

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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 NewLifeinPearland

Sunday's Cool @ 9:15 am • Worship @ 8:00 am & 10:30 am



*An emerging ministry of
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Hang On



Don't Let Go

The Lifeline

Mark Your Calendars

Mondays October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
Modified Yoga

Mondays, October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
Houseband Practice

Tuesdays, October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 23th & 31st
Quilting Workshop

Wednesdays, October 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th
Choir Practice

Confirmation Class

Sunday, October 1st
Noisy Offering

Wednesday, October 4th
Seniors (55+) Lunch

Thursday, October 5th
Bazaar Meeting/Property Team Meeting
Bazaar Setup - All Welcome to help!

Friday-Saturday, October 6th-7th
Annual BBQ/Bazaar/Craft Fair

Saturday, October 7th
Lydia Circle Bible Study

Saturdays - October 14th, 21st & 28th
LYO - Lutheran Youth Organization

Monday, October 9th
Church Council

Wednesday, October 11th
WELCA Lunch Bunch @ Alpine Brauhaus

Thursday, October 12th
GLOW (God's Love, Our Work) Care Team

Tuesday, October 17th
Men's Night Out

Wednesday, October 18th
Mary Martha Bible Study

Friday, October 20th
WOW (Women of Worth) LCR

Saturday, October 21st
Lydia Circle Bible Study

Saturday, October 28th
Children's Halloween Party

Sunday, October 29th
Reformation Sunday

Tuesday, October 31st
Reformation Day - 500th Anniversary
Halloween

Wednesday, November 1st
Seniors (55+) Lunch

October 2017

Announcing the 2017
26th Annual New Life
Lutheran Church BBQ/
Crafts/Bazaar Raffle

October 6-7

3521 E. Orange St.
Pearland TX 77581

Items: Texans Basket, Beats
Headphones, & King Sized
Quilt (Hand-quilted)



Raffle held at 5pm Saturday

One ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets
for \$5 (Need NOT be
present to win)

For tickets, please call
the Church Office @
281-485-1818

The New Life BBQ team
sells BBQ by the pound (\$13)
Sliced/Chopped/Whole



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Pastor's Ponderings...

...for people like us...

...in times like this...

"LUTHER'S EDGY SIDE"

Dear friends @ New Life,

It's no big secret Martin Luther had an edgy side to his words. Beer drinking monks who become college professors find the task easy. It is said that when Luther had people at his table for dinner, students would write down his responses to questions about life and death, God and the Pope and the work of priests, etc. Quite often some of Luther's colleagues attempted to confiscate the notebooks of those students to keep what positive image Luther had intact. However, because we have his edgy words, obviously Luther's colleagues were not totally successful!

As we get ready to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Christian Reformation, let this article for the LifeLine be expanded and extra page to celebrate this unique and long-standing effort of one man...

In our culture most people pray when they need something. It's usually not a good scenario. Luther could not think of beginning any task without spending time in prayer...

"I have so much to do today, I'll need to spend another hour on my knees."

And he was such a realist. He knew his own shortcomings. He knew his need for grace and perhaps this is one really good reason why the Roman church continues to hold daily mass...

"We need to hear the Gospel every day, because we forget it every day."

Luther's understanding of God changed the more he read his Bible and the more open he was to his father confessor at the Augustinian monastery, Johan von Staupitz. Luther desired a God who loved him yet thought the love God had for him was determined by the good works Luther did. What a freeing moment when he discovered this...

"God does not need your good works, but your neighbor does."

The world Luther lived in was vastly different from the daily life we encounter. Luther had no cell phone or wifi nor a laptop or running water or instant light at the flip of a switch. While the printing press made him a European rock star in the church, he most likely never heard of Christopher Columbus who was pretty much a contemporary. Yet, a person's heart in Luther's Wittenberg is no different from the hearts of those who live in SE Texas 50 years later. We all have a God and we all believe in something. What Brother Martin felt important was where a person places their life's priority... and was caught saying...

"Show me where a man spends his time & money, and I'll show you his god."

P. 2 Pastor's Ponderings

Looking back on Luther's life, it is easy to see that he was one who "worked hard" and "played hard". Well, in those days, everybody did. People only played when the work was done. That is a different concept than our American way of life. For too many, play and leisure is life's goal rather than seeing it as a reward for hard yet necessary work. Take heed. I'm not sure this is a recipe we all want to hold on to at all cost...

**"Whoever drinks beer, he is quick to sleep; whoever sleeps long,
does not sin; whoever does not sin, enters Heaven! Thus, let us drink beer!"**

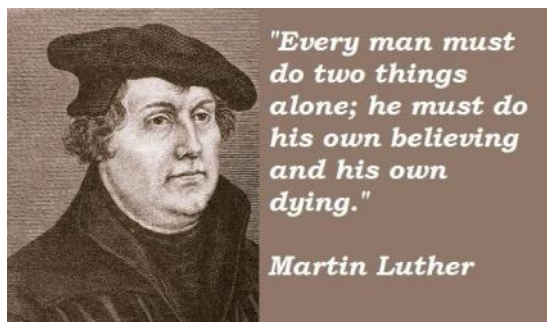
Luther's culture also had a very mysterious and superstitious bend. Science has taught us much about the world and God and in many instances tempered those superstitions... like God is angry when lightning strikes your house... we all know better... even though scientists cannot tell any of us when and exactly where lightning will strike! Good and evil ruled the day and when it came to Luther having any power over the devil he was heard saying this..

"But I resist the devil, and often it is with a fart that I chase him away"

Lastly, there is this to consider...

**"The first thing I ask is that people should not make use of my name,
and should not call themselves Lutherans but Christians. What is Luther?**

**The teaching is not mine. Nor was I crucified for anyone...How did I,
poor stinking bag of maggots that I am, come to the point where people
call the children of Christ by my evil name?"**



When Martin Luther died, in his hand was found a small piece of paper. It was the last of many writings attributed to him. It was also one of if not the shortest thing Luther wrote. He knew life was a gift and as he lay dying he wrote...

"WE ARE BEGGARS; THIS IS TRUE"

I graduated from Texas Lutheran College in 1976, the year of America's Bicentennial. It was a grand day and a grand year. I do not recall any of us saying... "Gee, I wonder if we'll be around to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation... but here we are... 2017 and we can say... we were there... how good for the world that Martin Luther's name is still recalled... because he pointed the church to the grace of God in Jesus Christ.

Sunday, October 29 will be New Life's official celebration day. Let your Lutheran Christian leaning bring you to the Word and the Table as we make our way into another season of faithful living!

New Life; *now!*

Bill

“BAPTIZED WE LIVE”

A series of messages for life together

Hurricane Harvey got us all wet. Our baptism reminds us we ‘walk wet’ in soggy shoes. Baptism is not something that happened to us as in an infant or when we ‘walked the aisle.’ Baptism is God’s gift... a gift of grace to experience via the love of Christ Jesus. This series will help combine New Life’s seven faith behaviors and Luther’s teachings as we move closer to the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation Sunday OCT 29.

Sunday OCT 1 – “I Just Can’t Keep It to Myself!” (*on inviting*)

Sunday OCT 8 – “Lifting Up the Lowly” (*on encouragement*)
aka BBQ & CRAFT FAIR weekend

Sunday OCT 15 – “Give ‘Er All Ya Got!” (*on giving*) aka ELCA Hunger Sunday

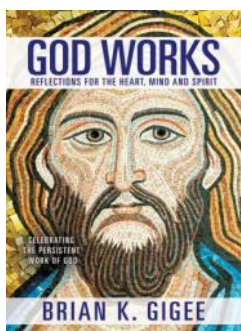
Sunday OCT 22 – “Service: New Life----15 -Love” (*on serving*)

Sunday OCT 29 – ‘WHAT AM I DOING HERE?’ **REFORMATION SUNDAY**

How can you get ready for the Reformation Celebration? Take some small steps.

- 1) Pray for God’s Spirit to stir us up;
- 2) who can you invite to worship each week to learn and grow with you?
- 3) Have you stopped in your tracks lately to review how your life is and what you can do to improve on the quality of your life and the lives of those around you?

Sunday’s an adult forum on “**Good & Evil**” will be held in the Fellowship Hall @ 9:15am



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Youth & Family



Hello, New Life Church family,

I start off this newsletter thanking John Welch for the opportunity to pray for his girls softball team (his daughter is a player) on September 1. He contacted me that morning, and it was my pleasure to show up when / where I was wanted. Thanks to the 2 HS students who came to the Gulf Coast Synod: Harvey Work Day on Saturday, September 9. Instead of sleeping in or doing something else, they showed up, worked for 2 hours, got free lunch @ Chick-Fil-A and providentially saw, sat and talked with Tally and her daughters.

Otherwise, LYO on Saturdays have not been very good. There was no interest in seeing "Godspell" @ Dawson High School on 9/16. Either the kids don't like plays or don't like plays about Jesus (which is not a good conclusion). Still, we will continue to brazen it through since LYO on Wednesdays are over. Unfortunately, Adopt-A-Beach on 9/23 was cancelled by the government due to all the dangerous hurricane debris. The first weekend of October will be focused on helping out at the bazaar. Looking way ahead into November, *Thor: Ragnarok* and *Justice League* are movies that our youth and their friends may want to see together. I am even willing to take them on Sundays after church, if that is more convenient.

Another event I'd like to promote is Lutherhill camps. There are three to choose from this fall including Fall Family Retreat (October), Converge (November) and Advent (December). Please see Lutherhill.org for dates and pricing. All registration is done through their website. I want to thank each and every one of the parents who brought or encouraged their child to come to Sunday's Cool class on 9/17; I'm positive that it was the largest attendance we have had (we had to bring in extra chairs). This is how it can/should be in terms of the importance of religious/spiritual education, interaction and fellowship. By name: John Russell, Michael, Kip, Elizabeth, Madison, Madison, Victoria, Gabe & Ryan.

This Fall the Sunday's Cool lessons are based on a survey of the Old Testament. The reasons I am teaching from this part of God's Word are 1) it was Jesus' Bible, 2) the stories/lessons are awe-inspiring and 3) it's challenging.

The next several lessons include: Leviticus 19, Numbers 20, Deuteronomy 6, Joshua 2, Joshua 23 and Judges (big themes). I definitely encourage you to read these passages with your children.

For the ones who don't attend, the door is always open to you. Enter sooner than later. Lastly, I just restarted teaching the 10 Commandments for Confirmation Class. I look forward to spending time with Ryan, Ryan, Andrew and Madison.

I have contacted pretty much every middle school, junior high and high school in the greater Pearland area for their Christian club. So, I hope to be preaching at their schools. Obviously, it would better for our own kids to attend these clubs whether I preach there or not. I believe there's always room for improvement in any child's involvement especially after graceful ceremonies like 5th grade Bible and Confirmation Day. Due to the hurricane, I have not heard anything from any of the schools yet. I have restarted my RISE mentoring with my same student now at Pearland South on Friday mornings. If the Lord is putting it on your heart as well: pearlandisd.org/mentoring.

On a side note, I attend a men's prayer group @ Friendswood Friends Church on Wednesday mornings @ 6:15. Come by anytime you want to start the day off with godly men, prayer and coffee.

Sincerely, *Sang Kim*
Director for Youth and Family Faith Formation



Dear Fellow Christians,

It has been a year since I was elected to Church Council. How time flies. This past Sunday we elected new council representatives. They are Barbara Scott and Glenn Sponholtz. This will give us a total of 5 council members. We can have up to 12. I know that life is busy for all of us, but, being on council can take as much time out of your schedule as you are willing to give or very little time. It would be nice to have at least 3 more members on council. There are many decisions that have to be made and it is nice to hear varying perspectives. Of course, fewer members mean shorter meetings. On average our meetings last an hour and a half. Prayerfully consider joining church council. You may just be the shining star we've been waiting for.

Please remember our members who flooded. Some are still not living in their houses. Pray for them. Give them a kind word. Invite them to dinner or just a hug. I know that they will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

I am sure that by now everyone knows that the BBQ & Craft Fair is on. If only for a moment we will bring some normalcy back to our lives. Hopefully this gives us a chance to forget our problems and focus our energies toward common goals. Fundraising, fellowship, sharing adult beverages and don't forget the BBQ.

Have a safe and enjoyable October.

In Christ,

Rudy Moreno

2017 Church Council President
281-734-5019

New Life Lutheran Church

3521 East Orange St. Pearland

FALL FESTIVAL



Fun for the entire family!

26TH Annual New Life Bazaar/BBQ

Friday, October 6th & Saturday, October 7th

Come One, Come All

Booth sign up sheets will be available soon for:

**Baked goods, Baked Potatoes, Drinks, Parking,
Security, Raffle, Vendor Welcome, Counting Room,
Set-Up & Take-Down.**

**Everyone can help! There are many things that need
to be done BEFORE the Bazaar as well!**

**Find out what is being done, who is doing what
& how can you help.**

**Contact Karen in the church office
office@newlifelutheran.com or 281-485-1818**

Hello from Leicestershire! from Annie Bates

Hello from the United Kingdom!

Before I begin,

I would like to express my support to all those back home who have suffered as a result of Hurricane Harvey. You're all in my thoughts and prayers as well as those of everyone at my placement site, Reality Youth Project, and my host community in Leicestershire.

A Note of Gratitude

I would like to thank everyone who served as craziness of months leading up to my departure. Your guidance, advice and prayers helped me to remain focused on and excited for my journey. I feel so very blessed to be one of 93 individuals participating in the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission program. I would not have made it here without you, and you all are always on my mind and with me.

What I've been doing:

Orientation in Chicago

The past few weeks have been hectic and amazing. Some of you know that my fellow YAGM's and I attended a week's worth of orientation in Chicago, Illinois to prepare us for deployment to our countries of service. During orientation, I was blessed to spend time with my country mates, as well as YAGM's assigned to Argentina/Uruguay, Australia, Cambodia, Central Europe, Jerusalem/West Bank, Madagascar, Mexico, Rwanda, Senegal, or Southern Africa. It felt amazing to be surrounded by so many passionate YAGM's, ELCA staff, and alumni. In what seemed like no time at all, the day of our departure arrived.

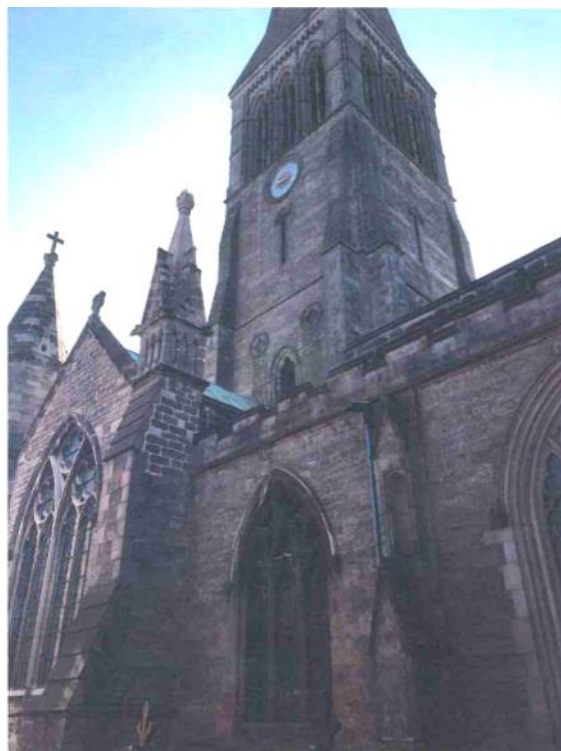
Where I am now

I'm living with a wonderful host family in the village of Countesthorpe. Steve and Sally Bailey were wonderful enough to open their home to me for the year, and I will be eternally grateful to them for it. Getting to know them has been a fun blessing. Countesthorpe is a beautiful village, and villages more in the weeks and months to come.

What I'm Doing

This week, I have learned more about the role that I will play on the Reality Bus, as well as getting to know some of the people that I will work with both on the bus and at Reality Youth Project in general. The other U.K. YAGM's and I have to attend a conference in Leeds from September 4th-7th, so my time on the bus will begin the following week. I am very excited both to see my country mates again and to begin my work with the youth in Leicestershire.

I'm excited to have the opportunity to share more with you in my upcoming newsletters. I'm really looking forward to seeing what God has in store for all of us this year.



Leicester Cathedral, where King Richard III's remains are interred.



The Reality Bus



This is the front of the Reality Bus. Here, kids can play games and socialize

With Profound Gratitude to:

Paul and Jano Hoffmann

Pastor Brian Giguee

Brian Bates

Kate Bates

Annemarie Lucchese

Leo Ramirez

Melissa Cruz

Joseph Reina

Reed Gonzalez-Olivieri

Barry Frager

Peter Williamson

Elise Wilkinson

Olsa-Alikaj-Cano

Susan Butler-Welch

John and Coleen Gestl

Ed Bradford

Doug and Lynn Barron

Richard and Denise Jurgens

Scott and Leeta Sanger

Mike and Terri Kiser

Mary Ann Marcha

Winston and Janet Johnston

Pam and Emily Guidry

Len Columbus

Susan Reynolds

Linda Stavinoha

Vicky Lucchese

Elwin Vice

Gary Siegworth

Erin Bates

Stacy Sawyer

Mike and Debbie Jones

Rudy and Dianna Moreno

Sarah and Hayden Kennedy

The Scott Family

Holly and Chelsea Moreno

Kenneth Kettler

Nolan and Donna Patschke

Georgina Petronella

Meredith Faber

Lisa Beckman

Cheryl Robinson

Laura O'Banion

Lenny Gwendon

Carol Wright

Walt Wright

Don and Margaret Purdum

Dean Burse

Rosalie Salazar

Karen-Sweet Cheney

Julia Sweet

Jackie and Casey Crawford

Hap and Bobbi Cummings

Johnny Salvesen



New Life Seniors' Opportunities

(open to all persons age 55 and up)



New Life Seniors Luncheon

Wednesday, Oct. 4th
@ 12:00 pm

**Celebrating 500 years of
Reformation**

Please bring your favorite entrée, side
dish or dessert.

For questions, please contact

Other Senior (and younger adults)
Opportunities:

Men in Mission
Women of the ELCA, Women of Worth
Quilters
Altar Guild
Prayer Shawl Ministries
Bereavement Team
Meals on Wheels
Christian Helping Hands
GLOW (God's Love, Our Work) Care Team
Property Team
Gardening

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

"Men's Night Out"

Tuesday, **October 17th**
6:00 pm

Rev. Dr. Duane Larson
Guest Speaker

"Luther's Legacy: Then & Now"

For information contact any participating
member of Lutheran Men in Mission RSVP to
MenInMission@newlifelutheran.com or the
church office at 281.485.1818.



As of June 2017, **660** prayer shawls and **23**
baby afghans have been made and
distributed to those in need.

If you have questions, needs, or would like
to help make shawls and afghans, please
contact Karen in the church office @ 281-485
-1818 or Carole Wright @ 713-826-8749.

**The New Life Prayer Shawl Ministry group
would like to request donations of bright
colored yarn. Currently the yarn "pantry"
has only dark scratchy colors left. 4-Ply,
Caron Simply Soft of other softer yarns are
preferred.**



WOMEN OF THE ELCA is the women's organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. As a partner in the total ministry of the church, the organization affirms, supports and challenges women in their daily ministries at home and around the world. **All women** of the congregation are included and **ALL** are invited to any of the opportunities listed below for fellowship and friendship. For more information, call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508 or Cheryl Robinson at 713.471.4128.

WELCA LUNCH BUNCH (all the women of the church) Lunch with New Life women and friends! Arrive about 11:30 am at the Alpine Brauhaus on I-45 and Nasa Pkwy on Wednesday, October 11th. Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.

THE MARY-MARTHA BIBLE STUDY continues third Wednesday bible study from the national WELCA magazine named Gather, thanks to Helen Beckman who leads us at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.

The Lydia Circle Bible Study Because of the New Life Bazaar our October bible study will only be on the third Saturday, 10/21 at 10:30 am. We meet in the conference room in the administration building. All women are invited. This study is from the WELCA "Gather" Magazine. Questions? Call Barbara Brown at [281-798-2138](tel:281-798-2138) or Cheryl Robinson at [713-471-4128](tel:713-471-4128).



WOW (Women of Worth) meet the 3rd Friday of the month at 7pm

For October, WOW will have games of LCR – bring \$5 in quarters.

Please arrive at 6:30pm with your snack and beverage of choice.

WOW is a part of the WELCA of New Life, so all women over the age of 16 are invited.

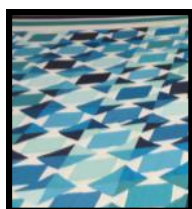
Questions? Contact Karen at office@newlifelutheran.com

SAVE THE DATES:

October 6-7, 2017 - Annual BBQ/Bazaar/Craft Fair - the WELCA booth needs crafts and plants to sell and ladies to set up on Friday morning and man it both days (2 hour slots).

WELCA Christmas Party - Date and theme TBD

Quilters keep building quilts (for LWR) and friendships on Tuesday mornings.



Vera and the quilters have completed quilting for this year's Bazaar Raffle Quilt. It will be displayed in the narthex with the raffle tickets and booth sign-up sheets.

Join the quilters on Tuesday mornings to sew, tie, or put quilt tops together with backings. The quilters break about 10:30am for coffee and snacks.

The quilters have already completed another 75+ quilts for Easter Monday delivery to the LWR In-Gathering. Some "themed" quilts were held back to sell in the WELCA Booth at the Bazaar. Stop by the booth and get started on your Christmas shopping!

For more information, call Vera White at 281.485.9713.





Thank you to all who served as Worship helpers for the month of September!



Thank you to all who served coffee, juice and food during our Fellowship Hour; The Sunday's Cool Parents, the New Life Seniors and the Men in Mission.



Many Thanks to the following Meals on Wheels volunteers: Becky & Jan Homerstad, Helen Beckman & Jane Maxwell, Joann Morrison & Jane Maxwell, Lynn Cope &

Donna Patschke, Hap & Bobbi Cummings, Vera White & Jane Maxwell, Barbara & Ed Scott, Charles & Sandra Foster, Don & Margaret Purdum, and Walt Wright & Hap Cummings for delivering the week of September 25th–29th. Approximately 20 meals a day were delivered!

Thank you Barbara Flowers and Jane Maxwell for coordinating New Life Meals on Wheels!

New Life 'Meals on Wheels' will be delivering during the week of **November 20th - 24th.**

If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Barbara Flowers at 713-817-1012. You can also contact the church office at 281-485-1818.

Volunteer of the month for September:

Bubba Flowers

Thank You!!!



Thank you: Lynn Cope, Erin Johnson, Mike & Terry Kiser, Rudy Moreno, Tiffany Pineda, Linda Stavinoha and Kori Williams for all the volunteer time they have contributed in the office this month. It is very much appreciated! *New Life Staff*

Volunteer of the month for October:

John Russell Gestl

Thank You!!!



Thank You! From Church Council & Staff

MANY MANY THANKS!!!!

- To the MANY volunteers who came out and brought friends to volunteer at members homes who were flooded to help get their homes ready for repairs.
- To the youth, Frank, Richard and Sang, who went to Christus Victor Lutheran in League City on September 9th to help with flood victims in that area.
- To the volunteers who "cooked" for the work crews.
- To all who donated Gift Cards, toiletries, cleaning supplies, clothes, money, etc. for Disaster Relief.
- To the volunteers who made "roll-call" phone calls to all members to find out their well-being.
- To Leeta Sanger for bringing clothing donations back from Iowa and Missouri.
- To Brandi & Mallory Brown who brought cleaning supplies from North Texas donations.
- To all those who participated in the Leader's Huddle on Thursday, September 21st.
- To Mina Stagner for giving a LEAD team update at the Leader's Huddle.
- To all those who donated Blood at our semi-annual Blood Drive on September 24th.
- To Kate Bates for organizing the Blood Drive.
- To the Men in Mission for hosting a great Men's Sunday.
- See page 9 for Thank Yous from Annie Bates.
- To Cheryl Robinson for keeping up with decorating and redecorating the Fellowship Hall and other places around the church.
- To the LEAD team for their continued work.
- To Terri Kiser for backing up and protecting New Life PC's and laptops.
- To Judy & Foster Foucheaux and Lynn Cope who continually work with Christian Helping Hands and deliver food items that are donated here.
- To all those who continue to give to CHH.
- To the Property team for diligently keeping up the grounds and fixing issues behind the scenes.
- To everyone who put in Trivent Action Team applications and were able to get cards to off-set the cost of the BBQ & Craft Fair.
- To everyone who has already worked on the BBQ & Craft Fair getting prepared.
- To Foster Foucheaux for repainting the large signs.
- To Coleen Gestl & Sang Kim for putting out the large BBQ & Craft Fair Signs around town.



Thursday, October 12, the topic for the monthly garden lecture at the Pearland Recreation Center is "Fruit Trees for Brazoria County" by Gil Livanec. The doors open at 6 P.M. and the lecture begins at 7.

Monday, October 16, Open Garden Days by the Master Gardeners of Harris County will take place at 1205 Genoa Red Bluff from 8:30 A.M. to 11. Plants are on sale in the greenhouse.



Friday, October 20, Annual KTB Plant Thyme Luncheon and plant sale will take place at the First United Methodist Church on Grand Blvd. from 10:30 to 1:00. Tickets are \$40. Reservations may be made at www.mykpb.org or 281-489-2795. The speaker is architect Dan Phillips who will speak about "Creating Houses from Reclaimed Stuff". The plant sale will continue at the Stella Roberts Recycling Center Saturday from 9:00 to 1:00.

Saturday October 28 is the annual Drug Take Back Day from 10 to 2 at the Stella Roberts Recycle Center and at Reflection Bay Park in Shadow Creek. It's time to clean out the medicine cabinet and properly dispose of expired and unused medications of all kinds.



The Texas state insect is the Monarch Butterfly. This is the time of year that the monarch butterfly migrates from breeding grounds in North America to winter over in central Mexico. While many monarchs on the east and west coasts winter over in southern California and Florida, most travel through Texas, also known as the "Texas funnel". They need nectar producing plants to sustain them on their journey as well as milkweed for breeding along the way. Everyone is encouraged to plant flowering plants rich in nectar, such as lantana, buddleia, and blue mist.

The monarch needs milkweed, aka butterfly weed, to breed. It lays its eggs on the leaves, and the larvae hatch and feed on the leaves and flowers. The plant may look completely stripped, but it will recover. The larva finds a good place to attach itself upside down and becomes a pupa, or beautiful green chrysalis with gold dots. It looks like a jeweled pendant. Eventually it turns dark and an adult emerges, dries its wings and flies away to feast on the nectar of nearby flowers. The whole cycle takes about a month. It is recommended that you plant native milkweed instead of the tropical variety. The native milkweed dies back in the early fall and comes back in the spring. If you have the variety that grows all winter, it is suggested that it be trimmed back in the early fall. In our moderate winters, monarchs may winter over instead of moving on with their migration. Monarchs are susceptible to a debilitating protozoan parasite (OE) they may get from milkweed grown year round.



Helen Beckman

Updates for the Church Roster:



Change of Address and/or email:

Tim Hurlbut Address Update:

3602 Burke # 112
Pasadena, TX 77504

Tom, Liz & Katy Childs Address Change:

11030 Caribbean Ln.
Houston, TX 77089
713.542.8331 (Liz) 281.772.6504 (Tom)

Katy Childs School Address:

3510 Treeline Dr
College Station TX 77845

Kenneth & Karissa Peterson:

New Family member!

Add Reagan Taylor to the family.

Laura O'Banion & Lenny Gwendon:

New Family Member!

Add Josiah Thomas Gwendon to the family.

Carl Ericsson: Address Update:

Orchard Park @ Southpark
3151 Southfork Parkway #104
Manvel, TX 77578

The Church Staff Thanks everyone for helping us keep the database up-to-date with addresses, phone numbers and emails.



Josiah Thomas Gwendon was born on Friday, September 22nd at 3:45 pm to Laura O'Banion & Lenny Gwendon. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 21 inches long. Congratulations to all!



GLOW is caring for New Life Members.

GLOW – God's Love, Our Work.

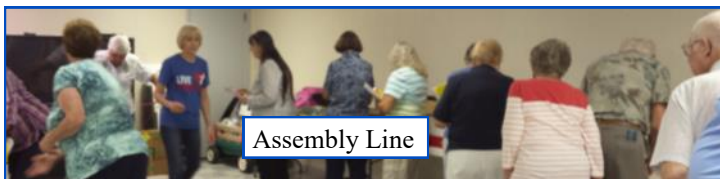
If you would like to join the GLOW care team or are in need of a care ministry, please contact the church office at 281-485-1818 or GLOW@newlifelutheran.com or write your need on your yellow "Count-Me-In" card from your bulletin.

The GLOW team meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. GLOW welcomes new care ministers! The team sends cards, makes phone calls, provides communion, and sets up meal schedules for those in need.



Thank You Seniors

210 LWR School Kits were packed on September 6th



Assembly Line



Packing the BackPacks & Assembly Line



23 boxes contain
210 School Kits!

Ready for
Tracking Sheets.



Packing 9 kits per paper box



Numbering and Labeling the packed boxes



Thank you to all who served coffee and juice (and more) during our Fellowship Hour!



Coffee Hour at New Life Lutheran is a wonderful opportunity for visitors and members of our church to meet one another in an informal setting between Sunday services. Please start thinking who you would like to serve with in this important ministry.

Dates Available



October 1 & 8
November 5 & 12

December 3 & 10

Contact Kate Bates at the church office (281-485-1818) or kate@newlifelutheran.com



Please bring items for CHH and place them in the grocery cart outside of the narthex or in the Fellowship Hall.

Christian helping hands

School is back in session and families need food for children's lunches.

CHH is also in need of "cream" soup to hand out to families to cook with. They also need jellies, peanut butter, mac-and-cheese, diced tomatoes, tuna, canned chicken, diapers, pull-ups (don't have to be a full package), baby food and toiletries (toothbrushes, tooth paste, shampoo, soap, etc.)

As always, you can place your CHH donations in the CHH basket whenever you are at church.

Many thanks to New Life members and visitors for taking time out of their busy schedules to be a part of New Life's Hurricane Recovery Blood Drive on Sunday, September 24, 2017. A total of thirteen (13) donations were successfully made by the following eighteen (18) presenting donors.

Doug Barron
Lynn Barron
Deanna Barthelme
Kate Bates
Charlie Gaever
John Gestl
Vince Johnson
Laura Johnson
Richard Jurgens

Rich Newell
Sang Kim
Rebecca Kraft
Mary Ann Marcha
Dianna Moreno
Michael Porter
Johnny Salvesen
Karen Sweet Cheney
Edward Tatuaca

If you were unable to donate on September 24 but would still like to participate in this Hurricane Recovery Blood Drive, please contact the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center at www.giveblood.org by clicking on Digital Donor and using sponsor code: C125. Donate by September 30, and you will qualify to receive a pair of "Toe-tally Awesome socks as a "thank you" for your generous donation.



**New Life Lutheran Harvey Relief Effort
Volunteers coming together to help.**



**Amazing New Life Members pitched in to help muck our homes of flood victims:
THANK YOU!!!**

Work crews went to more than 12 homes:

Rudy & Dianne Moreno, Bubba & Barbara Flowers, Mike & Terri Kiser, Tony, Vera & Elizabeth White, John Francis, Coleen & John Russell Gestl, Walt Wright, Sang Kim, Rich Newell, Mike Lassiter, Frank & Richard Jurgens, Holly & Chelsea Moreno, Margo & Pastor Brian Gige, Guy & Andrew Thompson, Duane Bickham, MaryAnn & Louis Marcha, Jackie Torres, Jason Wise, John Roszak, Richard Lowery, Dean Gerig & friend, Gary Siegworth, Susan Reynolds & Meredith Reynolds & friend, Jamie & Sharon Hilliard, Aimee Sandoval, Johnny Salveson & 2 friends, Will Sinacori, Rachel Royal, Leslie, Kori & Cheyenne Williams, Linda & Ronnie Stavinoha, Raymond, wife & 3 boys, Jill Olson, Charles, Sandra & Brian Foster, Becky, Jan, Kyne & Lori Homerstad, Rudy's crew: Grant & Jose', Carol Jackman & family, Mina Stagner & family, Heidi Heiniken & family, Elna Ritter, Bill & Petrea Phenix, Gary & Beverly Bishop, Hubert & Brenda Pardue.

Meal Crews who made and/or delivered sandwiches

Donna Patshcke, Helen Beckman, Nancy Bryars, Cindy Welch, Angela Dekle, Coleen Gestl, Kate Bates, Karen Sweet Cheney, Maria, Vanessa & Eddie Jimenez, Lorraine Walls, Don Purdum, and volunteer from the School District Amber Jameson, and Margorie Schooley.

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Thank you to all those who donated Gift Cards, Supplies or monetary gifts

Disaster Recovery Fund and Noisy Offering updates

Thank you for your giving!

Lawhon Elementary received checks totaling \$522.83

The New Life Disaster Recovery Fund now has more than \$500 in it.!

In addition approximately \$1100 has been added to Pastor discretionary fund (labeled Harvey).



Dear New Life Members,
Special thanks to our
church members that came
and helped us move into
a storage unit because of
our flooded home. We are
so appreciated of all the time
and help that came.

Your thoughtfulness is truly appreciated.

Thank you!

We were shell shocked by the
storm, and overwhelmed by all
we had to do. Getting our
furniture and boxes out
made future decisions easier.

Thank you so much and
hope blessings will follow
you wherever you go.

Betty
Jan

Honestal



*There are Sunday's Cool classes for everyone
(youth & adults).*

*Sunday's Cool has classes for everyone (youth & adults).
Take time for Life-Long Learning!*

- This fall, youth will meet at 10:00am for songs in the Fellowship Hall.
- Then youth from three year olds through 6th grade will meet in the Fellowship Hall for Sunday's Cool.
- 7th Grade thru high school will be meeting in Sang's office in the admin building.

Ø The ABC class... Adult Bible Class will be returning to the Old Testament *Book of Joshua*. A great story!

Ø The DVD class... *Daring Video Disciples* will be watching and discussing the *"Dead Sea Scrolls"*

Ø **SOMETHING NEW!!** – Starting Sunday September 10th a class on *"GOOD & EVIL"* looking at everything from Charlottesville, Newtown, Waco, Pol Pot, Idi Amin, Hitler, Genghis Khan, the Romans all the way back from King Herod and Jesus to Cain & Abel & Noah's flood. Each week will include a short presentation with discussion. This class is open to New Life men and women and their friends. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall!

Ø **"The PATH TO NEW LIFE"** will be on Wednesdays, @ 7:00 pm for those who desire to know more about New Life and it's ministry and serves also as a refresher for those who desire to review the essential faith practices of Christianity!



Come Join in the Fun While Learning about God's Love



LYO Schedule for October

Saturdays @ 9:30am:

October 7th

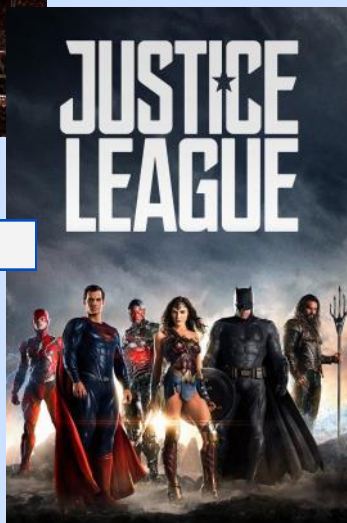
Bazaar Drink Booth

October 14th

October 21st

October 28th

Children's Halloween Party



Movies

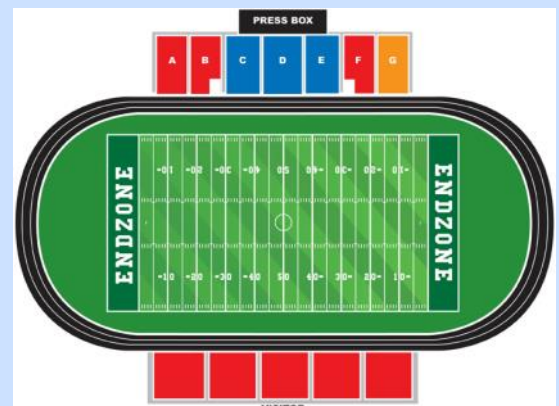


**Youth in Action
JR Reading at 8am Service**

Friday Night Lights



Friendswood High School Football





See Lutherhill Retreat Schedule on Page 4



Senior High Retreat 2017

For more information on retreats, see Sang's Youth Director page 4 or visit



Confirmation Camp 2017

Lutherhill.org



Sang - Children's Sermon

2016-2017 Attendance Awards were given to:

Max Castillo- 4 years	Dani Perez- 4 years
Andrew Cummings- 4 years	Parker Perez- 4 years
Lucas Cummings- 4 years	Rory Perez- 4 years
Cate Cummings- 6 years	Logan Pineda- 1 year
John Russel Gestl- 12 years	Michael Scott- 8 years
Kip Olson- 1 year	Elizabeth White- 14 years

3-4 Year Old Blessing
Sunday, September 10th



Lutheran Facts

October 31, 1517 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

Dr. Martin Luther (1517)

Almost 500 years since Martin Luther's Protestant Reformation, Germany takes another look at his legacy

He's the father of Protestantism. He's the creator of the German language as we know it. And he's even a best-selling toy.

When Playmobil came out with a Martin Luther figurine earlier this year, the German manufacturer couldn't keep the new toy on the shelves. The little plastic version of the man who launched the Protestant Reformation in 1517 was reportedly the fastest-selling Playmobil toy *ever*.

Luther preached at Town Church in Wittenberg, about two hours away from Berlin by train. Just down the road from the church -at least according to the legend — Luther railed against Catholic corruption by nailing his 95 theses to the door of the All Saints' Catholic church.

In reality, that probably never actually happened. But what's *not* in dispute is that his ideas, along with the Bible that Luther translated into colloquial German, were printed and distributed across Europe, changing history forever.

Understandably, people from Wittenberg are looking forward to the Luther anniversary. Worshippers won't give their names - Wittenberg is in the former East Germany, and memories of government intrusion run deep- but they say it feels pretty good to be the center of attention.

"Look at the buildings being renovated all over town," one man says. "It's unbelievable what they've done."

The celebrations are already bringing tourists from all over the world to Wittenberg to see where Reformation all began. "It's like a Protestant version of the Vatican," says the Reverend Johannes Block with a smile. He's the pastor at Town Church, and he sometimes feels like Wittenberg is now at the center of the universe.

To put it bluntly, says former University of Cologne professor Dietz Bering, Luther was a hardcore anti-Semite. The preacher wrote a book titled "On the Jews and Their Lies," in which he described the Jews as the source of all evil in German society-and offered up a detailed plan to fix the problem.

"Burn the synagogues, burn Jewish homes, confiscate Jewish money. Round up Jewish people, put them into servitude, or just expel them," Bering describes. With the anniversary approaching, those views are getting a pretty public airing in places like Bering's new book, titled "Was Luther an Anti-Semite?"

Even at the time, Luther's views were extreme. His Protestant contemporaries rejected this stuff, and the political powers of the time refused to adopt his proposals. But centuries later, the Nazis picked up on Luther's anti-Jewish ideas. They pointed to Luther's writings to show their own anti-Semitic ideology had historic German roots.

After World War II, the Lutheran clergy in Germany re-examined this part of its founder's teachings. That process of Jewish-Protestant dialogue is still ongoing, and theologian Margot Kässmann says the upcoming anniversary is another opportunity to examine Luther's failings as well as his triumphs.

"One of the greatest achievements of Reformation was that you need educated faith," she argues. "You can ask questions. You can be critical about the church. You yourself should read the Bible and sharpen your conscience, as Luther would have said."

She also points out that some of Luther's other theological battles have long since healed. He rebelled against the Roman Catholic Church, Kässmann says, but "today we can say we are not enemies anymore. Especially in a very secular society, we see that there's much more that binds us together, that we have in common, than what separates us."

And that message of tolerance is the one she's hoping to display during the anniversary celebration this year — by making sure *all* of Luther's history is displayed and reckoned with.



Margot Kaessmann, Lutheran theologian and organizer for the "2017 Reformation Jubilee," calls Martin Luther, "one of the most important Germans in history."



"By faith alone," are the words from Martin Luther that changed Christianity forever.

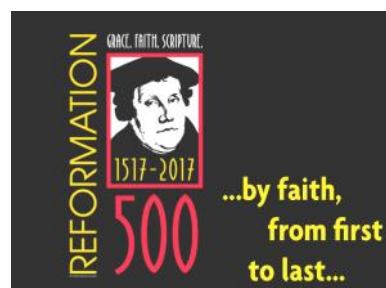


"Castle Church" in Wittenberg - formerly All Saints Catholic Church - is being renovated, along with many Wittenberg buildings connected to Luther.



Pastor Johannes Block preaches in Town Church, where Martin Luther preached nearly 500 years ago.

There's been a debate about whether or not to remove this anti-Semitic statue from Town Church. A memorial to the Holocaust was added below this statue in 1988.





ELCA SPIRITUAL CENTER DAILY BIBLE READINGS

As we continue to share in the emerging 21st century ministry, please take time as you are able to visit the Spiritual Center at the ELCA website: www.elca.org/spiritual.html

"Grant that I may not pray alone with the mouth, help me that I may pray from the depths of my heart."

- Martin Luther

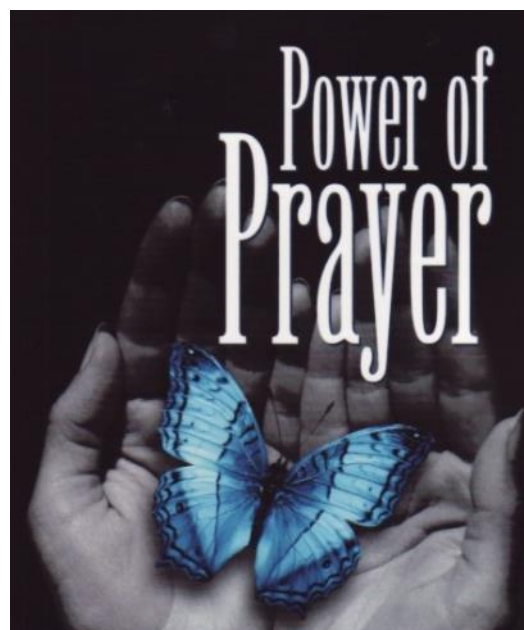
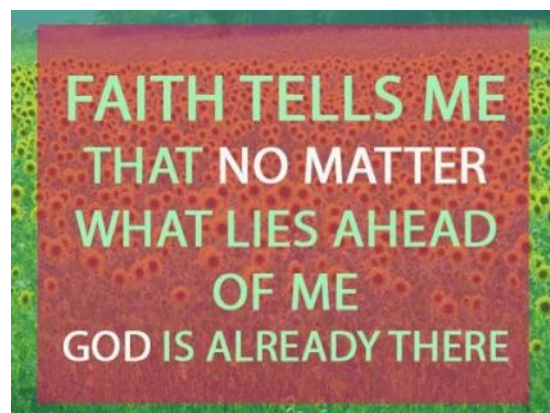
GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY!

Pray for renewing health: Marge Angelo, Gretchen & Barnes, Brian Bates, Kate Bates, Susan Bickham, Bryan Bradford, Robyn Bradford, Theresa Breuer (Barbara Scott's mother), Rick Broughton, Barbara Brown, Terry Brown, Louisa Brown, Pete Brumfield, Patrick Burkard, Diane Carver, Wendy Conners, Bobbi Cummings, Carl & Shirley Ericsson, Nancy Fuller, Regina Gestl, Margo Giguee, Kelli Grage, Greg Grayson, Maudie Halbardier, Becky Homerstad, Janet Johnston, the Kisers, Bobbie Lott, Larry Magers, Phyllis Mistrot, Cheryl Newell, Hubert Pardue, Allen Patschke, Allison Patschke, Viola Patschke, Janet, Frannie & Mike Porter, Scott Sanger, Gary Siegworth, Will Sinacori, Glenn Sponholtz, Julia Sweet, Karen Sweet, Patrick Sweet, Claudia Thomas, Henry Viccellio, Vera White, and David Young.

Special prayer needs: Abarca & Lott families, Adams, Robinson, & Tisdale families, Anderson family, Angelo family, Barrett and Ruddock families, Bates & Hoffmann families, Bickham family, Bradford & Miller families, Brown & Grieger families, Brown & Krajca families, Brown and Tumlinson families, Brumfield family, Buckels family, Burkard family, Butler family, Childs family, Cole & Ullrich families, Columbus family, Flowers family, Fraker family, Fuller family, Gabaldon, Gaevert family, Hurlbut & Gilbert families, Gerig family, Giguee & Campbell families, family of Yvonne Hamilton, Heinicken family, Hilliard family, Jurgens family, Keilers and McDonald families, Kaiser family, Kiser family, Kyle Lawson, Lawson family, Leach family, Lemke family, Lott family, Lowery & Ullman families, Malina & Moreno families, Marcha & Castillo families, Marcha & Salazar families, Martain family, McBride family, Morgan family, Morrison & Doyle families, Newell and Starr families, O'Banion family, Palmer family, Patschke, DeWeese, & Schneider families, Peterson family, Porter family, Purdum & Hayes families, Putman family, Ritter & Ffrench families, Schroder & Wierick families, Scott family, Sponholtz family, Sweet family, Tatuaca family, Thomas family, Thompson family, Villalobos family, Welch family, Wellman family, White family, Wilson family and the Young families.

New Life members serving in the military: Keagan Barthelme, Jeremy Foster, Zach Gottlieb, Eric Metzger, Mason Moore (reserves), Ryan Newell, Michael Porter Jr., Berkeley Scott & Christopher Young.

PRAYER CORNER



A praying congregation prays for the wider church!

PRAYER VENTURES
October 2017

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.



These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the church. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.



1 *World Communion Sunday* (Global Church Sundays) Each year, more than 225 ELCA missionaries, including Young Adults in Global Mission, serve in more than 40 countries around the world. We remember in our prayers and support these servants of Christ working alongside companion churches proclaiming the gospel, raising up leaders, caring for people in need and developing new ways of being church together.

2 Give thanks for our sisters and brothers – bishops, pastors, deacons, people of God – who walk the way of the cross with other courageous and faithful people to stand against bigotry, hatred and violence; to stand with those who are intended victims; and to stand for justice and mercy, peace and equality for all people – beloved children of a just, merciful and loving God.

3 We remember in our prayers congregations, church-related organizations, rostered ministers and candidates for rostered ministry engaged in the call process, a time of thoughtful assessment and prayerful discernment about their work together in ministry and mission.

4 *Francis of Assisi* We pray our daily lives reflect humility, generosity, love and respect for our neighbor, all living things, natural resources that sustain us and the environment – gifts from our loving God, source of all that exists.

5 Give praise and thanksgiving for God's mercy and forgiveness, and pray for a deepening, clear understanding of God's ways and word.

6 Ask God to bless and guide the Ethnic Specific and Multicultural Ministries team working within the ELCA – in all its expressions, agencies and institutions – toward full partnership and participation of African Descent, American Indian and Alaska Native, Arab and Middle Eastern, Asian and Pacific Islander, and Latino people in the life and mission of this church.

7 Pray for ELCA missionaries serving with our global church companions in Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Russia and Scotland, and ask God to move us to support and encourage their work in sharing the good news of the gospel, caring for the needs of the human community and equipping leaders.

8 Through baptism we are joined with Jesus, Son of God, our Savior and hope, and the community of all believers in a new life and reality grounded in the good news of forgiveness, mercy and salvation. Give thanks!

9 Pray for ELCA missionaries serving with our global church companions in Chile, Colombia, Bolivia, Costa Rica and Jamaica. Pray their ministries will be blessed as they work alongside companion churches and institutions sharing the gospel, training leaders, strengthening and growing the church, and serving the needs of communities.

10 Give thanks for our elders. Pray for openness to understanding the changing needs and dynamics of adults as they age. Pray for wisdom on how to best accompany and care for elders in ways that safeguard their dignity, recognize and utilize their gifts in the church and communities, encourage their journey of faith and attend to their physical, spiritual, intellectual and social needs.

11 God's caring presence and attention is not deterred by our times of unfaithfulness, hypocrisy, selfishness or forgetfulness. As sinners and saints, we ask God's forgiveness and pray for renewed faith.

12 Lutheran Services in America represents over 300 health and human services organizations reaching 6 million people annually, touching the lives of 1 in 50 people in the U.S. each year. Pray the work of these organizations will thrive and their staff and volunteers be encouraged, supported and equipped for serving the needs of families, individuals and communities.

13 In God's word and Scripture we find commandments, guidance and examples for living in God-pleasing ways, making decisions that consider the needs of others and loving God and neighbor with all our heart. Pray that our minds and hearts are open to God's word and teachings and that we are eager to follow God's ways – no matter how difficult or uncomfortable.

14 Give thanks for the beauty of fall, the signs of seasons changing and the abundance of creation entrusted to our use and care.

15 We pray that we are eager, articulate witnesses to God's love and mercy, never hesitating to share the good news of Jesus Christ with friends and strangers alike.

16 Give thanks for ELCA Mission Builders, people who travel the country using their God-given skills to help ELCA congregations, schools, outdoor ministries and social ministry organizations construct or improve their facilities for the sake of mission and serving their communities.

17 Pray for mindfulness to include in our thoughts and prayers the positive things we see and experience in the world, inspiring examples of people serving others and the little signs of light that give us hope and reassure us of God's loving presence and activity in the world.

18 We remember in our prayers the 340 ELCA new-start ministries under development in the United States and the Caribbean, and the local leaders, directors for evangelical mission, bishops and synods seeking to grow God's church and extend a welcome to all God's people.

19 As the media and our attention are drawn to and distracted by situations unfolding daily in the world, pray that we never forget or neglect the places of ongoing struggle and conflict, people in great need who live beyond our communities, and communities working to recover from disasters – natural and human made.

20 With joy and awe, recount God's wondrous works from the beginning of time, and give thanks for God's enduring love.

21 On this day each month, we unite in prayer, fasting and advocacy with our brothers and sisters in Christ of The Episcopal Church that our nation, elected leaders, public-service agencies and communities will address with compassion, wisdom and concern for justice the cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty.

22 Often torn between the pressures to choose sides in society, politics, relationships and the world, pray that the Spirit works in us to remind us daily of our responsibilities in the world to one another, and that our ultimate loyalty is to God and God's ways.

23 Pray for peaceful, diplomatic resolutions to current conflicts and wars in the world and for reconciliation, healing, relief and solutions that work toward the end of suffering and injustice.

24 Pray for the publishing ministry of our church – 1517 Media – and its publishing partners; give thanks for their resources developed in support of the mission and ministry of congregations, schools, leaders and members.

25 Rejoice and be glad in the Lord's creative work, magnificence, strength, mercy and justice.

26 Pray for the work of *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*, our opportunity to invest in the future of this church, deepen relationships and expand ministry opportunities that serve our neighbors and communities in the United States and around the world. Give thanks for the generosity of our members and the sharing of gifts that help us realize the goals of the campaign.

27 We ask God to inspire us through the Spirit to support one another as brothers and sisters loved by God and to encourage one another to go into every corner of the world as witnesses to the hope and love we experience through faith in Jesus Christ.

28 Pray for the Spirit to stir our wisdom and vision as a church that we will move into the future with a commitment to God's work in the world, growing the church, equipping new leaders, serving our neighbor and excitement for sharing the gospel in creative ways we have yet to imagine.

29 *Reformation Sunday* With humility and gratefulness, give thanks to God that we are justified and saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ and that our salvation isn't dependent on our actions, attitudes or quality of faith.

30 The truth and light of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, has set us free from sin and all that holds us back from living as children of God. Rejoice and praise God for giving us the gift of forgiveness and new life and gathering us together in the body of Christ!

31 *Reformation Day* Give thanks for how God has shaped and guided the church throughout history, especially as a result of the Reformation movement and Martin Luther's faith and teachings. Pray that we continue to reflect, learn and change with the guidance of the Spirit and God's word, for the sake of our neighbor, to be faithful to God's mission in the world.





Birthdays

October

Jamie Hilliard	10/01
Jenaro Castillo	10/02
Leonard Columbus	10/02
John Russell Gestl	10/03
Allen Patschke	10/03
Christian Fraker	10/04
Brian Bates	10/06
Sang Kim	10/07
Charles Vavrecka	10/07
Taylor Jones	10/09
Dennis Morrison	10/09
Zeke Bickham	10/10
Vera White	10/11
Donnie Gosch	10/12
Kyle Grage	10/13
Bob Hansen	10/13
Jan Peterson	10/14
Susie Wellman	10/14
Judy Brown	10/18
John F. Gestl	10/18
Denise Jurgens	10/18
Donnie Anderson	10/19
Madison Glowka	10/19
Christine Gosch	10/20
Barbara Kippley	10/20
Diane Carver	10/21
Andrew Cummings	10/21
Lucas Cummings	10/21
David Pereyra	10/21
Tiffany Pineda	10/21
Mark Wood	10/21
Angela Koopmann	10/23
Jill Olson	10/23
Christy Villalobos	10/23
Kale Koopmann	10/24
Amy Bradford	10/25
Kaitlin Casso-Young	10/27
Coralee Barrett	10/28
Jamie Flick	10/28
Bart Mills	10/28
Neva Stewart	10/29
Fred Buckels	10/30
Daniel Venglar	10/30

If your name or date needs updating, please contact the New Life office to have your name included in next year's posting.

Wedding Anniversaries

Laura & Charles Gaevert	10/02
Julie & Robert Watkins	10/11
Risa & Ross Cates	10/12
Joanne & Richard Cummings	10/17
Peggy & Jimmie Gatlin	10/20
Janet & Michael Porter	10/20
Mary Ann & Fernando Marcha	10/21
Rachel & Anthony Royal	10/26
Jane & David Maxwell	10/30
Linda & Ronnie Stavinoha	10/30

Baptismal Anniversaries

Doug Barron	10/01
Len Columbus	10/01
Nyla Graf	10/01
Sheila Martain	10/01
Joanne Obraztsov	10/01
Christina Burris	10/01
Christie Young	10/01
Aieliaria Abarca	10/03
Bryce Flick	10/04
Laura Gaevert	10/11
Marcos Salazar	10/11
Stephanie Thweatt	10/12
Savana Velasquez	10/13
Grace Fraker	10/17
Andrew Turner	10/17
Ken Turner	10/17
Jessica Deyo	10/18
Carole Wright	10/19
Kyle Flick	10/20
Christian Fraker	10/21
Allen Patschke	10/21
Marge Angelo	10/23
Mia Gunter	10/23
John Russell Gestl	10/28
Patrick Sweet	10/28
Sydney Sweet	10/28
Cheyenne Williams	10/28
Sophia Castillo	10/30
Lynn Cope	10/30

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Meals on Wheels Coordinator

Co-Coordinator

Men's Ministry Team Leader

Prayer Chain

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Property Team Coordinator

Seniors Ministry

Sunday School Superintendent

Thrivent Congregation Advocate

Tuesday Morning Quilters

Women of the ELCA

WELCA - Lydia Circle

WELCA - Mary Martha Circle

WOW [Women of Worth]

Nancy Bryars

Karen Sweet Cheney

Helen Beckman

Judy & Foster Foucheaux

Allison Patschke

Karen Sweet Cheney

Carole & Walt Wright

Barbara Flowers

Jane Maxwell

(Volunteer Opportunity)

Barbara Brown

Carole Wright

Charlie Gaevert

Helen Beckman

Aimee Sandoval

Kate Bates

Vera White

Julia Sweet

Barbara Brown

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	2 5:00 PM Modified Yoga 6:00 PM House Band Practice 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	3 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	4 12:00 PM Seniors (55+) Luncheon 5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Path to New Life Class	5 5:30 PM Bazaar Meeting 7:00 PM Property Team 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	6 BBQ/Bazaar/Craft Show	7 BBQ/Bazaar/Craft Show 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
8 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	9 5:00 PM Modified Yoga 6:00 PM House Band Practice 7:00 PM Church Council 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	10 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	11 11:30 AM WELCA Lunch 5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Path to New Life Class	12 7:00 PM GLOW 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	13	14 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
15 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	16 5:00 PM Modified Yoga 6:00 PM House Band Practice 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	17 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:00 PM Men's Night Out 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	18 9:30 AM Mary Martha Bible Study 5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Path to New Life Class	19 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	20 7:00 PM WOW (Women of Worth)	21 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
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29 Reformation Sunday 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	30 5:00 PM Modified Yoga 6:00 PM House Band Practice 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	31 500th Reformation Anniversary 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	1 12:00 PM Seniors (55+) Luncheon 5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice	2 7:00 PM Property Team 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	3	4 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group

Helping Hands in Worship - October 2017

Altar Guild: Tamsey Mims & Susie Wellman ♥ Communion Elements: Lorraine Walls

SERVICES		October 1 – Pentecost 17	October 8 – Pentecost 18	October 15 – Pentecost 19	October 22 – Pentecost 20	October 29 – Reformation Sunday
Acolyte	8:00 10:30	Ryan Flick Sophia Castillo	William Sinacori OPEN	Bryce Flick Faith Wood	Clayton Migl Cate Cummings	Ryan Flick Alex Tatuaca
Assisting Minister	8:00 10:30	Barbara Scott Aimee Sandoval	Matt Scott Jamie Hilliard	Nancy Bryars Sang Kim	Ed Scott Robert Broussard	Denise Jurgens Sang Kim
Communion Assistant	8:00	Beth Moore Lynn Barron	John Gestl OPEN	Coleen Gestl Jessica Gestl	Vincent Gottlieb Robin Gottlieb	Tamsey Mims Susan Wellman
Communion Assistant	10:30	Barbara Flowers Tiffany Pineda	Deanna Barthelme Cheryl Robinson	Mary Ann Marcha Ed Bradford	Gary Siegworth Carole Wright	Jan Zuerner Nancy Bryars
Altar Flowers		Denise and Frank Jurgens	Coleen Gestl	Susie Wellman	Debbie Adams and Cheryl Robinson	Linda and Ronnie Stavinoha
Lay Readers	8:00 10:30	Helen Beckman Hap Cummings	Norm Griffith Kristi Glowka	Elna Ritter Josh Roszak	Beth Moore Mike Lassiter	John Gestl Christal Thompson
Nursery	10:30	Katie Fraker	Mandy Schroder	Jackie Crawford	Trent Perez	Kate Bates
Greeters	8:00	Coleen Gestl	Foster Foucheaux Judy Foucheaux	Josh Reed	Jerry Migl Brenda Migl	Helen Beckman
Greeters	10:30	Becky Homerstad Jan Zuerner	Christal Thompson Lynn Cope	Linda Stavinoha Merideth Oliver	Andy Crawford Walt Wright	JoAnn Morrison Dennis Morrison
Ushers	8:00	Tamsey Mims Susie Wellman	Norm Griffith Shirley Griffith	Susie Wellman Charlie Gaevert	Michael Scott Matt Scott	Frank Jurgens Charlie Gaevert
Ushers	10:30	Jenaro Castillo Jan Homerstad	Gary Siegworth Tony White	Greg Grayson Nolan Patschke	Daoud Karam Milton Thomas	Jenaro Castillo Tony White
Coffee Hour		Sunday's Cool Adult SS Classes	Bake Good Booth Desserts	Third Sunday Group	MIM	Church Counsel
Opening Closing and Counting		Julia Sweet Rudy Moreno	Frank Jurgens Cheryl Robinson	Frank Jurgens Cheryl Robinson	Frank Jurgens Cheryl Robinson	Gordon Meyer Gary Siegworth

** Worship Assistants needed. Please contact the church office if you would like to serve.*