



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is October time and fall is here. We know that October brings Reformation Day. But October has a lot more to it than just that day.

We do not mark many days that are celebrated in our Liturgical calendar. The End of September (which will be the Sunday after you get this Newsletter) We will celebrate St. Michael and all angels.

Why is this? Many years ago, the decision was made (And then changed) that feast days or commemoration days only be celebrated if they fall on the Sunday and then the Pastor can make the decision not to celebrate that day, and just follow the pericopal calendar.

That brings up a question. What is the pericopal calendar. Our church body has two main pericopal calendars. We have the three-year series (which we follow). Where year A is a concentration on Matthews Gospel, year B is a concentration on Mark, and year C is a concentration on Luke (I love Luke). Mixed in each year is readings from the Gospel of John, and other readings that are seasonal specific. (Advent, Christmas etc.) There is also a one-year series that is similar to the one in the old The Lutheran Hymnal (the old red/blue hymnal.) The three-year series was developed among the Lutheran churches (all of them) before the merger of the ELCA in the 80's. Our version was revised in the early 2000's before the introduction of the Lutheran Service Book.

Presently we are in year B. On the liturgical calendar each year there are a number of specific commemoration days, and feasts days. Many of these days have fallen out of favor (in other words are not what we call High Feasts) such as June 25 which is St. John the Baptist birthday (Notice Jesus is 6 months later) or The Annunciation, which is March 25 (9 months before Christmas.) Typically, we don't celebrate the Annunciation as it is in the midst of Lent.

But there are many other days that simply pass us by on the calendar. In October there are three other days that are on our calendar. Those days are the 18th St. Luke, Evangelist, 23rd St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of Jesus and Martyr, 28th St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles.

None of those days fall on a Sunday this year so we just pass them by.

The Major festivals of our church, such as Christmas, Easter, Passover, Maundy Thursday, are either celebrated on that day or moved to the closest Sunday. As you noticed we celebrate all those days on the day it falls. But one like Reformation, All Saints Day, Epiphany, we usually move them to the Sunday closest.

Certain feast days such as the Ascension which always falls on a Thursday (40 days after the resurrection) we also celebrate on the Sunday closest. Some churches have opted to have Thursday night Service.

Whether or not we choose to celebrate many of the feast or commemoration days is usually left up to the pastor. There is nothing that says we have to celebrate any of these days.

Paul wrote in Romans 14:5-6 *One person decides that one day is holier than another. Another person decides that all days are the same. Every person must make his own decision. (6) When people observe a special day, they observe it to honor the Lord. When people eat all kinds of foods, they honor the Lord as they eat, since they give thanks to God. Vegetarians also honor the Lord when they eat, and they, too, give thanks to God.*

Now this was some time before our modern pericope system was developed. But what he is maintaining, is that however we worship and what ever days we worship that we do them to the Honor and Glory of God, and not ourselves. That is why at the end of some bulletins you will see a Latin phrase, *Solo Deo Gloria. Which roughly translate as To the Glory of God alone., or only to the Glory of God.*

Whatever days we celebrate we do them to the Glory of God. For he is the one we ultimately glorify and praise.

Your servant in Christ,
Pastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of October

- 9 Cooper Kemp
- 12 Sharon Calabretta
- 13 Allen Michael
- 26 Robert Floyd
- 28 Amanda Caple
- 29 Charlie Parsley, III
- 29 Gene Forrest

If we forgot you, we apologize, it means we most likely don't have it. Please see that the office receives it. Thanks

Perfect Attendance!

Sunday School Attendance for the month of September

Adults:

- Margaret & John Alexander
- Tricia & Harold Jacobs
- Pat Baughman
- Sharon Calabretta
- Karen & Bill Witt
- Pastor & Donna Marshall
- Cathy Webb



Monthly Offering

Sunday Average Attendance for last Sunday August & first half of September— 36

Sunday Average Attendance online for last Sunday of August & first half of September— 6

Views — 12

Last Sunday of August & first half of September Offerings — \$17,901.12



Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of October

- Cherrie Bradley
- Judy Clinton
- Lura Campbell
- Nina Hubbard
- Gayle Montague
- Matthew Shorts
- Max, Sydney & Zack Bergeron
- Aubree Howard
- Susan Marshall

Craft Day in the Fellowship Hall

There will be a craft afternoon on October 5th in the fellowship hall starting at 1:00 pm. These are such enjoyable afternoons with other crafters from our church. We really enjoy creativity and fellowship.

Please join us with whatever craft you like and a snack.

If you would like to come to the craft afternoon but don't feel you have a craft, there is a simple project for twindlemuffs we would like to share with you. The supplies will be provided.

New Lower Prices at Rada Kitchen Store!



We're permanently paring prices on many of our most popular items: steak knives, paring knives, the ever-useful knife sharpener - and even our world famous tomato slicer. Shop today and save!

Please support our group **Trinity Lutheran Church**, through this Rada Cutlery fundraiser! Click this link <https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=5544767.dbcf947> start shopping. Thank you!



Choir has once again begun. We will practice October 6th, 13th, & 20th after worship. Please come and join us. You do not need to be able to read music to join.

LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD

Mary Guild met in September and we had a fun-filled time being with each other and planning some of our mission projects for next year. The ladies gave fifty dollars to the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch for their fundraising efforts on Honey Sunday. Two hundred and fifty dollars were donated to the Lutheran Braille Workers. Pat Baughman reported that 75% of the pledged mites have been collected. The mites are pledged towards projects chosen by a committee of the National LWML. By the next national convention held in Omaha, Nebraska in June, 2025 the members are confident that all pledges will be met.

Pastor Marshall gave the topic. It was an interesting account of the angels named in the Bible. Our hostess was Julie Shorts. Cherrie Bradley was the birthday celebrant.

In the October meeting, Pastor Marshall hopes to have the name of a seminary student our group can sponsor. Pat Baughman will open the meeting with the devotion. She will lead a Bible study, "Anchored in God's Word" for the topic. Cherrie Bradley will be the hostess. The mission project is a monetary donation to Veterans of the Cross.

October 6, 2024 is LWML Sunday.

The meeting was closed with the LWML Pledge.

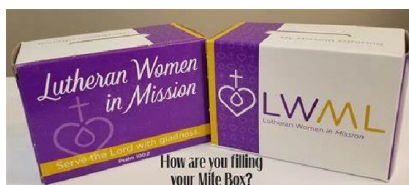
Submitted by
Kaye Meins



Esther Guild Mailbox Member Program

Esther Guild mailbox member group is available to those who cannot commit to a monthly, in person, meeting. As a member, each month you will receive an email with a devotion, news around LWML, and have an opportunity to contribute to mites that support the missions of Lutheran Women in Mission. Here is a link to the bible study that was sent out in July. Take a look and see what you think [Go Ahead, Jump! - Lutheran Women's Missionary League \(360unite.com\)](https://www.360unite.com)

If you are not on the Esther Guild mailing list and would like to be, please let Erin Foster know and she will add you to the group.





BLESSINGS ON YOUR SUMMER!

Greetings from the Dominican Republic. It seems that the Summer season began just last week. Now the beginning of the Fall season is right around the corner. The schools are now getting back into gear.

During the first week of August, Dan and I attended the annual regional missionary conference. This event took place in the Dominican Republic and all of our Latin American missionaries with their families participated. Dr. Geoffrey Boyle, Professor at Concordia Theological Seminary, gave a presentation on how to use the Psalms as a prayer guide. We enjoyed the studies, worship, and fellowship. A good time was had by all. The Rev. Mike and Cathy Wakeland, who now serve in the United States, directed the youth Bible studies. We served with the Wakelands in Venezuela during the 90's. It was great seeing them after so many years.

Our head Latin American missionary chaplain, Dr. Jonathan Naumann, is now in the United States preparing for surgery that will take place on August 22. Please remember Dr. Naumann and his wife Cheryl in your prayers during this time.

Deaconess Jamielynn Tinkey Flores and her husband Rev. Rafael Flores, will be leaving the Dominican Republic to serve the Lord in Chile. We give thanks to God for their time of service in the Dominican Republic and we will miss them greatly. At the same time we wish them godspeed. Rafael, Jamielynn, and their baby daughter, will be a great blessing to the Lutheran church of Chile.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT BELIZE

- + Before its independence in 1973, Belize was known as the British Honduras.
- + Belize is home to the second largest barrier reef system in the world.
- + The forests yield an amazing variety of Cashew trees. Some are delicious and edible while others are actually poisonous.
- + Belize has the lowest population density in Central America.
- + The Belize rain forest is home to over 500 species of orchids.
- + Belize has many themed Mayan villages with unique culture, traditions, festivities and geography.
- + The country of Belize hosts over 2 million tourists per year.
- + Belize is among the top 5 least populated countries.





Personal Notes

During the Latin American missionary study conference, Dan was recognized for his 40 years in the pastoral ministry and for his 31 years of service on the Latin American foreign mission field. May the Lord continue to bless his missionaries who serve in all parts of the world.

We thank God for the mission in Latin America. Your support provides Biblical training for national pastors, deacons, and deaconesses. Prayerfully consider how the Lord may be leading you to support this vital mission. The Lord provides the funding for his mission efforts through the donations of His local churches and its individual members. Through your financial donations national pastors and deaconesses will be formed and mentored that they may spread the Gospel throughout Latin America. Together we partner with God to take the Gospel to the far ends of the earth. We thank you for supporting the mission in Latin America. God's richest blessings! May the Lord bless your summer vacation!



We Pray For

- + Missionary Jonatahan Naumann who will be undergoing surgery in the United States
- + The Shaver family who has arrived to the Dominican Republic and is undergoing orientation.
- + The upcoming fall academic semester.
- + Safe travels for those who are vacationing.
- + The new missionary families that are beginning their overseas service.

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:3)

Soli Deo Gloria
Daniel and Kathy

We Give Thanks For

- + The missionary study conference that took place in the Dominican Republic.
- + The prayers and donations that make world mission possible.



The members of the Latin American council send their greetings!



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St. Louis, MO 63179-0089 Make checks payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Mark checks “Support of Daniel Conrad.”

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Pastors appreciate your prayers

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, an observance that some clergy don't publicize. It's an ideal time to thank pastors for their dedication to God's people and the ministry. A written note, a card or even a free meal is a nice gesture of appreciation. But if you were to ask pastors what they'd like or what they need, most would probably reply, "Pray for me."

That's what the apostle Paul requested throughout his letters. To the church at Rome, he urged, "Join me in earnest prayer to God on my behalf, that I may be rescued from the unbelievers in Judea and that my ministry to Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints, so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and be refreshed in your company" (Romans 15:30-32, NRSV).

As you appreciate and encourage your pastors, remember them in your prayers. Then let them know you're doing so!

Pumpkin prayer

In *The Pumpkin Patch Parable*, Liz Curtis Higgs uses kid-friendly analogies for the Christian life. Many parents now use a Pumpkin Prayer while carving jack-o-lanterns in October. What a great reminder about everything God has done for us!

- While cutting off the pumpkin top, pray, "Lord, open my mind so I can learn new things about you." (See Proverbs 1:7.)

- While removing the seeds and pulp, pray, "Remove the things in my life that don't please you. Forgive the wrong things I do and help me forgive others." (See Matthew 6:14-15.)

- While making eyes, pray, "Open my eyes to see the beauty you've made in the world around me." (See Psalm 104:24.)

- While making the nose, pray, "I'm sorry for the times I've turned up my nose at your many gifts." (See James 1:17.)

- While making the mouth, pray, "Let everything I say please you." (See Psalm 19:14.)

- While lighting the candle, pray, "Lord, help me shine your light to others through the things I do." (See Matthew 5:16.)

Display your carved pumpkins as examples of how God's love transforms us into new creations. (See 2 Corinthians 5:17.)

The mess of mercy

The reformer Martin Luther once dreamed that he saw Jesus approaching his door. Luther panicked, seeing that his home was an absolute disaster inside. "How am I going to let the Lord of Life, Jesus Christ, come into a mess like this?" he wondered.

Luther raced to clean up, but the mess only increased. As Jesus knocked, Luther was resigned. "Come on in, if you think you can come into a place like this," he told Jesus ... only to turn around and see that everything was now in order. All Luther had to do was let Jesus enter.

"Mercy is always a messy business," writes pastor Daniel Emery Price at 1517.org. That's true of the Reformation, just as it was when Jesus cleared moneychangers out of the temple. "There will always be those who condemn the mercy because of the mess," notes Price. "Reformation is always about clearing the path to God's radical grace."



SAVED BY GRACE

Leaders of the early church discussed whether newly converted Gentiles must keep the Law of Moses. How did Peter answer?

Directions: Cross out every third letter. Then write the remaining letters in the blanks below to complete Acts 15:11, NIV.

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	Elder	Ushers	Lector	Flowers by...	Counters
SUN 6	Steve Lochmann	Karen Witt Dallas Cossey	Erin Foster	LWML Sunday	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta
SUN 13	Steve Shorts Steve Lochmann	Phillip Dunger	Steve Shorts	Amanda & Phillip Dunger "In celebration of their wedding anniversary"	Phillip & Amanda Dunger
SUN 20	Bill Witt Steve Shorts	Robert Floyd	Robert Floyd	Andrew & Megan Raddle "In celebration of their wedding anniversary"	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell
SUN 27	Phillip Dunger Bill Witt	Steve Lochmann Andrew Raddle	Cherrie Bradley	Lura Campbell "In memory of Bobbie Cunningham Dewy"	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants

Altar Care: Kaye Meins & Phyllis Dunger



October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>5 God's Garden: Let us be kind Squash gossip Turnip for worship</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion (LWML SUNDAY) 12:00 Elder's Meeting 12:00 Choir Practice 5:00 Worship in Hamburg for Crosssett Members 20th Sunday after Pentecost</p>		<p>1</p> <p>9:00 Pastor's Circuit Meeting at Maunelle</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study 1:00 Mary Guild Meeting</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1:00 Craft Day Fellowship</p>
<p>6</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion (LWML SUNDAY) 12:00 Elder's Meeting 12:00 Choir Practice 5:00 Worship in Hamburg for Crosssett Members 20th Sunday after Pentecost</p>		<p>8</p> <p>9:00 Pastor's Circuit Meeting at Maunelle</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Choir Practice 21st Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>14 Columbus Day</p> <p>Mid-South Pastor's Conference Cruise</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Mid-South Pastor's Conference Cruise</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Mid-South Pastor's Conference Cruise Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Mid-South Pastor's Conference Cruise</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Mid-South Pastor's Conference Cruise</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8-12 or longer Sand Art Booth at Founder's Day in Whitehall Pastor & Donna return from Conference</p>
<p>20</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Council Meeting 12:00 Choir Practice 5:00 Worship in Hamburg for Crosssett Members 22nd Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10:00 Newsletter Committee</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Reformation/Oktoberfest Potluck Reformation Sunday</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 Halloween 10:00 Thursday Morning Bible Study</p>		

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