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LMC Newsletter September 2021

Our Annual Clam Bake is back! Saturday, September 11th at 4:00pm



Clams! Lobster! Grilled Beef! Chicken!

Join us for delicious food and good company. Invite family, friends, and neighbors to come have a decadent night out.

Sign up on the church bulletin board or send an e-mail to officeLmc818@gmail.com to let us know you are coming. We ask that you bring a side dish to share. Tickets are \$30.00.

Please note, this is an adults only event.

Virtual/On-Site Service & Bible Study Schedule

You can access all virtual services and Bible studies through the LMC website:

lmcnj.org

Sunday

9:00AM: LMC Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion.

These services are available live and recorded on

Facebook.

10:00AM: Grab a coffee and join us in the library! Sunday Morning

Bible Study will resume on September 6th.

11:00AM: LMC Traditional Worship with Holy Communion.

These services are available live and recorded on

YouTube.

Youth Sunday School will resume in October.

Monday - Friday

Virtual Devotions with Pastor Detrie on Facebook. You can access the study at any time once it is posted.

Mondays

4:00PM Confirmation Class with Pastor Detrie in the church library.

If you would like to join the group, or know of someone who

would be interested, please contact the church office

732-542-2727, officeImc818@gmail.com.

Tuesdays

12:30PM On-site Community Bible Study in the church library with

Pastor Detrie.

LMC VOTER'S MEETING

Sunday, September 26th

There will be only one Worship Service (Traditional theme, this time) at 10:00am, with no Education hour. We look forward to seeing everyone, gathering together all at the same time. Please plan and attend both this Worship Service and the meeting afterwards as we update everyone on our progress here at LMC.

Lutheran Witness Subscriptions

An annual subscription for the LCMS magazine Lutheran Witness is available for anyone who would like to join or renew. The price is \$11.25 and you make your payment to LMC. We get a discount for renewing as a group. If you would like to renew a current subscription, please let Marj Cho in the church office know ASAP. Notices were sent to all current subscription holders.



Due to inclement weather we had to postpone our parking lot maintenance. We will let you know as soon as a new date has been scheduled.

LMC Church Garden

You can help out any day. It only takes a short time and all the tools you will need are in the shed by the kitchen door. Even if you have ½ hour to spare, we can use your help. For questions, contact Donna Colasurdo at 732-233-5663





Youth Sunday School Reboot

A planning meeting for Youth Sunday School is scheduled for Sunday, September 5th at 10am, after the 9am and before the 11am worship services. Please join us as we discuss the future of our youth program.

We hope to begin Sunday School on Sunday, October 3rd.

We want to thank everyone for keeping the food donations for Lunch Break coming! Any non-perishable food is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to help deliver, please contact Ed & Heidi Magenheimer at 732-741-0564.

We will resume our 10:00 am Sunday Morning Bible Study on September 12th. We will finish our discussion on the book of Daniel and will begin a new study in October. Keep an eye out for more details on this study and a surprise coming for Advent! Grab a coffee and join us in the library!



Joining Jesus Book Club: Before Covid-19, we had planned to have a book club to discuss the 2 books by Greg Finke regarding an updated look on what it means to be a follower of Jesus. The book discusses easy ways for everyone to be an ambassador for Jesus in our everyday lives. One



group was scheduled to meet on Mondays at 12:30pm and the other was scheduled to meet Mondays at 7:00pm. Marj Cho would like to jump start these groups **beginning in September** after the summer. If you had previously signed up to be part of one of these groups, welcome back. If you would like to join now, welcome aboard! Let the church office know if you need a book and which group you would like to join.



Operation Christmas Child: LMC will be collecting Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes again this year. Please start saving & wrapping your shoe boxes in preparation. If you have any extra boxes, feel free to bring them into the church office. Also, it's almost back to school time, so if you are shopping the sales, please pick up extra school supplies for the shoe boxes. We will have a basket in the hallway to collect any donations.

Filled shoe boxes are due on Sunday, November 14th with the \$9.00 postage included. Thank you for helping to make a child's Christmas brighter!

Jeanne Lobosco & Jill Perez, LMC Operation Christmas Child Coordinators.



Joan Woerner's Celebration of Life Service will be held on Sunday, October 3rd at 12:30 pm here at LMC for our dear friend and fellow member, Joan Woerner. Joan's executor will be arranging a repast after the service at a local restaurant. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to attend the repast, you may RSVP by emailing Joanwoerner@gmail.com or calling Megan Millas at 732-890-8884. More information about the restaurant will follow.

To Our Fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We want to express our sincere gratitude to all those who had attended and/or helped out with the service and repast for Dave's "Celebration of Life" Service on August 13th. Your involvement was so very much appreciated and helped to make that day even more memorable.

God's Blessings,

The Helsing family (Marie, Vanessa and Derek)

Thanks to the generosity of contributors, LCMS World Relief and Human Care Disaster Response is able to respond immediately to the needs caused by recent disasters in Haiti and the southern United States. In addition, a new online volunteer system enables people to determine



quickly and efficiently where their service will be of greatest benefit to those who face challenges because of Hurricane Ida.

In Louisiana

On Sunday, Aug. 29, Hurricane Ida struck southern Louisiana. The storm came ashore about 45 miles west of where Katrina first struck land 16 years earlier to the day. At the time of landfall, Ida was a Category 4 storm with 150-mph winds. Mercifully, the winds quickly slowed to a Category 1 storm. Though the storm was not as devastating as some feared, those in its wake must now face the arduous process of cleanup and recovery.

LCMS Disaster Response is currently assessing the damage to LCMS congregations and their neighbors. "I will be joining the Southern District president for a couple of days as we visit and access LCMS congregations that were in the pathway of Hurricane Ida," said the Rev. Dr. Ross Johnson, director of LCMS Disaster Response. "We will formulate an action plan to best serve the greater community in the name of Christ through flood response and chainsaw work."

As thorough assessment is underway, LCMS Disaster Response offers a new way for volunteers immediately to find ways to assist. The fruit of a year of labor, the new Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) website is now live. People who wish to volunteer to help those affected by Ida can visit the website to find the most beneficial way to serve.

"While we've been using the new <u>lcms-lert.org</u> software system for several months for



scheduling LERT trainings, this is our first major use of it after a disaster," explained the Rev. Michael Meyer, director of disaster training for LCMS Disaster Response. "This software brings to this and future responses a transparency and level of accountability in our overall response that is unparalleled in the realm of faith-based disaster volunteers."

"The moment we schedule a deployment in the wake of a disaster, people can see, sign up for and participate — with all the requisite details of where you need to go, when you need to be there and what you'll be doing." Meyer noted that this new website "significantly broadens our volunteer base. More importantly, it shows that our volunteers are neither spontaneous (the second disaster to any disaster!), nor a risk to those we seek to help, but are well-coordinated, well-trained and more than capable of faithfully serving their neighbors in need."

Haiti Update



On Aug. 14, a magnitude 7.2 earthquake struck southwest Haiti, the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere, causing physical destruction and the loss of human life. LCMS Disaster Response has begun to evaluate and respond to this situation as well.

"LCMS Disaster Response is working alongside of our church partner, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti, to aid that country following recent earthquakes. We will focus our efforts on rebuilding, clean water, medical assistance and food

distribution," said Johnson, who recently returned from an assessment trip to Haiti. "All our mercy work will be done through Lutheran congregations showing the love of Christ to their community and sharing the hope of the Good News that is only found in Jesus Christ."

In the coming days and weeks, the LCMS will continue to work with our partner church in Haiti and the LCMS Southern District and her congregations to extend the mercy of God in Christ to all those affected by these disasters.

"LCMS Disaster Response has a long history of effective and efficient response work that impacts the hurting with Christian compassion," noted Johnson.



- For updates, visit <u>lcms.org/disaster</u>.
- To find Hurricane Ida volunteer opportunities, visit <u>lcms-lert.org/event</u>.



The 2021 Red Bank CROP Hunger Walk is set to return for the 41st time on Sunday, Oct. 17. This critical drive fills the food pantries of 15 different local programs each year with essentials like rice,

beans, peanut butter and soup. Teams of walkers from many schools and churches also raise thousands of dollars which supports a number of hunger-fighting partners, both local and international, including the global programs of Church World Service that work towards sustaining healthier lives and reducing poverty.

Last year, the pandemic caused the event to be held virtually, but thanks to so many dedicated walkers and supporters, it was a record-breaking success in which we raised \$138,000 and was the 3rd largest walk in the United States. Twenty-five percent of those funds raised were distributed to our own local partners.

After discussions with local officials and police this year, it has been decided again to urge supporting groups (churches, schools, families, etc.) to walk on their own. What this means is that we will be asking for Luther Memorial walkers to either walk in their neighborhood or walk as a group in our own church parking lot or nearby park between Sept 1 and Oct. 17. Each walker can also decide how far they want to walk and it has been suggested for some to walk 4.1 miles in recognition of this being our 41st Walk.

Walkers of any age can either collect donations by using our traditional paper forms, register online under the Luther Memorial Team or do a combination of both. It should also be noted that it is not necessary to walk if you just want to collect donations.

As for donations, they can either be given by check to the individual walker (made out to Red Bank Crop Walk) or you can also donate online to any walker by credit card or PayPal provided the walker is registered online as a Luther Memorial team walker.

As in the past we will also be collecting peanut butter, rice, beans and soup which will be given to local food pantries. These items can be deposited in our Treasure Chest up to the date of October 17.

Also, as an additional fundraising project, we are selling wine bags, coffee cups, aprons, caps and assorted bags ranging from five dollars to ten dollars which will be on display on Sunday mornings. These need to be ordered and will be made with the help of a local high school.

A special celebration will be held at Red Bank Regional High School starting at 1 pm on Sunday October 17. At this celebration we will honor our walkers with a victory lap, collect all donation envelopes and food donations, hold our art contest, enjoy music from the "WAG" as well as enjoy fellowship and refreshments with each other.

Hunger has not gone away in Monmouth County nor has the need for food and clean drinking water in places of devastation like in Haiti or Louisiana; or the need for food to help aid the Afghan refugees. Your help is needed now more than ever.

With your help and enthusiasm to meet the challenges we face this year; we will keep on walking and invite others to join in with heart and 'sole' to help us to end hunger. Also any donations will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Marie Helsing by email at Mums@aol.com or by calling 732-542-7892 to sign up or for more information.

Your generosity and your fundraising will make a world of difference.

It's that time again!

Time to start planning your display for our 4th Annual

Trunk or Treat!

Saturday October 23th from 2-4pm

Rain Date Sunday October 24th

We have had so much fun the past few years hosting a Trunk or Treat for our friends and neighbors; so, we're doing it again! Anyone who would like to design a trunk can e-mail Ellen Rehberg at ellen.illies@yahoo.com It's first come, first served so sign up early! If you would rather welcome guests and answer questions or help set-up, let us know that too!



Looking forward to some Halloween fun with you!



Choir returns to LMC!

Attention everyone with a voice, choir returns in September. If you are interested in singing with the choir or have any questions, please see or call Bennett Craft, Director of Traditional Music Ministry.

Share the News! We would love to help you let our church family know what's happening. Birthdays, anniversaries, celebrations, and thanks; Events, announcements, stories, and prayers. The deadline for October's newsletter will be September 26th If you have stories, questions, updates, corrections or ideas e-mail us @ ellen.illies@yahoo.com

Our recent **Fun Faire Carnival** hosted about 120 friends and

neighbors! We raised \$100 and gathered 52 food items for Lunch Break. We also had a lot of fun (and survived the heat!)

We got so much positive feedback from the game hosts and our guests; Let's do it again next year!



September Birthdays

8th Tom Edson

10th Alice McManus

Vicky Taylor

13th Linda Schiafone

14th Jim Nash

Karolyn Schoenberger

19th Kevin Schoenberger

20th Marie Helsing

21st Ellen Rehberg

24th Jack Vorbeck

27th Hannah Zabe

Damian Zabe

28th Ed Peterson

29th Mikaela Hubbard

30th Kayla Padilla



Please add these individuals to your prayers:

Linda Moldoch	Jean	Henry & Family	Gary duBois Sister-in-law Roseann
Chip Walker	Baiba Grinvalds	Sandi Carter	Yuet Cho
Melvin Taylor	Jerry Kastning	Russ Baccaglini	Bill Tobia
Devyn & Kayla Joseph	Connie Wild	Zak Brown & family	Deanna Blair
Gene Buckley	Art Strohmer	Colin	Janis Luksis
Harold Brown	Bob Hollenbeck	Colton Farrell	Tim Bains
Lynn Gerhman	Louis Russo	Judy O'Connor	Jean Berich
Renee Connell	John Wills	Brian & Mary Ann	Deborah
Ruta Colomb	Cynthia Mayer	Joyce Sidney	Rev. Jonah & Liz Burakowski & family.
Peter Foy	Colleen Carlo	Lori McGuinness	Alexander James Costello
USA Military	& their Allies	Louise Miller Family	Family of Heliana P. Lisciandra

Please e-mail us any prayer requests; or join the weekly email prayer group by contacting the church office at officeLmc818@gmail.com