

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's November already? Yes, the time has flown. We are now to the month where we celebrate the world's greatest theologian. (No, it is not me.) This month we celebrate Luther's birthday. Luther was born on November 10, 1483.

But we also celebrate Veterans Day this month and Thanksgiving.

A moment to talk about Veterans Day. Veterans day was created after World War I, which was called the Great War. It originally was called Armistice day. It is one of two federal holidays in which we celebrate those who have died in war. Both Memorial Day and Veterans Day celebrate those of our Nation who have given their lives for our country. Here in America many things are usually done to honor and give thanks for the veterans. Local Applebee's give a free meal to veterans from a special menu that day. When we lived near an Army post the line went out and around the Applebee's. What is most moving is the service in the National Cemetery in Arlington at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. If you ever get a chance, visit there and see how the soldiers stand guard there 7 days a week, rain or shine. My son had a ROTC instructor in school, who served on that detail. It is a singular honor to be able to do this.

But the one thing we do in November that I think we need to consider is Thanksgiving. It has become routine, and in many cases overshadowed by Black Friday shopping. Some stores have even begun their shopping sales on Thanksgiving night. Why is it we have pushed giving thanks to the back while pushing consumerism to the fore? Could it be that we have a hard time giving thanks? We only set one day aside during the year to give national thanksgiving, yet we minimize it with shopping? Why is it so hard to stop and give thanks?

I think the issue is, stopping and giving thanks means that we must acknowledge that we cannot do it ourselves. We are a nation of go getters. We celebrate and adulate those who have lifted themselves up by the bootstraps, the self-made man, the rags to riches story. Having to acknowledge that there is someone besides ourselves who we should thank for what we have is a hard thing. Yet as Christians, that should not be so hard. What is Worship other than giving thanks to God for His gift to us in Jesus Christ. The Sacrament is God's gift to us for the forgiveness of sins. Our whole lives should be one of thanksgiving, and of giving thanks to God our Father for the blessings he has given us. Where would we be today, if not for the blessings of God?

I think we fool ourselves to think there is nothing to give thanks for every day, let alone one day out of the year to celebrate the blessings of God. So, when you sit down to your Thanksgiving meal this year, consider what all God has done for you this past year. Consider what God has blessed you with, and how God has made your life different. When we do this, we will want to spend some time thanking God for this Thanksgiving. Also, as you stand in line for that Black Friday deal, consider thanking God, that he has put you in the position to be able to shop on that day and get a good deal.

As we celebrate all these events this month, let us always turn to God in Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving that he loved us so much that he sent his one and only son to die for us, and give to us the gift of Eternal Life!

Blessings on your month, **Tastor Marshall**

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of November

- 4 Bettye Johnson
- 6 Millié Kroll
- 7 Kaleigh Frye
- 11 James Thompson
- 14 Stewart Marshall
- 22 Siri Richter
- 22 Kaye Meins
- 23 Lloyd Wessels
- 29 Jeanette Bunting

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



Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of November

David Gray Jason Lochmann Pastor Marshall

Church Maintenance

On the bulletin board in the hallway is a list of maintenance items that need to be done and how much each costs. Take a look and hopefully this will help everyone decide if anyone can help.



Sunday School Attendance for the month of October

Children:

Brennick Riederer Ainsley Riederer Espen Riederer Mannix Riederer Kingston Riederer Cormick Riederer Adults: Sharon Calabretta Bill Witt

Bill Witt
Waymond Meins
Pat Baughman
Pastor Marshall
Susan Marshall
Cathy Webb
Dan & Danelle Riederer
Don Richter
Tricia & Harold Jacobs
Phyllis Dunger

Erin Foster

A special thank you to the congregation for the mites you gave on LWML Sunday. We appreciate your support.

Mary and Esther Guilds

Just a note to let everyone know that Our Flower Prices for Sunday mornings will be going up to \$45.00 in 2026



Sunday Average Attendance for last Sunday of September & first half of October— 46

Sunday Average Attendance online for last Sunday of September & first half of October— 10

Last Sunday of September& first half of October Offerings – \$17,952.62

RIEDERER ROLLERS "WE WILL ROLL IN, HELP, AND ROLL OUT!"

The Riederer family, as part of their homeschool studies, have a "helping business." As Ecclesiastes 4:9 states, "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor."

We have SIX (plus a parent).

We have experience in yard work, cleaning and organizing, painting, light power washing, etc.

Payment is negotiable based on time and job requirements.

Contact the "Riederer Rollers" for help! Flyers are available in the church Narthex with more information.

Call or text Danelle at 262-227-0660 or email at driederer1@me.com to schedule your helpers.

LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD



Mary Guild's monthly meeting was held on October 2, 2025. Eight members and Pastor Marshall attended. Karen Witt read the

opening devotion, "Pray Believingly" based on Luke 1:37.

Officers reports: Vice President Julie Shorts suggested that we send fifty dollars to the fall rally in DeWitt for their ingathering project. Mite Box Chairman Pat Baughman reported that the District still needed mites to pay for designated mission projects. Mary Guild members voted to send to the District the amount of money collected from the mission bags returned on LWML Sunday. Pat also gave an update on the grant from mites she is writing to request a new air conditioner for Trinity and one to re-roof the gym.

Several large bags of clothes and hygiene products collected by the members were given to Opportunity House.

Upon receiving a request from the chaplain at Tucker Prison, the guild voted to collect peanut butter or cheese crackers to be given to the inmates for Christmas. "In as much as you visited the prisoners, you did it as for me", Jesus said. We will be collecting these items until December 4.

Pastor Marshall had the topic. It was about whether or not Halloween is a good thing or a bad thing. Halloween began as a celebration of All Hallows Eve. It later became a holiday emphasizing witches, ghouls, the black arts etc. As Christians we should remember the beginning as All Hallows Eve and not take the witches and ghouls too seriously.

At the November meeting of Mary Guild, Julie Shorts will open the meeting with the devotion, Phyllis Dunger presents the topic and Karen Witt is the hostess. The mission project is a monetary gift to the food banks at both seminaries.

Closed with the League Pledge.

Submitted by Kaye Meins

Esther Guild Mailbox Member Group

The members of Esther Guild were encouraged to find ways to serve

God and help others even if they don't have an official "crafting" skill. The LWML website has many ideas of how we can help others. Look under the Service tab at Home - Lutheran Women's Missionary League. The western district retreat was held September 5th - 7th at Mount Eagle Resort near Clinton, AR. Joyce Ann Green and Erin Foster attended with approximately 50 other women. The theme was "Experience the Joy, then Share it". From 1st Thessalonians 5:6. Joyce Anne and I had so much fun. There was singing led by Bonnie White and her daughter Ruth Schiederer, bible study lead by Pastor Don White, crafts, some competitive games, and lots of very good food. Of course, there were also many friendships to renew and new friends to make. The venue was comfortable and beautiful.

The South Arkansas Zone Rally will be held in DeWitt on October 11th starting at 9:00. These are always very good, and lunch will be served. The ingathering items for ARM 180. This is an inpatient recovery program. Please see a member of LWML for a list of items needed. They are located in Crossett and DeWitt. Any woman who is a member of our church can attend. Please talk to Erin Foster if you would like to attend.

Neighbor to Neighbor is needing support from our community to help feed our neighbors who do not have enough money to make their food budget last through the month. Thank you to all of you who have been helping with their mission. They were very pleased with our last delivery as the grocery sacks were being filled and there wasn't much in them. They said our donations would make those sacks a lot fuller. Please continue your donations. We have been asked to provide 100 cans of Fruit Cocktail for Thanksgiving by October 31. This is separate from our regular gifts. Please help out.

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

YOUTH EVENTS

Giving Bean



The youth are gearing up for the colder weather and selling Coffee and Tea and Hot Cocca

We are working with Giving bean. We will be taking paper form orders October 4th -November 15th. There are many different kinds to pick from. If you would like to shop online, we have a link to shop online as well. https://www.givingbean.com/store/home.php?partner=5888b

The youth will be using the money to save for national youth gathering in 2028 and youth activities. The youth will make 45% on all paper orders and 25% on all online orders. The online ordering will last for a year.

Once the orders close on the 15th. they will ship the order in 14 days.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Maribeth Floyd 217-369-0079.

See's Candies Sale:

Christmas is ONLY 3 months away! The Youth Group is selling delicious See's chocolates-a great gift for yourself or for a friend or family member. Feel even better knowing that your purchase is helping to support the Youth here at Trinity Lutheran! See any youth to place your order today! Delivery before Thanksgiving!





News from the Conrad family; serving in Latin America

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INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

- + Baseball is the most popular sport in the Dominican Republic.
- + Armed forces and national police members are not allowed to vote..
- + The Dominican Republic is the only country worldwide to have a Bible in its flag.
- + Centuries ago, pirates rested and restocked in the Dominican Republic.
- + Samana Bay ia homw to a whale watch sanctuary from January to March.
- + Columbus arrived to Santo Domingo on his first voyage that took place in 1492.
- + Founded in 1492, Santo Domingo is the oldest colonial settlement in the Americas.
- + The principle export crops are tobacco, coffee, and sugar.

Blesings in the Name of the Lord!

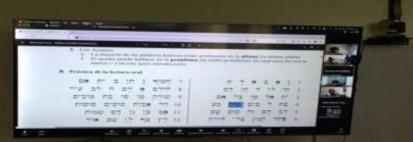
Warm greetings in the name of the Lord. The seminary semester continues to go forward and the seminarians are making a great effort. We are anticipating the arrival of three new seminarians in the coming weeks. These young men are awaiting the apporoval of their entry visas for the Dominican Republic.

On the last Saturday of September, Dan and I helped with an eyeglass clinic that was sponsored by MOST ministries. We attended to 240 people in the course of 8 hours. This clinic gaave a powerful testimony to the people of the community. We give thanks to the volunteers who came from the United States and to the Dominican deaconesses for their great effort that helped make this clinic a success.

On Sunday the 26th of November, the 3 Dominican churches will congregate at Iglesia Luterana Cordero de Dios to celebrate the Reformation. We look forward to a blessed worship and fellowhip that will take place at this get together. The Rev. Sergio Fritzler, who also serves as our seminary directory will preside over the worship service.

The Latin American mission field welcomes our new vicar, Gavin Johnson, who is studying at our St. Louis Seminary and hails from Grand Rapids, Michigan. His vicarage experience includes language learning, preaching, evangelistic visits, and acclimation to the Latin American culture. We and all the missionaries serving in Latin America give Gavin a hearty welcome aboard!

Dan along with missionary Jonathan Naumann are orienting an LCMS pastor, Peter Knutsen, in our Spanish Footprint Program. This program lasts for four weeks and orients the pastors in the Spanish language and Latin American culture. We pray that the Lord blesses pastor Knutsen's ministry abundantly!



Seminarians participating in the Hebres course using the ZOOM application. The students hail from: Bolivia, Cuba, Chile, and Honduras.



We Pray For

- + The new seminarians who will be arriving to the Dominican Republic.
- + Our new vicar, Gavin Johnson.
- + The upcoming Reformation Sunday service..
- + Prayers and financial support for world mission.
- + Those Christians who suffer persecution.

We Give Thanks For

- + The missionary study conference.
- + Our mission donors who make our mission possible.
- + The semiarnians who are preparing for the Holy ministry..



Personal Notes

Yesterday Kathy and I went to visit Pastor Lucas, our Brazilian missionary who is serving in Santo Domingo. The city of Santo Domingo is the largest city of the Dominican Republic. We had a wonderful time of visitation and fellowship.

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



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November 2025

SUN 30	SUN 26	SUN 19	SUN 12	SUN	
Bill Witt Steve Shorts	Steve Shorts Steve Lochmann	Steve Lochmann Philip Dunger	Phillip Dunger Bill Witt	Bill Witt Steve Shorts	Elder
Harold Jacob Dan Riederer	Phillip Dunger Andrew Raddle	Bill Witt Robert Floyd	Steve Lochmann Harold Jacobs	Andrew Raddle Dan Riederer	Ushers
Brennick Riederer	Ainsley Riederer	Kaleigh Frye	Espen Riederer	Brennick Riederer	Acolyte
Erin Foster	Cherrie Bradley	Robert Floyd	Steve Lochmann	Erin Foster	Lector
Pastor & Donna Marshall "For God's Blessings"	Kaye & Waymond Miens "God's Blessings" Siri Richter's Birthday	Judy & Rachel Clinton" Thankful"	Donna Marshall "In celebration of Stewart's birthday""	Andrew & Megan Raddle "God's Blessings""	Flowers by
Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell	Phillip & Amanda Dunger	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta	Counters

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants Altar Care: Kaye Meins & Phyllis Dunger



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Puzze!

Write the words below in alphabetical order inside the squares. Then read down the second column of letters to complete the hidden phrase below.

FEAST, KHAKI, MOUTH, ESSAY, LLAMA, ORBIT, CARRY, UDDER, BRUSH, ITEMS, APPLE, LEARN, CIDER

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