



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Many of you are aware that at the June Council meeting we voted to proceed with the process of enrolling Dan Riederer in what is called the SMP program.

This is not the final step; it is part of a process. Upon the approval of the District President, the Seminary, and the congregation, Dan would start the program.

First off what is the SMP program? Many of you will remember about 20 years ago Don Richter took part in the Lay Deacon program of the district. Dan served us well. The Synod no longer offers or recognizes Lay Deacons. Those that wanted could go through the colloquy process, (Interviews and possibly courses) and become ordained. This was not Don's choice.

In its place the Seminary developed the SMP. It stands for Special Ministry Pastor. It is a three-year program of mostly on-line study through the Seminary. There are also three-week long symposiums that students must attend in Fort Wayne. During the three years, Dan would study under me, and learn what is involved in Parish ministry, along with his course work. He would assist in worship and learn how to prepare and present sermons.

How this came about was that I approached Dan and Danelle earlier this year. Why did I do this? Most of you know that I am going to be 70 this year. There will be an end date when I can no longer do parish ministry, and I am looking to try and get some help now.

When Don was healthy, it was great to know that there was someone here to fill in if I needed vacation or if illness struck. With the shortage of ministers in Synod, there are not a lot of fill-ins available.

The other reason is I saw in Dan the makings of a wonderful minister.

If Trinity approve this action, and Dan finishes the program, he would be ordained and then able to do the full service (including communion). Dan has indicated that if approved, he would like to continue beyond the SMP and acquire general certification. That is a further two years of study, after which Dan would become a full minister (i.e., no longer just SMP). A SMP minister must have a supervisor to operate.

One of the advantages of doing this for our congregation is that we would be training our future minister.

I hope that you will prayerfully consider this action as we wait to hear back from the District and the Seminary on Dan's application.

A number of churches in our district have chosen this route for ministry.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of July

- 1 Zack Dodge
- 3 Danelle Riederer
- 6 Lilly Kelley
- 8 Tony Bergeron
- 12 Lura Campbell
- 16 Cathy Webb
- 17 David Gray
- 25 Dan Rice
- 28 John Alexander
- 30 Albert Snow

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

Students:

Kaleigh Frye
Ainsley Riederer
Baleigh Crook
Mannix Riederer
Kingston Riederer
Cormick Riederer

Adults:

Don Richter
Harold & Tricia Jacobs
Bill & Karen Witt
Phyllis Dunger
Donna Marshall
Susan Marshall
Dan Riederer
Phillip & Amanda Dunger
Cathy Webb



Sunday Average Attendance for June— 57

Sunday Average Attendance online for June— 12

June Offerings – \$21, 544.54



Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of July

Karen Witt
J.P. Dunger
Harold Jacobs
Millie Kroll
Waymond Meins
Cade Mizell
Danielle Riederer
Kingston Riederer
Mannix Riederer
Cormick Riederer
Jonathan Marshall
Bryan Puddephatt

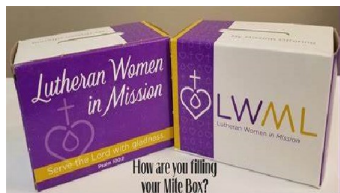
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THIS SUMMER

Dear Trinity Lutheran Family,
I would like to thank everyone for their support while Danelle was in the hospital and recovering. Your prayers, generosity and well-wishes were extremely appreciated and helpful for Danelle and our family. I do not always remember to ask for help, but I am thankful that our church family was willing to go above and beyond during this time. All of the food was delicious, and the texts, calls & words of encouragement were wonderful and great reminders throughout the day of the support we have around us. We are tremendously blessed and thankful for all of you. Thank you for being a wonderful example of Jesus & showing Christian love and care for our family.

Thank you! Dan Riederer & Family

LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD



The July 2, 2026 Mary Guild meeting was opened with a devotion by Kaye Meins. The devotion, "First the Cross, Then the

Crown," was based on Matthew 10:38. Pat Baughman and Cherrie Bradley gave a report on the LWML District Convention which they attended in Fayetteville, AR. Trinity was not awarded a grant from the District. Many grants were awarded to Tennessee Guilds. All grants were much needed to aid mission projects in the District.

Mary Guild's mission project for July was to bring items for Opportunity House. Opportunity House provides food and shelter for homeless men and women. Many hygiene products, water and food items were given to them. We also presented them with \$100 in order for them to buy additional needed supplies.

Cherrie Bradley was hostess. Pastor Marshall gave the topic which was about the history of the Lutheran Church in America. Many societal ideas in Europe influenced the Lutherans and other denominations to settle in the New World. The lands near ports where the people landed were usually settled first and from there the people moved in all directions looking for good land for crops and to build their churches. They wanted the freedom to worship God in their own way. Stuttgart is a good A building churches.

In August: Tricia Jacobs has the devotion
Pat Baughman will present the topic
Phyllis Dunger is hostess
Mission project is a monetary
donation to Lutherans for Life

Closed with the League Pledge.

Kay Meins, President

Esther Guild Mailbox Member Group

Hello from LWML!

Are you flying your flag at home today? Our country has been celebrating its freedom for 250 years. July has traditionally been one of the times we show our patriotism by flying our country's flag.

The Church has a Christian flag which proclaims to the world another type of freedom – the freedom we have from sin because of Christ, who died for all who believe in Him as their Savior. Read more about the Christian flag in the devotion provided.

As you reflect on the cross of Christ and the American flag, may you know how God has blessed you with the freedoms these represent!

Your Sister in Christ, Erin Foster

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Your Sister in Christ,
Erin Foster
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INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT LATIN AMERICA

- + Colombia produces more than 90% of the world's emeralds.
- + The oldest university in North America is the national University of Mexico.
- + The world's highest volcano is in Chile.
- + 20% of the world's oxygen is created in the Amazon rain forest.
- + Costa Rica is translated to 'Rich Coast'.
- + The 'Uyini' in Bolivia is the world's largest salt flats.
- + 80% of Latin America's inhabitants live in cities.
- + Chile is home to some of the world's most beautiful clear skies.
- + South America's tallest building is in Santiago.

THE LORD REIGNS!

On June 24th, the central region of Venezuela was devastated by several severe earthquakes. The death toll is in the thousands and over 40000 people are still missing. None of the members of our partner church have lost their lives because of this crisis. At the same time many of our members have friends and family who have been affected. One member of the Venezuelan Lutheran Church contacted Dan and informed him that she was helping to clear debris and helping to rescue survivors in the city of Caracas. We give thanks to God for her willingness to serve. Let us remember the people of Venezuela in your prayers.

The resident seminary classes are over for Dan until this coming September. Nonetheless he is teaching Biblical Hebrew to a future national pastor, Juan Morales, who is serving the Lord as a vicar at Iglesia Luterana San Pablo in Mexico City. They have class ever Tuesday evening through the ZOOM application. Juan has proved to be a very good student, and he is making a great effort. May the Lord bless his ministry abundantly!

The resident seminarians finished up their winter academic semester in May. On this coming Monday, they will begin their intensive summer courses: Pastoral Theology I and Systematic Theology I. Our seminarians will be attending class for 5 hours a day for two weeks. They will also have nightly assignments to complete. In addition to this seminary commitment, the seminarians will continue their field work responsibilities in the local congregations. Please remember these young men in your prayers as they get prepared for these intensive sessions.



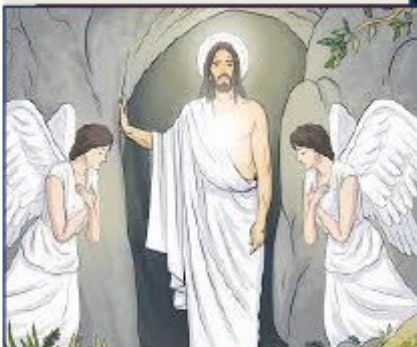


We Pray For

- + Our daughter's recovery after surgery.
- + The people of Venezuela
- + The new seminarians who will be taking the intensive courses
- + Our recent seminary graduates.
- + Those Christians who suffer persecution

We Give Thanks For

- + Ana's successful surgery.
- + Our mission donors who make God's mission possible.
- + The Lord's divine providence that sustains in all circumstances.



Personal Notes

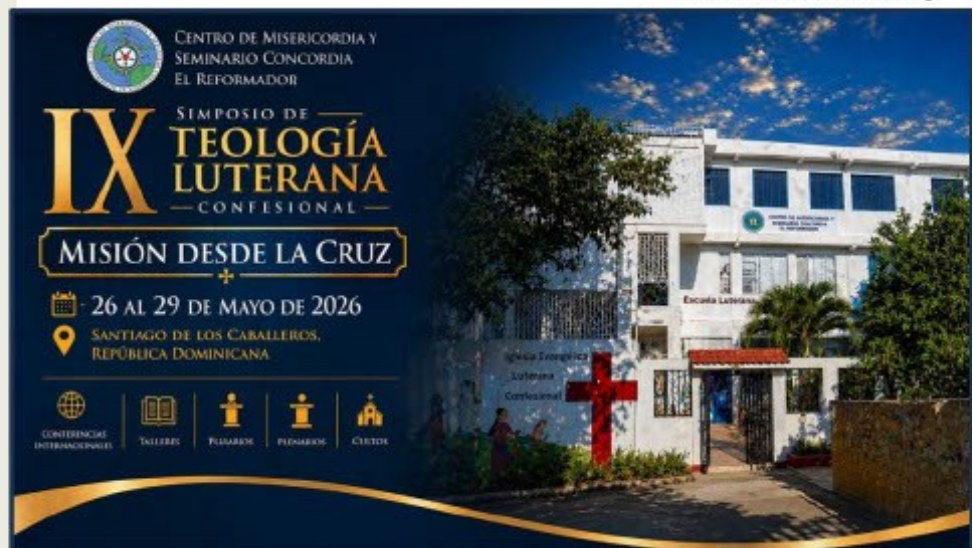
Ana is progressing little by little. Last week she had severe pain in her thoracic region and we had to rush her into emergency. The doctors concluded that the pain was normal given the severity of her surgery. They then prescribed some medications that relieved the pain.

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 so 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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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Security Cameras

Many people have asked about the cameras around the church. These cameras have been placed for security purposes.

The cameras inside have SD (memory) cards in them that record and then when full are recorded over. They hold about a week. The only time the cameras are looked at is when someone comes to the church and we do not know who they are. Any dialogue that is recorded is wiped out within a week.

The only cameras that retain anything are the ones outside. These look over the parking lot, the back of the church and the shed area. Think of these cameras as similar to the ones that monitor you in Walmart. Unfortunately, these days we must all take security precautions. You might remember that a few years ago, we were broken into. The burglar came in saw the camera and came over to it and pulled it down. But he did not remove the SD card in it. We were able to pull video off the camera and give it to the police department. We have done the same thing a couple of more times when someone has tried to break in or vandalize the church. The cameras are for security purposes only nothing more.

Books of the Bible The Old Testament

Song of Solomon

Lamentations

Ecclesiastes

2 Chronicles

1 Chronicles

Deuteronomy

Zechariah

Zephaniah

Leviticus

Habakkuk

Jeremiah

Proverbs

Nehemiah

2 Samuel

1 Samuel

Malachi

Obadiah

Ezekiel

2 Kings

1 Kings

Numbers

Genesis

Haggai

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Micah

Jonah

Hosea

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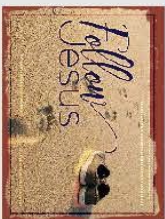
Ruth

Job

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August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 1:00 Craft Day Fellowship
2 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/communion 12:00 Elders Meeting 10 th Sunday after Pentecost	3	4	5	6 10:00 Bible Study 1:00 Mary Guild	7 Youth Fishing @ UAPB	8
9 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/communion 11 th Sunday after Pentecost	10	11 9:00 AM Circuit Pastors Meeting @ St. Titus, Maumelle	12	13 10:00 Bible Study	14	15
16 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/communion 12:00 Council Meeting Youth Bake Sale 12 th Sunday after Pentecost	17	18	19 Newsletter Deadline	20 10:00 Bible Study	21	22
23 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/communion 13 th Sunday after Pentecost	24	25	26 10:00 Newsletter Committee	27 10:00 Bible Study	28	29
30 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/communion 14 th Sunday after Pentecost	31					

August 2026

	Elder	Ushers	Acolyte	Lector	Flowers by...	Counters
SUN 2	Phillip Dunger Bill Witt	Andrew Raddle Dan Riederer	Hope Puddephatt	Erin Foster	Dan & Danelle Riederer "For their 20th Anniversary"	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta
SUN 9	Robert Floyd Phillip Dunger	Bill Witt Harold Jacobs	Kaleigh Frye	Robert Floyd	Pastor & Donna "In celebration of Donna's mom's 92nd birthday and Susan's 63rd	Phillip & Amanda Dunger
SUN 16	Steve Lochmann Robert Floyd	Dan Riederer Andrew Raddle	Ainsley Riederer	Steve Shorts	Rachel Clinton for mom's birthday"	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell
SUN 23	Steve Shorts Steve Lochmann	Harold Jacob Robert Floyd	Emily	Cherrie Bradley	Bill & Karen Witt "56th Wedding Anniversary"	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers
SUN 30	Bill Witt Steve Shorts	Steve Lochmann Phillip Dunger	Espen Riederer	Steve Lochmann	JP & Phyllis for all our August Birthdays" Christian, Phillip & Wil"	Phillip & Amanda Dunger

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