

Serving Christ During the Week

Today: 9am, Divine Service

6:30pm Youth & Parent Association meeting at Horning's house

Monday:

Tuesday: 6am Early Bird Bible Study

9am Pastor records for Worship for Shut-ins

Wednesday: 8:20am Wyneken Chapel

7-8pm Summer Adult Bible Class

Thursday: 9:30-11am Circuit Pastors' Exegetical Study

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 9am, Matins with Baptism

10:15am meeting with 7th & 8th graders with parents

NEWS AND NOTES August 20, 2017

⊕ During Communion distribution, the Communion hymn is sung. As long as people are still communing, the next consecutive hymns in the hymnal are sung. We do not stand for doxological hymn verses during Communion distribution.

⊕ The following children celebrate Baptism birthdays in the month of August: Ashlyn Vogel, Charles Faurote, Henry Faurote, Clayton Minnich, Lucas Blum, Madelyn Reinhart, Madison Fisher, Max Byerly, Navy Bluhm, Walter Nussbaum. They will be asked forward for a brief devotion and prayer at the beginning of today's service. "God's own child, I gladly say it, I am baptized into Christ."

⊕ The Early Bird Bible Study, an open Bible study led by the three "Wyneken" pastors, will resume our study of *The Augsburg Confession* this Tuesday, 6-7am at the Bingen parish hall. We will meet every Tuesday. Do you know how the Bible was foundational to the Reformers' understanding of theology? Come and learn.

⊕ All 7th and 8th grade children in our congregation, with their parents, will be meeting with Pastor after the worship service on August 27th to discuss the upcoming year of Catechism. Public School 6th graders and their parents may join in the meeting if parents are choosing the option of having their 6th grader in class for three years of Catechism.

⊕ As again decided by the Voters Assembly, we will be returning to two Sunday services (8am & 10:15am) on September 10th.

⊕ Our Wyneken parents who attend worship here with their Wyneken children are reminded to initial their column on the special books in the narthex. Recall that each Wyneken child(ren) and their families must attend at least 14 services at the church to

retain their member tuition status.

⊕ YOUTH NEWS: H. S. Youth Nights: **8/27** beginning at 6:30pm at the Horning's house. **Aug. 20:** Youth and Parent Association meeting at 6:30pm at Bingen. **Aug. 27th:** Middle School Youth Back to School Bash at Pine Lake Waterpark. Noon-3:30pm. Cost is \$7.00 per person and adult drivers are free! Meet at St. Paul. Adult chaperones and drivers are needed. Contact Mr. Horning if you can help. Copies of the event calendar are in the narthex on the credenza.

⊕ Mark your calendars for September 16th, this fall. Lutherans for Life is holding their Regional Conference at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, on that Saturday. The theme is "Hope for Life!" Go to: www.lutheransforlife.org/conference to register, and get more info.

⊕ In lieu of a one day summer cleaning, anyone willing to volunteer a little time to help with some extra cleaning, please contact our custodian, Jamie Miller (547-4229). Thank you greatly!

⊕ We will be making noodles September 11-13 beginning at 7am. All are welcome to attend. Come when you can and stay as long as you can.

⊕ Golf Outing - Save the date! The Wyneken class of 2019 is sponsoring this year's golf fundraiser for the Washington D. C. trip. The outing is Sunday, September 17. Golf will begin at noon followed by a dinner at 5pm. Carry-outs will be available for those who would like to contribute but are not able to play golf. We are also looking for hole sponsors and prize donations. Contact any member of the class of 2019 to sign up. For questions, contact Mike Macke at 260-517-3605 or by email at mfm333kl@yahoo.com

⊕ The LWML Treatshop will be held Saturday, August 19, 2017 at Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Carmel Indiana. Registration begins at 9am (\$10.00) and will last until 4:15pm. The opening chapel service begins at 9:30am. The theme is "Love One Another - Serve the Lord". Additional information and registration forms are located on the credenza in the narthex. The LWML SRD Workshop will be held at St. John, Bingen on September 17, 2017 beginning at 3pm. There are 26 quilts made from donated material that need to be finished, so lots of helpers are needed. Please bring scissors and, if possible, a large eyed needle. An evening meal will be served.

⊕ Yes, the Reformation is observed October 31st; Yes, Oktoberfest is in October. However we in the Decatur Circuit are getting a jump on these events as we hold our Reformation & Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 9, 2017 from 3pm-midnight at the Hoagland Pavilion and Grounds. We will begin with a Divine Service with Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, the LC-MS President as preacher. There will also be German food (\$3.00 for children 10 & under; \$5.00 for adults) and drinks (cost for beer and wine),

polka and square dancing, family-friendly education stations, and Reformation 500 merchandise. (All event proceeds will fund the LC-MS Germany Wittenberg Project mission offering) If you would like to make a donation (businesses in particular) to the Reformation Celebration and Oktoberfest, please pick up a contribution form located at the back of church. Make checks out to "Decatur Circuit Reformation 500". Set this date aside and don't miss this celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation!

⊕ The *Portals of Prayer* Devotional Booklets are ready to be picked up. They are located in the basket on the credenza in the narthex. Continue in God's Word through the week by having regular family devotions.

⊕ The LLL/LWML Rally will be held at Zion, Friedheim on October 15, 2017 beginning at 3pm. The speaker is Otto Brillinger who has done mission work in Lithuania and outreach to over 30,000 Lithuanians who migrated to Spain in the Valencia region. A meal will be served.

⊕ "Prayer list" for members to use as they bring the needs of others before God's throne of grace: Carol Bieberich; Cathy Terhune has miraculously shown improvement; Penny Smith.

⊕ Utilizing death to address disappointment makes sense to our sinful minds. Certain circumstances don't feel worth living, and God's ways often seem unsearchable (Romans 11:33). Yet even amid pain the very gates of hell cannot prevail against Christ's righteous will (Matthew 16:18-19, Isaiah 51:5). His Gospel alone comforts what all others dismiss as waste places (Isaiah 51:3). *Son of the Living God, transform our people into Your heavenly kingdom by renewing our minds in Christ. Amen.*

⊕ The lessons for next Sunday are Is. 51:1-6; Romans 11:33-12:8; Matt. 16:13-20.

Saint Paul Lutheran Church Preble

Sermon: "A Gentile of Great Faith" Matthew 15:21-28

- I. Jesus went out of Israel into the region of Tyre and Sidon.
 - A. Tyre and Sidon were ancient pagan communities on the Mediterranean.
 - B. Some from these cities had come into Israel to hear Jesus.
- II. Jesus encounters a woman of faith in this region.
 - A. She believes Jesus is the source of mercy.
 - B. She prays to Him, for she believes He is the Christ.
- III. In this woman Jesus teaches His disciples about faith.
 - A. She seeks His mercy; He is silent, then he reminds her of her unworthiness.
 - B. She worships Him and acknowledges her unworthiness.
 - C. Her faith realizes "crumbs" from Jesus are sufficient.

P: Lord, in your mercy **C:** Hear our prayer:

Death: Harold Ladd, father of member Carla Mesing

Our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

The Nation

Our Sick & Shut-in:

Birthdays: Lanae Gilbert, Connie Garner, Samantha Nower, Kim Fravel, Henry Faurote, Halei Faurote, Mike Rabel, Shelby Nower, Kayalee Kolter

SERVICE OF LOVE IN CHRIST

Serving Christ and Being Served in Worship

9am: 225

Serving Christ in our Offerings

Need Weekly: \$7,181.70 Received Last Week: \$4,167.45

(+) or (-) Weekly: -\$3,014.25 (+) or (-) Year to Date: -\$64,697.80