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# **The Narrow Door**

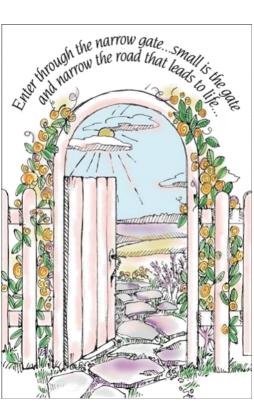
t both of our seminaries, in St. Louis and Ft. Wayne, ALL students are emphasized the importance of preaching both Law and Gospel in every sermon. It is sometimes difficult to pick out one or the other in some texts (usually one of the three Scripture Readings for that particular Sunday). But in the text for this past Sunday, Luke 13:22-30, (August 21, 2022), both Law and Gospel are rather apparent. Make no mistake—the Law is clear! Jesus is asked, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" His answer: "Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able." The word "strive" is not only a

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verb, meaning action, but it is called an imperative, which is a command. We are commanded to STRIVE to enter through the narrow door! And what happens if we don't? The door will be closed and we will be left to stand outside and beg to be let in. But Jesus will say, "I do not know where you come from." And "in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." The Law is pretty clear, isn't it! There are only two paths—the narrow door to heaven or the wide door to hell. How sad that so many people think that their good works—their staying out of trouble and being good citizens will get them to heaven. How sad that many believe that since Jesus loves all people, that everyone is going to heaven. And how sad that a growing number of people don't even believe that hell exists: that when you die life is over. They believe that some people will go to heaven, but they could care less—their life will simply be over—the end of their earthly journey has arrived. The time of grace will end on the Last Day—the time of grace will end when the door that has stood open all this

time is finally closed. The owner of the house will turn away from Him those who have nothing in common with Him. And those who did not enter through the narrow door will stand there in shock, in anguish, in desperation, filled with rage! That, my friends, is the Law in this text! And by the way, not only should every sermon have both Law and Gospel, but the sweet words of the Gospel should come after



the Law, leaving us filled with the hope and promise of eternal life. So what is the Gospel in this text? Jesus is the narrow door. He tells us that people will come from the east and west, north and south, taking their places at the royal feast in heaven. Jesus, the narrow door, is there, drawing all people unto Himself. He has come into this world (and our church at Peace) to teach and preach His saving Word. He is calling out to you. He does not wish to slam the door in anyone's face but wants each one to enter into the feast He has prepared. This is the call of the Gospel, the universal call to all humanity for all time. This is God's call to you. God is gracious to you. He speaks His sacred Word of Absolution: "I forgive you all your sins." As you partake of the Lord's Supper, you have a foretaste of the eternal feast of heaven, the very body and blood of the sacrificial Lamb of God. God uses these Means of Grace to keep you on the path to the narrow door. He uses these Means to guarantee your salvation. These are the sweet words of the Gospel: Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved! Thus, when you die, your earthly pilgrimage is over—but immediately your eternal destiny begins. Jesus is in Paradise waiting for you. Be prepared—He will come like a thief in the night! For no one knows that day or hour of His return! But then, eternity in Paradise begins! What a joy that will be. In the meantime, cast all your cares upon Him and be at peace!

Pastor Gary Brandt



Pat removed all of the old lights and stained the cross in front of the church. He removed the old cross by the sign, assisted with base removal and filled in the base hole. Bob Hansen removed all of the electrical hazards. Thanks Pat and Bob!



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sept. 2 Carolyn Hyser Sept. 3 Robert Hansen

Sept. 3 Robert HansenSept. 6 Fred & Wanda Johnston

Sept. 6 Fred & Wanda 30. Sept. 12 Sam Gilliam

Sept. 20 Bob & Diane Borgmann

Sept. 24 Vicki Lamb Sept. 27 Rodney Schulz

# 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), 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.



# Our Inheritance

And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, "Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea," saith the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Revelation 14:13 (KJV)

ver the years I've known an awful lot of young people who wanted to become park rangers. The idea of being outside and communing with God's creation had a great appeal for them. Still, I wonder how many of those young people would change their minds if they heard of a job that recently fell to the National Park Rangers in Petersburg, Va. The park rangers were in that town to search a home during a criminal investigation. During the course of their visit they came upon a very nice Civil War artillery shell. With the amount of explosives the North and South lobbed at each other during the Civil War finding an unexploded shell in Virginia is not a rare occurrence. The question that always remains is this: "Can the shell explode almost 150 years after it was fired?" The answer to that question is "yes." Three years ago a relic hunter was killed when a shell exploded in the driveway of his home. Imagine that ... long after the war is over ... after all the combatants are dead and buried ... what they left behind can still be deadly. I think many of the things we do both good and bad are the same way. Think for a moment. Can you not recall a sainted teacher or grandparent who passed on some bit of wisdom? How about a classmate who said a cruel thing to you? Both of those actions from long ago live on. We remember, don't we? We remember both the good and the bad things that have been said and done to us. Like it says in Revelation, "... their works do follow them." Now I can't say if people a few thousand years from today will remember what we do or say, but it's certain we will make an impact on the next generation, and they will touch the generation that comes after them. This is why, in thanks to the Savior who has redeemed us, we ought to try and pass on that which will build them up and edify.

**The Prayer:** Dear Lord, since my works, both good and bad, will follow after me and touch lives when I am gone, grant me the grace to say and do that builds up others and glorifies the Savior. In Jesus' Name I ask it. Amen.

by Pr. Ken Klaus, Speaker Emeritus, LHM

## Reminder

We ask every member and visitor to fill out an attendance card each Sunday. For our members, this is done to record attendance and communion. The attendance and communion record assist our Elders in their duties. The attendance cards are located in the box in the pew. Please take time to complete a card each week and place it in the offering plate as you leave.



# **ALTAR GUILD**

# Opportunities for Service

Why do we want to make the house of God and our worship of God as reverent and beautiful as possible? Such a desire is of God and for God. He is present in our churches. Through His Word and sacraments, Christ comes to us as we are gathered together in His name. He speaks to us, and we speak to Him. He gives to us, and we give to Him. God is present.

As women make their homes as beautiful as possible for their loved ones, so we, loving God above all things, want to make His house and our worship of Him even more beautiful than our private homes. Whatever we do in humble and adoring faith to achieve this end is a distinct service of love. Please consider volunteering.



# **Answering Objections to the Faith**

from The Reason I Believe by Allen Quist The Problem of Evil cont'd

# Today's Subject: **Does God use our suffering for His purposes and our good?**

hy did God allow Job to be afflicted the way he was? A partial answer is that we can see that God refined Job with fire; he was made into a better person after his suffering in that he gained far more knowledge. wisdom, and understanding than he had before. He was also humbled as well. The same is true for the suffering God's people experience today. Romans 8:28 says, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. "That's God's promise to us, and when He says "all things" He means just that. He will see that everything that happens to us including pain and suffering will benefit us. He may refine us with fire, as He did with Job. to better equip us to be His servants. God's message to us is the same as His message to Job: "You need to trust Me. You may think you know better, but you don't. Just trust Me." As Paul says in Romans 8:37-39, "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors

through Him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor all things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. Job understood this as he said in Job 19:25-27: "For I know my redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me." Yes, God's people experience grief, pain, and suffering, but we do so trusting in Him--trusting that all our suffering will be used for that which is good and knowing that we await the final chapter of human history as John describes in Revelation 21:3-5. Some will ask why doesn't God do something about suffering and evil? We say he has. He sent His Son Jesus to live and die on the cross for us so that our sins could be forgiven and we could live in fellowship with Him now and spend eternity with Him in heaven.

**Next month's question:** Why did God create a world that He knew would turn to evil? by Russ Schulz, Evangelism Chair



### **Every One His Witness**

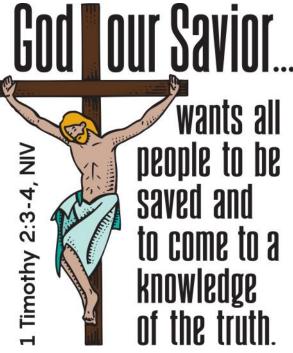
### The Revealed Love Of God

"This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and come to the know-ledge of truth." 1 Timothy 2:3-4

There are two indisputable and irreconcilable truths revealed to us in God's Word.

- 1. The Lord desires all people to be saved.
- 2. God has chosen (and therefore knows) a limited number of people who will be saved.

That both of these things are true creates a tension called a paradox. Any attempt on our part to resolve this paradox will fail. But there is a way for us to come to terms with it. That way is found in recognizing that God reveals two different perspectives in these two truths. One is of His mind, the other is of His heart. Rather than being concerned with the knowledge of that which God has not revealed to us, a witness is focused on what



God has made known to us regarding His heart. God wants us to know that it is His desire that all people would hear the truth of the Gospel and come to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. It may seem odd to us that God desires something that He knows will not happen, but when we recognize that in 1 Timothy, the Lord is revealing His heart to us rather than His mind, it starts to become clearer. Still the mystery remains: God wants all people to be saved but He has not chosen all people for salvation. Whatever God's reasons for choosing a limited number of people for salvation, His love for all human beings is genuine. Being guided by and grounded in the heart of God frees us as Christ's witnesses to share with everyone the love of the God who wants all people to know the life and salvation only found in Jesus. How to share? Use the LASSIE approach: Listen, Ask, Seek, Share, Invite, Encourage.

Pr. Mark Wood director of LCMS Witness & Outreach Ministry





Sunday, August 14, Pudge McCloud became a member of Peace through Rite of Confirmation. Welcome to the Peace family Pudge.



A visitation and memorial service was held August 11 at Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Laurie, MO for Mary Matthies the grandmother of Tristan and Lilyan Lewis and wife of Bill Matthies.



# **August 8 LWML Meeting**

Pastor Anderegg continued our Bible study on the book of Ruth.

Eight members answered roll call using a Bible verse with the word gossip.

Sara passed around the July minutes. Minutes were approved as printed.

Susan handed out the treasurer's report. Treasurer's report was approved as printed.

President's Report: The Zone Board Meeting and the Spring 2023 Rally planning meeting will be held on September 15 in Warsaw. St. Paul, Stover, Faith, Warsaw and Peace will be hosting the rally. More information will be provided in New Business. An invitation will be created to announce the 2023 Spring rally which will be handed out at the Fall rally in October.

The Fall Rally flyer was handed out to members. The rally will be held on October 4 at Trinity in Clinton. The speaker will be Emily Stocking of Zoe's Home in Clinton. A donation of \$50 dollars will be given to Zoe's Home.

Cathie gave the Mites reading Satan's Garage Sale and the offering bags were passed around.

**Committees:** Susan took can tabs to the Ronald

McDonald house. No report was given regarding Best Choice labels and the kitchen. Deb Mayes agreed to take the position of Human Care.

### **Old Business:**

Diane Borgmann is working on the All-Saints Banners.

Pastor's conference: Cindy will provide two dozen buns and two bags of chips. A couple of members will bring toasters for the bagels.

We discussed the ladies tea at length. Invitations will be sent out the week of August 14 to the following churches: Our Savior, Kent. Westlake, Christ the King, Hope, Grace and Ozark Methodist along with the ladies of Peace. Paula will make the table favors. The following people will host tables: Cathie, Peggy, Carol, Sara, Susan, and Deb. We will have a free will donation which will be sent to Ukraine Relief. The program will be presented by Ruth Oexman, a friend of Carol's from Kansas City, will discuss her escape from communism.

We reviewed the LWML member sheet Sheryl revised last month. One more addition was made.

**New Business:** Sara wanted our input regarding the spring rally location, theme and speaker for the Spring rally.

Sheryl volunteered to do the manual since she had the manual from the last spring rally we hosted with Warsaw. We decided Proverbs 31 would be a good choice for a theme.

We tabled the reorganizing of the kitchen and fund raiser ideas.

With no further business, the meeting was closed with the prayer from the Bible study book on Ruth. Sheryl Bald, acting secretary

Please save the pop can tabs and Best Choice labels.



### **Attention Ladies of Peace!**

Please join us on **Friday, September 23** for the **Ladies Tea**. The program speaker will be **Ruth Oexman**. She will speak about her escape from communism. Ruth was born in Latvia and as a child, her family escaped from Russia for their freedom. She will tell us about that life and what is happening in Ukraine today and how it is affecting her.

Ruth has been back to Latvia two times to try to find her family but wasn't able to do that.

Registration from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m., a free will donation at the door will be sent to the Ukraine Relief.

Please RSVP by Thursday, September 15 to Sara Anderegg at 573-433-5152 or email Sara at saraanderegg87@gmail.com.





# Sedalia Zone LWML Fall Rally

**Tuesday, October 4** 

9:10 a.m. to Noonish

**Trinity Lutheran** 

1267 E. Highway 7 Clinton

Registration/light brunch at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting begins at 9:10 a.m.

**Speaker:** Emily Stocking of Zoe's Home, Clinton

### Ingathering and Love Offering

We are asking for monetary donations to help Zoe's Home meet the \$50,000 from the Million Dollar Life Matching Grant through the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod! These funds will be used towards operating the home. When you donate \$1, LCMS matches a dollar. Please make checks out to Trinity Lutheran Church with Zoe's Home in the memo.

### What is Zoe's Home?

Zoe's Home is a maternity and parenting home operated by Trinity Lutheran Church of Clinton, MO. We strive to provide women an opportunity to restore, redirect, and redeem their lives and the lives of their children through the love of Christ.

# Stewardship

# What is Stewardship?

hat is a steward?
Most people, when asked this question, will reply: "A manager." That is correct, but it is only half right. A steward is indeed a manager, but he is a manager of what does not belong to him. Someone else is the owner, and the steward manages the owner's property on the owner's behalf.

We are God's stewards. Our stewardship is that God has made us managers of what belongs to Him. For we have brought nothing into this world, and we can take nothing out of it (1 Tim. 6:7). Everything that we have and everything that we are comes from God's fatherly Divine goodness and mercy. God is the owner. Not only because, as the Creator, He created all things. But also, as the Redeemer, He has redeemed, that is, purchased and won all things. It all, therefore, belongs to Him.

We are simply managers of everything in this world. Like Joseph in Egypt, we are put in charge of managing what belongs to God. What a privilege. Think about that for a minute. The all-knowing, all-powerful, all-wise God has asked us to manage His possessions on His behalf here on earth. And by doing this, He invites us to take part in the allocation of His good gifts. He wants us to give our input and

advise Him in where His gifts are to be used. What a privilege indeed.

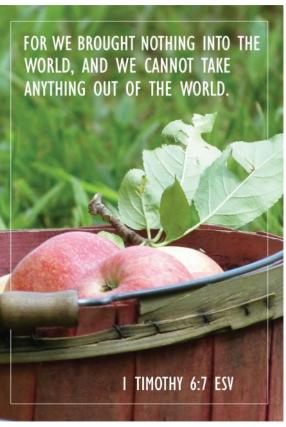
What a responsibility. For to whom much is given, much shall be required (Luke 12:48).

We are not the owners. And while He puts us as managers, we are still to do with His property what He wants done with it. That means we need to know what His desire and will for His property is.

How do we know this? How can we know the will and mind of God? We find the will of God in the Bible. There God tells us what His will for all His gifts are to be used. He tells us how we are to spend our time and use our talents and treasures. He instructs us in the use of our minds, bodies, and souls.

There is nothing that we have that doesn't belong to Him. "Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price" (1 Cor. 6:19–20). He informs us of the big picture, the overarching policy, of how we as His stewards – His managers and custodians – of His property are to do the managing.

And that is what stewardship is. It is simply doing what God wants us to do with what He has given us. As St. Paul said: "Do not present your



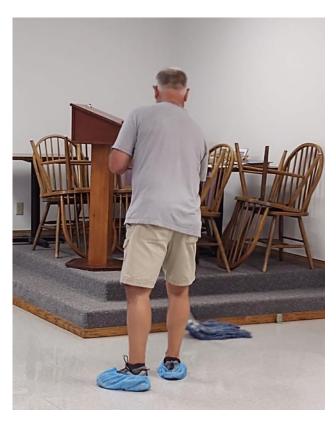
members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness" (Rom. 6:13). So, let's dive into the God's Word and listen to what the owner desires from His stewards. Reprinted from LCMS Stewardship Ministry: lcms.org/stewardship

# The Fellowship Hall Gets a Face Lift

On August 19, 20 & 21, the fellowship hall floor and kitchen was scrubbed and waxed. Thanks to Don, Chuck and Jeff Emery for doing a wonderful job.









### Worship Schedule and Servants of God

**Elder:** Jeff Hedberg **Altar Guild:** Susan Kral

**September 4—Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost** 

Presiding Pastor: Pastor Richard Anderegg Liturgy and Creed: Divine Service I, Apostles' Creed

**Hymns:** 728 (1, 2, 5), 644, 643, 922 **Organist:** Pastor Gary Brandt

**Ushers:** Bob & Penny Hansen, Paul Bartels

**Counters:** Joe & Vicki Stauch

September II—Fourteenth Sun. of Pentecost

**Presiding Pastor:** Pastor Gary Brandt

**Liturgy and Creed:** Divine Service I, Nicene Creed

**Hymns:** 790, 850, 617, 722 **Organist:** Diana Schwab

Ushers: Earl & Shelia Hartenstein, Jeff & Paula Emery

Counters:

September 18—Fifteenth Sun. of Pentecost

**Presiding Pastor:** Pastor Gary Brandt

**Liturgy and Creed:** Divine Service I, Nicene Creed

**Hymns:** 903, 703, 655, 924 **Organist:** Diana Schwab

Ushers: Diane Borgmann, Sheryl Bald, Rodney Schulz

Flowers:

**Counters:** Brett & Cindy Niebur

**September 25—Sixteenth Sun. of Pentecost** 

**Presiding Pastor:** Pastor Rick Anderegg

Liturgy & Creed: Divine Service III, Apostles' Creed

**Hymns:** 804, 575, 704, 919 **Organist:** Diana Schwab

**Ushers:** Jeff & Dawn Hedberg, Russell Schulz

Flowers:

**Counters:** Matt & Deb Mayes



## Worship Schedules

Sunday Worship*	9:00 am
Bible Class/Sun. School	10:30 am

### **Wednesday Evening Services:**

<ul> <li>Ash Wednesday</li> </ul>	6:00 pm
• During Lent	6:00 pm
During Advent	6:00 pm

### **Holy Week**

<ul> <li>Maundy Thursday*</li> </ul>	6:00 pm
<ul> <li>Good Friday Service</li> </ul>	6:00 pm
Easter Sunday*	9:00 am

### Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday Evening 6:00 pm

### Christmas

Evening Service 6:00 pm

\*Holy Communion

### The Lord's Servants at Peace

• Elders—Monday before Council Meeting 9:30 am Chairman: Jeff Hedberg, Earl Hartenstein, Joe Stauch

• 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** As announced Dawn Hedberg

• Evangelism As announced Russell Schulz

Education

Sara Anderegg

• **Trustees** As announced Chuck Kral, Rodney Schulz, Pat Callahan

• LWML—2nd Monday from March—November 9:30 am President: Sara Anderegg

• Altar Guild As announced Diane Borgmann

Bible Studies As announced

• Elected Offices

# August 9, 2022 Council Meeting

Vice President Bob Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Pastor Anderegg opened with prayer.

The following board members were present: Pastors: Pastor Anderegg and Pastor Brandt, Vice Pres.: Bob Hansen, Pres.: Jeff Emery, Sec.: Susan Kral, Board of Elders: Jeff Hedberg, Education: Sara Anderegg, Cemetery: Diane Borgmann, Stewardship: Dawn Hedberg, Evangelism: Russell Schulz, Member at Large: Paula Emery, Board of Trustees: Chuck Kral, and Church Members: Brett and Cindy Niebur

**Absent: Treasurer:** Peg Callahan and **Financial Sec.:** Vicki Stauch

The minutes from the July 2022 meeting were approved as printed.

**Financial Secretary:** Jeff Emery presented Vicki's report. It was accepted and approved.

**Treasurer:** Jeff Emery presented Peggy's report. The report was accepted and approved.

**Elders:** Jeff Hedberg reported that the return to using the Common Cup for members who chose that option went smoothly. The report was accepted and approved.

**Trustees:** Chuck submitted the following report:

- Chuck, Pat, and Jeff Emery have attended to mowing our property.
- Chuck sprayed for weeds in several areas.
- He reglued fittings on the cemetery water hydrant.
- Penny Hansen, Susan Kral, and Chuck collaborated to get the portable announcement sign sold for \$200.00.
- Bushes by the fellowship hall entryway were trimmed. Thank you to Rodney Schulz.
- Chuck presented a contract from Tom's Heating and Air for bi-annual checks of our heating and cooling systems.

His report was accepted and approved.

**Education:** Sara reported the following:

- At this time there is one student enrolled in Greenview Lutheran High School.
- The school's starting date is August 23, 2022. Classes will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays and will meet from 8:15-3:00.

- A request was made that the school be allowed to promote Greenview Lutheran High School by using our electronic sign. The council granted that request.
- A bank account for the school was opened.
- Cindy Niebur has agreed to teach one day a week

Her report was accepted and approved.

**Evangelism:** Russell reported the following:

- 207 outreach cards were sent at a cost of \$184.23.
- He has posted information on Facebook.
- Our Facebook account now has 64 followers.

His report was accepted and approved.

**Stewardship**: Dawn commented on the newsletter appearance and quality.

Each issue looks really professional.

Member at Large: Paula had no report.

**Cemetery:** Diane reported the following:

- Evelyn Marg was buried on July 22, 2022. The plot was filled in nicely.
- She has updated the cemetery information book.
- The Thrivent card was used to purchase mowing fuel and to purchase insect spray.
- She will need to order a load of topsoil for future use.

Her report was accepted and approved.

### **Pastors Reports:**

Pastor Anderegg reported the following:

- He attended the Circuit Pastor's Conference on August 9 held here at Peace Lutheran.
- He led the lesson on anger management at the meeting.

Pastor Brandt reported the following:

- He attended the August Circuit Pastor's Conference.
- On July 31, he visited Mary Matthies at University Hospital in Columbia.
- He led Mary's funeral service on August 11 at the Kidwell Garber Funeral Home in Laurie, MO
- He preached and led Bible classes on August 14 and 21.
- Bob Mueller's daughter Janie brought him to visit on August 9. They stopped at the cemetery,

chatted with people who happened to be at church and went to his home.

Both reports were accepted and approved.

**President's Reports:** Jeff Emery reported the following:

### **Continuing Education:**

- The white cross that is obstructing the view of the electronic sign will be removed.
- Lease agreements and hold harmless documents for Greenview Lutheran High School will be signed.
- Options for providing new church directories are being reviewed.
- The fellowship hall floor will be cleaned and waxed on August 19 and 20.
- A letter for the agreement with the Skelton Locksmith Co. has been sent. New keys will be ordered as needed. Old keys will work to open the front door.
- There is no need to replace the downstairs exit signs. They light automatically when the fire alarm rings.

### **New Business:**

- Jeff is working with Mic Carlson to have the names on the Spectrum phone account changed but to keep the same number.
- The contract that Chuck Kral presented for the monitoring of our heating/cooling equipment was given council approval. Funds will be taken from the Nadine Meyer account for that purpose.
- Documents for the state 5013C paperwork have been completed and forwarded for registration.
- The parking lot lights are not working properly. An electrician will need to be contacted.

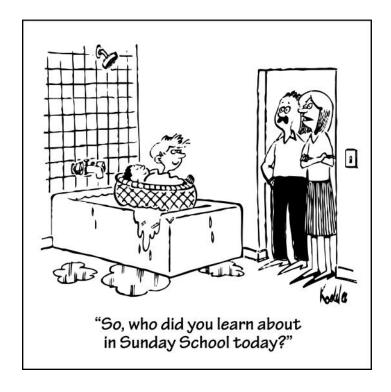
The meeting was adjourned. Pastor Brandt closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Kral, Secretary



Christians are like the several flowers in a garden, that have each of them the dew of heaven, which, being shaken with the wind, they let fall at each other's roots, whereby they are jointly nourished, and become nourishers of each other.

John Bunyan



## Michael and All Angels

Many Christian denominations celebrate the festival of Michael and All Angels on September 29. While Gabriel is probably the best-known angel for announcing to Mary that she would bear the Son of God, "the archangel Michael" is named in Jude 9; in Daniel 12:1 he is called "Michael, the great prince, the protector of [the] people"; and in Revelation 12:7 we read of "Michael and his angels." In each case, Michael is involved in a cosmic battle revealed to someone in a vision as a message from God.

In fact, whenever angels appear in Scripture, the Hebrew word is "messenger," which in Greek is *angelos* — thus, the English "angel." The Bible doesn't say much about what angels looked like, but surely they weren't the cute cherubs of modern pop art. Given their most common greeting, "Do not be afraid," it must have been startling to see one.

Why celebrate Michael and All Angels? First, it reminds us there is more to God's realm than we humans can see or comprehend. No matter the exact structure or appearance of angels, God sometimes uses them to communicate with us. Second, by broadening our understanding we can serve as angels ourselves: *messengers* of God's love and grace to the world.

Newsletter Newsletter



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.  Mites Collection	5 LABOR Day Church office closed	6 Circuit Pastor's Conference St John's Cole Camp	7	8	9	10
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	Elders Meeting 9:30 a.m.  LWML Mtg. 9:30 a.m.	Council Mtg. 6:30 pm	14	15	Circuit Forum @ 7 pm St John's Cole Camp	17
Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline 9 a.m.	20	21	22	23	24
Worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	26	27	28	29	30	



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Our Mission: "We the members of Peace Lutheran Church gather and grow together as God's children and rejoice in

the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, proclaim His word, and reach out with his love to: each other, our community, and the world."