



Zion Lutheran Monthly

November 2022

Pastor's Corner

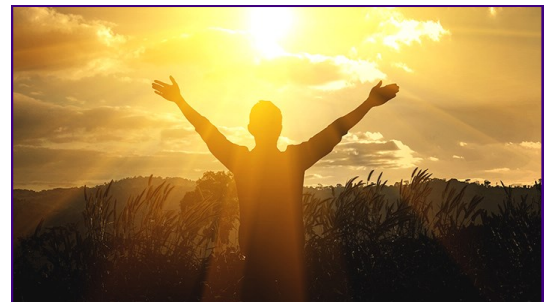
***Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!*** 1 Chronicles 16:34

Well, November is here. It is that time of year again when we start hearing calls to be thankful. These calls to be more thankful don't just come from churches. The entire unbelieving society around us is suddenly trying to be thankful. Christians and non-Christians alike get caught up in being more thankful. What is interesting, though, is that God, who is truly the Giver of all good things, is often nowhere to be seen in all of this "thankfulness."

For example, Fall is the time when all kinds of Thanksgiving themed movies start popping up. There are romantic movies on the Hallmark channel about being thankful for all the "little things in life." You know the type: a man and woman have a chance encounter and suddenly become more thankful for the little things in life like orange tipped leaves on trees. But, as a Christian, do you know "who" is absent in all that thankfulness for the little things? God is absent (even though God is the maker of those trees).

Another example is a practice Christians and non-Christians alike will do around the Thanksgiving table. Families will often take turns going around the Thanksgiving table saying what they are thankful for. Some of the responses from little children are adorable. A five-year-old may be thankful for their pet rabbit. Very cute to be sure, but is God given credit for making the rabbit? When it comes to the adults, they may offer more thoughtful observations. A husband may look at his wife and heap praises of thankfulness upon her as she blushes, but sadly, God is not mentioned even in the slightest as the One who gave them marriage in the first place. A kind grandmother may be thankful she recovered from a recent illness, but she fails to attribute that good fortune to God who is the healer of all.

Where is God when we consider being "thankful" this time of year? Is He the source of your thankfulness or, like the unbelieving world, is He absent? God doesn't have to be absent. He wants to be involved in every aspect of your life and your giving of thanks. God is the One who tipped the trees with bright oranges and to Him we can give thanks. God is the One who gave us our bunnies and to Him we can give thanks. God is the One who gives us marriage and preserves our health and to Him we can give thanks. Most importantly, it is God who chose to redeem us, to buy us back from the Fall into Sin for all eternity through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and for that we can give thanks to God every single day!



-- Pastor Grimenstein

President's Report

Some Things Never Change

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the autumn spectacle of leaves changing and now falling and blowing around on God's creation. Soon we're going to be giving thanks for our blessings and marching into Advent at the church.

The trustees are working on getting the smaller windows replaced that are breaking and leaking around the altar area, so you might see some activity there in the coming months. Also, we're going to add a vestibule area to the entrance to the school building which will help with security and energy usage.



Thank you to all who attended the Voters' Meeting on October 23rd. While we did have enough members present for a meeting quorum, we did not have enough members present to adopt the changes to the Constitution and By-Laws. (We need 15% of communicant members for a meeting, but we need 25% to enact changes to the Constitution.) So, we'll try again in January to get that done. Please attend the four quarterly Voters' Meetings and the Special Budget Meeting in June each year. Be an informed and active member.

The world around us is always going to be in a state of flux and at times utter confusion and mayhem. The things we're confronted with daily may seem concerning and even overwhelming at times -- or so they may seem. Something to be particularly thankful for this November is the fact that when the seas are at their most tempest tossed, we have a doctrine as Lutherans that will never leave us sinking in turbulent waters. Much as Peter began sinking in the sea, yet was helped out of the troubled waters by our Lord, we can count on that same rescue plan being in place at Zion where the Gospel is preached and you will enjoy the sacraments in fellowship with believers and friends. Enjoy and rejoice in being a Christian -- chosen and saved!

No matter what changes the seasons bring, politics brings, time brings, or any calamity might bring, your church at Zion will be that steady rock upon which faith is anchored and the changes around us will have no power over that which is from God and is rooted in the Holy Scripture -- which will never change! His will be done. Your church will prevail and keep the faith. Read Psalm 103 this November: *"Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all his benefits..."* Thanks be to God. Amen.

-- Paul Klemash

As we look ahead to Advent and Christmas, we have two special events coming up on Sunday, December 18th. Be sure to mark your calendar now!

Sunday School Christmas Video & Song Performance

Tess Carter is once again developing a video that features our Sunday school children sharing the story of Christ's birth through the reading of Scripture, artwork, and the nativity. Over the next few Sundays, your children may be "borrowed" from class for a short period of time to film their parts. **The video will be presented in the sanctuary immediately after both services on December 18th.**



Also, Music Director Mark Killinger will be leading our kids in a performance of Christmas songs that same Sunday during the 10:30 worship service. Mark will be having short practices with the students in early November at 9:15, right at the start of the Sunday School hour.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS SUCCESSFUL -- PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILDREN ARRIVE IN THE PRESCHOOL WING ON SUNDAYS BEFORE 9:15 AM SO PRACTICE CAN BEGIN ON TIME!

Sunday School Kids Christmas party

A holiday party for students will take place the same day -- **Sunday, December 18** -- DURING THE SS HOUR in the Pre-School, room 205. No Sunday School lesson that day, but assistance from teachers and parents will be appreciated. We will have our regular Bible Class for Teens and Adults that day in the fellowship hall.



Mission Moment:
Promoting Zion's Internal, local, and international missionary efforts
Pastor Philip & Deaconess Rachel Jaseph



Two new preaching stations open in Uruguay

The article below, excerpted from an October 5th piece in The Reporter – Official Newspaper of the LCMS – details the work of Lutheran missionaries in Uruguay, including Pastor Phil and Deaconess Rachel Jaseph.

In August, two new locations for preaching and teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ opened in the northwest region of Uruguay. A small country in South America just south of Brazil and east of Argentina, Uruguay is a largely rural land full of cattle, sheep and canola. German settlers brought Lutheranism to the country long ago, and now the Lutheran Church of Uruguay (Iglesia Luterana del Uruguay, or ILU) is renewing this work and continuing to spread the Gospel.

LCMS missionaries in Uruguay work with pastors of the ILU and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil (IELB) to bring the Gospel to the people of Uruguay. **The Rev. James Sharp**, area facilitator for the LCMS Office of International Mission, has worked in the country with his wife, **Angela**, since 2015. Recently, the **Rev. Philip Jaseph and his wife, Deaconess Rachel Jaseph**, were called to join the work in Uruguay.

A place 'to be'

On Aug. 27, Lutherans in the city of Salto, Uruguay, hosted their first service in newly rented space. "Facebook and Instagram can become our gods, but we can't blame them. The sin comes from our heart," said the **Rev. Maicon Schieferdecker**, LCMS alliance missionary from Brazil, at the beginning of the service. He then led the congregation in Confession and Absolution.

Later, the congregation moved outside to dedicate this new location. "This is a special place, not because the bricks are special or it is built special, but because when you walk in these doors, the Word of God is here," said the **Rev. André Luiz Müller**, ILU president. "The altar is special because here you receive the body and blood of Christ for you."

The next morning, Aug. 28, Müller and Schieferdecker dedicated a new church building in Chapicuy, a small town about 40 minutes south of Salto. "This church was present, but now we

have a physical place to be, a place to invite people so they can join the church,” explained member David Rode. Rode said that many people in Uruguay do not understand why anyone would get up on Sunday to attend church. “Sunday is a rest day, a day for soccer games. ... Most people are not Christians, and they don’t understand the importance of church. ... It’s hard to explain, but it’s just the place I need to be.” Longtime members Traudy Müller and Helga Schefer said they have both anticipated and prayed for this day. “It’s been many years of meeting in people’s houses. There’s nothing better than having a church building to meet in,” said Müller.

Planting seeds

The Rev. André Luiz Müller serves as the “principal pastor” of the ILU and pastor of San Pablo Lutheran Church in Montevideo, the capital of Uruguay. Montevideo boasts Colegio San Pablo, a Lutheran school with 1,800 students in PreS through high school. The school has three campuses and wants to expand. Lutheran teachers (even those who speak English) are desperately needed.

Angela Sharp teaches math to the middle school students at Colegio San Pablo. But she said her job is about more than just teaching math. “It’s about who I am as a child of God ... how I live my life through my vocation and how I live my faith.” Not many of the school’s students are Lutheran, so the opportunity is great for outreach. “I talk with students informally and during their break time. I get to know them and show them love,” said the Rev. Christian Hoffman, a Lutheran pastor from Brazil who serves as the school’s chaplain. “I teach Christian education classes and meet with students. They also write out prayer requests.”

The Sharps and the pastors of the ILU are overjoyed that the Lord has seen fit to call the Jasephs to Uruguay. “I’m excited to ... bring God’s Word to people ... who are suffering,” said Deaconess Jaseph. “We are here in a place where there’s such a spiritual vacuum, such a lack of understanding [of] who the true God is. ... I’m looking forward to walking with people, getting to know them, to build that trust and to share with them the truth of the Gospel.”



“The amazing thing about mission work is that things don’t happen immediately,” said Rev. Jaseph. “Sometimes it takes 10 to 20 years. And we’re reminded of the missionary work of Saints Paul and Timothy. ... [I]t’s a process of ... preparing the soil and watering. ... God always reaps the harvest ... in His time. “In the meantime, we’re caring about the people who are here in front of us. We’re loving them where they are. And we are teaching them Law and Gospel and walking with them through their lives.”

The people of Uruguay are proud of their independence and their progress. The nation is known for its atheism and resistance to religion. “On the Uruguay flag, there’s a large sun that represents enlightenment, the 19th-century idea of human progress and all that came with it,” observed Rev. Sharp. “This country that has totally given itself to those enlightenment ideals, to reason and science, is the country with the most depressed people in all of Latin America. ... We are here to share the true light, the light that came into the world, Jesus Christ ... [to] those people who really are in darkness.”

News from the Preschool



We are off and rolling in another school year. This year we have 185 students ranging in ages from 2 to 5. Honestly, it was a bumpy start. Lot's of separation issues, unlike anything we've seen in recent years. Several "bathroom" accidents, and lots of children who need special services....and extra love, which we happily provide.

Lucky for us, we have an excellent group of teachers and teachers assistants who are well educated, patient, loving and just awesome! Ever wonder who they are?



Bottom row: (left to right) Barb Oechslein, Lori Reich, Kim Eagan, Krista Kroesen, Meghan Merigo, Kelly Pfeffer, Jennifer Smith, Meg Hasak

Middle row: Carmela Skrip, Christy Anderson, Dana Holden, Peggy Glasser, Terri Cline, Patty Vlah, Kellie Stock

Top row: Carrie Brezler, Tracey Harris, Kari Gresh, Jamie Scarmazzi

Please continue to keep our staff and our students in your prayers. God has sent us so many little children to care for and teach the love of Jesus Christ.

Blessings,

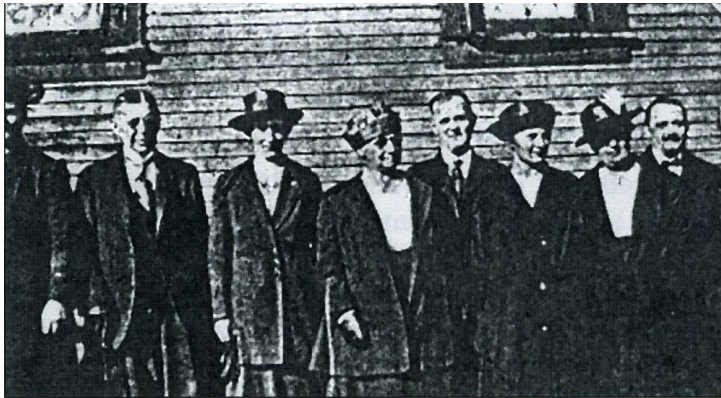
Tracey Harris
Director

Zion's Anniversary in 2023



Next year marks the 125th anniversary of our congregation!

All throughout the year we'll be commemorating this milestone in some very special ways. Stay tuned for announcements about special anniversary events, historical articles and vintage photos in our newsletters, and how you can get involved in the celebration!

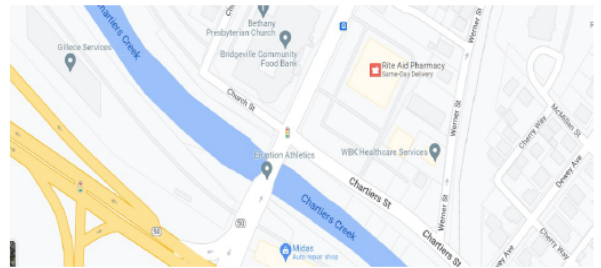


Early members of Zion Lutheran Church, circa 1900.

Left to right they are: Dorothea Oelschlager (great-grandmother of Carolyn Wible); Karl Ludwig Ernst Herman Erbrecht (great-grandfather of Tom Erbrecht); Mrs. Anna Schmidt (great-grandmother of Sarah Ali and Clara Hayes); Mr. and Mrs. Blankenshen; Mrs. Lena Oelschlager; and Mr. and Mrs. Gieze.

Upcoming Bridgeville Road Closures Affecting Access to Zion

- **Chartiers Street** will be closed completely from **Monday, Oct. 24 -- Thursday, Nov. 10.**
- **The intersection at Rt 50 & Washington Ave** will be closed completely from **Thursday, Nov. 10 -- Monday, Nov. 14th** in order to begin replacing the bridge across the creek. It will be closed again from **Thursday, Nov. 17 -- Monday, Nov. 21.**



The good news is that the intersection of Boyce Rd. & Mayview Road is now open, so this will give access to any members coming to Zion from the area around Rt. 19 and Boyce Rd.

Refor-Fest Recap

Kids (of all ages!) had a great time at Zion's 2nd Annual Refor-Fest celebration. Crafts, pumpkin painting, guessing jars, Pastor's famous bingo, Martin Luther (aka Max Gresh), not to mention great food and dessert!



Bridgeville Area Food Bank



The November collection for the Bridgeville Area Food Bank is Sunday, Nov 13th. The “items of the month” are **CANNED MEATS & PROTEINS**. Items may be placed in the wicker receptacle in the narthex near the coat rack. During the October distribution, more than 100 families were assisted. Thank you for supporting this vital community service!



As the Christmas season approaches, the Food Bank would like to bless the 40 registered children with gifts at the December distribution. Starting November 20, you will have the opportunity to participate in purchasing a gift for a child in need. If you wish to participate, chose an angel gift tag marked with the child’s age from the tree set up in the back of the church. Please use the sign-up sheet to sign next to the number and age recorded on the angel. Then purchase a gift costing around twenty dollars. Return your unwrapped gift with the gift tag attached no later than Sunday, DECEMBER 11.

In Christ’s Service,

Barb Oechslein, Bridgeville Area Food Bank
Representative

It is
MORE
Blessed
to **give**
THAN
to **receive**

(Acts 20:35)

2023 March for Life

AT THE MARCH
JANUARY 19-21, 2023

LEL



Conference and March
OPEN TO ALL ADULTS!

BLESSED WITH HOPE @ 6 PM ET

Thursday

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January

- Registration and Exhibits
- Opening Devotions: Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller
- Conference Session 1: Rev. Mark Chavez

BLESSED FROM THE BEGINNING @ 9 AM ET

Friday

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January

- Pre-March Devotion: Rev. Harrison Goodman
- March for Life: Rally, March, and Testimonials
- Dinner on own
- Exhibits, Social Time
- Conference Session 2: Dr. Donna Harrison

BLESSED FOR SERVING @ 9 AM ET

Saturday

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January

- Conference Session 3: Rev. Greg Schultz
- Conference Session 4: Chaplain Craig Muehler
- Closing Devotion: Rev. Michael Salemink

Conference ends @ noon ET.

Location: Hilton Crystal City at Reagan National Airport
2399 Richmond Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202

Cost: Register for \$50. Rooms cost \$120 per night with group rate, up to 4 people per room. Breakfast included. Limited availability.

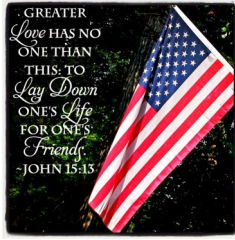
Registration: Register at lutheransforlife.org or call 515-382-2077

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
CLOSES DEC. 15, 2022

For more information, visit: LUTHERANSFORLIFE.ORG

Or email Events Coordinator, Erika Peterson, at:

EPETERSON@LUTHERANSFORLIFE.ORG



Veterans Day — November 11th

On Veterans Day we remember the courage and selfless service of so many throughout the generations who have answered the call to serve in the Armed Forces. We are thankful to God for their honorable sacrifice for the freedom of others. We also pray that God would keep chaplains in the faith and sanctify their ministry in the Word. Finally, we are grateful for the devotion and sacrifice of

Below is a list of Zion members who are military veterans.

A special thank you to all our brothers and sisters of Zion who have answered the call to serve!

Shane Bryant

U.S. Marine Corps
Corporal
Camp Lejeune, Persian Gulf, Bosnia, Somalia, Haiti

Jared Fitzgerald

U.S. Army
1st Lieutenant
U.S. and Europe

Pastor Grimenstein

U.S. Army
Chaplain (Captain—retired)
Ft. Bragg; Afghanistan; Chievres, Belgium

Ed Hajduk

U.S. Navy
Chief Petty Officer (E-7)
Duty stations including Kuwait & Great Lakes Naval Base

Paul Klemash

U.S. Navy
Naval Aviator, Lieutenant (O-3)
Pacific, Arctic & Indian Oceans, Persian Gulf

James Neill

U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force (Air National Guard)
1st Sergeant (E-8 SMSGT)
Duty stations in the U.S., England, and Panama

Bill Schrag

U.S. Marine Corps
Corporal
Vietnam

Larry Zreliak

U.S. Navy
Yeoman 2nd Class (E-5)
Pennsylvania and San Francisco



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Tenth Annual "Adopt a Grandparent"

During the Holiday season, I enjoy brightening the lives of residents in local assisted living and nursing home facilities in Allegheny County. Many of these people have few, if any, visitors and receive little, if anything, during the Holidays. Last year, through the generosity of local businesses and friends, I helped deliver over 600 gifts to residents of John J Kane Regional Hospital, Scott Twp, several other nursing and assisted-living facilities, and shut-ins at Zion Lutheran Church and Good Shepherd Church. This year I hope to help deliver 600 + gifts again.



By partnering with me, your \$15 will provide each of two residents a fragrance-free hand cream and help them have a very Merry Christmas. These items are specifically requested by caregivers for the benefits the residents receive. The lotions will soothe their hands and bring joy, as well, by the simple "touch therapy" of applying them. They will be delivered in early December.

Please consider what a blessing this is for the men and women in these facilities who once lived and worked in our local communities. Let them know they are remembered! THANK YOU!

Make your check payable to Ginny Granke-Kimberland, or if you have questions about how you, your school, or your business can become a sponsor, please contact me at:

Ginny Granke-Kimberland , 1610 Glenn St, McDonald, PA 15057 412-427-9013

Women's Ministry



Friday, Nov 11th at 7 pm join us for BUNCO Night & Kitchen Shower in the Fellowship Hall. A list to purchase items needed for our kitchen will be sent out via Sign-Up Genius.



Sunday, Dec. 11th from 6-9 pm we'll have our annual Christmas dinner and ornament exchange at Napoli Restaurant.

November Service Participants

	Acolytes	Time
Nov 6	Decklan Pasquini Lizzie Lemonovich	8:00 10:30
Nov 13	Daniel Grimenstein Elder	8:00 10:30
Nov 20	Decklan Pasquini Michael Dyczewski	8:00 10:30
Nov 27	Lindsey Liberatore Claire Lemonovich	8:00 10:30
Nov 30	Decklan Pasquini	7:00



	Elders	Altar Guild	8:00 am Ushers	10:30 am Ushers
Nov	Bob Schmidt, Roger Diederich, Bill Bishop, Jim Neill	Janet & Marian Oelschlager, Barb Oechslein	Megan & Ava Pasquini, Barb & Wayne Oechslein	John & Kari Gresh, Dwight & Andy Weldon
Dec	Bob Schmidt, Roger Diederich, Bill Bishop, Jim Neill	Janet & Marian Oelschlager	Shane Bryant, Bill, Ken & Will Schrag	Mike Kozak, Luke & John Lemonovich, Susie Bishop



What About...

The Small Catechism

What is the Small Catechism?

The Small Catechism written by Martin Luther in 1529, is a collection of questions and answers on six topics: the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Our Father (the Lord's Prayer), the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Confession, and the Sacrament of the Altar. Luther wanted the Catechism to be used by the head of the household to teach the family the Christian faith and life.

Also included with the Small Catechism are daily prayers, a table of duties for Christians in their various callings in life, and a guide for Christians to use as they prepare to receive Holy Communion. Most editions of Luther's Small Catechism also come with an explanation of the Catechism, which is a longer collection of questions and answers with extensive quotations from the Bible. These explanations have a long history and were added during Luther's lifetime.

Why did Luther write the Small Catechism?

Luther answers that question in the preface to the Small Catechism:

"The deplorable, miserable conditions which I recently observed when visiting the parishes have constrained and pressed me to put this Catechism of Christian doctrine into this brief, plain, and simple form. How pitiable, so help me God, were the things I saw: the common man, especially in the villages, knows practically nothing of the Christian doctrine, and many of the pastors are almost entirely incompetent and unable to teach. Yet all the people are supposed to be Christians, have been baptized, and receive the Holy Sacrament even though they do not know the Our Father, the Creed, or the Ten Commandments and live like poor animals of the barnyard and pigpen. What these people have mastered, however, is the fine art of tearing all Christian liberty to shreds."

You can tell how strongly Luther felt about the need for a clear explanation of the Christian faith and life!

Luther also wrote what is known as the Large Catechism. The Large Catechism is yet another excellent resource that most adults find very helpful after studying the Small Catechism.

What is the benefit of the Small Catechism?

The Small Catechism is an excellent summary of what the Bible, God's Word, teaches us. The shape of the Catechism is the shape of the Christian life: Repentance (Ten Commandments), Faith (Creed), Prayer (Our Father), Forgiveness of Sins (Baptism, Absolution, Lord's Supper), then daily prayer and our daily work. It is very important for us to learn by heart the truths of God's Word as summarized and beautifully explained in the Small Catechism.

God uses the precious truths of His Word to keep us strong and growing in our faith in Jesus Christ. The Catechism helps us understand God's Law, which shows us our sin, and how we are to live as His People. The Catechism beautifully articulates the Gospel, the good news of Jesus' life, death and resurrection for our salvation.

Luther realized that the truths of God's Word, as summarized by the Small Catechism, were matters of eternal life and death. They are the most important truths we can ever know. It is genuinely unfortunate when people think they no longer need the Small Catechism and say to themselves, "That's enough of that; now I can move on to more important things."

How can the Small Catechism be used in daily life?

Luther offers us good advice when he writes in the Large Catechism, "Every morning and evening, and whenever I have time, I read and say word-for-word the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Psalms, etc. I must still read and study the Catechism daily, yet I cannot master it as I wish, but must remain a child and pupil of the Catechism, and I gladly do it." The Small Catechism is intended to be a prayer book for individuals and families. As we meditate on the various portions of the Catechism, we look for instruction from God, then look for what we can thank God for, then for what we need to confess to God and finally, we finish our prayerful meditation by asking God for His blessing and mercy so we may live according to His Word. It is in this way that daily use of the Catechism is a powerful tool for the Christian life.

What About...

Cont'd.

The Small Catechism

How can the Small Catechism be used in the home?

The Small Catechism was designed to be the family's Christian handbook. In fact, some have referred to the Small Catechism as the "layman's Bible" because it provides such an excellent, brief, clear summary of God's Word on the essentials of the Christian faith.

Families can use the Catechism in their daily devotions. Luther provided suggested prayers for the family to say at the beginning and end of meals, and for each member of the family to pray when they go to sleep and when they wake up.

Families that use the Catechism find it helpful to pray the Lord's Prayer together and then to say the Apostles' Creed together. Then they continue to work on the explanation of the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Holy Baptism, Confession and Holy Communion. Gradually, over the months and years, the entire family will be able to recite the Catechism from memory and discuss together its meaning.

How can the Catechism be used in congregations?

The Catechism is a key resource in confirmation instruction for both children and adults. The Catechism can be used in so many other ways as well. It is an important resource for Bible classes and other groups that meet at the church. Wouldn't it be good for every group that meets regularly in a Lutheran congregation to begin their meeting by reviewing a part of the Catechism and then concluding that review with prayer?

Many congregations make it a practice to print out a portion of the Catechism and recite it during the Sunday worship service. Other congregations devote the seasons of Advent and Lent to a careful review of the catechism's six chief parts during their mid-week service.

Still other congregations will spend time during the non-festival half of the church year devoting special attention to reviewing the Catechism. There are pastors who use the Catechism as the subject of children's talks during worship. Some use the Catechism and its explanation in adult Bible classes, or other study groups. Study groups have found much to discuss and learn by working their way carefully through the Catechism.

Many people have discovered that the Catechism is also a very helpful resource for witnessing to others about Jesus Christ and all that He means for us. Being able to repeat the explanation to the Creed is a good way to tell others what Jesus is all about and how one receives salvation in *Christ*.

What is the benefit of memorizing the Catechism?

There is a great deal of benefit! The Catechism is learned by regular and repeated reading, discussion and prayer. The head of the house should lead the rest of the family in speaking the various parts of the Catechism and so, slowly but surely, learning the Catechism by heart. One week, for instance, the family can work on the First Commandment and its meaning, or the First Article of the Creed and its meaning, and so forth.

Learning the Catechism by heart is vital for teaching the Catechism. Perhaps every word will not make sense at first. That is not a problem. Just keep working on learning them.

Understanding will come in time, but learning the words must begin right away. We are making a serious mistake if we wait to have children memorize the Catechism until they can understand every word. We need to learn to speak the language of our faith before we can understand it. Families might be surprised at how quickly children can memorize the words of the Catechism and then learn to understand them.

Martin Luther was very concerned that this be done. He wrote in his Preface to the Small Catechism, "So adopt whatever form you wish, and then stick with it at all times. ... keep to a single, fixed and permanent form and wording, and teach them first of all the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, etc., according to the text, word for word, so that they can repeat it after you and commit it to memory."

-Dr. A. L. Barry
Past President

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

NOVEMBER

Birthdays

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| 1 Sam Bishop | 24 Jacque Oelschlager |
| 2 Salina Howcroft | 26 Jennifer Lewis |
| 3 Roland Chilcott | 27 Marian Siek |
| 8 Tom Carthy | 28 Brent Miller |
| 10 Rose Steranko | 29 Brian Pasquini |
| 12 Jane Kozak | |
| 13 Sydney Harris | |
| 14 Kathy Kacvinsky | |
| 14 Ruth Trudel | |
| 22 Marian Oelschlager | |



NOVEMBER





Anniversaries



- 4 John & Megan Migyanko
- 11 Bernie & Jean Blanco
- 20 Dan & Tracey Harris
- 23 Gene & Sharon Koop



November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 	2 2:00 pm Worship & Bible Study	3 7:00 pm Elders' Meeting	4	5 <i>Daylight Savings Time ends</i> 
6 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Adult/ Teen Bible Study & SS 10:30 am Worship	7 6:00 pm 1st yr Conf 6:15 pm Bells 7:00 pm Trustees 7:00 pm 2nd yr Conf 7:15 pm Choir 8:15 pm Bells	8	9 2:00 pm Worship & Bible Study	10 7:00 pm Council Meeting	11 7:00 pm Ladies Bunco Night/ Kitchen Shower	12
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Our Vision

... is to **promote a strong LWML identity** among the women of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Our Treasure

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also (Matthew 6:21).

... **is Christ**; our heart is with Him and is shown in service to others through the LWML.

We are the Heart of the LWML because we are HIS:

- Held by His Word;
- Inspired to share His Gospel; and
- Surrounded by His grace.

Our Goals

That each woman **recognizes** she is the Heart of LWML, **created to praise His name, reflect His glory, and share His love.**

That our church understands that **the Heart of LWML lies within each woman** as she engages in **mission education, mission inspiration, mission service, and mission support.**

That each woman of the LCMS **embraces her role as a Lutheran Woman in Mission.**

Our Hearts

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"I will encourage all women to share their ideas, their traditions, their stories, and help them understand that they are a vital part of the Heart of the LWML."

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"I will embrace my role as a Lutheran Woman in Mission and personally invite members of my church to LWML activities."

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"As I serve, I share HIS mercy and love."

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"As I am forgiven — as I forgive others, HIS grace surrounds me."

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"As a Lutheran Woman in Mission, I will share the joy and wonder of what is done through the LWML by the grace of God — the resources created, the missions supported, and the ministries provided."

Each woman may confidently say, **"I am the Heart of LWML!"**

Did You Know

Zion Lutheran Church has been a member of LWML since 1958??



Zion is the HEART of LWML

Stay tuned for more information about the relaunch of our chapter!!

