



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The other day at Bible Study Phyllis read from the upcoming Portals of Prayer and from an LWML prayer list.

What she read touched a lot of our hearts. It was about the division of the people. We seem to be divided by a lot of things lately.

We just finished a long series from Romans and just started a shorter series on Philipians.

One of the things Paul kept brining up was that they needed to be united.

From Philipians 1:

²⁷ Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not frightened in anything by your opponents.

From Romans 14:

7 For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. 8 For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

From Romans 13:

⁹ For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law."

All of these stress being one in the faith united against our common enemy, the devil.

But Paul was not unique in this emphasis.

Jesus talked about this also.

After the Pharisees claimed he was from Beelzebub to stoke fear, Jesus replied:

Mat 12:25-27 Knowing their thoughts, he said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. (26) And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? (27) And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges.

This confrontation was so important all three synoptic gospels recorded it:

Mark 3:25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.

Luke 11:17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls.

What we often forget is that Satan often tries to breed confusion and conflict to get his way. For if we are in conflict, or confused he has an easy way in. That is his game.

Jesus said in Matthew:

Mat 6:30-34 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? (31) Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' (32) For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. (33) But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. (34) "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Seek first his kingdom. When that becomes the first thing, we can work together and can get a lot more accomplished. Confusion, anxiousness, and conflict are all tools of Satan. When we let them rule, we lose site of the kingdom of God.

I go back to Romans 13: ⁹ "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law."

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Marshall

OTHER NEWS



Birthdays for the month of October

9 Cooper Kemp
10 John Raddle
12 Sharon Calabretta
13 Allen Michael
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 August

Students:

Ainsley Reiderer
Brennick Reiderer
Esen Reiderer
Mannix Reiderer
Kingston Reiderer
Cormick Reiderer

Adults:

Cathy Wedd, Phillip Dunger
Tricia & Harold Jacobs
Karen & Bill Witt
Phyllis Dunger
Waymond Meins
Donna Marshall
Susan Marshall
Dan & Danelle Reiderer
Erin Foster



Sunday Average Attendance for August– 57

Sunday Average Attendance online for August– 17

August Offerings – \$26, 425.00

CHURCH DECORUM

We are again reminding people that we would like you to please leave the food and drinks in the fellowship hall. The cleaners only come twice a month. That means anything that is dropped on the floor will be there the next week until the cleaners come. Plus, any drink spilled gets into the carpet. We just ask your cooperation in this matter.



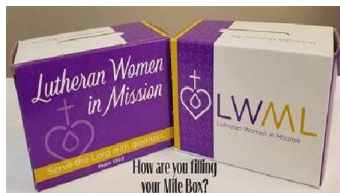
Baptismal Anniversaries for the month of October

Cherrie Bradley
Judy Clinton
Lura Campbell
Nina Hubbard
Matthew Shorts
Max, Sydney & Zack Bergeron
Susan Marshall

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LOVE
YOU,
PASTOR!

LWML NEWS

MARY GUILD



Plans are complete for Mary and Esther Guilds to host the LWML Fall Rally. Esther Guild will serve a light

breakfast. Mary Guild will provide the lunch. The mission project for the rally will be to collect hygiene and food items suitable for the homeless. The items will be presented to Opportunity House, a homeless shelter in Pine Bluff. Michael L'Rae, program manager of Opportunity House is the program speaker. The rally will end in the afternoon with some fun--Bingo and other games.

The business of the September meeting was opened with a devotion by Julie Shorts, next came roll call and the officer reports and the topic presented by Kaye Meins. The ladies of the Guild gave \$200 to Lutheran Braille Workers as their mission offering. Karen Witt was hostess.

In October: Julie Shorts will give the devotion and topic. Kaye Meins is hostess. The mission project is a monetary donation for Veterans of the Cross.

Closed with the League Pledge.
Kay Meins, President

LWML FALL RALLY

The LWML Ladies' group will be hosting the LWML Fall Rally at Trinity on Saturday, October 10, 2026.

The speaker will be Michael L'rae from Opportunity House.

All ladies of Trinity are welcome to attend.

ESTHER GUILD MAILBOX MEMBER GROUP

We are encouraged to use "Back to School" time to recommit ourselves to learning about our Lord through scripture. A devotion was provided to members of Esther Guild to be able to do that. You can find the link here: [Back to School in the Word!](#)

The national convention is in Oklahoma City next year and the district is trying to gather information on whether members are interested in riding a bus. Erin Foster has further information to give you if you are interested in this.

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. Please continue your donations. We are asking everyone to give what they can to help. No amount is too small, and it does not have to be beans. It can be any nonperishable food that is not expired.

Mission Possible Day is September 15th. Last year, with your contributions, LWML raised \$58,246.92.

Thanks to a gracious matching gift, the first \$10,000 donated will be doubled, multiplying the impact of your support. You can make your online donation here on September 15th: [DonorPerfect Forms](#). Together, we can make the Mission Possible.

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.
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 CHILE

- + Chile is the longest country in the world.
- + Chile's Atacama desert is so dry it is used as a training ground for Mars rovers.
- + The world's highest volcano is in Chile.
- + Chile has the record for the largest recorded earthquake
- + Chile has Easter Island, home to Moai statues.
- + Chile has the world's largest swimming pool.
- + Chile is the 4th largest exporter of wine!
- + Chile is home to some of the world's most beautiful clear skies.
- + South America's tallest building is in Santiago.
- + Chile has 620 volcanoes.

He is Risen!

Grace, mercy, and peace be unto all of you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. Greetings in the name of the Lord! we hope that you are enjoying your final days of summer.

In Latin America, Spanish reigns as the dominant language and the LCMS mission effort primarily works among the Spanish speaking peoples of the region. Nevertheless, the LCMS has missionaries who serve on the island of Jamaica where English is spoken. Moreover, several of our seminarians call Haiti their home country where French is the national language. Throughout the world many language groups exist. Yet under Christ we remember that there is one faith, one Lord, and one baptism. Let us continue to proclaim this life-giving truth to all the nations.

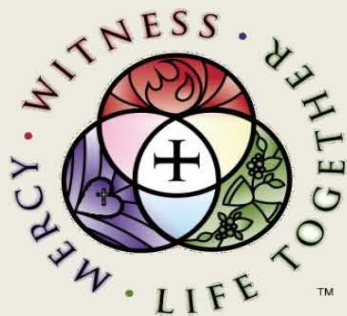
The seminarians now have a slight break from their studies until the classes begin in September. During this time, they continue to serve in the local churches as they help in the worship services and Bible studies.

A new seminarian, Carlos Juan, who hails from Santo Domingo, the capital city of the Dominican Republic, has arrived at the seminary in Santiago. He is presently in orientation and will begin his studies in September. All the seminarians and faculty give Carlos Juan a hearty welcome aboard. Remember Carlos Juan in your prayers as he prepares for the Holy Ministry.

The ZOOM application has proved to be very useful for the pastoral formation of Latin American pastors. The great majority of our pastors in training are not able to make a trip to the Dominican Republic where our resident seminary is located. They take their classes by connecting to our classroom via the ZOOM application.



Dan conversing with a national pastor during a coffee break at a regional conference.

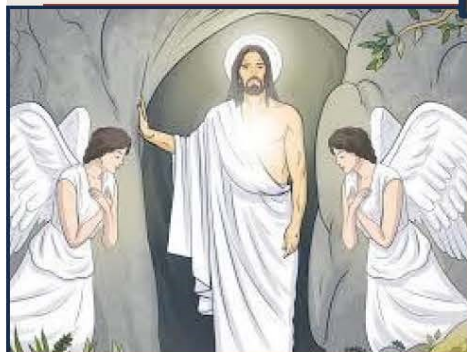


We Pray For

- + Our daughter's recovery after surgery.
- + Peace among the nations.
- + The new seminarians who will arriving in September.
- + Our recent seminary graduates.
- + Those Christians who suffer persecution

We Give Thanks For

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



Personal Notes

Ana is fully recovered and is back to her work schedule. Thanks be to God for her successful surgery! Dan will be teaching Biblical Greek this coming fall semester. His seminarians hail from: Bolivia, Cuba, Haiti, Honduras, and the Dominican Republic. Please remember these future pastors in your prayers.

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



The missionaries at a Latin American regional study conference.

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OCTOBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH				1 10:00 Thursday Bible Class 1:00 Mary Guild Meeting	2	3 1:00 Craft Day Fellowship
4 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 LWML Worship w/Communion 12:00 Elder's Meeting 19 th Sunday after Pentecost	5	6	7	8 10:00 Thursday Bible Class	9	10
11 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/Communion 20 th Sunday after Pentecost	12	13	14 Newsletter Deadline	15 10:00 Thursday Bible Class	16	17
18 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/Communion 12:00 Council Meeting 21 st Sunday after Pentecost	19	20	21 10:00 Newsletter Committee	22 10:00 Thursday Bible Class	23	24
25 9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:45 Worship w/Communion 22 nd Sunday after Pentecost	26	27	28	29 10:00 Thursday Bible Class	30	31

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	Elder	Ushers	Acolyte	Lector	Flowers by...	Counters
SUN 4	Bill Witt Steve Shorts		Espen Riederer	Erin Foster	LWML Sunday	Judy Clinton Julie Shorts Sharon Calabretta
SUN 11	Phillip Dunger Bill Witt	Steve Shorts Harold Jacobs	Hope Puddephatt	Steve Lochmann	Amanda & Phillip Dunger, Wedding Anniversary"	Joyce Anne Green Charleen Weathers
SUN 18	Phillip Dunger	Dan Riederer Bill Witt	Kaleigh Frye	Phillip Dunger	Megan & Andrew Raddle "In celebration of our Wedding Anniversary""	Tricia Jacobs Cherrie Bradley Lynne Russell
SUN 25	Steve Lochmann	Harold Jacob Phillip Dunger	Ainsley Riederer	Bryan Puddephatt	Judy & Rachel Clinton "In loving memory of Ray"	Phillip & Amanda Dunger

Trinity Lutheran Church Worship Service Attendants

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