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.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023



The Harvest Festival Service is scheduled for 9:30 am at the Carmine Hall.

This will be followed by a meal consisting of

BBQ Pork Ribeye, Sausage, Baked Beans, Coleslaw and German Potatoes

for \$15.00 each.

Raffle tickets will be available for \$20 each or 3 for \$50. Meal and raffle tickets can be purchased in advance from the church office.

The MLLC Congregation is asked to donate baked items to be available alongside the meal for free will donation.

Please drop them off at the Hall prior to 11:00 am on Sunday.

Luther's 95 Theses

By Pastor David Tinker

October marks the time when we remember the Reformation and the beginning of the Protestant movement. We remember the work of Martin Luther for the sake of the church and the Gospel of Jesus. The event which sparked the Reformation was when Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses.

Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the Castle Church door on October 31, 1517, in Wittenberg, Germany. This action was meant to stir up discussion among those who read the 95 Theses. He posted these at the Castle Church door on this date because the local ruler, Frederick the Wise, was hosting a festival of relics starting November 1 (All Saints Day). (Relics are objects associated with Jesus, the Apostles, or various Saints of the Church. These relics could include bones, bits of dried blood, pieces of wood or clothing, or a variety of things once belonging to the holy person.) The charge for admission to the festival of relics was the purchase of Indulgences of various values. The selling of indulgences was, in part, to raise the large sum necessary to build Saint Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. An indulgence would grant the purchaser a reduction of his or her time in purgatory. The larger the sum paid by the person, the more time removed from the person's time in purgatory.

Luther's 95 Theses addressed three major themes.

Which Theses are associated with what Theme is from Roland Bainton's biography of Martin Luther: Here I Stand? Some of the theses may apply to more than one of Bainton's points.

Bainton's Points:

- 1) Objection to the Avowed Object of the Expenditure Opposition to the financing of the building of Saint Peter's Basilica at the Vatican 50, 51, 59, 66, 70, 86
- 2) Denial of the Powers of the Pope over Purgatory 1-40, 48, 49, 52-67, 69-71, 73-85, 87-93, 95
- 3) A consideration of the Welfare of the Sinner It is better for the Christian to give money to help a person in need than to pay for a false sense of security 27-29, 31, 32, 35, 41-48, 66-68, 70-72, 84, 95

Copies of all 95 of Martin Luther's 95 Theses are available at the church office and in the Narthex. These are in the form of a more modern translation from the original Latin. You can also view the same information on the MLLC web site at: http://mllccarmine.com/martin-luthers-95-theses/

I look forward to seeing you on the weekend of October 28 and 29 as we remember the Reformation. Worship on Saturday at 6:00 p.m. at Martin Luther in Carmine. Note that we have our special Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry service at Carby Chapel at Lutherhill on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Church Council Highlights from September 12, 2023

Members Present: Tim Sanders - President, Josh Eckert - President Elect., Jason Schroeder - Secretary, Danielle Nelson - Treasurer, Pastor Tinker, Susie Markwardt - Outreach, Vickie Neutzler - Worship, Christian Education, RaChelle Kuecker - Stewardship, Todd Dooley - Property

Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm by Tim Sanders.

The devotion and prayer were led by Tim Sanders.

Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was reviewed.

Pastor's Report: Items of Special Note: *Upcoming Weddings on calendar: Colter Siptak and Destiny Psencik, at Lutherhill, joint service led with Pastor Jen Kindsvatter. *Recent member funerals: Pat McCanlies, Otto F. Fuchs, Jr., Joy Treude. *Vacation time 2023 update. Using a Special Saturday on September 23, Pastor Nedbalek is filling in that night. *Confirmation Class began on September 6. Students from MLLC join youth from Waldeck and Round Top. Current enrollment is 17 youth from these three congregations.

*Men in Mission - Led Bible Study in August. Pastor led Bible Study will continue in September.

Family Night Dinner in October. Seafarers' Christmas Boxes will be packed in November.

Committee Reports:

<u>Christian Education Committee:</u> Rally Sunday was great. They are looking for people to teach Sunday School. The memorials from Joy Treude were designated to the Sunday School.

Outreach Committee: The Grandparents Day reception/celebration went very well.

<u>Property Committee:</u> The bell tower chain was replaced. Water lines in the women's restroom were replaced. A motion was made by Pastor with a second by Rachelle to rake and clean the playground with Darrell Neutzler doing it. <u>Stewardship Committee:</u> On December 20th, the Council and Stewardship committee will have a dinner of chicken spaghetti, salad, and bread.

Worship Committee: Half of the Harvest Fest raffle is done. The theme is Fall with country and western music by the Praise Team. The Christmas program will be on December 10th. Confirmation will be May 19, 2024.

Old Business:

A brief Synod comparison chart was reviewed. As of the August 27th special congregational meeting vote, a tentative schedule, using guidelines in the MLLC constitution, for continuation of ELCA Research process is as follows:

October 2023: Church Council meet with representative of LCMC; November 2023: Congregational forum with representative of LCMC; January 2024: Church Council meet with representative of NALC; February 2024: Congregational forum with representative of NALC; March 2024: Congregational input as to whether additional forums with other Lutheran denominations should be scheduled. Comments due by March Council meeting. April 2024: If no additional forums are planned, schedule special congregational meeting to terminate MLLC's relationship with the ELCA. If ¾ majority vote to terminate MLLC's relationship with the ELCA, schedule second special congregational meeting in August. August 2024: Schedule second congregational special meeting to terminate MLLC's relationship with the ELCA. If ¾ majority vote to terminate MLLC's relationship with the ELCA, send certified copy of resolution to terminate relationship to Synod Bishop in December. Notify Waldeck. September 2024: Schedule special congregational meeting to determine new Lutheran denomination affiliation. December 2024: Send certified copy of resolution to terminate relationship to Synod Bishop. Todd moved with a second by Pastor to include Lutheran Missouri Synod in our search for a Lutheran denomination. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Danielle Nelson will give the devotion at next month's meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

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

Respectfully submitted, Jason Schroeder, Secretary

MLLC Financial Information

August 2023 Monthly August Expense Highlights			:S	
Total Income	\$ 22,273.32	Outreach Committee	\$	76.39
Total Expenses	\$ 36,562.57	Office Expenses	\$	596.67
Net Income(Loss):	(\$14,289.25)	World/Community Benev.	\$	1,208.32
		Staff Salaries & Benefits	\$	17,704.94
august 2023 Year to Date		Property/Utilities	\$	1,968.35
Total Income	\$ 178,973.15	Worship	\$	63.90
Total Expenses	\$ 204,677.94	Insurance	\$	14,944.00
Net Income(Loss):	(\$ 25,704.79)			-

Attendance & Contributions

DATE	ATTENDANCE	GENERAL	ONLINE	BUILDING
08/05	30	\$1,320.00		
08/06	34	\$5,436.00	\$ 77.90	\$300.00
08/12	20	\$ 609.00	\$167.00	
08/13	38	\$3,315.73		
08/16 Drought	57	\$4,564.00 collecte	ed and divided betwe	een 4 local VFD's
08/19	19	\$ 551.00	\$ 77.90	
08/20	55	\$1,921.00		\$100.00
08/26	16	\$ 590.00	\$305.54	
08/27	95	\$2,862.00	\$177.37	\$215.00

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Rebekah Group will meet on Thursday, October 12th at 2:00 pm.

The Bible Study theme is:

The meeting will be hosted by Jocie Braun and Joys Baird

Bible Study will be led a Group Study

Nancy Eilers will present the Offering Meditation.

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

Brazos Cluster Fall Happening TBA

Plan Thankoffering service

Set date to pack LWR items for shipment, shipping expenses for truck rental and LWR direct.

Items for Personal Care Kits for LWR:

One light - to medium weight bath size towel, 52 x 27 or smaller

Two bath size bars of soap

One adult toothbrush

One sturdy comb

One metal nail clipper (with or without attached file)

Wrap items in the towel and secure with yarn.

Daily Bible Readings for October 1 thru 31

October 1 Luke 11:24-32 Galatians 4:12-20 Psalms 78:41-72 † 80

Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 7

October 2 Luke 11:33-44 Galatians 4:21-31 Psalms 81 † 83

Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 8

October 3 Luke 11:45-54 Galatians 5:1-15 Psalms 84 † 85

Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 9

October 4 Luke 12:1-12 **Galatians 5:16-26** Psalms 86, 87 † 88

Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 10

October 5 Luke 12:13-21 Galatians 6:1-10 Psalms 89:1-18 † 89:19-52 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 11**

October 6 Luke 12:22-34 **Galatians 6:11-18** Psalms 90 † 91

Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 12

October 7 Luke 12:35-48 Ephesians 1:1-14 Psalms 92, 93 † 94 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 13

October 8 Luke 12:49-59 **Ephesians 1:15-23** Psalms 85, 96 † 97, 98 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 14

October 9 Luke 13:1-9 Ephesians 2:1-13 Psalms 99, 100, 101 † 102 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 15**

October 10 Luke 13:10-21 **Ephesians 2:14–22** Psalms 103 † 104 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 16

October 11 Luke 13:22-35 Ephesians 3:1-7 Psalms 132, 133 † 129, 130, 131 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 17**

October 12 Luke 14:1-6 Ephesians 3:8-21 Psalms 106:1-18 † 106:19-48 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 18

Luke 14:7-14 Ephesians 4:1-16 Psalms 68:1-18 † 68:19-35 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 19**

October 13

October 16

October 14 Luke 14:15-24 **Ephesians 4:17-24** Psalms 108, 110 † 109 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 20

October 15 Luke 14:25-35 **Ephesians 4:25–32** Psalms 111, 112 † 113, 114 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 21

Luke 15:1-10 Ephesians 5:1-14 Psalms 115 † 116, 117 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 22

October 17 Luke 15:11-32 **Ephesians 5:15-21** Psalms 119:1-24 † 119:25-48 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 23

October 18 Luke 16:1-13 **Ephesians 5:22–33** Psalms 119:49-72 † 119:73-88 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 24

October 19 Luke 16:14-18 Ephesians 6:1-9 Psalms 119:89-128 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 25**

October 20

October 21

Luke 16:19-31

October 28

October 29

October 30

October 31

Luke 19:11-27

Colossians 1:19-29

Luke 19:1-10

Colossians 1:1-18

Psalms 148 † 149, 150

Luke 18:35-43

Philippians 4:2-23

Psalms 146 † 147

Luke 18:31-34

Philippians 3:12-4:1

Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 5

Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 6

Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 7

Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 8

Psalms 144 † 145

Ephesians 6:10-24 Psalms 119:129-176 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 26**

Luke 17:1-10 Philippians 1:1-11 Psalms 118 † 120, 121 Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 27

October 22 Luke 17:20-37 Philippians 1:12-18 Psalms 122, 123 † 124, 125, 126 Psalms 3, 4 † 2, 110 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 28**

October 23 Luke 18:1-8 Philippians 1:19-30 Psalms 127, 128 † 129, 130, 131 **Daily Chapter: 1 Chronicles 29**

October 24

Luke 18:9-14 Philippians 2:1-11 Psalms 105:1-22 † 105: 23-45 **Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 1**

October 25 Luke 18:15-17 Philippians 2:12-18 Psalms 136, † 137, 138 **Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 2**

October 26 Luke 18:18-23 Philippians 2:19-30 Psalms 139 † 141, 142 **Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 3**

October 27 Luke 18:24-30 Philippians 3:1-11 Psalms 140 † 143

Daily Chapter: 2 Chronicles 4

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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	Alvis Mueller
Oct. 23	6:00 p.m.	Family Night	MLLC Men in Mission
Nov. 20	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: Jimmy Flinn, (recent stroke), Matt Kelley (Christy Eilers Kelly's husband, health issues), Susan Ray (recent back surgery), Irene Ortiz (health concerns), Anita Drydale (health concerns), Charles Mueller, Sr. (health concerns), William "Dean" Taylor (brother of Debby Peele), Jerry Wickel (heart issues), Sonny and Dorothy Marth (health concerns), Joshua Aranzolo (health concerns), Angie Colpetzer (health concerns), Bradley Rinn (health concerns, friend of Darrel & Vickie Neutzler), Earl Neumann (health concerns), Mark Hinze (cancer, son of Kenny Hinze), Kim Wunderlich Lewis (cancer treatment), Paula Barrick (health concerns). Homebound Members: 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), Ruth Schoenemann (Canyon Creek, Temple, TX), LaVerne Kunkel (Bec's Blessing, Giddings, TX).

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: Joy Treude and Lorali Schultz.

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 October 4, 2023. The Lesson for this month will be Matthew 21:33-46. 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, October 5, 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, October 10, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. All visitors and new members are welcome to attend.

Confirmation Class in October Classes for our Crossroads Confirmation ministry will be held on Wednesdays, October 4, 11, 18, and 25, 4:15 – 6:15 p.m. in the Mission and Ministry Building, as usual, at Martin Luther in Carmine.

Upcoming

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings 9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday Mornings November 11, 2023 – Location: Shelby February 10, 2024 – Location: Carmine

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 <u>pstrjd@cvctx.com</u> – cell 210-422-7599

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

Noisy Offering – 3rd Sunday each month

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.

All Four Churches Shared Worship Service at Lutherhill Sunday, October 29, 9:30 a.m. at Carby Chapel. The four churches will not host worship in their buildings on this Sunday. We will be together at Lutherhill on this special Sunday.

It is Reformation Sunday, which is a celebration of the Reformation and our Lutheran Christian heritage. October 31, 1517, was the posting of the 95 Theses on the Castle Church Door in Wittenberg

Offerings noted by offering envelope or name of "pay to" on check will be given to the noted church.

Loose offerings will go to support Lutherhill Ministries to support of their new Dining Hall and Retreat Facilities project.

We are planning to have a learning activity for children with Lutherhill staff after worship on October 29.

The Saturday, 6 p.m. worship service at Martin Luther in Carmine will be offered on October 28 as usual. All are welcome if they desire to attend.

Martin Luther Lutheran Church - Carmine

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

Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels and fellowship 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.

Special Events:

Harvest Festival and Homecoming. Sunday, October 15, at the Carmine Hall. Worship at 9:30 a.m. The music for worship will be Country & Western songs, led by the MLLC Praise Team. All are invited to enjoy the Barbecue Pork Ribeye meal (\$15/plate) serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Raffle Tickets will be drawn at 12:30 p.m. Raffle Tickets are \$20/each, or 3 for \$50. Contact the church office by October 8 to reserve or purchase tickets.

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

Special Events:

October 1 – Blessing of Animals
Worship at the outdoor pavilion at 8 a.m.
Bring your pets, livestock, and/or plush animal friend to receive a special blessing.
The church will receive donations of dog and cat food items for the animal shelter in La Grange.
Food items for puppies and kittens are always encouraged.

The ministry of St. Francis of Assisi will be remembered, for he had a special care for animals. The feast day for St. Francis of Assisi is October 4, which occurs later this same week.

November 5 – Food Pantry Sunday (always the 1st Sunday of Each Month)
Bring your non-perishable food items for the A.M.E.N. Food Pantry on this day. Place these in the red cart/basket at the church.

Upcoming

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings 9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday Mornings November 11, 2023 – Location: Shelby February 10, 2024 – Location: Carmine



10/01 Heather Wright

10/03 Drake Waak

10/06 Theresa Garlin

10/07 Kevin Hinze

10/08 Aaron Moore

10/09 Scott Pratt

10/10 Luke Kelley

10/11 Danielle Nelson

10/12 Frances "Fritzi" Jones

10/14 Andrew Eckert

10/15 Tanner Jacob

10/15 Allyne McGilvra

10/16 Gary Mueller

10/17 Bailey Conway

10/17 Cody Marburger

10/19 Vickie Schroeder

10/20 Kollyns Kirts

10/20 Clarissa Wright

10/26 Jaycie Pohl

10/28 Michelle Marburger

10/31 Casey Lange

10/02 Chance Waak

10/03 Nolan Waak

10/06 Larry Pohl

10/09 Jonathan Dunham

10/09 Chance Schoenst

10/11 Susan Bathe

10/11 Jonathan Weidemann

10/14 Nancy Eilers

10/15 Ripkyn Kuecker

10/16 Jennifer Marburger

10/16 Stephanie Sanders

10/17 Liam Diehl

10/17 Kalli Pohl

10/19 Jill Finke

10/19 Jimmy Flinn

10/19 Reuben Wunderlich

10/20 Stuart Markwardt

10/23 Bowen Williams

10/26 Glenn Treude

10/29 Lauren O'Malley

10/31 Matthew Roemer

LOCAL HAPPENINGS/EVENTS/ AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Items for Personal Care Kits for LWR:

One light - to medium weight bath size towel, 52 x 27 or smaller

Two bath size bars of soap

One adult toothbrush

One sturdy comb

One metal nail clipper (with or without attached file)

Wrap items in the towel and secure with yarn.





2024 TIME & TALENTS ARE DUE.

IF YOU HAVE NOT TURNED YOURS IN,

PLEASE DO SO.

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING TO SERVE!

Thank you from MLLC WELCA

A \$200 donation is being given to the Sunday School for thankfulness in being a part of the program for our WELCA Salad Supper for the past two years. We love having their happy voices singing! Thank you to Mia Williams for coordinating this!



ANNUAL PET BLESSING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST AT WALDECK

You and your animals are invited to worship at our partner church in Waldeck on a special date. Worship will be at their normal time, 8:00 a.m. The goal is to hold the service outside in the covered pavilion. You are encouraged to bring your pet, animal, plush friend, etc. for the special prayers of blessing.

For many years they have offered this special service each October. it is held each year on a Sunday near October 4th. Why that date? Because October 4th is the day Christians remember the ministry of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis had a special ministry of care for animals of God's creation. To honor this ministry any churches have set aside time each October to offer a special prayer of blessing for pets, livestock, and their human families and farmers.

In recent years there have been birds, goats, and even plush friends. Since not all families are in a situation to provide for a live pet, the Animal Blessing in Waldeck also includes plush friends.

Whether or not you bring an animal for the blessing, you are invited to bring a donation of pet food items or a monetary gift for the Gardenia Janssen Animal Shelter in La Grange. We look forward to seeing you there!





Christmas Boxes for Port of Houston Seafarers - Loving Our Neighbors

You are invited to participate in this continued ministry of MLLC. Each year for several years the Men in Mission of MLLC have organized the caring work of Christmas Boxes for Port of Houston Seafarers. We have heard that the Seafarers Christmas Boxes are needed more now than ever. Our love for these neighbors will help them to know the love of God and to make life less difficult for them. We will be collecting items and preparing the Christmas Boxes for the Port of Houston Seafarers. The goal for this year is 100+ boxes.

The Packing Day for the Boxes for Seafarers is Monday, November 20, at 12:00 noon. The work will take place in the Parlor, near the church offices. All are invited to participate.

For this year (2023), please gather items such as these for the men on the ships - you can buy things throughout the fall drop these off at any time up until 12 noon of November 20. There is a large blue storage bin for this purpose in the room directly across from the church office. The Port of Houston Chaplains note this about the list: Full-sized items are preferred over small travel size. Please no liquid soap, bar soaps or bottled water.

Here is the 2023 list of requested items:

Please provide new items. Consider how to love your neighbor in how you choose and give items.

Address books

Band-aids (fabric)

Small Bible and/or devotional materials

2024 pocket Calendars

Cold weather caps/Balaclavas

Comb

Dental Floss

Antiperspirant/deodorant

Disposable razors

Earbuds/headphones – wireless

First Aid Kit - mini

Flashlight (small) and appropriate batteries

Gloves, light weight for work (Sizes M, L, and XL)

Gold Bond cream
Gold Bond powder
Gum and hard candy

Hot Chocolate (individual serving size)

Key chains

Kleenex – small packs

Lip balm

Word search books

Whistle, small

Multi-vitamins/Fish oil pills

Lotion

Nail clippers/Nail grooming kit

Nescafe instant coffee

Needles and thread/sewing kits

Notebooks – pocket sized

Mechanical pencils Pens, ball point Playing cards

Popcorn – microwave individual packs

Q-tips

Shaving cream

Shampoo/Conditioner/Body Wash - 3-in-1

Snacks – non-perishable

Soap Socks

Stress Ball/Mini games

Sudoku and word search books

Texas souvenirs
Toothbrush
Toothpaste

T-shirts (new) sizes M, L, and XL

Tumblers (insulated)
USB flash drives

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Date:

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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;
Shayne Kirts-Christian Education Committee; Todd Dooley-Property Committee; Susie Markwardt, Care Outreach Committee

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