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I can remember muttering confidently, “Yes”, standing nervously before the altar with my confirmation classmates. Even feeling awkward in my ill-fitting suit, looking at the cross and across to my fellow confirmands, we meant “yes”. We would follow faithfully, believing the teachings of the Church, worshipping faithfully, and following in His ways. That was our intent.

Amazing how quickly, and unwittingly, my devotion to the Lord drifted to fear, love, and trust in all sorts of troublesome and less than godly things. Oh, by the world’s standards, I was a pretty good kid. But God knows the heart...and he knows the places I stood and the things I feared, trusted, or desired, that were not Him. Thankfully, my Lord and my God remained faithful...even to me.

Fast forward to this very month. A group of twelve young men and women from within our family will stand before the altar of the LORD, confessing the same confident confession: *I intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord’s Supper faithfully, to live according to the Word of God in faith, word, and deed, and to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?*

These are some really neat young ladies and gentlemen. They will follow in a long line of witnesses – us included – who have confessed the Faith and sought to follow our Lord by faith. These people need our prayers and our support. And we need them; their prayers, their support. We need each other, because, well, we’ve all been there making that confession...and we’ve all discovered the struggle to fear, love, and trust in God above absolutely everything else.

Recently, we’ve read and heard King Solomon make a great confession too. He confessed his need for wisdom, greater wisdom, godly wisdom. Solomon was humble and faithful, and trusted the LORD to provide. Fast forward and we find Solomon struggling, trusting in his own wisdom above God’s, fearing the plans and ways of his many wives rather than God’s plan for his life, loving his rule rather than God’s. Solomon too discovered the difficulty with our confession.

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God's Text

September 29

Monday 1 Kings 19

Tuesday 1 Kings 20

Wednesday 1 Kings 21-22

Thursday 2 Kings 1-2

Friday 2 Kings 3-4

Saturday 2 Kings 5

October 6

Monday 2 Kings 6-7

Tuesday 2 Kings 8

Wednesday 2 Kings 9-10

Thursday 2 Kings 11-12

Friday 2 Kings 13-14

Saturday 2 Kings 15-16

October 13

Monday 2 Kings 17

Tuesday 2 Kings 18-19

Wednesday 2 Kings 20

Thursday 2 Kings 21

Friday 2 Kings 22-23

Saturday 2 Kings 24-25

October 20

Monday 1 Chronicles 1-4

Tuesday 1 Chronicles 5-8

Wednesday 1 Chronicles 9-12

Thursday Chronicles 13-14

Friday 1 Chronicles 15-16

Saturday 1 Chronicles 17

October 27

Monday 1 Chronicles 18-20

Tuesday 1 Chronicles 21

Wednesday 1 Chronicles 22

Thursday 1 Chronicles 23-27

Friday 1 Chronicles 28

Saturday 1 Chronicles 29

OCTOBER MEMORY VERSE:

Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually!

1 Chronicles 16:11

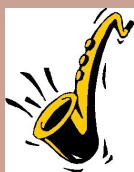
This Month:

Oct. 6—LWML Sunday at 8am worship, Teen Challenge at 10:30am

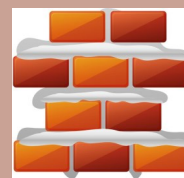
Oct. 13—Pastor Bernie Lutz will be with us!

Oct. 27—Reformation Sunday and Confirmation for our young adults.

Are you able to help fund a student's band lesson? We have a student who would love to take band lessons, but it is not in their family's budget to do so. Would you be willing to sponsor that student's lesson for a month or two? Lessons cost \$18 a week. Please contact Mrs. Neilitz (admin@princeofpeace.org). Thank you for your continued support for Prince of Peace students!



Bricks & Mortar



Education program begins on October 2nd. God's grub will also resume. Check the calendar !

2nd Annual

Creation Conference

at Lutheran Island Camp:

Friday & Saturday October 18-19.

Register online at:

www.islandcamp.org

Or www.christserveranch.org



DINE TO DONATE:

Join us on October 28

Mexican Village in

St. Cloud

From 4:30—9:00pm

20% goes to POP!

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Thankfully, God was faithful. He provided...and provides. We have a faithful God that keeps His promises and upholds His confessions. He doesn't forget those who break theirs...but with repentance He forgives. Christ is always faithful for you.

This month we will welcome the confession of faith. We'll be reminded of our own – and be reminded of the tenants of the Faith we've confessed. And God is faithful, He'll make us faithful sons and daughters through the faithful forgiving work of His Son.

So, are you ready to confess, *I intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully, to live according to the Word of God in faith, word, and deed, and to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?* Yes, we are...by God's faithfulness.

Pastor Hinz



**There will be a Voter's Meeting on
October 13th following the
10:30am service in the Fellowship
Hall. This meeting will for the pur-
pose of preliminary Budget planning.**

Please join us!



Arrowhead 2 Regional

LWML Fall Rally Sat. Oct. 12 at Holy Cross, St. Cloud

Reg. @ 9am Lunch included

\$10 checks made to LWML MNN

Our Response in Faith

		General	Missions
Sept. 1	164	\$7,343.16	\$649.00
Sept. 8	124 + 175 299	\$10,458.10	\$279.15
Sept. 15	131 + 125 256	\$7,684.69	\$268.00

This month:

Baptized: Owen Voss 9/8
Arlo Reginek 9/29

Laid to Rest:

Darlene Gronau
12/8/1935—9/8/2019

Thanksgivings, Endowments and Memorials

In Memory of Darlene Gronau:

**Shirley Johnson, Janice Sorell, Delores & Gordon Rehder, Donna Esselman,
Carol Behrendt, Carol Sova, Virgil & Sue Bragelman, Ron & Sharon Eickhoff,
Daniel Reineke**

THANKFULNESS

Altar Guild Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Oct. 8 @ 6:30pm

Looking for New Members

- ♦ **Time Commitment:** 1 hour per week/ 1 month per year
- ♦ **Flexible Scheduling:** working with another member
- ♦ **Pay is the Lord's Blessings!**

Questions:

Call Sue Kulzer 320-248-9783



Fund Raiser for Janet Raveling

**(mother of Jessica Raveling)
Saturday, Oct. 12 11am—2pm
Belgrade VFW
Sloppy Joes**

LSST—What is it?

Are you interested in becoming a part of a Light, Sound and Screen Team? The LSST is to support the worship experience of the congregation. If you are interested and want to expand your talents to Trinity, please contact Justin Hackett 320-249-3813.



Hospitalized – is it a secret?

Our pastors are happy to visit and provide spiritual care when you, but they can only do so if they know. Current HIPAA regulations do not allow hospitals to share this information. Inform our pastors through the church office, 320-252-3670, when you are admitted. If you desire to have a prayer request included at worship, please inform the pastors or church office.

Worship and Music Notes



*Savior, like a Shepherd lead us; much we need Thy tender care.
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us; for our use Thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us; Thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us; Thine we are.*

(verse 1 of "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us")

This hymn was originally written for children and first appeared in an 1836 volume entitled "Hymns for the Young". It was written by the famous William Bradbury, one of the most prolific hymnists of the nineteenth century. A native of York, Maine, William moved to Boston at age 14 to enroll in the Boston Academy of Music where he joined Lowell Mason's choir at a nearby church.

Lowell Mason was a banker-turned-composer who became the first American to receive a Doctorate in Music degree from an American university. A dedicated Christian, Mason was passionate about training children in sacred music. He recognized that young William Bradbury had an inborn talent and sought to encourage him at every turn. Soon William was playing the organ under Mason's watchful eye and earning a whopping \$25 a year in the process.

William was so inspired by his mentor that he moved to New York City to do there what Mason had been doing in Boston--encouraging the Christian musical education of children. He organized and led children's singing conventions, brought music into the New York school system and published Sunday school songbooks.

Bradbury set in motion a great change in American church music. Prior to his work, most hymns were heavy, noble and stately. William wanted to write lighter melodies that children could sing, so his compositions are softer, full of movement and easier to sing. William Bradbury helped

usher in a new era of music that adults love to sing just as much as children do. He is remembered as the musical composer of such favorites as "Jesus Loves Me", "Just as I Am", "He Leadeth Me", "Sweet Hour of Prayer" and "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us".

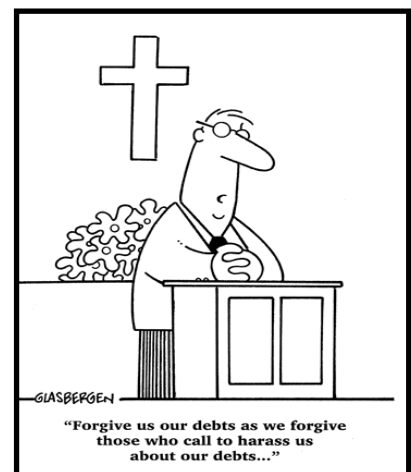
(Taken from "Then Sings My Soul" - Book 2 - by Robert J. Morgan)

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LCMS Stewardship Ministry

In the early morning hours of Feb. 18, 1546, Martin Luther closed his eyes forever. And the hand that hammered the 95 Theses into the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg on Oct. 31, 1517, penned its final words:

“We are all beggars. This is true.”

And this is the truth that our Lord says makes you free. Irony, isn't it? That, in order to be free, you must be a beggar; you must be utterly dependent and reliant upon God. This makes us uncomfortable – the way we're uncomfortable when someone gets us a Christmas or birthday present when we haven't gotten them one. We feel we owe them. And we don't much like being in someone's debt.

But what Luther would remind us is that we are all indeed beggars. But we're not just anyone's beggars. We're God's beggars. And this is His legacy to the Christian Church. Christ came for sinners. He came to seek and save the lost. He came to heal the sick and raise the dead. He came for sinners, and He dwells only with sinners.

And, if we are to be where He is, we must be willing to be counted among the lost, the sick, and the dead. We must be willing to be beggars. We must cry out for mercy, for grace, and for his undeserved love and kindness. We must be dependent solely on Him and what He gives.

And here's the beauty: He gives us everything. Everything – forgiveness of sins, salvation from death and the devil, and eternal life. This is not because of any worthiness or merit in us, but it is because of His divine goodness, mercy, and grace.

On account of Christ's death and resurrection, the Father forgives you, saves you, and is pleased with you. And you receive. You receive His love, His righteousness, His holiness, His acceptance, and His inheritance. We are all beggars. This is true.

This is the heart and soul of Christianity and the life-blood of the Christian Church. God justifies us, and He declares us innocent and righteous by His grace received through faith for the sake of Christ. This is not because of our works; this is because of His work on the cross. We, who once were enemies of God, are reconciled to Him and made to be His children.

This is what Luther would point us to when He took up his pen for the last time and scribbled “We are all beggars. This is true.” We are beggars. But we are beggars of the God who does not ignore us, who doesn't pass by us on the other side. We are beggars of the One who descended from heaven to make His dwelling with sinners.

We are beggars of Him who deigns to dwell with us, among us, and – yes – even in us by grace for Christ's sake. For in the bread and cup that we bless, we share together with Christ and each other the riches of God's grace.

So inexhaustible are the riches of this grace – the Gospel in sermon and absolution, in Baptism and Holy Communion – that our cups overflow. We, who are God's beggars, are not only inexhaustibly satisfied but have something to give back in thanksgiving and praise.

FESTIVAL OF NATIVITIES

Friday, Dec. 6th and Sat. Dec. 7th

Our Festival of Nativities

Committee is busy planning for the Christmas celebration of our Savior's birth. If you have a nativity scene that would be available for display, there is a sign up sheet in the church office. This year we also need three artificial trees for the display also -- at least 5 feet tall. Sign up in the church office!



WALK-A-THON



Prince of Peace annual Fall Fundraiser

Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 a.m. at Lake Francis (by the Sartell Community Center) will be our fall Walkathon. We are asking for each student to raise a minimum of \$150. Please support this fund raiser.

Last year our top "raisers" were close to \$1,000 each. We have some fun giveaways for students who participate in this fundraiser.

Our school goal is \$20,000 for this year.

God's Grub in October:

Oct. 2: Taco in a Bag

Oct. 9: Hotdogs and chips

Oct. 23: Spaghetti

Oct. 30: Chicken Patty/Mac n Cheese



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October 2019

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 9:00am Circuit Pastor's Mtg.	2 7:00am Men's Bible Study @ GS 5:00pm God's Grub 6:00pm Bricks & Mortar 6:00pm Celebration Ringers	3 9:00am Sewing & Crafts 6:00pm Worship Team	4 6:00pm Narcotics Anon. (CM)	5 9:00am Altar Guild
6 LWML SUNDAY & TEEN CHALLENGE 8:00am Worship (HC) Z5 9:15am S. S. & Bible Class 10:30am Worship Z1 12:00pm Anyuak Worship	7	8 6:30pm Altar Guild Meeting 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)	9 7:00am Men's Bible Study @ GS 5:00pm God's Grub 6:00pm Sanctuary Choir 6:00pm Bricks & Mortar 6:00pm Women's Bible Study	10 1:00pm LWML 5:00pm Girl Scouts	11 6:00pm Narcotics Anon. (CM)	12 9:00am POP Walk- a-thon 9:00am Altar Guild 9:00am Fall Church Cleaning 9:00am LWML Fall Rally @ Holy Cross
13 REV. BERNIE LUTZ 8:00am Worship Z2 9:15am S. S. & Bible Class 10:30am Worship Z3 (HC) 11:45am Voter's Budget Prep Meeting 12:00pm Anyuak Worship 3:15pm Creative Crafts	14 6:00pm Bev's CC (CM)	15 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W) 6:00pm Cub Scouts	16 7:00am Men's Bible Study @ GS 6:00pm Sanctuary Choir No God's Grub or Brick & Mortar	17 MEA 9:00am Sewing & Crafts 5:30pm Lay Ministry Mtg. 6:30pm Leadership Team Mtg.	18 MEA 6:00pm Narcotics Anon. (CM)	19 9:00am Altar Guild
20 8:00am Worship (HC) Z4 9:15am S. S. & Bible Class 10:30am Worship Z5 12:00pm Anyuak Worship	21	22 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)	23 7:00am Men's Bible Study @ GS 5:00pm God's Grub 6:00pm Bricks & Mortar 6:00pm Sanctuary Choir Youth Event - Tie Blankets	24 5:00pm Girl Scouts 6:00pm Worship Team Newsletter Deadline	25 6:00pm Narcotics Anon. (CM)	26 9:00am Altar Guild
27 REFORMATION SUNDAY 8:00am Worship Z1 9:15am S. S. & Bible Class 10:30am Worship Z2 (HC) Rite of Confirmation 12:00pm Anyuak Worship 3:15pm Creative Crafts	28 9:30am Parish Workers (NL) 6:00pm Bev's CC (CM) 4:30-9:00pm POP Dine to Donate at Mexican Village	29 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)	30 7:00am Men's Bible Study @ GS 5:00pm God's Grub 6:00pm Bricks & Mortar	31 6:00pm Worship Team	Notes:	
Room Reservation Key	W=Worship Space	Scl=Small Class Room	M=Music Room	Lcf=Large Conf Room	CM=Care Ministry	CDC=Child Dev. Cntr.
O=Overflow Room	F=Fellowship Hall	Lcl=Large Class Room	Y=Youth Room	Scf=Small Conf Room	K=Kitchen	

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Name	Bday
Bev Karls	1-Oct
Jayme Paul	1-Oct
Alami Ogud	2-Oct
Harper Mooney	2-Oct
Kali Reginek	2-Oct
Kelly Haffner	2-Oct
Matthew Lentz	2-Oct
Okoth Ongwach	2-Oct
Carol Bomstad	3-Oct
Dace Renn	3-Oct
Joan Reberg	3-Oct
Kim DuChene	3-Oct
Joshua Borgerding	4-Oct
Mike Maselter	4-Oct
Alison Reginek	5-Oct
Brenda Wilcox	5-Oct
Denise Schultz	5-Oct
Dillon Miller	5-Oct
Anthony Hall	6-Oct
Chad Ramler	6-Oct
Jean Leyk	6-Oct
Lindsay Hackett	6-Oct
Stormy Cooley	6-Oct
Tara Butkowski	6-Oct
David Reberg	7-Oct
Katie Dusing	7-Oct
Linkin Lyness	7-Oct
Sandra Rosha	7-Oct
Ajullo Agada	8-Oct
Doreen Schultz	8-Oct
Marjwok Omot	9-Oct
Sandra Molitor	9-Oct
Arden Holzheimer	10-Oct
Cidavia Marchand	10-Oct
Lacey Woodard	10-Oct
Marlene Mousky	10-Oct
Debra Wimmer	11-Oct
Robby Randall	11-Oct
Amy Petersen	12-Oct
Emily Heyne	12-Oct

Joel Mendel	12-Oct
Michael Maselter	12-Oct
Candace Nieters	13-Oct
Ellard Grabuski	13-Oct
Robert Behrendt	13-Oct
Emily Kleman	15-Oct
George Copeland	15-Oct
Judith Thompson	15-Oct
Lori Lentz	15-Oct
Paul Boettcher	15-Oct
Sarah Torell	15-Oct
Angela Frey	16-Oct
Kay Fleck	16-Oct
Tessa Buttweiler	16-Oct
Carson Voss	17-Oct
Annamae Lauermaann	18-Oct
Paige Molitor	18-Oct
Cynthia Umland	19-Oct
Jean Staneart	19-Oct
Jennifer Johnson	19-Oct
Wyatt Alstrup	19-Oct
Jacob Oman	20-Oct
Jaelyn Cooley	20-Oct
Dee Tvrdik	21-Oct
John Heintze	21-Oct
Thea Terpstra	21-Oct
Bryan Voss	22-Oct
Teresa Fragodt	22-Oct
Troy Roering	22-Oct
Cyrus Borgerding	23-Oct
Barb Larson	24-Oct
Abby Nack	25-Oct
Carson Homan	25-Oct
Delilah Homan	25-Oct
Sandra Murphy	25-Oct
Carl Oltz	26-Oct
Diane Kaeter	26-Oct
Kerry Kuklok	27-Oct
Abbygail Beck	28-Oct
Kathleen Heisler	28-Oct

Nicole Haehnel	28-Oct
Randy Walen	28-Oct
Oman Balo	30-Oct
Wayne Smolnik	30-Oct
Bentley Behrendt	31-Oct
Makenna Kulow	31-Oct
Robert Robarge	31-Oct
Ryan Oltz	31-Oct



We will be updating members contact information in the coming months.

Please contact the church office to make sure we have your current phone numbers, address and email. If you are not getting this Newsletter by mail and wish to receive it, let us know.

Thank you for your cooperation!