



**Northeast Kansas  
Lutheran Church Partnership  
\*LCMS\***



**OCTOBER, 2021**

***From the Pen of the Pastor***

Dear Saints of the Northeast Kansas Lutheran Partnership,

Ever been asked, “How’s everything in your world?”

How do we answer that? Where do we start? How far back should we go to form an answer? Do we go all the way back to our last presidential election and comment on the controversies then existing over what votes were or weren’t counted? Or do we just go back to our recent knee surgery? Or do we go as far back as the signing in of the new President, and his purportedly ‘rash’ undoing of many of the initiatives started by his predecessor... Or do we jump back to the recent death of a loved one? Or is it the Covid-19 pandemic...and the question of how it really started and who really is to blame that draws our attention? ? Or maybe we should start with the Covid-19 vaccine controversy, and the prevailing uncertainty surrounding whether or not one should take it. Or, does our recent diabetes diagnosis come to mind? Or how about we start with the withdrawal of all American Troops from Afghanistan, or maybe the abandonment of hundreds of American citizens and refugees when our troops were pulled out...Or the murders of 13 of our brave Servicemen by Taliban Terrorists, or the improper and if not criminal then unconscionable leaving behind of millions of dollars worth of military property, to included weapons, armaments and multi-million dollar aircraft. Or how about the nomination of a new Director of the ATF, one who promises to, once again, challenge American gun owners 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights to bear certain arms.

So just how is everything in your world? How about confusing...uncertain...maybe even ‘scary.’

But, before we let our concerns and problems overwhelm us and we start wondering where God is in all of this, maybe we should look at our problems against the backdrop of God’s almighty power, providence and promises.

Let’s face it, all of us need more faith in God...more confidence that whatever happens, each person of the Trinity is at work for our individual and collective good. No matter what happens, we need to remember God loves us. Yet, each one of us, despite our having that knowledge in our head, sometimes have hearts which let our fears overpower our faith.

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Scripture provides a good example of this. One day, as Jesus and His disciples were crossing the Sea of Galilee in a boat, a great windstorm arose and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling... (Mark 4: 35-37) And isn't that the way it often goes? 'Without warning'...'suddenly'.... The sun is shining one day and then the very next day, we see a sudden storm of sickness, family problems, financial turmoil, civil unrest, unemployment, underemployment, or a hundred other things, start breaking into our boats.

The waves of fear and doubt, and discouragement and despair can overwhelm us and make us feel like we are, if not capsizing, about to drown.

Maybe you have never felt any of this, if so I'm happy for you...just as happy for you as I am sad for the many people I have met and heard of who have or are facing what seems to them as almost insurmountable problems. For those who need help, Jesus steps in, saying:

“You of little faith, why are you so afraid.” Then (we are told) He gets up, rebukes the wind and the waves, and it becomes completely calm.

The storms of this world are going to suddenly arise; but, God's love for you is greater than any storm. He will be with you, to comfort you and intervene as He sees fit. No matter what happens, He tells us,

“All things will work together for good for those who love God (Romans 8:28).

And we **do** love Him...and in Christ, have peace with Him (Romans 5:1).

Will the world's problems or our problems disappear? No. Will more storms come? Yes, almost certainly. But in Jesus Christ, we are safe. In Him, our sins are forgiven, and in Him, we have the assurance that God is with us always and that nothing...no virus, no vaccine, nor anything else “...can separate us from the love of God that is in Jesus Christ. (Romans 8:38-39)

How's your world today? It is blessed.

Have a Happy and Safe Harvest,

Pastor Mike

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

**We invite all kids** to come and join us for Sunday School!

Sunday School meets each Sunday morning at **9:15am** at **First and Zion**.

Sunday School at **St. Paul** starts after the service at **9:30am**.

**The Zion Adult Bible Class** and the **First Adult Bible Class** meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15am. Please come join us!!



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Military:** (F) Liam Blum, Kelsey Blum, Aaron Foist; Allan Feek, Kevin Remmers; (I) Tristan Knott, Chad O'Brien, Daniel Wheeler, Paul Reynolds Jr.; (SP) Kyle Vanness, Mary Burkett, Spencer Ernst, Bert Ernst.

**Care Facilities & Shut-Ins:** (F) Stan Kohlmeier, LaVonne Thieme, Gerrienne Heim, Don Heim, Rosemary Scher, Eldon Schwant; (I) Gene Rice, Emma Middendorf; (StP) Carol Bauer, Betty Allen; (Z) Judy Clay, Darlene Covert, Connie Kneisel, Lawrence Thonen, Jaynell & Donald Robidoux.

**Also in our prayers:** (F) Evelyn Goodman, Marcia Spellmeier, Don Windle, Fred Feek, Carla Bishop, Roger Riekenberg, Lisa Riekenberg, Curtis Cook, Sara Clements, Crystal Kinkler, Gabriel Cook, Melonie Creek, Darrel & Sharon Cohoon, Megan McConnauey; (IMM) Betty Kolbek, Fred Meeks, Roger Pusch, Abigail McFall, Janice Backer; (St.P) Charlotte Kruse, Danny Bauerle, Chris Torrey, Vauncille Barrett, Doug Barrett; (Z) Jackie Bianchi, Sherry Hartley.

**We Remember** the blessed saints who now rest in the Lord, and we pray for their families that they remember all who die in the Lord live with the Lord. (Romans 6:5)



***HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!***

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

***Oct 1-Julie Bauman, Oct 1-Stan Remmers, Oct 1-Nate Bianchi, Oct 3-Karen Bauman, Oct 3-Aidan Walter, Oct 3-Abby Tanking, Oct 4-Jennifer Ploeger, Oct 4-Terry Reschke, Oct 4-Leon Wissmann, Oct 4-Shaun Pearson, Oct 5-Barbara Shefferd, Oct 6-Steve Aeschliman, Oct 7-Betty Allen, Oct 7-Rosalie Mellenbruch, Oct 8-Waylon Rahe, Oct 10-Raphael Kinney, Oct 10-Ray Thieme, Oct 10-Lori Risinger, Oct 12-Andrew Kleopfer, Oct 12-Cory Bass, Oct 12-Bill Rahe, Oct 12-Ron TenEyck, Oct 13-Cheyenne Chapin, Oct 13-Sherry Hartley, Oct 13-Sierra Perry, Oct 13-Patrick Sheik, Oct 14-Beth Perry, Oct 14-Kathy Steiner, Oct 15-Bob Steiner, Oct 15-Sue Brockhoff, Oct 18-Paycen Schremmer, Oct 19-Richard Schilling, Oct 22-Kason Ryan, Oct 23-Gale Cook, Oct 24-Stephanie Plattner, Oct 27-Steve Manche, Oct 27-Jessica Gigstad, Oct 27-Debbie Reschke, Oct 28-Phil Ryan, Oct 29-Malachi Oswald, Oct 29-Carol Walter, Oct 30-Vicki Edelman, Oct 30-Jadynn Doyle, Oct 31-Emily Meyer***

**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

***Oct 5-Bill & Traci Rahe, Oct 5-Ron & Jill Smith, Oct 6-Don & Gerrienne Heim, Oct 6-Gale & Kendra Cook, Oct 6-Traci & Jeremy Stover, Oct 9-Ed & Linda Hatheway, Oct 14-Darryl & Helen Hoppe, Oct 25-Bud & Ursula Bauman***

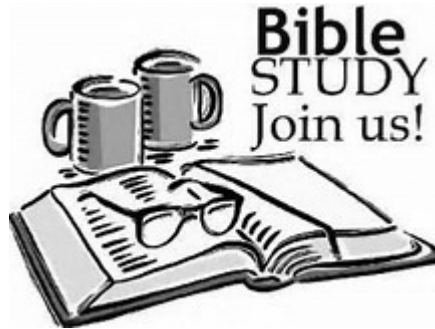
## MEETINGS

JOINT ELDERS – October 11th @ 7:00pm  
JOINT COUNCIL – October 18th @ 7:00pm

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

*Wednesday nights at 6:30pm at  
St. Paul Lutheran in Fairview*

Evening Prayer Service  
@6:00pm  
Adult Bible Study  
@6:30pm



### Partnership Ladies Bible Study

*Ladies Bible Study  
meets on  
Tuesday nights at 6:30pm.  
This is held at  
Zion Lutheran  
in Hiawatha.  
Please plan to join us!*

### NEW PARTNERSHIP WEBSITE

Our website, ([www.neklutherans.org](http://www.neklutherans.org)), contains the history of the partnership and partnership churches, a calendar of events, recent happenings and a hint of what will be happening in the future.

There is an activity page to look at and new pictures are added frequently. It has past copies of the newsletters and the calendar for you to reference. Special announcements are also placed on the website. Go to [www.neklutherans.org](http://www.neklutherans.org).



*If you have a smartphone,  
scan this square with your  
phone's camera to check out  
our new website!*

### PLEASE HELP TO KEEP US UP TO DATE:

*If you have a new phone number, address, or email address,  
please make sure you send it to the Partnership office.*



*You can e-mail the office at  
[office@NEKpartnership.org](mailto:office@NEKpartnership.org) or call 785-740-0268.  
The office would also like the names and addresses  
of any members who are at college. Thank You!*

## **SERVERS FOR OCTOBER**

### **FIRST LUTHERAN**

*(Please trade if you have a date conflict)*

**Oct 3rd:** **Elders**—Dwight Edelman & Shane Schuette, **Acolytes**—Chloe Detweiler & Paycen Schremmer, **Ushers**—David Bauman & Darrell Schuette, **Greeters**—Kurt Detweiler Family, **Counters**—Vicki & Dwight Edelman

**Oct 10th:** **Elders**—Patrick Cochran & Kurt Detweiler, **Acolytes**—Lily Pearson & Millie Stoller, **Ushers**—Dwight Edelman & Shane Schuette, **Greeters**—Shaun Pearson Family, **Counters**—Heather Lehwald & Stan Remmers

**Oct 17th:** **Elders**—Scott Schremmer & Steve Huneke, **Acolytes**—Tinner Bachelor & Jethro Steiner, **Ushers**—Jason Steiner & Bob Steiner, **Greeters**—Darrell & Sue Schuette, **Counters**—Allan Spellmeier & Joyce Meyer

**Oct 24th:** **Elders**—Shane Schuette & Dwight Edelman, **Acolytes**—Tyson Detweiler & Hadden Bachelor, **Ushers**—Scott Schremmer & John Feek, **Greeters**—Jim & Lori Risinger, **Counters**—Vicki Edelman & Jason Steiner

**Oct 31st:** **Elders**—Kurt Detweiler & Patrick Cochran, **Acolytes**—Naomi Pearson & Millie Stoller, **Ushers**—Jordan Huneke & Paige Strahm, **Greeters**—Matt Bosworth Family, **Counters**—Ken Meyer & Glenna Strahm

**Altar Guild for October:** Karen Kohlmeier, Patty Remmers, Carole Feek  
**Trustees for October:** Matt Bosworth & Ed Hatheway

### **ZION LUTHERAN**

*(Please trade if you have a date conflict)*

**Oct 3rd:** **Elder**—Kurt Killman, **Acolyte**—Corey Dunaway, **Ushers**—Bob Freese & Larry Walter, **Greeters**—Larry & Carol Walter, **Lector**—Kurt Killman, **Sound System**—Bob & Virginia Freese

**Oct 10th:** **Elder**—Scott Gigstad, **Acolyte**—Remington Killman, **Ushers**—Leon Wissmann & Chad Hinton, **Greeters**—Larry & Carol Walter, **Lector**—Leon Wissmann, **Sound System**—Derrick VanDusen

**Oct 17th:** **Elder**—Leon Wissmann, **Acolyte**—Brady Killman, **Ushers**—Richard Clay & Clint Meyer, **Greeters**—Donna Gormley & Anne Arnesen, **Lector**—Richard Clay, **Sound System**—Dwight Meyer

**Oct 24th:** **Elder**—Dale Strobel, **Acolyte**—Corey Dunaway, **Ushers**—David Middendorf & Derrick VanDusen, **Greeters**—Donna Gormley & Anne Arnesen, **Lector**—David Middendorf, **Sound System**—David Middendorf

**Oct 31st:** **Elder**—Kurt Killman, **Acolyte**—Remington Killman, **Ushers**—Bob Freese & Larry Walter, **Greeters**—Scott & Jessica Gigstad, **Lector**—David Middendorf, **Sound System**—Derrick VanDusen

**Altar Guild for October:** Anne Arnesen, Darlene Atland, Debbie Reschke

### **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN**

*(Please trade if you have a date conflict)*

**Oct 3rd:** **Greeters**—Dennis & Cindy Manche

**Oct 10th:** **Greeters**—Doug & Sarah Kleopfer

**Oct 17th:** **Greeters**—Clif & Kathy Heiniger

**Oct 24th:** **Greeters**—Dwight & Charlotte Kruse

**Oct 31st:** **Greeters**—Milan Kloefer & Ray Thieme

**Altar Committee for October:** Rosalie Mellenbruch, Carolyn Schneider, Jeff Brockhoff

## AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

American Heritage Girls Troop KS2315 are selling coffee, tea, cocoa, and cookies from Sept 30-October 28 with their paper forms. Online orders can be placed year-round at [Great Coffee & Tea for Great Causes \(givingbean.com\)](http://GreatCoffee&TeaforGreatCauses.com). Gifts from The Giving Bean make unique Christmas gifts, and ordering from the Troop supports a good cause. Please see an American Heritage Girl to place your order. The girls of Troop 2315 appreciate your support and are excited to make your Christmas season a little warmer!



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### FIRST LWML

The September 1, 2021 meeting of LWML First Lutheran was called to order by Vice-President, Lorene Strahm. The opening devotion, "God's Strength in You" remembering Moses, was given by Brenda Meyer.

The Bible study, "Come Unto Me, Ye Weary", was from Lutheran Woman's Quarterly, Summer 2021, led by Lorene. We find rest and peace in the words of Jesus.

Roll call was answered by telling your favorite fall activity with 6 members. Ruth Swart, secretary, read the minutes of the August meeting, and they were approved as read. Carole Feek passed copies of the treasury report. Mites and dues were collected.

Ruth made a motion to send Lela Middendorf a thank you with a gift certificate for telling our group about the national convention that she attended in June. Lorene 2nd the motion, motion carried.

LWML Sunday is October 3, 2021. Carole has it all taken care of---thanks! Lorene will check with Tammy and Martha about needs for the Preschool and Sunday school.

Birthday cards were signed for Pastor Mike, Gerrienne and LaVonne.

Carole gave a report on the LWML NE Zone BOA meeting Fall 2021. The Fall Get Together will be October 9, 2021 at Trinity, Atchison. The theme will be "Follow the Son"

Our Bible study for October 6, 2021 will be "When I am Weak, He is Strong", page 22 in the Summer 2021 Quarterly.

Our meeting closed with all saying The League Pledge.

Ruth Swart, Secretary



## **ANNUAL BBQ/Bonfire**

**October 16th, 2021 at 4:30 pm**

1 mile north of the 4 mile corner  
(Hwy 36 & Old Hwy 75) **(Look for signs)**

Please bring a dish to share

**BBQ RIBS, Hot Dogs,**

**Drinks and table service provided!!!**

**FUN GAMES AND FELLOWSHIP!!!**

**NEW THIS YEAR.....**

**SKEET SHOOTING AT 2:00**

**for those who are interested.**

Pastor Kinney has a new game  
for everyone too.

(In case of rain.....this will be held at The Red Rooster.....  
Dwight's house), 2353 184<sup>th</sup> Rd.



## Northeast Zone LWML Fall Workshop



### Trinity Lutheran Church, Atchison, KS

(We will meet in the school gym. Park in the parking lot off Kearney St.)

**Saturday, October 9**

Registration (\$5) begins at 9:00 a.m.

Rolls, muffins, and coffee will be available.

Opening at 9:30 a.m.

We will close with lunch at noon.

- + Kansas District LWML news
- + Bible Study with Pastor Lally
- + Charlotte Ziegler will share about Orphan Grain Train

Be prepared for a **MITES** Challenge!

We will be collecting items for **hygiene kits**, or complete kits, for **Orphan Grain Train**.

See included flyer with information.





# HYGIENE KITS

## CONTENTS

- 1 bath towel
- 1 wash cloth
- 1 bath-size bar of soap
- 1 plastic soap box holder
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 sturdy comb
- 6 band-aids (1/2" or 3/4")
- 1 small package facial tissues
- 1 nail clipper
- 1 piece of strong ribbon or cord

## PLEASE NOTE

- Dark colored linens are recommended.
- We recommend leaving contents in the original packaging, but it is not required.
- No additions, deletions, or substitutions.
- Do not add money, photos, or personal notes.
- Do not include items with religious, camouflage, patriotic or military symbols.
- Pack only new or gently used items.
- Do not include plastic bags.
- It costs an average of \$11 to ship each box of kits. Please consider a donation to your local OGT branch to help with shipping.

*Although well-meaning variations are tempting, please do not do this. It may result in heavy fines and/or the entire shipment being confiscated by customs officials.*

## ASSEMBLY

1. Lay out the towel on a flat surface.
2. Fold over about 5" on each long side.
3. Place the rest of the items in the center under the folds.
4. Roll up the towel.
5. Use ribbon or cord to tie the towel together in the middle.



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*Thank you for making a difference in these children's lives. Your love of your Savior, Jesus Christ, is sent with each kit packaged. May God continue to bless your life as you serve Him.*

## St. Paul Preschool

What a great start to the school year. We have 11 students and a waiting list for next year.

We started the school year learning about the Wild West. We have learned about how they lived back then. We made butter from scratch, made cactus, horses, sunsets and so much more. We had fun sitting around our pretend campfire, working in the bank, fixing meals in the watering hole, panning for gold and putting each other in jail.

Both pastors came and talked to us about the story of creation and Adam and Eve. Pastor Kinney stayed and made butter with us.

Thank you everyone for your continued support of our preschool.



## First Preschool

Preschool is the place to be! We are learning our routines and having so much fun! We have enjoyed poems, rhymes, and songs every day. We have read books that go along with our themes each week. We have also started working on alphabet letters, numbers, shapes, and colors. We had fun apple painting for letter “A”, balloon painting for letter “B”, and painting with cars for letter “C”.

Our Bible stories have been about Creation, Adam & Eve, and Noah & the Flood. The kids look forward to Pastor Dunaway and Pastor Kinney sharing the Bible stories with us.

We are excited to report that we have 32 students enrolled in our Preschool!



Thank you for your prayers and support as we serve and guide our students!

Denise Huning  
Keremy Bachelor



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> Pr Dunaway Day Off	<b>2</b> Pr Kinney Day Off 9:00 Meetings & Counseling w/apt 9:00 Private Confession
<b>3</b> LWML Sunday 9:15 Zion Bible Study 9:15 First Bible Study 9:30 St. Paul Dorcas First Elder's mtg.	<b>4</b> 9:00 Staff Meeting	<b>5</b> 6:30 Ladies Bible Study	<b>6</b> 1:30 First LWML 6:00 Prayer Service 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Confirmation	<b>7</b> Week 1 Visits 7:00 St. Paul Council mtg.	<b>8</b> Pr Dunaway Day Off	<b>9</b> Pr Kinney Day Off 9:00 Meetings & Counseling w/apt 9:00 Private Confession 10:00 LWML Fall Rally
<b>10</b> 9:15 Zion Bible Study 9:15 First Bible Study 9:30 St. Paul Qtr. Mtg. First Council mtg. 5:00 Circuit Visitor Conference	<b>11</b> <i>Columbus Day</i> Pastor's Conference	<b>12</b> Pastor's Conference 6:30 Ladies Bible Study 7:00 Zion LWML	<b>13</b> 6:00 Prayer Service 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Confirmation	<b>14</b> Week 2 Visits	<b>15</b> Pr Dunaway Day Off	<b>16</b> Pr Kinney Day Off 9:00 Meetings & Counseling w/apt 9:00 Private Confession 4:30 Annual BBQ
<b>17</b> 9:15 Zion Bible Study 9:15 First Bible Study First Voter's Mtg. 12:00 Zion Elder's mtg. 7:00 First Men's Group	<b>18</b> Articles Due For Newsletter 9:00 Staff Meeting 7:00 Joint Council	<b>19</b> 6:30 Ladies Bible Study	<b>20</b> 6:00 Prayer Service 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Confirmation	<b>21</b> Week 3 Visits	<b>22</b> Pr Dunaway Day Off	<b>23</b> Pr Kinney Day Off 9:00 Meetings & Counseling w/apt 9:00 Private Confession
<b>24</b> 9:15 Zion Bible Study 9:15 First Bible Study & Breakfast 9:30 Fellowship @St.Paul	<b>25</b> 9:00 Staff Meeting	<b>26</b> 6:30 Ladies Bible Study	<b>27</b> 1:00 AC Home w/communion 6:00 Prayer Service 6:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Confirmation	<b>28</b> Week 4 Visits	<b>29</b> Pr Dunaway Day Off	<b>30</b> Pr Kinney Day Off 8:00 Zion Men's Group 9:00 Meetings & Counseling w/apt 9:00 Private Confession
<b>31</b> Halloween 						