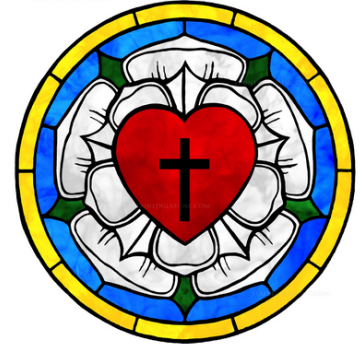


AUGUST, 2023

# LUTHER'S LETTER

Monthly publication of Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Carmine, Texas



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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.

**BACK  
TO  
SCHOOL**

WHATEVER YOU DO,  
WORK AT IT WITH  
ALL YOUR HEART, AS  
WORKING FOR THE  
LORD, NOT FOR MEN...

COLOSSIANS 3:23

# August 27th, 2023

## Special Called Congregational Meeting

A Special Called Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, August 27, 2023. The Church Council has called this special congregational meeting for Sunday, August 27th after the regularly scheduled Worship Service. The purpose of the called meeting is to vote on whether to continue the ELCA research process and schedule additional forums with other Lutheran denominations or to end the ELCA research process.

This will NOT be a vote on whether or not to leave the ELCA.

All members are encouraged to attend. Should you have any questions regarding the special called meeting or the ELCA research process, please contact: Pastor Tinker or Tim Sanders, Council President.



## Bringing God's Love to the World

By Pastor David Tinker

In the Edgar Allen Poe story, "The Masque of the Red Death," we hear about people in medieval times attempting to avoid the plague which was killing so many. They hole up in a castle. The world outside was unpleasant and potentially dangerous. Inside the castle, they felt secure from the problems of the world. While there these same people become focused on entertainment and pleasure. This does not end up well for them. The death of the plague in world enters their lives anyway.

This reminds me of what the Prophet Isaiah shares of God's Word in chapter 22. God is telling the people to get back on track with life. They are to repent, and to do the things he has always called the people to do, such as living out love for God and serving their neighbors. Their sin was neglecting the covenant God made with them. It was neglecting and harming the downtrodden in their community. Their continued sin and rebellion brought God's wrath. In response to the wrath, they turn even more inward. Those who are self-serving in the midst of the impending destruction of Jerusalem are saying, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die. (vs. 13)" In a sense, they are saying, let's retreat into the illusion of protection and revelry. Being self-focused ushered them into death.

My favorite rock song is from the early 1980s. It is a reminder to return to our God given calling. The song is, "Sunday, Bloody Sunday," by the Irish rock band, U2. It picks up on the line from Isaiah 22 and pushes it a step further. It notes how our use of the media and entertainment distract us from loving our neighbors. "And it's true we are immune; When fact is fiction and TV reality; And today the millions cry; We eat and drink while tomorrow they die."

In stressful times it is more common to pull back into self. We may not even notice what we are doing. Sometimes we try to exert control over one part of our life because there are things God calls us to renew our response of faithfulness to God and of love for our neighbors in need.

In light of this message of God in Isaiah, we see that it is not all about me. It is not all about you. Rather, it is about how, in response to God's love, we now love and serve others. It is about how we connect with the Lord. In our sin and fear, we sometimes get caught up in a shrinking circle of life. Founded on fear, we begin attempting to control whatever we can get our hands on. This fear-based focus on control ultimately directs our focus on ourselves. The people in the Poe story were basing their actions on fear. Fear begets greater fear of the world. This often leads to sin which neglects serving God, neighbor, and fellow believers. Sometimes it leads to a self-centered, pleasure-seeking life as challenged by Isaiah. Sometimes it leads to harming one another. Either way, it is not God's will for us.

As we move forward in God's will and way, let us focus on doing those things which strengthen faith and move us into the world in ministry. Daily prayer, weekly worship participation, daily Bible reading, will connect us with God. Serving others, encouraging and sharing faith, and giving generously will help us invest in others. Through this, we are bringing God's love to the world. We are living out God's will. We are stepping outside of ourselves for God's glory and to serve others. We are letting the perfect love of God cast out fear.

## Church Council Highlights from July 11, 2023

Members Present: Tim Sanders - President, Jason Schroeder - Secretary, Danielle Nelson - Treasurer, Pastor Tinker, Shayne Kirts - Christian Education, Susie Markwardt - Outreach, Rachelle Kuecker - Stewardship, Vickie Neutzler - Worship  
Members Absent: Josh Eckert - President Elect, 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 June meeting were reviewed. Vickie Neutzler moved to accept the minutes with a second by Shayne Kirts. All approved.

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

**Pastor's Report:** \*No upcoming Weddings on calendar. \*No recent member funerals. Led a funeral as a substitute for Pastor Nedbalek, due to his vacation time. Lore Muske, aged 100, and was associated with St. Paul Shelby, but was a Carmine resident. \*Vacation time 2023 update. Using two weekends, plus several day around them: July 16-August 4. Back at worship on the weekend of August 5-6. Pastor Jen Kindsvatter will be leading services on July 22-23 and July 29-30. Used a special Saturday on July 1, with Pastor John David Nedbalek filling in. \*Remaining 2023 vacation remains: 2 weeks/Sunday, plus up to 3 special Saturdays. Men in Mission Ice Cream Social in July. Family Night Dinner in October. Continuing the Lord's Prayer Bible Study from August forward. Seafarer's Christmas boxes in the planning stage.

**Upcoming Events:** 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  
Upcoming Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings 9-10:30 a.m. August 12, 2023 – Saturday Location: Waldeck

### Committee Reports:

Christian Education Committee: Summer Sunday School is taking place.

Outreach Committee: On Thursday, August 10th, will be the breakfast for teachers.

Property Committee: No new business.

Stewardship Committee: Meeting next week about Harvest Fest and discussing summer camp reimbursement.

Worship Committee: Matt Kindsvatter will be here on August 20th on Praise Team Sunday and will have the blessings of backpacks. Labor Day Sunday will have pulled pork sandwiches with all the trimmings and chips. Members are asked to bring sides and desserts. Esther Kelley will prepare the meal. Harvest Festival will be on October 15th. Reformation Sunday is October 29th at Lutherhill. Setting up the Christmas tree on November 26th. Advent service on December 17th will be a caroling service..

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

**Old Business:** August 27th will be a special meeting to vote on staying with the ELCA or pursuing other options.

**New Business:** Harvest Fest will be on October 15th with discussion on meal, raffle tickets, etc. Susie made a motion to withdraw \$20,000 from the Memorial Fund each month for the next four months to be put in a CD at Carmine State Bank, with a second by Pastor. Motion carried. A Thank You letter was received from AMEN.

Rachelle Kuecker will give the devotion at next month's meeting on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jason Schroeder, Secretary

## MLLC Financial Information

### June 2023 Monthly

Total Income \$ 18,117.09  
 Total Expenses \$ 24,590.94  
**Net Income(Loss): (\$ 6,473.85)**

### June Expense Highlights

Salaries and Benefits \$ 16,905.82  
 Utilities/Property Ins. \$ 1,358.06  
 Office Expenses \$ 1,504.04  
 World/Community Benev. \$ 1,308.32  
 Outreach \$ 27.28  
 Worship \$ 1,114.00  
 Stewardship \$ 197.27  
 VBS/Camping \$ 2,131.15

### June 2023 Year to Date

Total Income \$136,746.80  
 Total Expenses \$143,366.84  
**Net Income(Loss): (\$ 6,620.04)**

## Attendance & Contributions

DATE	ATTENDANCE	GENERAL	ONLINE	BUILDING
06/03	18	\$4,450.00		
06/04	61	\$2,353.25	\$166.07	\$150.00
06/10	20	\$ 718.00	\$ 77.90	
06/11	57	\$2,340.00		\$ 25.00
06/17	20	\$ 595.00		
06/18 VBS	158	\$4,601.00	\$216.07	\$125.00
06/24	16	\$ 220.00		
06/25	52	\$1,201.00	\$265.54	

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA

**Rebekah Group** will meet on Thursday, August 10th at 2:00 pm.

The Bible Study theme is:

The meeting will be hosted by Barbara Jacob and Joann Ullrich

Bible Study will be led by Susan Ray

Sedalia Ullrich will present the Offering Meditation.

AMEN Ingathering will be held

Quilting is scheduled for Monday, August 14th at 9:00 am in the Mission & Ministry Bldg.

Set Date to pack school supplies.

WELCA TX-LA Gulf Coast Synod Convention

Funeral Serving chairpersons Meeting, August 24, 2023 @ 6:00 pm

## Daily Bible Readings for August 1 thru 31

August 1  
Mark 12:35-44  
Acts 22:22-29  
Psalms 78:41-72 † 80, 110  
Daily Chapter: Hosea 9

August 2  
Mark 13:1-13  
Acts 22:30-23:11  
Psalms 81 † 83  
Daily Chapter: Hosea 10

August 3  
Mark 13:14-27  
Acts 23:12-22  
Psalms 84 † 85  
Daily Chapter: Hosea 11

August 4  
Mark 13:28-37  
Acts 23:23-35  
Psalms 86, 87 † 88  
Daily Chapter: Hosea 12

August 5  
Mark 14:1-11  
2 Peter 1:1-19  
Psalms 89:1-18 † 89:19-52  
Daily Chapter: Hosea 13

August 6  
Mark 9:2-13  
2 Peter 1:10-21  
Psalms 27 † 80  
Daily Chapter: Hosea 14

August 7  
Mark 9:14-29  
2 Peter 2:1-11  
Psalms 90 † 91  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 1

August 8  
Mark 14:12-26  
2 Peter 2:12-22  
Psalms 92, 93 † 94  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 2

August 9  
Mark 14:27-31  
2 Peter 3:1-9  
Psalms 95, 96 † 97, 98  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 3

August 10  
Mark 14:32-42  
2 Peter 3:10-18  
Psalms 99, 100, 101 † 102  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 4

August 11  
Mark 14:43-52  
Acts 24:1-9  
Psalms 103 † 104  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 5

August 12  
Mark 14:53-65  
Acts 24:10-21  
Psalms 105:1-22 † 105:23-45  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 6

August 13  
Matthew 17:1-13  
Acts 24:22-27  
Psalms 106:1-18 † 106:19-48  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 7

August 14  
Mark 14:66-72  
Acts 25:1-12  
Psalms 107:1-22 † 107:23-43  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 8

August 15  
Luke 2:41-50  
John 2:1-12  
Psalms 108, 110, † 109  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 9

August 16  
Mark 15:1-20  
Acts 25:13-27  
Psalms 111, 112, † 113, 114  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 10

August 17  
Mark 15:21-32  
Acts 26:1-11  
Psalms 115 † 116, 117  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 11

August 18  
Mark 15:33-47  
Acts 26:12-23  
Psalms 119:1-24 † 119:25-48  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 12

August 19  
Mark 16:1-8  
Acts 26:24-32  
Psalms 119:49-72 † 119:73-88  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 13

August 20  
Mark 16:9-20  
Acts 27:1-12  
Psalms 119:89-128  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 14

August 21  
Luke 3:1-20  
Acts 27:13-26  
Psalms 119:129-176  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 15

August 22  
Luke 3:21-38  
Acts 27:27-38  
Psalms 118 † 129, 121  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 16

August 23  
Luke 4:1-13  
Acts 27:39-28:6  
Psalms 122, 123 † 124, 125, 126  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 17

August 24  
Luke 4:14-30  
Acts 28:7-16  
Psalms 127, 128 † 129, 130, 131  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 18

August 25  
Luke 4:31-41  
Acts 28:17-31  
Psalms 132, 133 † 134, 135  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 19

August 26  
Luke 4:42-5:11  
2 Corinthians 1:1-14  
Psalms 136 † 137, 138  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 20

August 27  
Luke 5:12-16  
2 Corinthians 1:15-2:2  
Psalms 139 † 141, 142  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 21

August 28  
Luke 5:17-26  
2 Corinthians 2:3-11  
Psalms 140 † 143  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 22

August 29  
Mark 6:14-29  
2 Corinthians 2:12-3:3  
Psalms 144 † 145  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 23

August 30  
Luke 5:27-32  
2 Corinthians 3:4-18  
Psalms 146 † 147  
Daily Chapter: Joshua 24

August 31  
Luke 5:33-39  
2 Corinthians 4:1-15  
Psalms 148 † 149, 150  
Daily Chapter: Judges 1

**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
Aug. 28	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Brick Peele
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:** 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), Sheila Hanke (health concerns), Lorali Schultz (health concerns, sister to Sedalia Ullrich), Kim Wunderlich Lewis (cancer treatment), Paula Barrick (health concerns).

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

**Members in Care Facilities:** Pat McCanlies (Kruse Village), Otto Fuchs (Brenham Nursing & Rehabilitation), Judy Yarbrough (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:** Lore Muske (resident of Carmine), Lucile Knebel Burttschell (confirmed at MLLC in 1947).

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministries

August 2023 Happenings

Waldeck Lutheran Church – St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby

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

Next Shared Ministry Meeting – August 12, 2023 – at Waldeck – 9-10:30 a.m.

Shared Worship Service: Sunday, October 29, at Lutherhill

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top**

412 S White St, Round Top, TX 78954

(979) 249-3686

E-mail: [blc@cvctx.com](mailto: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 August 2, 2023. The Lesson for this month will be Matthew 14:13-21. 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.

Ruth Circle will be meeting in the Educational Building Thursday, August 3, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. All visitors and new members are welcome to attend.

The Sewing Circle will be meeting in the Educational Building Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. All visitors and new members are welcome to attend.

Community Service Opportunity  
Offered and Hosted by Martin Luther - Carmine  
Round Top – Carmine  
Teacher Appreciation Breakfast  
Thursday, August 17, 8:30 a.m.  
in the Fellowship Hall

The people of Martin Luther – Carmine invite people from our Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry congregations to serve at this caring event for our local teachers. Contact the church office in Carmine – 979-278-3388 – to volunteer, bring a food item to serve, or to donate toward the event costs.

This breakfast event is always a big hit with the teachers and staff. Together we can make it even better.

**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](http://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](mailto: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

August 12, 2023 Location: Waldeck

November 11, 2023 Location: Shelby

February 10, 2024 Location: Carmine



**Martin Luther Lutheran Church – Carmine**

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

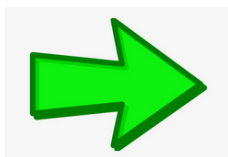
Worship on Sunday – 10:00 a.m.  
Worship on Saturdays – 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.  
Pastor David Tinker [pastordjt@gmail.com](mailto:pastordjt@gmail.com)  
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384

**\*\*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.

Men in Mission Bible Study.  
Monday, August 28, 6 p.m. in the Parlor – by the church offices.  
All are welcome. Come for fellowship.

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.

Lutherhill Weekend  
August 19 and 20  
Matt Kindsvatter, Executive Director of Lutherhill Ministries will be our guest speaker at all weekend worship services.



**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](mailto:pastordjt@gmail.com)  
Cell 713-461-8007/home 979-278-3384

Lutherhill Sunday  
August 20

Matt Kindsvatter, Executive Director of Lutherhill Ministries will be our guest speaker at our Sunday worship service.

Upcoming-Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings

9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday Mornings  
August 12, 2023 – Location: Waldeck  
November 11, 2023 – Location: Shelby  
February 10, 2024 – Location: Carmine

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Labor Day Sunday Worship and Meal  
Sunday, Sept. 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.

# *AUGUST*



08/01 Brenner Bishop  
08/02 Spence Schroeder  
08/02 Jeffrey Wunderlich  
08/08 Amy Dooley  
08/08 Justin Roemer  
08/09 Nicholas Roemer  
08/12 Joann Ullrich  
08/14 Doris Jean Gebhard  
08/14 Tye Siptak  
08/15 Connie Peters  
08/16 Jace Carmean  
08/16 Tabatha Thompson  
08/18 Claire Zapalac  
08/18 Douglas Ullrich, Jr.  
08/19 Melba Zingelmann  
08/20 Chelsea Lozano  
08/22 Dillon Marburger  
08/24 Kevin Woelfel  
08/26 Carol Hall  
08/28 Lyndell Woodruff  
08/30 Rene Runge  
08/30 Bradley Wunderlich

08/02 Wade Eilers  
08/02 Greg Warburton  
08/06 Bailey Wunderlich  
08/08 Marvin Marburger  
08/08 Bobbie Weidemann  
08/11 Nicholas Lehmann  
08/13 Conway Waak, Jr.  
08/14 Wendy McDaniel  
08/15 Linda Kovar  
08/15 Megan Smith  
08/16 Angelica Colpetzer  
08/17 Brooklyn O'Malley  
08/18 Christian Pratt  
08/19 Aaron Kohring  
08/20 Avery Franklin  
08/21 Paula Noak  
08/24 Rickey Roemer  
08/25 Gladys Roemer  
08/27 Shana Muske  
08/29 Cindy Weidemann  
08/30 Neil Weigelt

*Birthday Blessings*

# LOCAL HAPPENINGS/EVENTS/ AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Congratulations to Claire & Justin Zapalac on the birth of their son, Randall Mayer Zapalac. Randall was born on June 8th. He is welcomed by Grandparents Monty & Lisa Mayer and Greg & Gwen Zapalac; along with Uncle Adam Mayer. Randall weighed in at 9lbs. 6oz. and was 21.5 inches tall.



## Carmine Show Fund

**BBQ Pork Steak**  
served with buttered potatoes,  
baked beans and sauce

**Sunday, August 13, 2023**

**11:00 am – 12:30pm**

Pick up at Carmine Hall, Carmine TX

**\$15.00 per plate**

**TOGO ONLY**

\*\*\*\* Benefits RT-C Youth Livestock Projects \*\*\*\*

**PICK UP ALSO AVAILABLE  
IN GIDDINGS, LAGRANGE and BRENHAM**

*Members*  
Kooper Kirts  
Summer Dooley  
Bree Dooley  
Brody Dooley  
Morgan Bowen, Reagan Williams

## 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*



BLESSING OF STUDENTS AND BACKPACKS will be Saturday and Sunday, August 19th & 20th. Students of all ages, grades, and types of schools are invited to participate.

# July

## 2023

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**Round Top**  
FAMILY LIBRARY

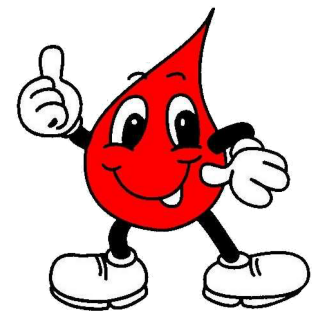
All programs  
are FREE

contact the library for details

**YOGA IN THE LIBRARY**  
5pm Mondays & 9am Wednesdays

<p><b>FAMILY GAME DAY</b> July 8th at 2pm</p> <p><b>CHESS CLUB</b> Wednesdays at 1pm</p> <p><b>UNCLE JUMBO</b> July 13th at 4 pm</p> <p><b>BALLOON STORYTELLER</b> July 20th at 4pm</p> <p><b>PRESCHOOL STORY TIME</b> 10:15 am on Wednesdays</p>	<p><b>Barn Quilt Class</b> July 21st at 10 AM REGISTRATION REQUIRED</p> <p><b>Adult Painting class</b> July 29th at 10AM REGISTRATION REQUIRED</p> <p><b>All Together Dance party</b> July 27th at 2:30pm</p>
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Contact the Library for details on all classes and programs



GULF COAST REGIONAL BLOOD CENTER is scheduled for a blood drive on Sunday, August 27th. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm. You can make an appointment by logging into your established Digital Donor Account, or by contacting [Khardin@giveblood.org](mailto:Khardin@giveblood.org).



FUNERAL SERVING GROUP CHAIRPERSONS are asked to attend a meeting on Wednesday, August 24th at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall to discuss the serving groups and decide if any changes need to be made to the committees. If a chairperson cannot attend, please have someone from your group attend.

### Round Top-Carmine High School

Monday August 14th

Incoming 7th graders and new students 5:00-6:00

Returning 8th -12th graders 5:30-6:00 (no Chromebooks or parking spots issued this night)

August 9th, 11th and 15th

Chromebook, Schedules, and Parking Issued  
Time - TBD



**BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT**  
AUGUST 10, 2023

- 5:30 Title I Meeting in the Library
- 5:30 - 6:30 Pre-K - 3rd  
(STUDENTS MAY DROP OFF SUPPLIES IN THE ROOMS)
- 6:00 4th - 6th Parent meeting in cafeteria  
(PLEASE KEEP SUPPLIES BAGGED AND LABELED WITH STUDENT NAME AND THEY MAYBE DROPPED OFF ON APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVEL TABLE IN CAFETERIA)

**R&R SHAVED ICE**  
Available starting at 5:00 in the parking lot

BOUND TOP - CARMINE ELEMENTARY



### Items needed for Lutheran World Relief School Kits:

Four 70-count spiral notebooks of ruled paper

One blunt pair of scissors

One 30-centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side

One Pencil sharpener

Five new, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers

Five ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

One eraser 2 1/2" long

One box of 16-24 crayons

One sturdy backpack-style cloth bag - 14 x 17 in. with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)

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Pack all items in the bag, fold handles over, secure with yarn.



Two new silk flower arrangements have been donated to the Church in memory of Alan Juergens and Gerald Schmidt by the Juergens family.



Thank you to everyone who called, sent cards, and prayed during my recent surgery. All were sincerely appreciated.  
Jennifer Teinert



**LUTHERHILL WEEKEND** The weekend of August 19-20 we will welcome Matt Kindsvatter, Executive Director of Lutherhill Ministries, as our guest preacher. This is an annual event for MLLC as we celebrate our continued partnership with Lutherhill. He will be at both our Saturday evening 6 pm service and our Sunday morning 10 am service.



The Annual Labor Day Worship Service and Luncheon will be Sunday, September 3rd at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Following worship, a luncheon will be served. The menu will be pulled pork sandwiches with pickles, onions and sauce. The congregation is asked to bring a complimentary side dish or dessert. Don't forget to wear your "WORK" clothes!





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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.

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