



Pastor's Notes

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I want to talk about a different topic this month and it is a little different. It is about the change in technology we have experienced in the past 30+ years.

Some of you are older than I and some of you are younger than I, but technology touches us all.

Last year in May, I started having problems with my cell phone. Many of you have heard some of this story, but this is the full version. We were on our way to Little Rock for one of my wife's Dr. appts. On the way up there, I wanted her to make a phone call or something (I always want my wife to handle my cell phone when driving. It forces me not to pay attention to it.) The problem was my phone would not work. I said we will look at it later. When I finally had a chance to look, all it did was give me a message that the phone could not connect to the network. When we were done, we went to the ATT store to try and track down what was going on. After two or three tries we finally found out what was going on. Someone had filed an insurance claim on my phone and wanted the replacement delivered to New York City (one of the boroughs). They would ask if I knew anyone up there (My nephew) and stuff like that. Turns out it was a scam. Turns out it had happened a month earlier and was just now catching up with my phone line.

The Insurance company had blacklisted my phone. We pushed through, I used my secondary phone and finally said I was done. I went down to ATT got a new phone and a new number and ended it. I also wrote polite but strongly worded letters to each company complaining about how I had been treated.

I was still paying for the phone, that is what aggravated me the most. Then I got a phone call from ATT telling me I had dropped a phone that was needed to get the special pricing on the phone I just got. It took a month or two, but by the time we were done, the old phone was removed from my plan and paid off. The new phone got paid off. But one problem remained.

Have you ever noticed how our lives had become bound to our cell phone numbers? I mean literally everything we do is tied to our cell phone number.

My sisters Medicaid, they could not get in touch with me as they were calling the old number. Trying to get into some sites that require what is called Second Factor Authentication, requires access to the old number! It is absolutely crazy.

When we look at our lives, have we ever considered how much sin is tied into our lives? I don't mean just attached but interwoven. Just like that cell phone number, trying to get rid of sin in our lives is impossible. It is permanently attached to us.

So, what do we do? Trust in the means of Grace. There is a reason God gives us Baptism and the Lord's Supper. God gives to us those means to separate us from the sin that is so deeply woven into our lives. God says we are forgiven. It is like we get a new phone number with a new carrier that separates us from that old one. We are forgiven. Now understand we were already forgiven when Christ died on the cross, but those means of grace are our personal assurance it is ours.

I know the story of my phone is a long one, but so is the story of our sinfulness. The best part is God fixes all things in our spiritual lives. And we do not have to worry about anything hanging around. Yes, we will still be bothered by things, we will still commit sins. Yet unlike the phone company, with God there is grace. And it is ours.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of July

- 1 Zac Dodge
- 3 Danelle Riederer
- 5 Judy Raddle
- 6 Lilly Kelley
- 8 Tony Bergeron
- 9 Mike McKenzie
- 11 Elisabeth Proctor
- 12 Lura Campbell
- 13 Suzanne Bergeron
- 16 Cathy Web
- 17 David Gray
- 25 Dan Rice
- 28 John Alexander
- 29 Jack Thompson

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 June

Children:
Baliagh Crook
Kaleigh Frye

Adults:
Tricia & Harold Jacobs
Bill Witt
Donna & Pastor Marshall
Erin Foster
Phillip & Amanda Dunger
Cathy Webb



Sunday Average Attendance for last Sunday of May & first half of June— 46

Sunday Average Attendance online for last Sunday of May & first half of June— 4

Views — 10

Last Sunday of May & first half of June Offerings — \$20323.65

On July 20th our worship service will be a lay service done by our elders and no communion as Pastor is attending the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans



Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of July

Karen Witt
JP Dunger
Harold Jacobs
Christa Burrus
Millie Kroll
Waymond Meins
Cade Mizell
Cadyn Mizell
Jonathan Marshall
Cormick Riederer
Kingston Riederer
Mannix Riederer
Danelle Riederer



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LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD

Mary Guild met on June 5, 2025. The opening devotion was given by Karen Witt, "The Secret of Happiness Comes from the Knowledge of Jesus and His Salvation for Us-- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Roll call was answered by ten members and Pastor Marshall.

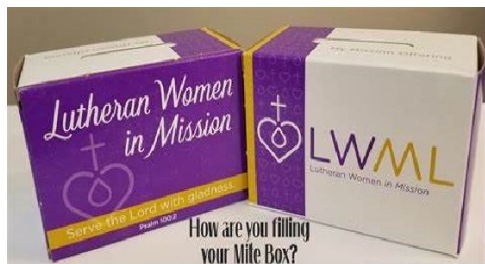
A collection of cereal was donated by Mary Guild members. Approximately forty boxes were delivered that afternoon to the city cereal drive.

Karen Witt held a Bible study "Where Are the Dead"? When Christians die they will receive a glorified body and enter into their eternal home with God. They will be with Jesus.

In July, Arleen Parsley will open the meeting with a devotion, Phyllis Dunger has the topic and Cherrie Bradley will serve as hostess. The mission project for July will be a donation of hygiene products such as bath soap, deodorant and shampoo to Megan's Closet. Megan Raddle keeps those supplies to give to middle school children in need of them.

Closed with the League Pledge

Submitted by
Kaye Meins



Esther Guild Mailbox Member Group



This month Esther Guild is recognizing the work of Heart to Heart Sisters in Christ, a part of Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML). Heart

to Heart works to witness to and include all ethnicities in our Synod and in LWML. If you want to know more about this wonderful group and how you can participate go to Heart to Heart – Sisters of All Nations - Lutheran Women Missionary League to learn more. Our church has a rich community of people who are not familiar with the Lutheran Church and do not have a home church. Outreach is an important path to grow our family. Please consider ways this can be accomplished.

Last month our congregation was very generous to our neighbors in need by providing food to Neighbor to Neighbor. Please continue the good work by bringing food to the church. The collection spot is in the narthex, and it is taken to Neighbor to Neighbor once a month toward the end of the month.

Do you want to participate in LWML but do not have the time for a monthly meeting? Esther Guild Mailbox Member program is a way for you to become involved. You will receive a monthly email with devotions, crafts, LWML news, and other news. You can stay up to date on what is going on locally, around the zone, the district, and at the national level. Please let Erin Foster know if you would like to receive this email and she can get you signed up.

Submitted by
Erin Foster



INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT PERU

- + The Amazon River begins in Peru.
- + The Amazon Rainforest covers almost two thirds of Peru.
- + The Andean flying condor is the largest flying bird on earth.
- + There are three official languages in Peru: Spanish, Quechua, and Aymara.
- + The population of Peru is over 34 million.
- + You can eat over 3,000 varieties of potatoes in Peru.
- + Peru is one of the most biologically diverse countries in the world.
- + Three quarters of the world's Alpacas live in Peru.
- + The city of Cusco brings together Inca and Spanish colonial architecture.

Bless we the Lord!

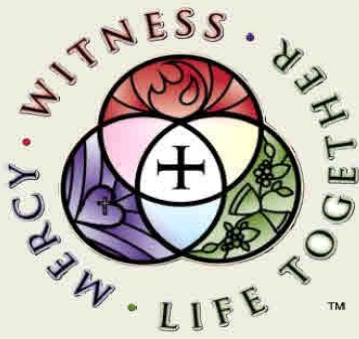
Greetings in the name of the Ascended Lord. We pray that all is well with you as we rejoice in the victory of the Lord over sin, death, and the devil. Accordingly we proclaim the victory of the Lord to all nations that all people may have life in His name. Jesus tells us, "... I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." (John 10:10) Through the Word and the Sacraments the Lord's church imparts this abundant life in all parts of the world.

Kathy underwent knee surgery this last Saturday and is now recovering at home. This next Monday we have an appointment with her surgeon. He will then set up therapy sessions. Please keep Kathy in your prayers as she continues on the road to recovery.

The annual Latin American symposium took place at Seminario El Reformador from the 20th until the 25th of May. This event commemorated the 125th anniversary of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's mission efforts in Latin America. Representatives from 16 different Latin American Lutheran Church bodies participated in this event. A great time of theological reflection and fellowship was shared by all who participated.

The seminary classes are finished until September. Nevertheless the professors are very busy as they prepare for the classes they will teach this coming September. Moreover the seminarians continue to assist in the worship services and carry out evangelistic visits to the surrounding communities. All in all we give thanks to the Lord for a successful academic year. May these seminarians serve as a great blessing to many people as they serve the Lord in their respective countries.





We Pray For

- + The new seminarians who will be arriving to the Dominican Republic..
- + The recovery of Kathy's knee.
- + The upcoming youth congress that will take place on June 15th..
- + Prayers and financial support for world mission.
- + Those Christians who suffer persecution.

We Give Thanks For

- + The victory of the Risen Lord.
- + Our mission donors who make our mission possible.
- + The seminarians who are preparing for the Holy ministry

Personal Notes

Kathy is somewhat immobilized as she recovers from her surgery. Thank you for all your prayers and support during this difficult time. She will undergo some extensive sessions of physical therapy beginning next week.

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! Have a blessed summer!!



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



Dan preaching the sermon at the District president's worship service

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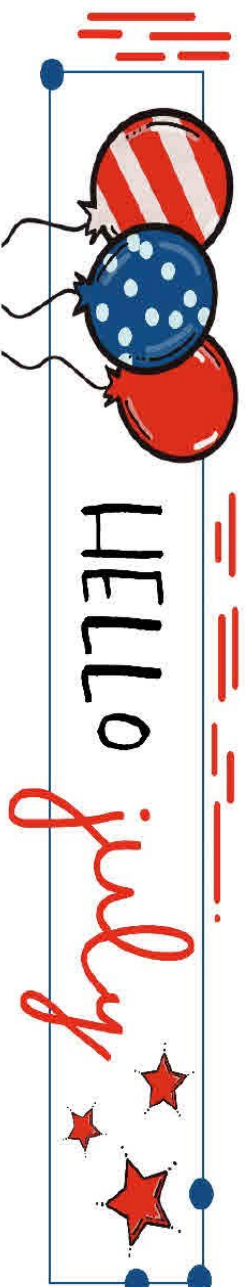


July 2025


	Elder	Ushers	Acolyte	Lector	Flowers by...	Counters
SUN 6	Phillip Dunger Steve Lochmann	Dan Riederer Bill Witt	Ainsley Riederer	Erin Foster	Lura Campbell "In celebration of Tony & Suzanne Bergeron and Lura Campbell's birthdays."	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta
SUN 13	Steve Lochmann Phillip Dunger	Andrew Raddle Harold Jacobs	Brennick Riederer	Steve Shorts	Ed Stertmann "For Family"	Phillip & Amanda Dunger
SUN 20	Steve Shorts Steve Lochmann	Harold Jaco John Alexander	Espen Riederer	Cherrie Bradley	Steve & Julie Shorts "In memory of Ginny DeLuca"	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell
SUN 27	Bill Witt Steve Shorts	Robert Floyd Phillip Dunger	Kaleigh Frye	Robert Floyd	Amy Kalkbrenner "In celebration of her dad John Alexander's birthday"	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants

Altar Care: Kaye Meins & Phyllis Dunger



2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Indep. Day	5
6 9:30 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Elders Meeting 4 th Sunday after Pentecost	7	8 Pastor's Circuit Meeting TBA	9	10 10:00 Thursday Bible Study		12 1:00 Craft Day Fellowship
13 9:30 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/Communion 5 th Sunday after Pentecost	14	15	16 National Youth Gathering Newsletter Deadline	17 National Youth Gathering	18 National Youth Gathering	19 National Youth Gathering
20 9:30 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship No Communion Pastor at Youth Gathering 6 th Sunday after Pentecost	21 National Youth Gathering	22 National Youth Gathering	23 10:00 Newsletter Committee National Youth Gathering Ends	24 10:00 Thursday Bible Study	25	26
27 9:30 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Council Meeting 7 th Sunday after Pentecost	28	29 Pastor & Donna on Vacation	30 Pastor Donna on Vacation	31 Pastor & Donna on Vacation No Bible Study		

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