending additional quote possibly from Atlas out of Houston.

--New key box for front of church has been installed.

--TV up and running in the M&M building. TV in parlor pending installation.

Stewardship Committee:

Harvest Festival - No live or silent auction. There will be a raffle instead. Karen will be distributor of raffle tickets. Desserts will walk up, grab and go packaging, low contact.

Announcements:

Thank you letter from Upbring (formerly Lutheran Social Services) for \$500 donation for their mission to break the cycle of child abuse.

Pastor will give the devotion at next month's meeting on September 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anita Drydale  
MLLC Council Secretary

**ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTIONS:**

Date	Attendance	General	Online	Building
07-25	45	425.00	-0-	-0-
07-26	26	1,765.00	60.00	90.00
08-01	20	752.00	-0-	-0-
08-02	28	6,186.00	304.13	120.00
08-08	17	280.00	-0-	40.00
08-09	33	1,847.00	180.00	255.00
08-15	17	195.00	-0-	-0-
08-16	37	2,429.75	120.00	35.00
08-22	42	165.00	-0-	100.00
08-23	42	1,514.00	302.75	90.00

**THANKS TO MLLC! THE A.M.E.N Food**

Pantry, La Grange, sends a thank you for the \$10 donation they received July 29, 2020. Susan Pylant, from the A.M.E.N. Board of Directors, says: "We sincerely appreciate your participation in serving our community."

For any monetary donations, you may make your check out to MLLC and note in the memo line "AMEN", and thank you!



**MLLC Financial Information**

**July 2020 Year to Date**

Total Income	\$144,475.81
Total Expenses	135,447.92
<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$ 9,027.89</b>

**July 2020 Month**

Total Income	\$ 26,493.70
Total Expenses	15,538.91
<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$ 10,954.79</b>

**Year to Date Expenses Highlights:**

Salaries and Benefits	\$88,661.69
Property Insurance	11,809.50
Benevolences	7,022.95
Utilities	6,883.48
Reimbursements	6,759.69
Printing	4,738.86
Supplies & Forms	3,968.01
Bulletins & Envelopes	1,448.00
Postage & Handling	1,364.00
Camping Ministry	965.00
Pest Control	750.00
Maintenance & Repair	563.92
Miscellaneous	462.94
Equipment & Tools	49.88



**Finance Update**

**Christmas Boxes for Port of Houston Seafarers By Pastor David Tinker**



We have heard that the Seafarers Christmas Boxes are needed more now than ever. The men on the ships are more isolated than usual due to the COVID19 pandemic. Our love for these neighbors will help them know

the love of God and make life less difficult. 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 for Seafarers is Monday, November 23, at 7:00 p.m. The work will take place in the Parlor. All are invited to participate.

For this year (2020), please gather items such as these for the

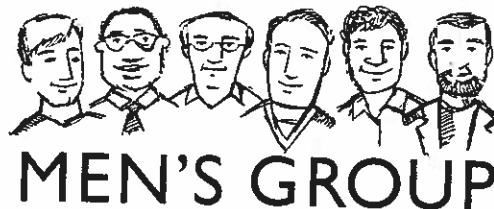
men on the ships - you can buy things throughout the year and drop these off at any time. There is a large blue storage bin for this purpose in the room directly across from the church office. Our goal in 2020 is to pack and deliver 100+ boxes.

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

- Address books
- Band-aids (fabric)
- Baseball caps
- 2021 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 pkgs)
- Socks
- Sudoku books
- Texas souvenirs
- T-shirts
- USB flash drives
- Word Search books






# Neighborhood News

- ▶)▶)▶) **Fried chicken drive-thru dinner fundraiser**, sponsored by the Cedar Creek Schuetzen Verein, will be held on Sunday, September 13, at the Carmine Hall. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from any hall member. Pick up is from 11:-12:30.
- ▶)▶)▶) The Carmine Chamber of Commerce **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night**, originally scheduled for August 8, has been postponed until October 10.
- ▶)▶)▶) **Chamber of Commerce Flag Retirement Ceremony**: The Carmine CofC is sponsoring a ceremony to give our gently-used flags the respect they deserve after they have fulfilled their duty. This will be observed at the annual Carmine Night Out celebration in October. This will include U.S. flags as well as Texas flags. For those who would like to participate, you are encouraged to save your old flags until then.
- ▶)▶)▶) The meeting of **The Heritage Committee of the Carmine Chamber of Commerce**, originally scheduled for September 2, has been cancelled, and they hope to have it December 2. The topic will be "Educational Memories" from the old school. Questions and discussions will be welcome.

## A BUSHEL OF BOOKS




Design a handy bag to tote your books this fall.

**What you need:**

- Plain canvas bag
- Cardboard scrap
- Acrylic paints (2 colors)
- 2 small paper plates
- Apple
- Knife (and adult help)
- Foam brush
- Scrap paper

**What you do:**


1. Lay the bag flat on a table, and place cardboard inside for protection.
2. Pour a paint dollop on each plate.
3. Slice the apple in half, keeping the core intact.
4. Brush a thin layer of paint on the cut side of an apple half. Practice making stamps on scrap paper. Use the other color on the other apple half.
5. Paint and stamp the bag with your final design. When dry, remove the cardboard.
6. Use the bag for school and Sunday school. Happy reading!



## WISDOM FROM THE WORD

God makes a special promise to people who study Scripture.

*Directions: Arrange the word list in alphabetical order. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete Joshua 1:8, NIV.*

	school	--○--
	paper	--○--
	wisdom	--○--
	read	--○--
	play	--○--
	learn	○--
	grow	--○--
	pencils	--○--
	pray	--○--
	art	--○--
	student	--○--
	kids	--○--
apple	--○--	

"... meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be \_\_\_\_\_ and successful."

**JOSHUA 1:8, NIV**

Answer: apple, art, grow, kids, learn, paper, pencils, play, pray, read, school, student, wisdom, prosperous

# SEPTEMBERS

## Servers for:

**Assisting Ministers:** Susan Bathe (09-05, 09-20); Debby Peele (09-06-Labor Day); Shelby Vaughn (09-12, 09-26); Jessica Weidemann (09-13); Robbie Tovey (09-19); Dianna Gerland (09-27)

**Bulletin folder:** Dianna Gerland

**Offering Counters:** Amy Dooley (Deposit), Jessica Weidemann, Shelby Vaughn  
**Put supplies in pews:** Carol Hall

**Acolyte organizers:** Parents of September acolytes

**Send bulletins to shut-ins and cards to visitors:** Cherrie Wines

**October newsletter assemblers:** Leatha Miller & Nancy Eilers  
 (the weekend of September 25 or 26)



## CELEBRATE LABOR DAY

Labor Day, first celebrated in 1882, provides a day of rest for working Americans, showing their importance to the country's well-being.











Christians see work as a gift and command from God. Adam was put in the Garden to "till it and keep it" (Genesis 2:15, NRSV). Even Jesus chose workers to help carry out his mission.

Rest is just as significant as work. God commanded us to rest one day each week (Exodus 20:10). The Sabbath is a time for worship, family activities, renewal and recuperation.

Labor Day is a reminder to be grateful for the creativity, ingenuity, minds and muscle power of countless workers—all gifts of God. That's worth setting aside a day to appreciate.

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Readers	Flowers	Communion set-up
09-05		<b>Volunteers</b>			Cheryl Etzel
09-06 Labor Day	Drayton	<b>Team #13-Ronnie Eckert, capt., Avalda Pohl, greeter; Brooke Eckert, Debbie Eckert, Josh Eckert, Peyton Franklin</b>	Vickie Schroeder	Cindy Hinze	Cheryl Etzel
09-12		<b>Volunteers</b>			Susie Markwardt
09-13	Avery	<b>Team #14-Tony Dooley, capt., Amy &amp; Todd Dooley, Amber &amp; Blake Dooley</b>	Susan Ray	Berrie & Darlene Etzel	Susie Markwardt
09-19		<b>Volunteers</b>			Jessica Weidemann
09-20	Kennedy	<b>Team #15-Dennis Gerland, capt., Boo Goolsby, greeter, Brick Peele, greeter; Debby Peele, Jennifer Mohr</b>	Leonita Sanders	Conway & Marlene Waak	Jessica Weidemann
09-26		<b>Volunteers</b>			Joann Ullrich
09-27	Makayla	<b>Team #16-Karen Roemer, capt., Esther Kelley, Robbie &amp; Dianne Tovey, Mia &amp; Buck Williams</b>	Amber Dooley	Stuart & Susie Markwardt	Joann Ullrich

# SEPTEMBER, 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00 am-Sunday School/ 10:00 am-Labor Day Sunday <b>WEAR YOUR WORK CLOTHES!</b> Abbreviated Worship with Holy Communion	 <b>7 Labor Day</b> Church Office closed	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  6:00 pm- Abbreviated Worship w/Holy Communion
<b>6</b> <b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00 am-Sunday School/ 10:00 am-Labor Day Sunday <b>WEAR YOUR WORK CLOTHES!</b> Abbreviated Worship with Holy Communion	<b>7</b>  <b>Labor Day</b> Church Office closed	<b>8</b> Council agenda deadline	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 2:00 pm-Rebekah Group meets	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  6:00 pm- Abbreviated Worship w/Holy Communion/ Baptism of Caroline Rae Lange
<b>13</b> <b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>  <b>Grandparents Day</b> 9:00 am-Sunday School with "New Year" Party! 10:00 am-Abbreviated Worship with Holy Communion led by Praise Team <b>BLESSING OF BACKPACKS AND            SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION</b>  Property Committee after worship After worship-Christian Ed. Committee 5:00 pm-AA meeting	<b>14</b> 9:00 am-Quilting 6:30 pm-Stewardship Committee meeting	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Newsletter deadline	<b>19</b>  6:00 pm- Abbreviated Worship w/Holy Communion
<b>20</b> <b>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00 am-Sunday School 10:00 am-Abbreviated Worship with Holy Communion 5:00 pm-AA meeting	<b>21</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Day of Fall</b>  1:00 pm-Domino Party <b>ALL ARE INVITED!</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  6:00 pm- Abbreviated Worship w/Holy Communion
<b>27</b> <b>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00 am-Sunday School 10:00 am-Abbreviated Worship with Holy Communion 5:00 pm-AA meeting	<b>28</b> 7:00 pm-Men in Mission	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>		August 2020 S M T W T F S 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	October 2020 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31