

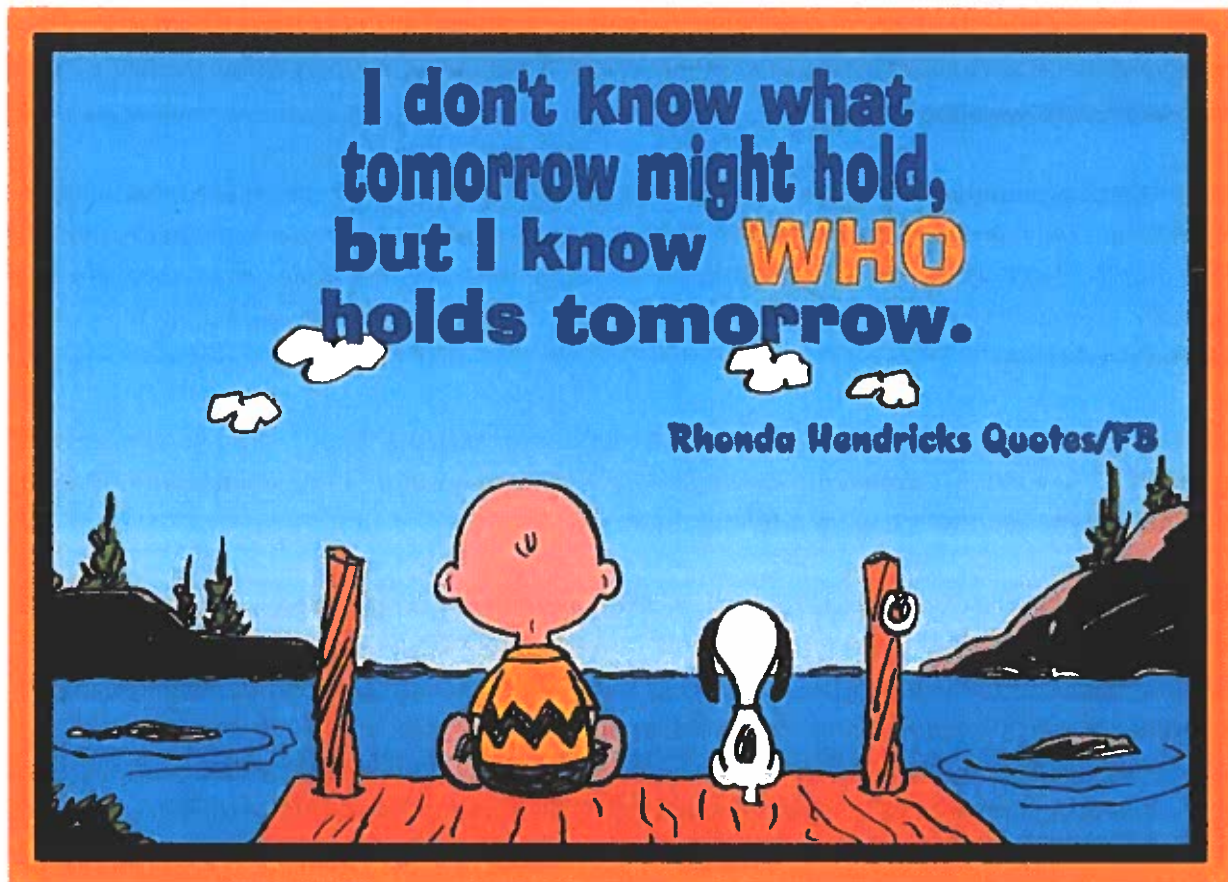
SEPTEMBER, 2023

LUTHER'S LETTER

Monthly publication of Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Carmine, Texas



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.



Our Response to God in Worship
By Pastor David Tinker

A regular part of our worship services in our Lutheran tradition is the giving of offerings. These are most often given as monetary gifts of cash and checks. The offering is gathered and presented most typically in the latter half of the service, generally after the intercessory prayer and before Holy Communion.

There is an important reason for why we give our offerings during worship. It is about giving thanks to God. An important verse which points to this is from 2 Corinthians 9:15, "Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!" Paul notes this in the context of his teachings about making generous offerings.

There are two core themes to our worship services every week. These are repentance and thanksgiving. Repentance is turning from sin to live for God. This includes receiving the mercy of God, returning to our relationship with the Lord, confessing our sin to God, and then getting back track with following his ways. Thanksgiving is our holy response for all God has done for us in Jesus. There are three common expressions of thanksgiving in worship. These are: songs and words of praise, our offerings, and the Holy Communion. Together these help us refocus our lives and priorities on what God has first done for us. These are ways to give of ourselves fully in praise and thanksgiving to the Lord.

Some have suggested in the church at large that we should just send a bill yearly, quarterly, or monthly, etc. This bill would be some standard amount needed to cover the expected expenses of the church. Technically, this would work. On the other hand, it would very much miss the core value of how and why we give the offerings – this is to openly give thanks to God as the people gathered in worship.

So, when you give your offerings at worship, remember to dedicate these with a quiet prayer of thanksgiving. It could be something as simple as, "Thank you, Lord," as you place your offering and communion record card in the offering plate.

Many are sending in their offerings by mail or using the online giving. Some have lost income and are having significant trouble making ends meet. Some weeks they may have little or nothing of funds to put in the place. Some give an offering once a month for the whole month. For whatever reason a person does not have an offering envelope, check, or cash to put in the plate on any given Saturday or Sunday, there is a way to offer thanks to God at the offering time. I encourage those in such situations to place their communion record card in the offering plate while offering a quiet prayer of, "Thank you, Lord," as well.

In all things as we gather at worship, have in mind that this is always an opportunity for two actions: 1) repentance, and 2) thanksgiving. Some weeks will be more of one than the other, and that is fine. What matters most is that you are gathering with fellow Christians at your church to be with Jesus and each other. Through these means we get to express both repentance and thanksgiving.

Church Council Highlights from August 8, 2023

Members Present: Tim Sanders - President, Josh Eckert - President Elect., Jason Schroeder - Secretary, Danielle Nelson - Treasurer, Pastor Tinker, Susie Markwardt - Outreach, Vickie Neutzler - Worship

Members Absent: Shayne Kirts - Christian Education, RaChelle Kuecker - Stewardship, Todd Dooley - Property

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by Tim Sanders.

The devotion and prayer were led by Pastor.

Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the July meeting were reviewed. Vickie Neutzler moved to accept the minutes with a second by Josh Eckert. All approved.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was reviewed. Jason Schroeder moved to accept, with a second by Vickie Neutzler. All approved.

Pastor's Report: *No upcoming Weddings on calendar. **Funeral this week: Patricia McCanlies. Saturday, August 12, 10 a.m. at Memorial Oaks Chapel in Brenham, with burial at cemetery in Houston. Pat served on our church council and as an interim director for our school during her time as a member of MLLC. *Vacation time 2023 update. Using two weekends, plus several days around them: July 16-August 4. Back at worship on the weekend of August 5-6. Looking to some fall/early winter dates which will work with family events and needs. *Remaining 2023 vacation: 2 weeks/Sunday, plus up to 3 special Saturdays. *Men in Mission-Continuing the Lord's Prayer Bible Study from August forward. Seafarer's Christmas boxes in the planning stage.

Meetings/Events in June:

Church Council Bishop's Forum

Sound Bid meeting with contractor

Upcoming Events: Faith in Times of Drought Service Wednesday, August 16, 7 p.m. at MLLC

Sponsored by the four churches of our ELCA Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry group

All offerings will go to support the four area Volunteer Fire Departments: Shelby, Ledbetter, Carmine, and Round Top

Lutherhill Sunday August 19-20, with Matt Kindsvatter as our guest speaker. Also, Blessing of Backpacks/students, and Praise Team Sunday. Labor Day Sunday September 3 Worship and meal in Fellowship Hall, sponsored by Worship Committee. Harvest Festival and Homecoming Sunday, October 15 9:30 a.m. worship.

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry worship service at Lutherhill Sunday, October 29. We will have our Saturday service that weekend. The Sunday service will be a combined event with our four churches in our association.

Upcoming Crossroads Shared Ministry Meetings usually 9-10:30 a.m.-November 11, 2023 - Saturday Location: Shelby.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education Committee: No new business..

Outreach Committee: The teachers breakfast was on April 10 & will have plenty help.

Property Committee: No new business.

Stewardship Committee: No new business.

Worship Committee: The audio & visual system is still being considered for upgrade.

Pastor moved to accept all of the committee reports with a second by Josh Eckert. All approved.

Old Business: The ballot for the special congregational meeting on August 27th was reviewed. Motion by Vickie and a second by Pastor. All approved.

New Business: The meal for the Harvest Fest is the following: BBQ Pork Ribeyes, Sausage, Baked Beans, Potatoes, and Slaw. Motion by Pastor and a second by Josh to accept this meal. All approved. The meal ticket will be \$15 and also a raffle will be offered. Worship will be at 9:30 am at the hall.

Tim Sanders will give the devotion at next month's meeting on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

Pastor moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Vickie Neutzler. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason Schroeder, Secretary

MLLC Financial Information

July 2023 Monthly

Total Income	\$ 19,943.92
Total Expenses	\$ 24,788.91
Net Income(Loss):	(\$ 4,844.99)

July Expense Highlights

Sunday School	\$	137.32
Office Expenses	\$	755.55
World/Community Benev.	\$	2,242.15
Staff Salaries & Benefits	\$	16,875.61
Property/Utilities	\$	4,447.03
Stewardship	\$	189.03
Worship	\$	142.22

July 2023 Year to Date

Total Income	\$ 156,690.72
Total Expenses	\$ 168,115.37
Net Income(Loss):	(\$ 11,424.65)

Attendance & Contributions

DATE	ATTENDANCE	GENERAL	ONLINE	BUILDING
07/01	18	\$ 750.00		\$140.00
07/02	39	\$3,405.00	\$ 77.90	\$ 25.00
07/08	28	\$1,060.00		
07/09	61	\$2,685.00		\$150.00
07/15	31	\$2,365.65	\$216.07	
07/16	28	\$1,125.00		\$ 20.00
07/22	14	\$ 460.00		
07/23	37	\$1,740.00	\$217.37	\$105.00
07/29	17	\$ 277.00	\$265.54	
07/30	58	\$2,542.00		

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Rebekah Group will meet on Thursday, September 14th at 2:00 pm.

The Bible Study theme is:

The meeting will be hosted by Carol Carmean and Leonita Sanders

Bible Study will be led by Joys Baird

Dianna Gerland will present the Offering Meditation.

Quilting is scheduled for Monday, September 11th at 9:00 am in the Mission & Ministry Bldg.

Send quarterly offering.

Daily Bible Readings for September 1 thru 30

September 1
Luke 6:1-11
Psalms 1, 3 † 2, 4
Daily Chapter: Judges 2

September 2
Luke 6:12-16
2 Corinthians 4:16-5:11
Psalms 5, 6 † 7
Daily Chapter: Judges 3

September 3
Luke 6:17-26
2 Corinthians 5:12-21
Psalms 9 † 10
Daily Chapter: Judges 4

September 4
Luke 6: 27-36
2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Psalms 8, 11 † 15, 16
Daily Chapter: Judges 5

September 5
Luke 6:37-49
2 Corinthians 6:11-7:1
Psalms 12, 13, 14 † 17
Daily Chapter: Judges 6

September 6
Luke 7:1-10
2 Corinthians 7:2-7
Psalms 18:1-19 † 18:20-50
Daily Chapter: Judges 7

September 7
Luke 7:11-17
2 Corinthians 7:8-12
Psalms 19 † 20, 21
Daily Chapter: Judges 8

September 8
Luke 7:18-23
2 Corinthians 7:13-8:7
Psalms 22 † 23, 24
Daily Chapter: Judges 9

September 9
Luke 7:24-35
2 Corinthians 8:8-15
Psalms 25 † 27
Daily Chapter: Judges 10

September 10
Luke 7:36-50
2 Corinthians 8:16-24
Psalms 26, 28 † 31
Daily Chapter: Judges 11

September 11
Luke 8:1-3
2 Corinthians 9:1-15
Psalms 29, 30 † 33
Daily Chapter: Judges 12

September 12
Luke 8:4-15
2 Corinthians 10:1-11
Psalms 34 † 35
Daily Chapter: Judges 13

September 13
Luke 8:16-25
2 Corinthians 10:12-11:15
Psalms 32, 36 † 38
Daily Chapter: Judges 14

September 14
John 3:11-17
Philippians 2:1-11
Psalms 37:1-17 † 37:18-40
Daily Chapter: Judges 15

September 15
Luke 8:26-39
2 Corinthians 11:16-33
Psalms 40 † 39, 41
Daily Chapter: Judges 16

September 16
Luke 8:40-56
2 Corinthians 12:1-13
Psalms 42, 43 † 44
Daily Chapter: Judges 17

September 17
Luke 9:1-9
2 Corinthians 12:14-13:14
Psalms 45 † 46
Daily Chapter: Judges 18

September 18
Luke 9:10-17
Amos 1:1-15
Psalms 47, 48 † 49
Daily Chapter: Judges 19

September 19
Luke 9:18-27
Amos 2:1-16
Psalms 50 † 51
Daily Chapter: Judges 20

September 20
Luke 9:28-36
Amos 3:1-15
Psalms 52, 53, 54 † 55
Daily Chapter: Judges 21

September 21
Luke 9:37-42
Galatians 1:1-10
Psalms 56, 57 † 58, 60
Daily Chapter: Amos 4

September 22
Luke 9:43-50
Galatians 1:11-24
Psalms 63, 64 † 59
Daily Chapter: Amos 5

September 23
Luke 9:51-56
Galatians 2:1-10
Psalms 65, 67 † 61, 62
Daily Chapter: Amos 6

September 24
Luke 9:57-62
Galatians 2:11-21
Psalms 107:1-22 † 107:23-43
Daily Chapter: Amos 7

September 25
Luke 10:1-12
Amos 8:1-14
Psalms 69:1-18 † 69:19-36
Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 1

September 26
Luke 10:13-24
Amos 9:1-7
Psalms 66 † 70, 72
Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 2

September 27
Luke 10:25-37
Amos 9:8-15
Psalms 71 † 73
Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 3

September 28
Luke 10:38-42
Galatians 3:1-14
Psalms 74 † 77
Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 4

September 29
Luke 11:1-13
Galatians 3:15-29
Psalms 75, 76 † 79, 82
Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 5

September 30
Luke 11:14-23
Galatians 4:1-11
Psalms 78:1-18 † 78:19-40
Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 6

2023 SCHEDULE
MARTIN LUTHER LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

President Floyd Etzel	Vice-President Alvis Mueller
Chaplain Pastor Tinker	Treasurer/Alum Cans Brick Peele
Secretary & Program Director Pastor Tinker	

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM	HOST
Sept. 25	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Alvin Mueller
Oct. 23	6:00 p.m.	Family Night	MLLC Men in Mission
Nov. 24	12 noon	Pack Christmas Boxes	All Members
Dec.		NO MEETING	

This years' Bible Study Theme is Praying like Jesus the Messiah
ALL INVITED! Come and See!



Friends and Family Prayer Concerns: Irene Ortiz (health concerns), Anita Drydale (health concerns), Charles Mueller, Sr. (health concerns), Kathy Schoenst (health concerns), Jose Ortiz (health concerns, father of Emily Ortiz), William "Dean" Taylor (brother of Debby Peele), Sharon Rhome (health issues; cousin to Wade Eilers & Susan Ray), Jerry Wickel (heart issues), Sonny Marth (health concerns), Joshua Aranzolo (health concerns), Joe Franks (cancer, friend of MLLC), Angie Colpetzer (health concerns), Dorothy Marth (health concerns), Bradley Rinn (health concerns, friend of Darrel & Vickie Neutzler), Harold Smith (health concerns, brother of Vickie Neutzler), Will Espinoza (recent open heart surgery, Kalisa Pomykal's son-in-law), Joy Treude (health concerns), Earl Neumann (health concerns), Mark Hinze (cancer, son of Kenny Hinze), Lorali Schultz (health concerns, sister to Sedalia Ullrich), Kim Wunderlich Lewis (cancer treatment), Paula Barrick (health concerns).

Homebound Members: Ruth Schoenemann, Jimmy Flinn, Thelma Hinze, Joyce Fuchs, Daniel & Ila Nell Kieke, Allyne McGilvra, David & Sara Eilers.

Members in Care Facilities: Judy Yarborough (The Manor, Benton, AR), Gladys Roemer (Argent Court).

Military Personnel: MLLC member: Joseph Vogel Family & Friends: Justyn Bearden, Michael Martin, Kyle Slaughter, Joshua Finke, and all those who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.

Sympathy to the families of: Otto Fuchs, Jr., Pat McCanlies, & Delbert Baack

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministries

September 2023 Happenings

Waldeck Lutheran Church – St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby

Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top – Martin Luther Lutheran Church – Carmine

Next Shared Ministry Meeting – November 11, 2023 – at Shelby – 9-10:30 a.m.

Shared Worship Service: Sunday, October 29, at Lutherhill - 9:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top

412 S White St

Round Top, TX 78954

(979) 249-3686

E-mail: blc@cvctx.com

Find us on Facebook

Worship on Sunday – 9:30 a.m.

Noisy Offering on 1st Sunday monthly

Pastor John David Nedbalek

Pastor John David will be leading Adult Bible Study Classes at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

The classes will be on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 P.M. in the Educational Bldg. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For All Four Churches

Confirmation Class Schedule and Information

Our Shared Ministry Confirmation Class will begin the fall semester in September. For this month, the classes will meet on Wednesdays, September 6, 13, 20, and 27, 4:15-6:15 p.m.

The classes meet at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in their Mission and Ministry Building, 250 Augsburg Ave, in Carmine. The class is for unconfirmed youth who have entered at least 7th grade. Most students are in grades 7 and 8 when participating. The classes are co-taught by our Pastors Nedbalek and Tinker, plus other adults as scheduled. Please contact your pastor with questions or to enroll.

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 @ 9:30 AM

Pastor John David Nedbalek

pstrjd@cvctx.com

– cell 210-422-7599

Quilting – 3rd Wednesday each month
~9:00 a.m

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

Upcoming Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings

9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday Mornings

November 11, 2023 - at Shelby

February 10, 2024 - at Carmine

Martin Luther Lutheran Church – Carmine

211 Luther Lane; P O Box 362
Carmine, TX 78932 979-278-3388
<http://mlccarmine.com>

Worship on Sunday – 10:00 a.m.
Worship on Saturdays – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
Pastor David Tinker pastordjt@gmail.com
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384

***Monthly Study/Fellowship Groups**

Quilting – 2nd Mondays at 9:00 a.m. in the Mission & Ministry Building.
Rebekah Group – 2nd Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
Men in Mission – 4th Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor – by church offices. 12 noon in November.

Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels and fellowship
New Participants are always welcome.
Every Wednesday (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 Worship and Meal
Sunday, September 3
Worship at 10 a.m.
Meal and fellowship to follow at ~11:10 a.m.
Pulled Pork Sandwiches, chips, and drinks provided.
You are welcome to bring a side, salad, or dessert to share.



Waldeck Evangelical Lutheran Church

6915 Waldeck Church Ln
Ledbetter, TX 78946 979-249-3802
Find us on Facebook
Worship on Sunday – 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Pastor David Tinker pastordjt@gmail.com
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384

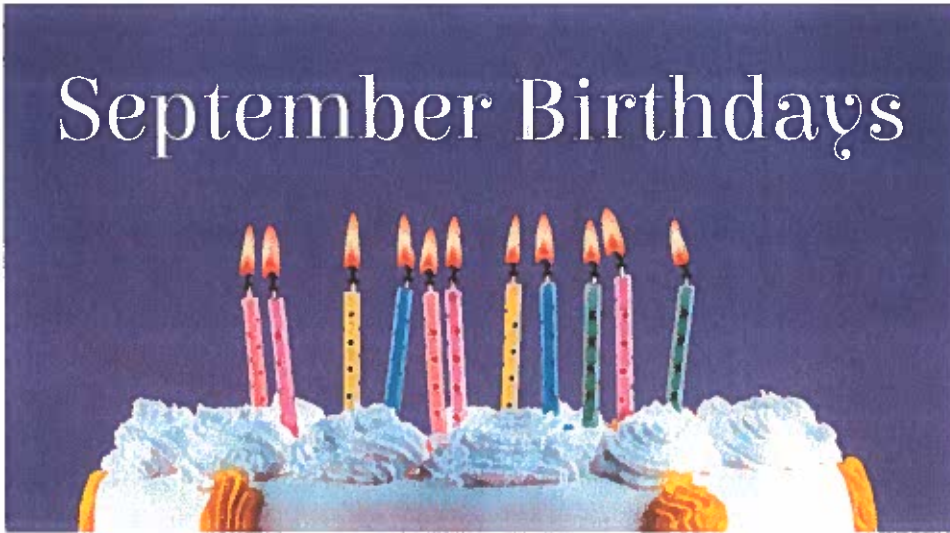
Upcoming Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings

9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday Mornings

November 11, 2023 – at Shelby
February 10, 2024 – at Carmine

Harvest Festival and Homecoming
Sunday, October 15, at Carmine Hall
Worship at 9:30 a.m.
Pork Steak Meal, tickets \$15.00
Raffle Tickets, 1 for \$20, 3 for \$50
Contact the church for tickets which will be available soon!

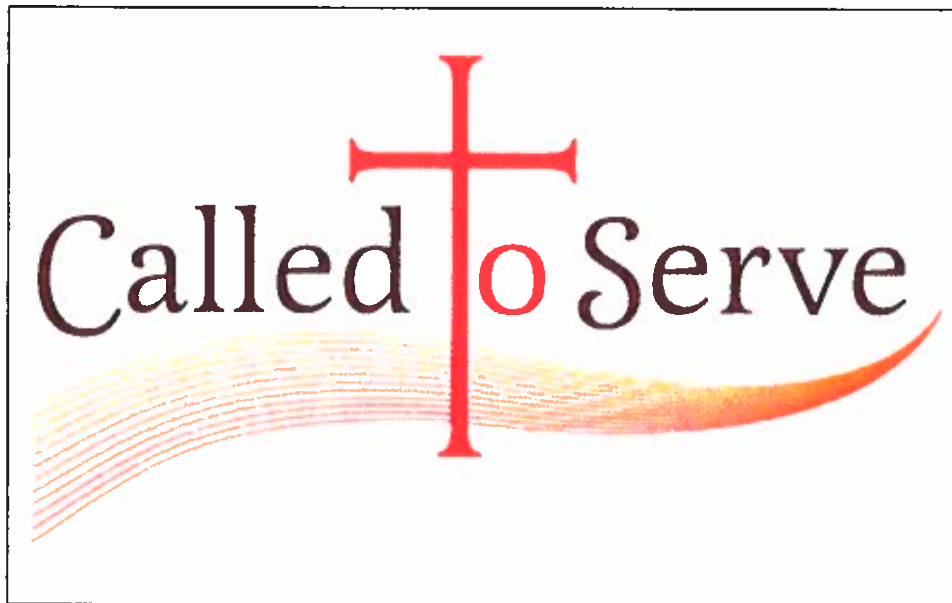
September Birthdays



09/03 Anita Drydale
09/04 Maggie Hinze
09/09 Charles Mueller, Sr.
09/10 Kooper Kirks
09/11 Ronnie Hinze
09/12 Rylan Boyer
09/13 Amy Huebner
09/17 Cohen Miller
09/18 Eddie Marburger
09/21 Presley Lange
09/22 Kennedy Flinn
09/23 Roy Finke, Jr.
09/24 Charlene Mueller
09/27 Dawn O'Neal
09/28 Diane Tovey
09/30 Shayne Kirks

09/03 Kim Lewis
09/06 Cindy Dooley
09/10 Cheryl Etzel
09/11 Troy Carmean
09/11 Jed Leppard
09/12 Robert Kominczak
09/16 Monty Mayer
09/17 Jordan Weidemann
09/20 Sierra Kunkel
09/21 Drayton Oakes
09/22 Jacquelyn Ray
09/23 Raelynn Nelson
09/25 Jake Smith
09/27 Kelly Warburton
09/30 Ryan Finke

Birthday Blessings



A notable part of our stewardship and faith expression is our service to God, Church, and neighbor. One of the ways we open doors for service through Martin Luther Lutheran Church is through your completion of the Time & Talent sheets each year. These show you some of the various ways you can serve God and Church. We especially use these when organizing our schedule for various roles in worship, education, and administration. One example of how these are used is that these help the office staff and worship committee to organize the schedule of usher teams, readers, assisting ministers, etc. for the coming year.

Another use of these forms is to let the office staff know if you are needing to discontinue an area of service and/or to begin serving in a new area. If you know you will need to discontinue serving in a particular area, please let us know through the Time & Talent sheet or by contacting the office. We all know that life has its changes, so just let us know.

We look forward to your new or continued service in the coming year.

2024 TIME & TALENTS QUESTIONNAIRE

The 2024 Time & Talent sheets are included in this newsletter. Please fill these out and return to the box in the Narthex by the end of September, so that the 2024 All Servers List may be completed in October.

As a reminder, volunteers of all ages are encouraged to add their names to help as moved to do so. There is an exceptional need for volunteers in **all areas**. Everyone will remain the same unless you ask to be removed.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS/EVENTS/ AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HARVEST FESTIVAL AND HOMECOMING FUNDRAISER RAFFLE

The 2023 Harvest Festival and Homecoming Fundraiser Raffle are scheduled for
Sunday, October 15, 2023.

As we prepare for our annual Harvest Festival and Homecoming, the Stewardship Committee is doing their part to be ready. As in the past, the committee will sponsor a raffle and invites your participation in these preparations.

There are two main options for how you can help us get ready for the Raffle.

*1 - Buy or make an item with a \$100+ value to be donated for the raffle.

*2 - Give money, in any amount, toward one or more large prizes.

The Stewardship Committee is grateful for the continued generosity of the congregation and community. Together we are building up the mission and ministry of the congregation and our work for the sake of the community. You can bring your donation(s) items for monetary donations to the church through August 28th.

Thank you for supporting the Martin Luther Lutheran Church Harvest Festival 2023.



Harvest
festival



Labor Day Sunday Worship and Meal
Worship at 10 a.m.
Meal at about 11:15 a.m.
Both in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 3 (Labor Day Weekend), is a Holy Day of sorts for all of us. We know that 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 of 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.

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 or as they do for school in their current day. On Sunday, September 3, we will take time to give thanks for all which God calls and equips us to do.

Church Fellowship Meal - after Worship/about 11:15 a.m.

This meal will include Pulled Pork Sandwiches, with all the trimmings, including individual bags of chips. Those attending the service and meal are invited to bring side dishes, salads, or desserts.

The Saturday evening service at 6 p.m. will be held in the sanctuary as usual!

Fall Confirmation Class Schedule and Information

Our Shared Ministry Confirmation Class will begin the fall semester in September. For this month, the classes will meet on Wednesdays, September 6, 13, 20, and 27, 4:15-6:15 p.m. The classes meet in our Mission and Ministry Building, 250 Augsburg Ave, in Carmine. The class is for unconfirmed youth who have entered at least 7th grade. Most students are in grades 7 and 8 when participating. The classes are co-taught by the shared Ministry Pastors, Nedbalek and Tinker, with other adults as scheduled. Please contact Pastor Tinker with questions or to enroll.



Thank you to all of the Martin Luther Lutheran Church family members for their generous acts of kindness given to our loved one, Otto. The telephone calls, caring visits, encouraging cards, and personal inquiries of his health meant so much to everyone, especially Otto. He truly enjoyed each and every one. Thank you also to the ladies who always made sure to send him home with a plate full of food and goodies to enjoy! He loved it! We appreciate those who provided communion to him at home and in the care facility. We extend thanks to Pastor Tinker for his visits, prayers, and beautiful tribute to Otto. Those of you who were able to visit with us at the Family Visitation and attend the Funeral Service, we appreciate your kind words and presence. If you were not able to attend, we appreciate your thoughts and prayers. The delicious lunch prepared and served after the funeral service by the ladies of the Women of the Church provided deeply appreciated physical uplifting and fellowship. Your generous memorials and floral donations have been wonderful tributes to Otto. We have been truly blessed by your most gracious acts of Christian love as we experience Christ through Otto's strong, steadfast, faith while he journeyed through his many blessings and challenges, and as he entered eternal life.

Glory to God for his servant Otto and all the blessed Christians who supported him with their Christian love.

God bless you as he has blessed us.

Carobeth and Bruce Bockhorn
Rebecca and Mark Kuecker
Lucas, Chris Ann, Graceyn, Braelyn, and Kaleb Stroeck
Carolise, Benjamin, Caroleen, and Zackary Kelly
Dawn, Gary, Jessalynn, and Jaseton Boicerek
Clint, RaChelle, Jax, Ripkyn, and Harley Kuecker



Bible Pathway Adventures










"Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd's pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine."

(1 Sam 17:40)

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 SAUL AMALEKITES SAMUEL PROPHET SOLDIERS
 BETHLEHEM OIL HARP PALACE ARMY BROTHERS
 ISRAELITES PHILISTINES STONE STREAM

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
EXTRA: Time & Talent Surveys for 2024 - Due by the end of September					1	2  6:00 pm- Worship w/Holy Communion
3 14 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School 10:00 am- Worship with Holy Communion in Fellowship Hall Labor Day Luncheon following Worship Service	4  Labor Day Church Office closed	5 4:30 pm- Worship Committee meeting Council Agenda Deadline	6 4:15pm - 6:15pm Confirmation	7 2:00 pm -- Rebekah Group meets	8 Please remember to collect your loose change for noisy offering Sunday	9  6:00 pm- Worship w/Holy Communion
10  Grandparents Day 9:00 am-Sunday School 10:00 am-- Worship with Holy Communion led by Praise Team/Noisy offering collected SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION	11  9:00 am-Quilting 6:30 pm- Stewardship Committee meeting	12 6:00 pm Church Council Meeting	13 4:15pm - 6:15pm Confirmation	14 2:00 pm -- Rebekah Group meets	15 <u>Newsletter deadline</u>	16  6:00 pm- Worship w/Holy Communion
17 16 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School 10:00 am- Worship with Holy Communion	18 1:00 pm-Domino Party "EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!"	19	20 4:15pm - 6:15pm Confirmation	21	22	23 1 st Day of Autumn  6:00 pm- Worship w/Holy Communion
24 17 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am-Sunday School 10:00 am- Worship with Holy Communion	25 6:00 pm- Men in Mission	26	27 4:15pm - 6:15pm Confirmation	28	29	30

SERVERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023:

Bulletin folder: Dianna Gerland

Offering Counters: Deposit – Vickie Neutzler & Melba Zingelmann

Newsletter assemblers (completed the last week of the current month): Leatha Miller & Nancy Eilers

Put communion cards, pencils & envelopes in pews – Tina Mikeška

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Readers	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Communion set-up	*Flowers
09/02 Saturday		Volunteers		Volunteer		Debbie Eckert	
09/03	Tinley Woodruff	Team #8-Eldon Mikeška, Jr., Capt, Mason Mikeška, Jimmy Loewe, Randall Zwerenemann, Rene Zwerenemann	Tony Dooley	Debbie Peele	Table Communion	Debbie Eckert	Daryl & Susan Ray
09/09 Saturday		Volunteers		Volunteer		Connie Peters	
09/10	Summer Dooley	Team #9-Glenn Treude, Capt., Melvin Schoenst, Glenda Oaks, Drayton Oaks, Rene Runge	Susan Ray	Dianna Gerland	Leonita Sanders	Connie Peters	Trina Siptak
09/16 Saturday		Volunteers		Volunteer		Gwen Stork	
09/17	Reagan Williams	Team #10-Tim Sanders, Capt, Shayne Kirts, Karen Roerner	Blake Dooley	Amelia Williams	Amber Dooley	Gwen Stork	OPEN
09/23 Saturday		Volunteers		Volunteer		Susie Markwardt	
09/24	Jake Smith	Team #11-Shelley Scheffer, Capt, Connie Peters, Jordan Peters, Vickie Neutzler	Kayla Peters	Jennifer Tinker	Susan Ray	Susie Markwardt	Paula Barrick
09/30 Saturday		Volunteers		Volunteer		Melba Zingelmann	
10/01	Christian Pratt	Team #12 -Ronnie Eckert, Capt, Avalda Pohl, Debbie Eckert, Josh Eckert, Peyton Franklin	Leonita Sanders	Deby Peele	Table Communion	Melba Zingelmann	OPEN

PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE A WEEK IN ADVANCE OF ANY SPECIAL DEDICATIONS. THANK YOU!

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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: Tim Sanders-President; Joshua Eckert-President-elect; Jason Schroeder-Secretary;
Danielle Nelson-Treasurer; Vickie Neutzler-Worship Committee; RaChelle Kuecker, Stewardship Committee;
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