

The Health of Peace's System

This month, I am going to begin a series on what the church is and how a healthy congregation looks.

B ack when I got my first master's degree (the one in counseling), I took quite a few classes that focused on marriage and the family. My favorite theory from one of those classes was called *family systems theory*. Later, I would hear a professor and authors who employed the theory to talk about groups.

The basic concept of family systems theory is that every member of a family gets used to playing out her/his role. We might call it living out ones' vo-

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cation. But when some "part" of the system changes all the other parts *have to* change. I've always pictured this as being like an amoeba even though the theory is deeper than that. Regardless, if some part of the family, group or congregation is unhealthy (dysfunctional) the rest of that entity will either adjust in a healthy, functional way or will become unhealthy.

Long before I ever learned everyone's name, here at Peace, I could see that this "system" was and is healthy. Regardless of what led to it, you are a group that brings joy to others around you and in your system. One example of this is something I've seen over and over again. When I stand in the narthex on Sunday I want to be sure that visitors are greeted warmly and lovingly. So I'm prepared to talk to them. But time and time again someone beats me to it. In fact, there have been times when a family or individual is greeted two or even three times before I even get the chance to meet and

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greet them. To be clear, I see this as a sign that our church is very healthy.

But it's not just greeting someone that makes for a healthy system/church. When one enters the narthex the greetings are joyful and enthusiastic. There's a certain spirit, no doubt given by the Spirit. It is like coming home. And I can honestly say that there has not been a Sunday that I didn't want to come be with you.

Another example of a healthy system is the church council. It strikes me that the different directors and such are serious about the work of the Lord but do *not* take *themselves* too seriously. In fact, there might even be a running joke that lasts at least as long as that perhaps even longer. Ask Pastor Brandt whether he is an asset or a liability. (I'm pretty sure he'll say that he's the asset and I'm the liability, but occasionally we change roles.)

The health of the church council also spreads to the voters in as you meet to put certain things into action. Very often, they accept the recommendation of the council. And I've seen *no one* pout or insist that it's their way or they'll take to the highway. I honestly don't know what people actually do if a decision is made with which they heartily disagree since it hasn't happened in the last two-and-a-half years.

Oh, I'm sure there are things that I'm not seeing. But there's so much going right in this "system" that it's easy to see how the apostle Paul could write tremendously caring greetings, even to churches that were out of whack. You are God's saints in this place. And your saintliness exudes in so many ways. The *only* thing I can think of that's a blemish (perhaps more than a small blemish) is the amount of people who don't attend Bible study. As one who was once teaching four or five Bible studies each week and declined a call to a rural Nebraska town precisely because they had no Bible studies planned I cannot encourage you enough to consider making time for it.

Note that when I wrote all of the above it was *not* so that I could get to this topic. But Bible study and Biblical knowledge are extremely important in the life of what we will call a "super healthy congregation."

To conclude I will simply remind you of what I have written above. Peace Lutheran Church is a healthy church; a joyful congregation; a well-functioning "system." Let's do *everything* we can to stay that way *with the help of the Lord*. Pastor Rick Anderegg



Birthdays

Feb. 3	Ed Heinlein
Feb. 12	Sarah Sosnowski
Feb. 20	Hayden Carlson
Feb. 24	Sara Anderegg

Newsletter Deadline

for March is Monday, February 21 at 9 a.m. If you have an article you want published, or information you want to get out to the whole congregation, prepare it and send it to Sheryl Bald, countrygalsf@gmail.com

Every One His Witness **Motivated by Love** Witnessing Flows from the Love of Christ

Many Christians struggle with guilt over evangelism. They know they're supposed to tell people about Jesus, but they don't for any number of reasons. Some are convinced they don't know how to be effective witness-

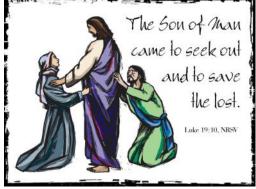


es. Others are afraid of how people might react. Many feel beaten up by well-meaning pastors and church leaders who have tried to motivate them to do their duty. They've used the Law of God to push people to be witnesses. But the Law doesn't motivate us to do good works, even the good work of evangelism. Instead, it exposes our failures and shows our guilt. Like all good works, sharing the Gospel flows from love, not guilt and shame. We want people to know about the life and salvation found in Jesus because we love them. We love them in this way because God first loved us. We also love them as Christ's witnesses because we love God and want to do the work that is so close to His heart. God does not want us to associate fear, guilt, and shame with being His witnesses. He wants us to see the opportunities that we have to speak of Jesus as a joyful expression of love. As witnesses Of Christ, we are privileged to be able to share the story of His amazing and unbridled love for us. When we share this story, we are expressing the highest form of love for our neighbor - the love of God that brings eternal life.

by Pr. Mark Wood



O ne of the differences between African and American culture is that in Africa it is normal to say, "I am lost. Please direct me to such and such place." On the other hand, it is often considered strange for an American man to ask for directions. When it comes to Christ the reverse is true, however. A person begins by admitting he or she is lost. This fact is



made clear in the Gospel Jesus proclaims: He is seeking those who are lost. Until a person realizes he or she hasn't got a clue where they're going, it isn't very likely they will be asking for directions. The purpose of Christ's coming -- and of His cross and the empty tomb of His resurrection -- is to find and redeem the lost, to draw sinners to Himself. In Christ alone we have our salvation and our ultimate direction. God is still seeking those who are lost. Through His Word and the work of the Holy Spirit He reaches out, guiding those who cling to Him in faith back into His loving will for their lives. And it is among those without direction who are lost that we must come alongside as God works through us -- His search and rescue team -- sharing the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ.

The Prayer: Dear Lord Jesus Christ, make us a part of Your search and rescue team, so that through us more people may be restored to Your eternal purpose for their lives. In the Name of Jesus, we pray. Amen

(This devotion is based on a text submitted by a volunteer with the Lutheran Hour Ministries' office in Uganda, known locally there as Lutheran Media Ministry. Established in Kampala in 1996, this ministry reaches people in this country of nearly 30 million using Bible Correspondence Courses (BCC), Equipping the Saints (ETS), the This is the Life television series, and through seasonal Gospel productions performed by the Lutheran Mission Choir).

Hospitalized?

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, have experienced a death in the family, are home bound, or scheduled to go to the hospital, please call Pastor Brandt (580-421-8108). Please

keep in mind that privacy laws also limit the information hospitals can share with us. Both Pastor Anderegg (573-528-



4597) and Pastor Brandt are available for any emergency, or any issue you and your loved ones might be having. Remember, our two pastors are here to serve you. Our Elders: Jeff Hedberg (573-819-4446), Joe Stauch (573-347-2903) and Earl Hartenstein (573-691-7117) will also assist in getting one of the pastors to follow up on any issue, not just hospitalization for you, a loved one or a death in the family. To find out which Elder you are assigned to, please see the bulletin board in the Narthex.





A New Year for Thrivent Choice Dollars[®]

You can still direct choice dollars for 2021 until **March 31, 2022**. If you're an eligible Thrivent member and have Choice Dollars[®] available to direct, please keep Peace in mind. You are able to direct the dollars when you want throughout the year. The funds are deposited after the month the funds are directed. For more information or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.



Article Apologetics The Holy Spirit

(Apologetics: to defend one's statement of truth or belief)

R ecent statistics state that there are currently more than 2.1 billion Christians - 32 percent of the world's population. What is the reason that Christianity gained such an enormous following when not forced to? How did it gain such a foothold in the first century

A.D. at a place where every effort was pursued to stamp it out? Why were the Roman authorities, heathen Greeks, and Jewish officials unable to thwart its growth? How did a following that began with a few humble, ordinary, and sometimes bumbling disciples grow to such a large population? And how is it that the world population of Christians keeps on growing against incredible odds through tyranny, threats, and ridicule? The early Christians faced beatings, death, and were shut off from society. It has happened down through the years to modern times, continuing in parts of the world that are hostile to the Word. There's no doubt that under normal circumstances people would just drop the subject and submit to the powers of this world. But they didn't – they don't. How can this be 2.1 billion. That's a fairly large number of people considering it began with a few followers of Jesus who were thought of as common men: who at times found Jesus' sayings to be confusing and were sometimes rebuked for their thoughts, words and deeds. For an answer to these questions a good place to



start is Acts Chapter 2. There the disciples were gathered together waiting, and all of a sudden a gust of wind came from Heaven and filled the entire house: tongues of fire appeared and rested on them. And they were filled with the Holy Spirit who gave them the ability to speak in other languages. A multitude of people from every nation came together and were amazed that these Galileans could speak in their language. Some thought they were drunk. But Peter arose and lifted up his voice, uttering from the prophet Joel Ch.2: vs.28-29, "And in the last days it shall be, God declares; that I will pour my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions and your old men shall dream dreams; even on my male servant and my female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit And they shall prophesy." And Peter continued with his sermon guided by the Holy Spirit. And by the time he was finished about three thousand souls were saved. And so it began!

Russell Schulz, Evangelism Chair

Comments from Our President

With the beginning of a new year, a favorite passage in the Bible comes to mind. Psalm 20:4 "May he give you the desire of your heart and make your plans succeed". This Psalm is very fitting considering we all in some form or fashion make our New Year resolutions that help us develop a path forward for the coming days.

As a congregation, we too will establish a path and it already looks bright. Our main focus is always spreading the word of our Lord Jesus Christ. We will continue to forge ahead, developing new ways to provide a welcoming place to worship and to reach out to our community, expanding our influence in the name of fellowship.

I look forward to working with everyone in exploring new ideas to help make Peace Lutheran grow even more. Peace and blessings to all, Jeff Emery



to Joe Stauch for two additional boxes on the credenza to house the Portals of Prayer, Strength of the Day, Lutheran Message, and the box that houses the previous weeks service folders. We cannot thank Joe enough for these gifts which help us keep the credenza in much better order.





Hats and Mittens Collection

Thank you to all the members who donated hats and mittens for the children of Ivy Bend in the month of January. Thanks to Paula Emery for the wonderful display.

LWML Christmas Stockings

\$161.57 was collected from the LWML Christmas Stockings. The money was used to purchase gifts for needy area students.



hank you for your continued support of the Pocket Change for Mites. The January & February dollar amounts will be listed in the March newsletter. Our next Mites collection will be March 6. You can bring your pocket change anytime during the month and drop the change in the LWML box located in the back of the church.

LWML members



Worship Schedule

Feb. 6 — Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
Presiding Pastor: Pastor Gary Brandt
Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service I, Nicene Creed
Hymns: 537 (1-2), 735, 740, 537 (3-4)

Feb. 13 —Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Richard Anderegg Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed Hymns: 395 (1-3), 398 (1-4), 633 (1-6), 395 (4-5)

Feb. 20 — Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
Presiding Pastor: Pastor Gary Brandt
Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed
Hymns: 575 (1-2), 588, 611, 575 (3-4)

Feb. 27 — The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Richard Anderegg **Liturgy and Creed:** Divine Service I, Nicene Creed **Hymns:** 873, 414, 440, 740



Servants of God

Elder: Joe Stauch Altar Guild: Jaccy Heinlein

February 6

Organist: Diana Schwab Ushers: Bob & Penny Hansen, Paul Bartels Counters: Joe & Vicki Stauch

February 13

Organist: Pastor Brandt Ushers: Earl & Shelia Hartenstein, Jeff & Paula Emery Counters: Bob & Diane Borgmann

February 20

Organist: Diana Schwab Ushers: Bob & Diane Borgmann, Sheryl Bald, Mic Carlson, Rodney Schulz Counters: Mic Carlson

February 27

Organist: Pastor Brandt Ushers: Jeff & Dawn Hedberg, Russell Schulz Counters: Ed & Jaccy Heinlein

Jan. 11 Council Meeting

Vice President Bob Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.Pastor Brandt opened with prayer. The following board members were present: **Pastors:** Pastor Anderegg and Pastor Brandt, **Pres.** Jeff Emery, **Vice Pres.** Bob Hansen, **Sec.** Susan Kral, **Evangelism** Russell Schulz, **Cemetery** Diane Borgmann, **Stewardship** Dawn Hedberg, **Education** Sara Anderegg **Member at Large** Paula Emery, **Board of Trustees** Chuck Kral, and **Board of Elders** Jeff Hedberg **Absent: Treas.** Peg Callahan and **Financial Sec.** Vicki Stauch

The minutes from the November 2021 meeting were approved as printed. The December 2021 meeting was cancelled.

Financial Secretary: There was no report.

Treasurer: Jeff Emery presented Peg's report. There is a question regarding a payment of \$89.47 to a guest speaker. Jeff will find out what that payment actually was for. The report was accepted and approved.

Elders: Jeff Hedberg reported the following:

- Charlie Gifford resigned his elder position due to his moving out of town. Earl Hartenstein has agreed to complete Charlie's term. At the end of the term, he will reevaluate continuing. The board will recommend that voters approve both the resignation and Earl's position.
- Jaccy Heinlein has asked for support for her granddaughter's mission. A council member will ask her to make a presentation to the congregation.
- A different order of worship will be used once a month.

The report was accepted and approved.

Member at Large: No report

Trustees: Chuck reported the following:

- Chuck, Pat, and Jeff Emery mowed the church grounds when necessary.
- Chuck installed a new light fixture in the sound room.
- Chuck replaced burnt out bulbs in the kitchen.
- Best Pest Control sprayed the property in October.
- Chuck took cans to recycling in November. The LWML was given \$14.00 for mites.
- Chuck spoke with the Main Street Asphalt crew. They need to return and fix some cracks.

- Pat Callahan and Jeff Emery cleaned up leaves in the front. Pat burned them.
- Chuck spoke with the propane company. He got a special rate of \$1.99 per gallon.
- Chuck and Pat put the blade on the tractor and pushed leaves into the ditch.
- Pat changed all the bulbs in the sanctuary with assistance from Peg Callahan, Sheryl Bald and Chuck.
- Chuck welded the leaf vacuum support bracket.
- At present we have no snow removal company. Chuck will contact a company he knows of. The council authorized Jeff Emery to accept the bid.

The council requests that all cans brought for recycling be emptied!

The report was accepted and approved. The council appreciates all that our trustees are doing.

Education: Sara stated that she will begin making Vacation Bible School plans. Her report was accepted and approved.

Evangelism: Russell reported the following:

- The Life Line screening was successful. He plans to schedule two screenings in 2022.
- The "Lake Sun" ads for our Thanksgiving and Christmas were well done.
- Sheryl Bald made Advent and Christmas Eve posters that were put up in various businesses.
- 178 outreach cards were sent in November. 147 were sent in December. Voters will be asked to move the cost of these mailings into the advertising budget.

Russell asked board approval for the following expenses:

- Local Chambers of Commerce: \$225.00
- Festival of Lights:\$225.00
- Lake Chamber Directory\$265.00
- Lake Media Thanksgiving and Christmas ads.....\$ 75.00
- One Year Lake Media weekly ads....\$468.00

The council approved the expenditures. Russell's report was approved and accepted. The council appreciates his dedication.

Stewardship: Dawn explained that donations to missionaries must go through the Synod Board of International Missions. More information regarding a donation to the Huttons who are serving in Costa Rica, will be presented at the Jan. 18 Voters Meeting. Her report was accepted and approved.

Cemetery: Diane thanked Rodney Schulz for removing leaves from the cemetery. The report was approved and accepted.

Pastors' Reports:

Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- He attended the Pastors' Conference in Sedalia on January 11.
- He passed out brochures with information regarding the Sedalia Circuit Lutheran Heritage Tour being held September13-16, 2022.

Pastor Anderegg reported the following:

- Things are going smoothly.
- Ash Wednesday is March 2. He will be leading Lenten services.

Their reports were approved and accepted.

President's Reports: Jeff Emery reported the following:

- Jeff thanks all who cleaned the church and put up Christmas decorations.
- Many thanks to Pastor and Sara Anderegg for the gifts of a Rumba Robot and a color printer.

Continuing Business:

Arrangements have been made with the sign company for them to submit a quote for brackets to hold the sign. An update will be given at the Voters Meeting.

New Business:

- It was decided that a soup, salad and dessert meal will be served at the Jan 18 Voters Meeting. A sign-up sheet will be available.
- Installation of officers will take place on Jan. 23, 2022.
- There was discussion regarding the purchasing of new lawn equipment. Chuck Kral presented a quotation from The Motor Hut in Camdenton. The council agreed that the equipment is in poor condition. Information will be presented at the April Voters Meeting.

Both old and new reports were approved and accepted. The meeting was adjourned. Pastor Anderegg closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Kral, Secretary



"I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all, but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess."

Martin Luther

STewardship

God in Man Made Manifest

The season of Epiphany focuses on how God was made manifest in the flesh of Jesus. The church spends time hearing of the miracles, signs, and wonders of Jesus in the world. And this made plain to all that Jesus really is who He said He was. He is the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the only begotten Son of the Father, in the flesh. For "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14).

It is revealed for all the world to see that Jesus is God in the flesh. It is made manifest by His words and His work, by what He said and by what He did. And these belong together, for "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." Jesus is the Word and will of God in the flesh, that is, He is the walking, talking enactment of God's Word.

It is no different for us. We are called not just to believe in God in hearts but also to trust in God in word and deed. As James wrote: "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" (James 1:22), and again, "What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? ... So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ... Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. ... For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead" (James 2:14, 17-18.26).

Our faith is lived out in works for our neighbor. Our

trust in the Word and will of God is lived out not in word only but also in deed and in truth. In other words, the Epiphany of the Lord creates in us an epiphany of our faith in our works

of obedience to God who commanded them. By this, our faith is made manifest to the world. It

is, as Luther wrote of faith:

Faith is a divine work in us. It changes us and makes us to be born anew of God (John 1). It kills the old Adam and makes altogether different people, in heart and spirit and mind and powers, and it brings with it the Holy Spirit.

Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly. It does not ask whether there are good works to do, but before the question rises, it has already done them, and is always at the doing of them.

He who does not these works is a faithless man. He gropes and looks about after faith and good works and knows neither what faith is nor what good works are, though he talks and talks, with many words about faith and good works.

Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man would stake his life on it a thousand times. This confidence in God's grace and knowledge of it makes men glad and bold and happy in

Faith is a *divine work* in us.

> men glad and bold and happy in dealing with God and all His creatures. And this is the work of the Holy Spirit in faith. Hence a man is ready and glad, without compulsion, to do good to everyone, to serve everyone, to suffer everything, in love and praise to God, who has shown him this grace.

> And thus it is impossible to separate works from faith, quite as impossible as to separate burning and shining from fire. Beware, therefore, of your own false notions and of the idle talkers, who would be wise enough to make decisions about faith and good works, and yet are the greatest fools. (Preface to the Book of Romans)

> So, then, let our faith be active by God's power in the Word through the Holy Spirit. And let then our faith be made manifest to the world by what this faith does: serving our neighbor – in church, in the family, and society – with the works of faith in time, talents, and treasures. Reprinted from the LCMS Stewardship Ministry website

Update About Bob Mueller

After Bob's bout with COVID & pneumonia, his family felt he needed to be in a Nursing Home. Bob is residing at Lacoba Nursing Home, Inc., Room 407, 850 US Hwy 60, Monett, MO 65708. The nursing home's telephone number is 417-235-7895, but you can continue to reach him on his cell phone at 573-372-5093. He appears to be doing well.



A Note About Recycling Aluminum Cans

The council requests that **all cans** brought for recycling be **emptied** & **crushed** before they are brought to the

church. By taking these extra steps when recycling your cans the floor of the shed will remain clean and be ready for recycling. We hope you will continue to recycle. Thank you for your understanding!!!

Also **save** the **can tab** for the LWML. When enough tabs are collected, they will be taken to McDonalds for the Ronald McDonald House. The box for the tabs is located inside the door of the Narthex.

Norma Flenker's Service: The Visitation and Inurnment Service for Norma and Jerry Flenker will be held Saturday February 19, 2022, at Mt. Moriah Funeral Home, 10507 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131.mVisitation will be from 12 noon until 1 pm, the Memorial Service will start around 1 pm. If anyone in our congregation would like to speak about Norma and Jerry at the Memorial Service, you are invited to do so. Harold (Jerry) and Norma joined Peace January 16, 1994. Jerry passed January 30, 2014. Norma remained a member at Peace after Jerry's death, until she moved to Riverstone RLC. She transferred her membership December 29, 2020, and passed on December 21, 2021. They were both very active in the church. May God's blessing continue forever with them.



Sedalia Circuit Lutheran Heritage Tour

Sept. 13-16, 2022

Registration opens:

Mar. 1, 2022

Now is your opportunity to learn more about our Lutheran heritage!

We welcome you to join us on a fourday tour of the Lutheran historical sites of the Saxon Lutheran immigrants in Perry County and St. Louis, Missouri. Along the way, we will discover what the

beginnings of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod have grown into today. **Be sure to ask about Early Bird registration pricing!** Explore and learn more about our Lutheran heritage comfortably in a chartered bus!

Contact:

Pastor Carl Wendorff Faith Lutheran Church Warsaw, MO 406-630-2283, pastor.wendorff@gmail.com





Church Officers for 2022

January 23 Peace installed and recognized the Officers and Directors elected by the Voters to serve during 2022.

President Jeff Em Vice President Bob Han Secretary Susan F Treasurer Peggy Callal	sen Kral
Financial SecVicki Sta	
EldersJeff Hedb	-
Joe Sta	
Earl Hartens	tein
TrusteesChuck M	Kral
Rodney Scl	hulz
Pat Calla	han
Dir EducationSara Ander	egg
Dir Evangelism. Russell Sch	ulz
Dir Stewardship Dawn Hedl	berg

We also installed	d and recognize		
the Officers of the LWML.			
President	Sara Anderegg		
Vice President	Sheryl Bald		
Secretary	Vicki Lamb		
Treasurer	Susan Kral		

Serving in the Mission Field

The Elders, Council and Voters approved to make a donation to Ethan & Amanda Hutton in Costa Rica and gather a love offering for Autumn Reed who will have a three month stay in Africa.

ormer public high school teachers, Ethan & Amanda Hutton, along with their two children Aubree & August, serve as mission partners in Costa Rica.

Ethan and **Amanda** lead and work with Light-House Transformation Ministries (LightHouse), a Costa Rican non-profit, religious association that works against the prevalent cycles of poverty, broken families, abuse, and human trafficking in the communities of Parrita, Costa Rica.

Before moving to Costa Rica in August 2017, **Ethan** and **Amanda** were public high school teachers in Schuyler, Nebraska.

They were both Concordia University, Nebraska graduates. **Amanda** has earned degrees in Spanish and education and a master's degree in TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages). **Ethan** has earned degrees in theology and biology along with his teaching certificate later on.





Serving the Lord in Costa Rica

"I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then I said, 'Here I am! Send me.'" Isaiah 6:8



he Elders, Church Council and January 18 Voters Meeting all agreed to provide the opportunity for a Love Offering for Autumn Reed.

I am **Autumn Reed** from Rockledge, Fl., the granddaughter of Ed and Jaccy Heinlein. After many months of praying and being in God's Word, the Lord is directing me to Kansas City, Missouri and overseas for the sake of His Name and the Gospel. I am 19 years old and this is not an easy decision or path to take but I am confident in the Lord and His plan and my sufficiency, safety, and trust is in Him. I am learning Arabic and will be sent to North Africa in May. I have been going through security training, life discipleship, Biblical studies classes, emergency situation training, learning to speak Arabic and transportation training through the Fusion program at Spurgeon College in K.C. I thank you all for your prayers and support. *Autumn Reed* Romans 10:13-15

You can support Autumn by giving a check here at Peace on February 6 and 13. There is a special offering basket marked "Fusion: Autumn Reed" Donation located on the credenza in the Narthex. The checks should be made out to MBTS and include "Fusion: Autumn Reed" on the memo line. The Fusion Program partners with the International Mission Board.

January 18 Voters Meeting

Following a potluck dinner, President Jeff Emery called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. There were 22 members present. Pastor Brandt opened with prayer. The minutes of the October 19, 2021 Voters Meeting were approved as printed.

Reports:

- 1. **Treasurer's Report:** The fourth quarter report was submitted. Jeff Emery read the report. The report was accepted and approved.
- 2. **Financial Secretary's Report:** The Financial Report was distributed. The report was accepted and approved. Thank you to Vicki Stauch for her time and work.
- 3. There were no questions regarding church council minutes.
- 4. Auxiliary Organization reports. LWML: Sheryl Bald reported the following:
 - The LWML Christmas party was held on December 15. Eighteen people attended. Thank you Paula Emery for providing a really nice event.
 - The First Sunday congregation mite contributions, for the year 2021, totaled \$304.20.
 - LWML members donated \$167.57 to the Christmas Stocking fund. The money was used to purchase Christmas gifts for needy area students.
 - New officers were elected for 2022. Sara Anderegg is now the President. Sheryl Bald is the Vice President.
 - Dawn Hedberg will audit the 2021 books. **Thrivent:** Jaccy reminded members to designate Choice Dollars before March 31.

5. Pastors' Reports:

Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- He has attended the monthly Circuit Pastors' Conferences.
- He will preach and conduct Bible class the last two Sundays of January and the first Sunday of February.

Pastor Anderegg reported the following:

- He and Sara will be out of town for several days beginning January 20.
- He visited Bob Mueller who is recovering nicely.

President's Report: Jeff's report is printed in the January newsletter council report.

Continuing Business:

- Voters were asked to approve a \$1,500.00 donation to the Hutton family for their mission work in Costa Rica. Voters approved making the donation. The donation will be made through proper Missouri Synod channels.
- Jaccy Heinlein has requested donations for her granddaughter's mission work in Africa. Voters approved the gathering of a love offering to be collected on two Sundays.
- The company that is making our new sign will also build the base to support the sign.
- Chuck Kral will contact the asphalt company to refill parking lot cracks when warmer weather is here.

New Business:

- Voters approved the appointment of Earl Hartenstein as elder for one year. He is replacing Charlie Gifford who has moved out of the area.
- Bob Borgmann thanked Joe Stauch, Vicki Stauch, and Carol Murrell for the new Christmas window decorations.
- Peg Callahan stated that Tristan Lewis commented on how beautifully decorated the church was. Tristan will be sent a thank you note for his wonderful solo on Christmas Eve.
- Penny Hansen stated that Easter lilies will need to be ordered soon.
- The \$89.42 charged to the guest speaker account should have been charged to office supplies.

Closing:

Pastor Anderegg closed with prayer. Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral



GEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Ed Heinlein	4 Fellowship and Game Night 6 p.m.	5
6 Worship 9 am Bible Study/SS 10:15 a.m.	7 Elders Meeting 9:30 am	8	9	10	11	12 Sarah Sosnowski
13 Worship 9 am Bible Study/SS 10:15 a.m.	14 NO LWML Mtg. Happy Valentine's Day!	15 Council Mtg. 7 pm	16	17	18	19
20 Worship 9 am Bible Study/SS 10:15 a.m. Hayden Carlson	21 _{Newsletter} Deadline 9 am	22	23	24 Sara Anderegg	25	26
27 Worship 9 am Transfiguration of Our Lord Bible Study/SS 10:15 am	28		B' Ç			



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Worship Schedules		The Lord's Servants at Peace
Sunday Worship* Bible Class/Sun. School	9:00 am 10:30 am	• Elders—Monday before Council Meeting 9:30 am Chairman: Jeff Hedberg; Earl Hartenstein, Joe Stauch
 Wednesday Evening Services: Ash Wednesday During Lent During Advent 	6:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	 Council—2nd Tuesday of each Month 6:30 pm President: Jeff Emery; Vice President: Bob Hansen Secretary: Susan Kral; Financial Secretary: Vicki Stauch Treasurer: Peggy Callahan Stewardship Chairman As announced Dawn Hedberg
 Holy Week Maundy Thursday* Good Friday Service Easter Sunday* 9:00 am Thanksgiving Eve Service 	6:00 pm 6:00 pm	 Evangelism Chairman As announced Russell Schulz Education Sara Anderegg Trustees As announced Chuck Kral, Pat Callahan, Rodney Schulz, Pat Callahan
Wednesday Evening	6:00 pm	• LWML—2nd Monday of March-November 9:30 am President: Sara Anderegg
Christmas Evening Service	6:00 pm	Altar Guild As announced Diane Borgmann
*Holy Communion		Bible StudiesAs announcedElected Offices