



From Pastor and Linda Stanton...

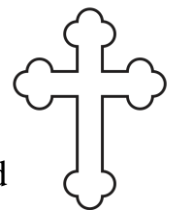
“ ‘For I know that I have plans for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans for hope and a future.’ ”
Jeremiah 29:11

As I now retire, some thoughts. I'm so delighted that St. Paul's has in place a new Associate Pastor in Pastor Noah Kegley. He impresses me as just the right man to serve on your pastoral team along with Pastor Bender. But since God guided the call process, that's exactly what we'd expect. On September first, I'll awaken to a new phase of life for Linda and myself. For the first time in twenty nine years, I will not be serving a call. For over half that time, fifteen years, I have been serving you.

A strong bond of love, respect, and trust has developed between us. That's only natural. You have invited Linda and I into your lives, your hearts and homes. You, in turn, have come to occupy a special place in our hearts. Preaching, teaching, worship, Holy Communion, Baptisms, funerals, weddings, confirmations, counseling, hospital calls, shut-in visitation... times of laughter, and of tears. WHEW!

Now I'm leaving. It's bittersweet. Add to the fact that Linda and I are remaining in the area, and it can be confusing. Many of you have expressed a sadness (even grief) at my retirement. "Will you still visit me?" "Are you staying at St. Paul's?" "Will you still conduct my funeral?" Tough questions. Hard to answer without coming off cold and uncaring – the last thing I'd want to do.

I believe in the office of the Holy Ministry. I believe that pastors perform a vital function in the ministry of Word and Sacrament. But we need to keep our focus: The call you extended to me is to point, not to myself, but to the risen and crucified Christ and salvation through faith in Him alone.



There is a purpose, and I believe a good one, in a pastor's leaving at some point, either to serve another call, retire, or transition to some other ministry: It's not the occupant of the office that counts... our eyes of faith must always and only be on the Triune God who has called that pastor to serve.

There have been many times (daily, in fact) when I've failed to serve as I should. I've made mistakes. I've messed up. I'm a weak sinner, and I ask your forgiveness, and God's, for those times. With you, I flee to the foot of the cross to be forgiven, again and again.

So, as a retired pastor, I will no longer be a part of the ministry of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School. This is how it should, and must be.

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I won't be preaching in your midst, visiting, conducting weddings or funerals, baptisms... and that also means that Linda and I will not be seeing many of you again on this side of heaven, unless we bump into each other at the grocery store. It's not because we don't love you, but because we love the Savior who has redeemed us and is calling me elsewhere.

Pastors Bender and Kegley are your pastors. They are accountable to our God for their ministry. They will be at your bedside when you're sick. They will comfort you when a loved one has been called home. They're the ones you'll call at 3 a.m. in the morning. They will preach God's Word to you, visit, counsel, teach, baptize, marry, confirm, and share our Lord's body and blood with you. Please pray for, support and encourage them, and their families as well.

And yes, in that regard, please do continue to encourage and surround Jo Bender and Monica Kegley with your love and encouragement as you have Linda. I can't think of tougher assignment than that of a pastor's wife (or a pastor's kid).

What about me? I hope to serve in any capacity my gifts and talents might be useful... perhaps to serve a vacancy, or for a pastor on vacation, or a congregation that cannot afford a full time pastor. Serving another congregation teaching Bible study, or calling on shut-ins and the sick are other possibilities. Join with me in praying for the Lord's blessing and guidance in that regard.

I also plan to keep working with stained glass, painting (I can still cover the little numbers really well), gardening, reading, going up to the trailer, etc. Linda informs me that I'll also enjoy helping with the cooking, vacuuming, washing dishes, and doing the laundry. Izzy the cat has no opinion at all except to keep her food bowl full.



We will always remember you with love and respect. You will continue to be in our prayers. I thank God and I Thank you for a wonderful, blessed, and meaningful ministry these past fifteen years.

Your brother and sister in Christ,

Gregg and Linda Stanton



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Blessings to you in your Retirement!

Thank you for serving the Lord, here at St. Paul's!

August Worship Times

Wednesday Evenings at 6:00pm (August 1, 8, 15)

Saturday Evenings at 5:00pm

Sunday Mornings at 9:00am (August 5, 12, 19)

On the weekend of August 25 & 26 we will return to our regular worship schedule: August 25 at 5:00pm and August 26 at 8:00 & 10:30am



Summer Bible Class

Monday Morning Bible Class

This Bible Study group meets the first and third Monday morning of each month at 11:30am in the Instructional Room.

Class Leader: Laurel Privatt

August Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00am – Noon
(August 1- 17)

Beginning August 20th:
8:00am – 3:30pm

Sunday Morning Bible Class, Sunday School, Thursday Morning Bible Class, Men's Bible Breakfast and our Family Fellowship will resume in September.

Save the Date

September 9th

(after the 10:30 worship service)

Everyone is invited!

Come celebrate some amazing birthdays, newly confirmed, meet the newest St. Paul's church members and our new school families!

It's all free and includes a wonderful meal and fellowship!

Watch for more information to come.





*Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing! Psalm 100:1-2*

Do you sometimes feel like you are unable to make a “joyful noise” in worship? Maybe you feel that everyone else should sing or make a “noise”? To me, this verse reminds me that ALL sounds are to create praise to the Lord our God. Children, adults, animals, plants and trees, ALL creation is created to praise the Lord our God. What does this praise sound like? Well, it isn’t just singing or playing an instrument. Babies praise the Lord, do you hear them joining in the praises in our worship services? Do you hear the young children creating “joyful noise” to our Lord in worship? Each one of us is here to serve the Lord by making a joyful noise. If you are someone that would love to use your gifts of singing or playing an instrument to praise the Lord, stop and visit with Michelle (come on up to the balcony and visit!). We would love to have everyone joining in serving the Lord with gladness using whatever gifts and talents you have received. Come join in making a joyful noise to the Lord, maybe even with singing!

Hymn of the Month for August

O Sing to the Lord #808

This coming month we will be praising the Lord with a song traditionally sung in Spanish. O sing to the Lord, or Cantad al Señor, praises the Lord with singing. We sing, dance, shout and acknowledge that our great and awesome God has done wonderful things for us.

“O sing to our God, O sing to our God”.

LWML Mite Box Collection ~ August 4 & 5
LWML Mite Boxes are located in the narthex. All members are welcome to use one and support our mission grants!



Widows Lunch The next Widows Lunch will be on Wednesday August 8th at 11:00 at Red Robin on 76th Street.

Quilters August 6 & 20 at 9:00am. If you are interested in the quilting group or have any questions, please contact Dawn Ziolecki at 414-841-6097 or via email at dzwolf2012@gmail.com.

Elizabeth Ministry ~ We have a facebook page for Elizabeth Ministry for our church! It is – St. Paul’s Lutheran Church (@elizabethministrysplcwa). Please remember Elizabeth Ministries in your prayers and if you wish to join this group, please contact Julie Avila at elizabethministrysplcwa@gmail.com.



LWML (Lutheran Women’s Missionary League)



The Zone 3 Fall Rally will be held here at St. Paul’s on October 27th at 9:00am. Our outreach project will be collecting gently used shoes for third world countries. Please keep this in mind as you clean your closets.

Since all Lutheran women are members of LWML, we invite you to join us at the rally in October for a buffet breakfast followed by a speaker, business meeting and great fellowship. Contact Ruth Miller at 414-425-2078 if you have any questions.



In September we will put the “Mitten Barrel” in the narthex to accept your shoe donations to be given to “Soles For Jesus”. Please attach the pairs together either with shoelaces or rubber bands. Shoes will be taken to the LWML rally on October 27th, here at St. Paul’s.



Quilter's Patch

The Auxiliary Quilting Room closed in June. On the quilting Mondays that Merle Hess could not attend, I would call to see if the Auxiliary Quilting Room was open and if new work could be dropped off. If yes, then I would plan to stop by after work and swap completed quilts for those that needed to be done. Even if the Auxiliary Quilting Room was not accepting new work, it was often open for visits. I will cherish those visits and like many, considered it a joy to call Merle friend.



God answered my prayer for additional quilters via email when Julie Avila inquired if there was some way she could contribute. She is unable to meet on Monday mornings but would be able to sew at home. Julie made the beautiful cross quilt hanging in the church. We are excited to welcome Julie to the St Paul's Quilting Group.

Thank you to Versa Reichert and Bonnie Kroner for their donation of sheets. Also, to the Barb Grunewald family for the fabric donation.

Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15

We have completed 54 quilts since January and have another 10+ in the works.

Quilting dates for August and September are August 6th, August 20th and September 17th at 9:00 am

If you have any questions regarding the quilting group, please contact Dawn Ziolecki at 414-841-6097 or via email at dzwolf2012@gmail.com

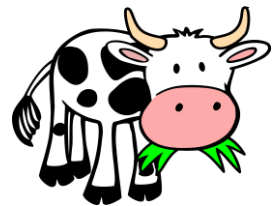
Sr. Fun Seekers

There has been a notice in the bulletin the past several weeks regarding a few activities. Hopefully people have responded to this announcement and plans can be made for these events. Keep watching your weekly bulletin.



SPECIAL EVENT OF THE MONTH,
WISCONSIN STATE FAIR
YOUNG AND OLD, FROM EVERY
RACE AND WALK OF LIFE, FLOCK
TO SPEND A DAY AT THE FAIR.

THERE'S SO MUCH TO SEE AND DO.
THERE'S THE ANIMAL BARN,
WITH LITTLE CHICKS TO HORSES.
THERE'S THE AMUSEMENT PARK,
THRILLING RIDES AND GAMES OF CHANCE.



THERE IS ENTERTAINMENT,
SEEING KIDS OF WISCONSIN PERFORMING.
THERE'S FOOD
THE ROASTED COB ON THE CORN,
DIPPED IN MELTED BUTTER.
THE FAMOUS CREAM PUFFS,
WHEN ONE DOESN'T SEEM ENOUGH.

AS WE ENJOY THE DAY, LET US REMEMBER
TO THANK GOD FOR THIS BLESSING.

ELAINE LEMKE



Sharing God's Bounty

The Importance of Giving

It is not uncommon for church members to perceive in a negative way the encouragement from their church to give generously. The perception of some people is that the church is only interested in their money. Certainly, a generous giving congregation does provide the money needed by the church for its budget so the church should work hard to help people grow in their giving. However, Scripture indicates that giving is as much for the sake of the giver as it is to support the needs of the church. Pastors and church leaders understand that giving is an activity that God directs us to do. Jesus said, *"Freely you have received, freely give"* (Matthew 10:8). Paul wrote to the Church in Corinth about the collection for God's people, *"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income. . ."* (1 Corinthians 16:2).

Giving blesses the both the giver and the recipient of the giving. The blessings to the recipients are obvious. Not as obvious but as important to understand is that giving enriches the life of the giver. Giving strengthens the relationship that we have with our Lord. Through our giving, we are reminded of God's ownership and how dependent we are on him. Giving demonstrates our faith and trust. We give as part of our worship. Giving allows us to be used by God in partnership with him.

In God's Word, we are told that those who give faithfully and generously will receive even more of God's blessings. In Proverbs 3:9 we read these encouraging words, *"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing . . ."* God blesses all people, but He wants to bless us even more for our faithful giving. *"One man give freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty"* (Proverbs 11:24). Generosity is the path to blessing. By contrast, a stingy person doesn't make any friends and hurts himself in the long run. Through the prophet Malachi, we are told again how God will bless us for our faithful giving, *"Bring the whole tithe in the storehouse that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,' says the Lord almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have enough room for it' "* (Malachi 3:10).

In the future, we need to thank church leaders who encourage us to grow in our giving. Through our giving, we are expressing thanks to God for his goodness to us. We are also helping to extend God's kingdom through our church, providing for the needy, and enriching our own lives. As we grow spiritually and receive more of God's blessings, we will better understand and respond to the encouragement to increase our giving.

"No matter who you are or what you do ... no matter how meaningless you consider your life's work ... you can achieve greatness in the eyes of God by doing your work to the best of your ability and offering it up to him."

Groundwork Guatemala News

The Groundwork Guatemala team has suspended regular meetings for the summer, but we have still been active. We continue to develop our Faith Lessons (Numbers 22: Balaam's Donkey), but we are working as individual groups for the children, teens, and adults. Lessons need to be "ready for prime time" when we resume meeting in late August.



Our fundraising is nearly complete. June and July barbecues at the Pick-N-Save at Hwy 100 and Forest Home in Hales Corners have been very successful (despite the terrible construction on Hwy 100!!). We thank you for your support, and invite you to brave the traffic problems and join us for our last BBQ on Saturday, August 11, from 10-4:30.



There is still time to write to our sponsored Guatemalan students: Yeymi, Cristino, Santos, and Bryan. Note cards are available in the narthex, along with guidelines/suggestion for your notes. Photos and kids' drawings are encouraged. We will translate your notes and forward them to Guatemala. The kids love hearing from you and knowing you are thinking of them! Notes must be turned in by August 11.

DONATIONS: From now until our departure in mid-October, we will be collecting supplies to bring with us to Groundwork. We ask your help in contributing health/hygiene supplies, and also school supplies. Specific needed items are listed on the donation baskets located in the narthex and by the 1st floor elevator. We also welcome monetary donations, which we will give to Groundwork so that they may purchase needed items (often for less than we pay here in Milwaukee, and saving us baggage fees). You may contribute in your offering envelope; designate the payment as being for "Guatemala donations." Checks should be payable to St. Paul's.

Last, but definitely not least, keep us in your prayers as we finish our preparations for departure on October 20. Dios les bendiga!



Come join the St. Paul's Handbell Choir!



Join Tim & Michelle Prince on Thursday August 30th for a "Get to Know You and Welcome Back" Activity at our home 1973 S 91st Street, West Allis. We will have food, fun and fellowship time between 6 -8 PM!

Please RSVP to michelle@splcwa.org or 414-552-4938 (text or call) by Friday August 24th.

I am looking forward to ringing in a new handbell year with you!

Handbell Choir Practices will begin Thursday September 6th at 6:15 PM in the church balcony.

Michelle Prince - Director of Parish Music

St. Paul's Youth

Welcome Back Picnic

Sr. High News



August 26 3:00 – 6:00pm: Welcome Back Picnic

All of our High School youth are strongly encouraged to be at this picnic where we will welcome in the new 9th grade students to our High School Youth Group at St. Paul's. The picnic will take place at Greenfield Park in the grassy area just off the parking lot on the "Lincoln Ave." side of the park. Plan on coming and renewing Christian friendships and have some fun, food and fellowship in God's good creation!

Attention All 2019 Confirmands

There will be an important Confirmation meeting on Wednesday August 22nd at 6:30pm in our Fellowship Hall for all students that will be confirmed in 2019 and their parents. A letter with all the details will be sent out in the beginning of August. Watch your mail!



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For all interested High School Students, Young Adults, and Parents: There will be an informational meeting on *Sunday September 16th*, at *3:30 P.M.* to discuss travel plans, goals, team-building, and essential needs for our trip to the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, Minnesota. We would love to see you there! If you have any questions, contact Pastor Noah at noah@splcwa.org or call/text 262.302.9575.

School News



Happy 1st
Day of School!

August 22, 2018

School Opening
Services
August 18 at 5:00pm
August 19 at 9:00am

Growing up, I always knew I wanted to be a teacher and coach. At school I saw how the good teachers interacted with each other, with my fellow students, and with the entire school community. I knew these people were pillars of the community and their work seemed important to me. Effective, motivated, driven, creative and tireless teachers and coaches seemed like superheroes to me (and they still do!).

I wanted to be a leader, in the classroom, in the gym, and in the Church community like the teachers I knew and respected. I felt like I was called to be a teacher and coach—as if the professions had chosen me. A few years later I graduated from Concordia and was ready to start striving for those goals. I taught, I coached, I directed, I even VBSed all while working at reaching those goals I had as a kid. After many action-packed, never-a-dull-moment years I felt God leading me down a different path that I've often thought of following. So after much thought, soul-searching and prayer I decided to leave the classroom and the athletic arenas and become the principal in our beloved school. While I know I am ready for the new challenges, I have to admit I am also a little worried. I am worried about losing that teacher/coach identity that with God's help I worked so hard at.

But then a light went on! I have been blessed by God and given the opportunity to continue teaching, coaching, directing, doing the things I love, at a different level with a staff of incredibly gifted and talented teachers and co-workers. What a blessing I have been given! Now I get to work with and learn from this incredible group of individuals He has gathered here to do His work in many different ways.



As a coach, I always tried to end each time-out and game with the reminder that we were always a TEAM. That holds true today. We (teachers, parents, pastors, staff, and parishioners) are all part of one team working toward the same goals. What a blessing to be a part of that!

It has been a busy and productive summer. The phone continues to ring with prospective families wanting to take part in a Christian education here at St. Paul's. **Our enrollment will be up again!**

As fellow teammates I ask that you pray for us as we continue to reach out to children and their families with the Gospel message this year. Thank you for all of your support and encouragement.

TEAM!

Principal Jack Burkee





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Back to Indonesia... as a tourist?!?

What an incredible opportunity last month to visit Indonesia once again, although this time having to go through Immigration on a tourist visa instead of as a resident. Our partner church the Indonesian Christian Lutheran Church (GKLI) asked us to present a workshop on worship, liturgy, and hymnody, and we were happy to do so. This was a direct tie-in to the ongoing work to develop (*for them and with them*) the first truly Lutheran hymnal in all of Indonesia.

We spent four days talking about why Lutherans worship like we do: that all the liturgy comes directly from the Scriptures; that “our” worship starts with Christ, and we respond to Him; how He comes to meet us in His Means of Grace, the Word and the Sacraments; and how our time in worship is reverent because we believe that our Lord is actually among us in real presence.



What a joy to be together with our brothers from GKLI again. The teaching was very well-received, with thoughtful questions being asked and answered, and with concrete next steps being planned and embraced for pastors and congregations.

The four-day workshop gave way directly into a two-day hymnal committee meeting, led by LCMS Deaconess Sandra Rhein. Dcs. Rhein was able to help address some of the challenges faced so far in this hymnal development process, and to guide us into the next things to be planned, solved, and set. Our partners made some important decisions, such as how many hymns we

were planning to include, which orders of service will be in the book, and what other resources we should prepare.

The participants spent significant time using right away what they received in the preceding workshop. They sang through scores of hymns, examining the texts to see which hymns were appropriate for a Lutheran hymnal, and making improvements to hymns newly-translated into *Bahasa Indonesia* specifically for this book.

Our Indonesian friends are making great progress thanks to your support and partnership. They have already set another meeting update for November 2018, and are anticipating their new hymnal being published in 2020!



Ferry Family Update

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Cheryl and the Ferry kids as they make the adjustment to a new country, language, culture, and home
- Our partner Lutheran churches in Asia, especially the China Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC) in Taiwan and the Indonesian Christian Lutheran Church (GKLI) in Indonesia

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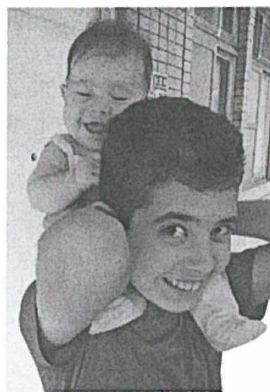
- A new pastor just called to serve in Indonesia through the LCMS Board for International Mission
- A wonderful place to live in relative safety
- Great friends provided by our Lord for us in Taiwan and all over Asia

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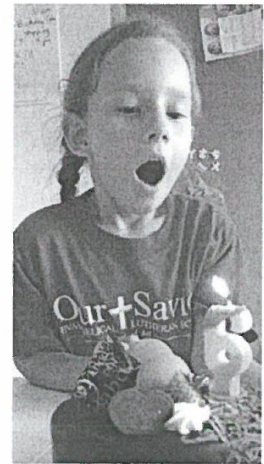
The Ferry Family endured another time of separation as Daddy traveled to Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Korea while Cheryl and the kids continued settling in. Everyone managed to survive during the time apart, and lots of progress was made on the new “flat” or apartment.

They’ve also been spending more time out and about in the surrounding neighborhood: walking around the blocks, exploring the park across the street, and even getting more comfortable taking the bus... all things that we could never do in Indonesia the same way.



They’ve been taking full-time language instruction, with several hours each day being devoted to classroom training and practice with our native Chinese-speaking teachers. It’s difficult, but paying off.

And Carissa had a special day during the month of June: she turned six years old on the 13th! She celebrated by getting to pick out her own birthday cake at a



neighborhood shop, and had the special song sung to her in three different languages.

Thank you for your continued prayers on our behalf. The Lord has been gracious to us during our first full month in our new location, and we are grateful.

God bless all of you for your continued friendship, support, and love.

*- Your Servants and partners in Asia, **the Ferry Family**
Charles, Cheryl, Caleb, Caitlin, Carissa, Cassandra, Chloe, and Charlotte*



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SERVING THE LORD IN
UGANDA

NEWS FROM RACHEL MEYER



June 2018

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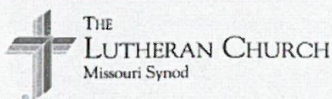
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IN THE KITCHEN

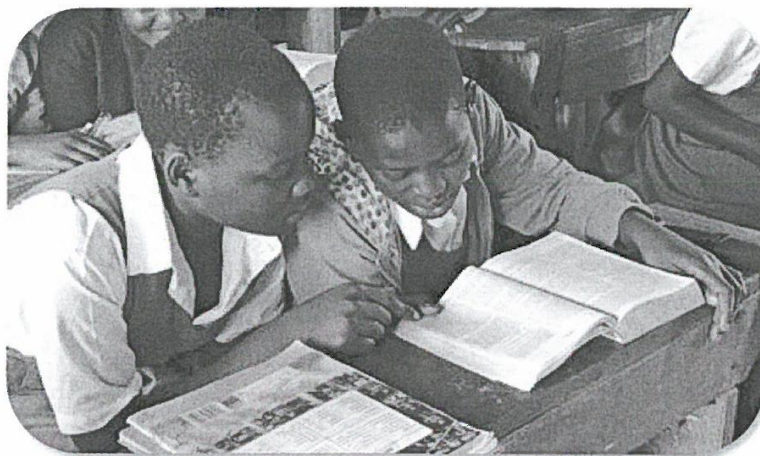
Growing up in a family of church workers, the church kitchen is a very familiar place to me. So, when the women's group from the Lutheran church in Nakabango invited me to help them cater a meal for a school building dedication this month, I felt right at home. Of course, here the kitchen is outside, and I can't say that I've ever cooked 100 pounds of rice over an open fire before. But, it was a joy to serve with these hard-working women, and an excellent opportunity for me to practice conversing in Lusoga!



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*But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.
Psalm 1:2*

The Treasure of God's Word



Recently, the P5 students and I studied the passage in John 11 when Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. I wish I could have captured the look of pure amazement on one student's face when Jesus called for Lazarus to come out of the tomb, and Lazarus walked out alive. For this child, at that moment, God's power over death was no longer just a word or concept he had memorized. As God's Word was shared, this child was standing in awe of God and His power to save.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to share God's Word with the P5, P6, and P7 students at Hope Lutheran School in Bufuula. While the students are familiar with some Bible stories and concepts, they have not had much opportunity to read the complete passages for themselves in a Bible. We are thankful that we are able to use the congregation's Bibles during our Christian Religious Education classes during the school week. In a culture and community where books are not easily available, the students seem eager to open this Book and read God's Word. At times, they can even be seen picking up a Bible to read during break times.

The students are enjoying singing songs to help them memorize the books of the Bible. As they learn to locate the passages in the Bible, they are learning how the stories they have heard fit together chronologically. In addition, we have been able to look at how God's promises and prophecies from the Old Testament are fulfilled in Jesus in the New Testament.

They are also committing some verses to memory. Students in Uganda are well-practiced in the skill of memorization, and the P7 students have impressed me more than once by committing a verse to memory overnight, while still retaining it weeks later.

Please continue to pray for God to work mightily through His Word in the lives of these students. Pray that as they study the scriptures, the Holy Spirit will help them grow in faith and understanding. Pray that as they hide God's Word in their hearts, they may be able to stand firm against the temptations of the devil and be equipped to share the Word with others, as well

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Encouraging the Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The Lord to bring more people in Uganda and around the world to saving faith in Christ
- God to use me as a vessel to share His love and grace with the students
- Continued progress in Lusoga language study and use
- The students and faculty of the seminary as they prepare for a new academic year

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- God's Word and opportunities to study it
- Safety in travels
- The many congregations, schools, and individuals who pray for me, encourage me, and support me

YOU ARE IN MY PRAYERS.

- I regularly pray for the individuals and congregations who support me by name. Please share any specific prayers I can bring before the Lord for you.



The first class of vicars from the LTCU

It is a blessing to serve alongside the Lutheran Church of Uganda (LCU). I am always thankful for opportunities to encourage them in ministry and celebrate the way God is working in and through them

VICAR COMMISSIONING

The Lutheran Theological College Uganda (LTCU) just completed its second academic year. On June 10, the LCU celebrated the commissioning of 19 students from the seminary as vicars. These students have completed two years of study at the seminary and will now spend the next year serving as vicars at their home congregations. Please keep these men in your prayers as they apply what they have learned to help share God's Word with their communities.

ENCOURAGING LEADERSHIP

I live and serve in the Eastern region of Uganda and during my first few months here, I have had the opportunity to visit several congregations and schools in this region. In June I had the opportunity to also visit the Southwestern, Mid-Western, and Central regions and get a glimpse of the way God is working in and through the LCU throughout different parts of Uganda.

I traveled with the seminary principal Rev. Dr. Enoch Macben, the dean of the Midwestern deanery Rev. Raymond Kaija, and LCMS missionary DCE Megan Mantey,* who serves as an instructor at the seminary. Together, these representatives from the seminary shared with congregational leaders about current and prospective students, the ministry needs of the seminary, and also encouraged the regional leaders.

As I first met the pastors and congregational leadership from these regions, it was a time of mutual encouragement in ministry. Please join me in praying for all of the leaders God is raising up in the LCU, that God may equip, encourage, and strengthen them in service.

**To learn more about God's work through the hands of Megan Mantey, please visit www.lcms.org/mantey.*



Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

*Humbly in the Lord's service,
-Rachel Meyer*



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Seminar for pastors, laity and educators

“Male and Female He Made Them: Christian Sexuality in a Decadent World” Presenter: Dr. John Kleinig

September 8, 2018 Elm Grove Lutheran Church, Elm Grove, WI
945 Terrace Drive, Elm Grove, WI 53122

Dr. John W. Kleinig, Professor Emeritus at Luther Campus, Adelaide, Australia is renowned the world over as a scholar, pastor, and an engaging and inspiring Bible teacher. His many published works include two Bible Commentaries in the Concordia Commentary Series, *Leviticus* (2003) and *Hebrews* (2017). His acclaimed book, *Grace Upon Grace* (2008), equips people for confident, joy-filled Christian living. Dr. Kleinig’s seminar presentation will preview some of the themes from his forthcoming book, *Wonderfully Made: Seeing Our Bodies as God Sees Them*. His book, expected some-time later this year, will present a Lutheran theology of the body, extolling the biblical view of the human body under the following chapter headings:

- The Created Body: Personal Embodiment
- Our Makeover: The Redemption of the Body
- The Spiritual Body: Dying and Rising with Christ
- Sexual Embodiment: Sex with a Good Conscience

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Tentative schedule:

8:15 a.m. Registration 9:00 Seminar Begins 3:45 p.m. Closing Prayer

Cost: \$ 15 for adults // \$8 for students

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<i>1</i> 6:00 PM Worship 7:00 PM Praise Band	<i>2</i> 9:00 AM Tai Chi	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> 5:00 PM Worship
<i>5</i> 9:00 AM Worship	<i>6</i> 9:00 AM Quilters 11:30 AM Bible Class	<i>7</i> 10:00 AM Tai Chi 5:30 PM Board of Christian Ed	<i>8</i> 11:00 AM Widows Lunch 6:00 PM Worship	<i>9</i> 9:00 AM Tai Chi 7:30 PM Finance	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> 5:00 PM Worship
<i>12</i> 9:00 AM Worship	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> 10:00 AM Tai Chi 6:00 PM Council	<i>15</i> 6:00 PM Worship	<i>16</i> 9:00 AM Tai Chi	<i>17</i> 5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal	<i>18</i> 2:00 PM Wedding 5:00 PM Worship School Opening Service
<i>19</i> 9:00 AM Worship School Opening Service	<i>20</i> 9:00 AM Quilters 11:30 AM Bible Class	<i>21</i> 10:00 AM Tai Chi 5:30 PM Divine Connections	<i>22</i> 6:30 PM Confirmation Meeting 7:00 PM Praise Band	<i>23</i> 9:00 AM Tai Chi	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> 5:00 PM Worship
<i>26</i> 8:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Worship 3:00 PM Youth Picnic	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> 10:00 AM Tai Chi 6:30 PM Elders	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> 9:00 AM Tai Chi 6:00 PM Handbell Get-Together	<i>31</i> Happy Retirement Pastor Stanton!!	

