

The Monthly Herald March 2019

From Your Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I don't know about you, but I really enjoy eating. I enjoy all kinds of food: Mexican, Chinese, KFC, pizza, pasta, and good ole' meat and potatoes. Every meal also gives us an opportunity to think about our God. He is the One who made all the different people groups that have come up with all kinds of delicious cuisine. He is the One who created all the plants and animals, spices and oils and the like that we use to cook our meals. He is the One who provides us with nourishment so that we can continue to live our lives in productive ways.

For that reason, I really think that our heavenly Father enjoys it when He sees His precious children enjoying the fruits of the earth with thankfulness towards Him. I know that when we as families sit down together to eat a meal (something that does not happen often enough these days!!!), God is right there with us. If we will let Him, He will bless our conversations, build up our relationships, and strengthen our ties as family. He will rejoice especially if we join together in devotion as His people at the end of the meal.



One other important reason that I think our heavenly Father rejoices in His people engaging in meals comes from special gatherings in the Old Testament. God ordained several special “feasts.” Some of them were simply “feast days” but others of these feasts lasted a whole week. Gathering and feasts in the Old Testament are going to form the themes of each of the midweek Lenten services this year. Check out the article later in the newsletter.

As usual, our evening midweek Lenten services (excluding Ash Wednesday) will be preceded by a Lenten meal served in the fellowship hall, beginning around 4:45pm. Come and join in fellowship around the table, engaging in those wonderful conversations with fellow Christians. Come to service each Wednesday in Lent, to learn spiritual truths from the gatherings and feasts celebrated in the Old Testament times, for they point us to Christ.

Lent is a wonderful time of confession, renewal, and strengthening of our walk with Christ. It is a special time to more intentionally die to sin, that we might rise anew in Christ. Lenten devotionals are available for use at home as well. Whether or not Lenten special devotional times are a part of your worship life, I encourage you all to “feast” in abundance on God’s goodness and His Word of Truth this Lenten season . . . and always.

In Christ’s Love,
Pastor Bender

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Remember man
that you are
dust and into
dust you shall
return.

Ash Wednesday Services

March 6, 2019

10:00am & 6:00pm

Mid- Week Lenten Services

Each Wednesday in Lent (beginning March 6) 10:00am & 6:00pm

The Gatherings and Feasts of Israel

A Lenten Series by Pastors Bender and Kegley

Gatherings and feasts, they are wonderful things! A birthday celebration at a restaurant, family dinners for Thanksgiving and Christmas, and Easter dinners in the joy of new and eternal life given us in Christ, these are all wonderful things. Our God is the giver of every good gift and our relationship with Him, by design, has centered around gatherings and feasts.

There were many gatherings and feasts in ancient Israel that were called and instituted by God Himself. Many of the gatherings called Israel to remember their holy history. Most of them point forward to truths about Christ. During our Lenten journey this year we will learn of these gatherings and feasts. Our hearts will be blessed to know the “rest” God provides in the grace of Jesus Christ. Faith will be strengthened as we see fulfillment of these gatherings and feasts in the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ. The schedule for our midweek Wednesday services is as follows:

March 6 – Ash Wednesday: A Gathering of Repentance

March 13 – Midweek Lent I: Sabbath Days – Our Need for God’s “Rest”

March 20 – Midweek Lent II: Pentecost – The Feast of First Fruits

March 27 – Midweek Lent III: Succoth – The Feast of Tabernacles

April 3 – Midweek Lent IV: Rosh Hashanah – The Feast of Trumpets

April 10 – Midweek Lent V: Christ IS the Passover: Steve Cohen – Apple of His Eye

Services are held at 10am and 6pm each Wednesday. The evening service is preceded by a congregational dinner gathering beginning at 4:45pm where we will feast upon delicious food provided by our God and prepared by His servants, Shelly Mueller and company. Please come and join us each Wednesday in Lent!!

Lenten Dinners

Served each Wednesday in Lent at 4:45pm in our Fellowship Hall



March 13: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, chocolate peanut butter bars

March 20: Creamy Chicken Wild Rice Soup, rolls & butter, hot dogs, chips, pickles, blonde brownies

March 27: Sloppy Joes, macaroni & cheese, fresh veggies, ice cream

April 3: Baked Potato Bar with toppings (bacon, cheese, broccoli, chili etc), tossed salad, fruit cups, chocolate cake



April 10: Cheesy Potato & Ham Casserole, green beans, fruit cups, cherry cheesecake fluff



Thank You!

Dear St. Paul's friends in West Allis. Thank you so much for your generous donation of \$216.00 to **Helping Hands Ministries!** Your funds will help pay for food, medical supplies, translating devotional and study materials, and spreading the Gospel to nations in Eastern Europe.

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Bible Classes

Men's Bible Breakfast - The Exodus

Come join us on March 2nd, 9th & 23rd as we explore our journey through the book of Exodus. We meet a little before 7am in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast, socializing, prayer, and the study.



Sunday Morning Bible Study

Adult Bible Class: Go and Be Reconciled!

Conflict takes place in our lives on almost a daily basis. Pressures and stressors can cause rifts in our relationships with family members, fellow workers, friends, and enemies. God is with us in these moments and He desires us to live in peace with Him and others.

Go and Be Reconciled is a Bible study designed to equip us to work through conflicts and stresses in a Christian manner. Every time there is conflict we have an opportunity to be witnesses and ambassadors to the reconciliation God has worked for us in Christ and we can share that with others. Every child of God could benefit from this study!

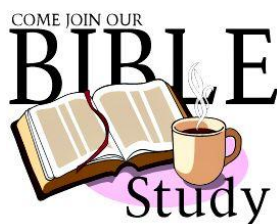
We are just getting through the first lesson and beginning the second. This topic will continue for March, April, and May. *It is not too late to join the class; additional materials are available.* If you want to grow as a Christian and live in peace with others, just come on down to the fellowship hall at 9:15am on Sunday mornings. Coffee and baked goods are an additional treat!

Monday Morning Bible Study - Monday's at 11:30am in the Library

We are studying the Book of Genesis. Please join us! Leader: Laurel Privatt

Thursday Morning Bible Study - Thursdays at 10am in the Fellowship Hall

Beginning in March, Pastor Noah will be leading Thursday morning Bible Class on a study entitled, "God's Missionary Kingdom" from 10:00am-11:30am. If you have ever wondered what the biblical basis for mission is, this study is for you! We hope to see you there!



It's Time to place your Easter Flower Order

Order envelopes are by the elevator and in the narthex.
Deadline to order is March 24th.

This year you can order:

White Easter Lillies for \$9.00 each

Yellow Daffodils, Assorted Tulips or Blue Hyacinths for \$10.00



Lent

As we come together to hear and reflect
Jesus journey to the cross.

Through the Scriptures we recall
all the events along the way.

Jesus willingly made this journey for you and me.

To secure our salvation on the cross of Calvary.

Come, let us spend this special time with Jesus.

Elaine Lemke



Widows Lunch ~ The next Widows Lunch will be on Wednesday March 13th after our morning Lenten service. Join us at Mo's Irish Pub on Hwy 100 & Bluemound Road around 11:15am.



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.

Quilter's Patch



We received a letter that our quilts have gone to the country of Mauritania. Mauritania is a country in Northwest Africa. The quilts are expected to reach individuals in various places, especially the Mbera Malian Refugee Camp on the periphery of Nouakchott.

I am also happy to report that we have received \$250 from Thrivent as an approved project. The funds will go towards purchasing much needed batting for the quilts. It was disappointing to find out that the batting is no longer available at \$2/yard so will be looking for other outlets and/or coupons to keep the cost down.

Quilting dates in March and April are March 4th and 18th, April 1st, 15th and 29th 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

Ladies Book Club

Next book - "Lilac Girls" Martha Hall Kelly. Meeting date: March 11th at 6:30pm

Ladies Guild ~ Next meeting March 25th at 6:30pm.

LWML Mite Box Collection ~ March 2 & 3, 2019
LWML Mite Boxes are located in the narthex. All members are welcome to use one and support our mission grants!

Grace Lutheran Church Witness Workshop

8537 S. Pennsylvania Ave. Oak Creek

Saturday March 16, 2019

8:00am Registration

8:30am – 3:30pm Workshop

Cost: \$14 per person

Registration Deadline: March 8

South Wisconsin District-LCMS
8100 W. Capitol Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53222
414-464-8100
Swd.lcms.org

If you have questions or need additional information about the Witness Workshop please contact Rev. Jonah Burakowski, SWD Mission Executive 414-464-8101 or burakowski@swd.lcms.org

Music Notes



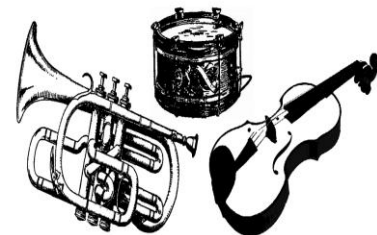
March Hymn of the Month: #641 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Our new hymn of the month will encourage our faith as we consider the gift our Lord gives us through the Lord's Supper. The refrain of the hymn reminds us that Christ satisfies our hungry hearts with the bread of life. We pray you are blessed as we grow together in learning this new hymn.

CALLING ALL INSTRUMENTALISTS

We are looking for instrumentalists to share their talents this Easter, Sunday April 21st. Any instrument is welcome. Contact Michelle Prince by April 7th if you are able to play for one, two or more services on Easter Sunday. (Worship services are at 7 AM, 9 AM & 11 AM). Michelle will get you music and information about a practice date.

michelle@splcwa.org ; 414-541-6251 ext. 3013; text: 414-552-4938



Divine Connections

Thank you to all who signed up to work at St. Ben's working as floor helpers while feeding the hungry. If you missed this opportunity and would still like to serve, please contact Crystal Barry at 414-423-0244. If we have enough interested we will try to secure another date.



Our annual **Clothing Drive will be May 18, 2019** from 10-2. We will need many volunteers for set up and sorting on May 17 and 18.

Clothing drop off at the ECC will be on Saturdays March 16, and April 13 from 9 – 11:00am. We are looking for sorting help so come join us during this time.

Save the date for our **Summer Kick Off Celebration** (replacing the Outdoor Worship). **June 9, 2019 from 11:00-1:00 at McCarty Park.** More details to follow so stay tuned.

Concert of Sacred Music

Featuring *The Concert Choir and Troubadours* of Martin Luther High School

April 8, 2019 at 7:00pm

at Our Father's Lutheran Church
6023 S. 27th Street Greenfield, WI

Youth News

Middle School Youth Group News

We're going bowling! **Sunday, March 3rd** at **New Berlin Ale House 4pm-6pm**. The cost is **\$10** and is due to Shelly Mueller upon arrival! Questions? Contact Pastor Noah noah@splcwa.org OR Shelly Mueller 262-613-3657. Hope to see you there!



Our Jr. High youth did a spectacular job serving St. Paul's Advent dinners! We will also be serving Lenten dinners on March 27th and April 10th. Plan to arrive at 4:30. Students are welcome to come to the kitchen after school to do homework in the Fellowship hall as I will be there to supervise if need be. Hopefully this helps with not having to make two trips for parents. I know that our church family sincerely appreciates your efforts in serving both God and your fellow believers! - Shelly Mueller

High School Youth News

Open Gym/Board Games: scheduled for **Sunday, March 3rd 4pm-6pm**. Bring your own board games and invite as many friends as possible! Let's fill the Gym!

Dinner and Auction: Saturday, March 30th 6pm- Please arrive early to help set up. *Please continue to find items to be donated to the auction!* **Attendance is required.** This is our biggest fundraiser to attend the National Youth Gathering in July! Let's make this a great evening! Wear your Luau attire! Questions? Contact Kelly Crist 414-559-9122 or Pastor Noah noah@splcwa.org



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***Special Note*:** Please continue to look for vendors/items to donate for our Auction on **March 30th**! We need as much participation as possible to make the auction a success! Questions? Contact Kelly Crist at 414.559.9122 or Pastor Noah at 262.302.9575.

National Youth Gathering 2019 Minneapolis, MN: The remaining cost of the registration fee is \$215 in order to cover the total of \$365. Please make checks out to: "St. Paul's Youth." Please contact Pastor Noah or Pastor Bender with financing questions.

*Thank you to all parents, students, and volunteers
to make Youth Ministry at St. Paul's a joy! -Pastor Noah*

Sharing God's Bounty

What Have I Done for Him?

Lent is a season in the church year during which we particularly focus on the sacrifice Jesus made for us to pay the debt we owed for our sin. We know there is no way we can pay the debt ourselves. Only the sinless Son of God could do that. We have access to heaven only by grace through faith in Christ Jesus.

While we cannot repay Jesus for what he has done for us, his love does require a response. Paul, speaking of our ministry of reconciliation, wrote, "*For Christ's love compels us . . .*" (2 Corinthians 5:14). We remain on earth to carry out the tasks which Christ left for us to do: to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and visit the prisoner, (Matthew 25:31-46). James admonished us that "*. . . faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead*" (James 2:17). We provide the funds that support our pastors, teachers, and missionaries. Again, we can quote Paul writing in 1 Corinthians 9:11-12. "*If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more?*" Certainly each of us is addressed by the Great Commission: "*Go and make disciples of all nations . . .*" (Matthew 28:19). The following words from Frances Ridley Havergal are a poignant reminder that Christ's love and sacrifice for us require a response:

*Thy life was given for me, Thy Blood, O Lord, was shed
That I might ransomed by, and quickened from the dead.
Thy life was given for me, What have I given for Thee?

And Thou hast brought to me Down from Thy home above
Salvation full and free, Thy pardon and Thy love.
Great gifts Thou broughtest me, What have I brought to Thee?*

We are saved by grace through faith for works. Let us pray for the desire to be good stewards of the gifts of salvation, health and wealth, and time and opportunity which God has given us that we might have a part in the furthering of God's kingdom.

We need not give up the pleasures and luxuries of this life. God does not call us to be ascetics, but he does call us to a right sense of proportion in administering our substance.

The question is: "*If I have this for myself, then what should I do for God?*" This is the question into which the whole matter of stewardship resolves itself.

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Journey With Jesus



“Yield”

“Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.” James 4:10

What does it mean to yield? In traffic, we yield by allowing another vehicle have priority and go ahead. In life, we yield by humbling ourselves and giving priority to another. In faith, we yield by submitting to God's will.

Read the book of Jonah. *“Now the Lord provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.” Jonah 1:17*
This story teaches us about the importance of yielding to God's will.

God has a plan for us that requires our obedience.

STOP: Read Jonah 1:1-16; Jonah 3:1-5; Jonah 4:5-11, and consider how God made Jonah **yield** to His plan.

God is compassionate and forgives and grants us “second chances” as He did with Jonah.

SLOW: When were you skeptical of God's plan for your life? How did you react in that situation? Were you given a second chance?

What danger do we face if we don't **yield** when God speaks? What do you suppose would happen if we listen and **yield**? What is God trying to tell you today about His plan for you?

God wants his Word spread to ALL people.

GO: Do you know someone personally who is resisting God's plan?

Consider how you might be a small voice and encourage him/her to **yield** to God's plan? Share your life experiences of a time when you resisted God's plan and when you **yielded** to His plan.

Words from Jesus: *“If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.” John 14:23*

Groundwork Guatemala News



Cesar is 27 years old with one older sister and two younger brothers. He has been a part of Groundwork Guatemala for about 8 years. He studied with Iris, a sister of Sondra and Aracely. His Dad couldn't support him, Sondra and Kevin visited him and he received a scholarship in November of 2009. In 2010 he started helping at the mission house on Monday and Friday. He started working at Groundwork Guatemala because of the scholarship and seeing what the ministry is all about...“seeking the lost and equipping the found.” He always thanks God for his neighbor that spoke English to him when he was 10 years old. His dream came in an unexpected way and been a big blessing to him!

Favorite thing about life in Guatemala: nature, beauty in God's creation, and the politeness and thankfulness of people for what they have. Humility is one of the greatest strengths in the lives of the people of Guatemala!

Favorite holidays: Christmas and Easter because they are focal points to the Christian faith of Jesus love for us.

Favorite Bible verses: 1 Timothy 1:12-17 *“I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.”*

Favorite Bible story: From Mark 5:25-34, the woman bleeding for twelve years and healed touching Jesus robe. We are changed just being touched by Jesus! God can do a lot of little things which make great miracles.

Favorite food: Lasagna and when Americans from St. Paul West Allis bring brats to Guatemala!

Hardest part of being a missionary: Hard to always be a Godly example when people are watching. Always wanting to do well, yet we're sinners.

Greatest struggle: Meeting new people and how they respond to you being a shy person.

Greatest joy of being a missionary: Doing home visits and people hearing God's Word, (most of the time for the first time.) Then seeing the joy in them when people share the love of God with them and the thankfulness for a visit.

LWML ZONE 3 SPRING RALLY



Date: Saturday March 30, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m.—registration and breakfast
9:30 a.m.—program and meeting

Place: Blessed Savior Lutheran Church
15250 W Cleveland Ave., New Berlin, WI

Project: Layette Kits for Orphan Grain Train

Bible Study: Jamie Greene

We will be assembling the Layette Kits for Orphan Grain Train



Ingathering for these kits:

Diaper(s)	Sleeper
Baby wipes	Pacifier-new
Bottle - new	Blanket
Receiving Blanket	
Onesie (1-piece underwear)	



The Martin Luther High School Music Department presents the
Symphonic Band in their Annual Home Tour Concert
March 24th at 2:00pm
5201 S. 76th Street Greendale, WI

No tickets are required, but a free will offering will be received.



Together with

ONE HEART.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from **every nation**, from **all tribes and peoples and languages**, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice,

"Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

-Revelation 7:9-10 ESV



Heart to Heart Sisters

Join us in celebrating together, a church service, fellowship, delicious ethnic food, entertainment, and door prizes.



Saturday April 6th, 2019 | 9am-2pm
Doors open at 8:30am; Lunch Provided (Free-Will Offering)

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
1205 S East Ave, Waukesha, WI 53186

Register today @ lwml-swd.org

For more information, call or text Mai Thao at 414-531-3661
or email mnthao1@gmail.com

Saturday, March 30, 2019

Milwaukee Brewers

vs.

St. Louis Cardinals

**Join us for a night of
family fun and fellowship.**

**Place your ticket order
through your
church/school office.**

**If you have any questions, contact
Robin at the District office,
414-292-0741.**

6:10 p.m.

**Tickets:
\$20**

Loge Outfield Box

**Tickets will be mailed to
your church/school.**

**Group ticket orders need to be
placed by
Friday, March 15.**

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Camp LuWiSoMo

is looking for
**High School
Volunteers** to help
with their 2019
summer programs.

Visit

www.luwisomo.org
for more details.

**Deadline to apply is
March 15th.**



The Lutheran High School Association of Greater Milwaukee is looking for talented individuals to manage the school cafeteria at Lake Country Lutheran!

If you're interested in either of the roles below, or would like to view other opening positions, please visit <http://weteachtruth.org/about/apply/>.

Food Service Manager

The Food Service Manager will run the school cafeteria food service operations in an efficient manner by directing day to day activities including menu planning, cash register operation, product ordering, and accounting.

Head Cook

The Head cook will lead food prep operations, train kitchen staff, serve 300 students and faculty, maintain food records and safety, and assist with menu planning. Qualified candidates should be ServSafe Certified or willing to complete the certification within 6 months.

For more information, please contact Jessie Taylor at JTaylor@LHSAGM.org.

Dear friends in Christ,

I pray this message finds you enjoying a blessed start to the new year! January has been a month of prayer and preparation. I enjoyed celebrating Christmas and New Years in Nairobi with fellow LCMS missionaries, and I am now preparing for the start of a new school year on February 4.

Instead of attaching a newsletter for you to download this month, I will share some prayer requests here.

Give thanks for...

- **God's presence and care.** This month, I am especially thankful for the way God speaks to us through His Word, and for the pastors who help me grow in that Word. I am also thankful for fellow Christians who encourage and support me in joys and challenges, and for the bountiful prayer support of all of you.
- **The various gifts and talents God has given to each person to serve.** Each day I am blessed by people with unique skills to do things I cannot, such as pilots and drivers, doctors and pharmacists, carpenters and plumbers, chefs and gardeners, security and postal workers, and so many more. I thank God for all of you, as well, and all of the various ways you serve.

Please pray for...

- **Health and safety.** I have been dealing with some minor medical issues the last few months. Please pray for healing of body, mind, and spirit so I may be strengthened to serve God fully.
- **Ministry in the new school year.** Please pray for God to provide opportunities for the children, teachers, and community of Bufuula to hear God's Word and grow in faith. Pray that He gives me wisdom to share the gospel effectively.

Thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement, and support. I thank God for each of you and your partnership in sharing the Gospel.

God's blessings to you in Christ, Rachel Meyer - LCMS Missionary in Uganda

***Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.
Romans 12:12***

Just a note...

While many of you are enduring frigid winter weather, our temperatures here have been in the upper 80s and 90s. January is one of our hottest times of year. Maybe I can ask God to share some of our sunshine with you.

SERVING THE LORD

ALL OVER ASIA

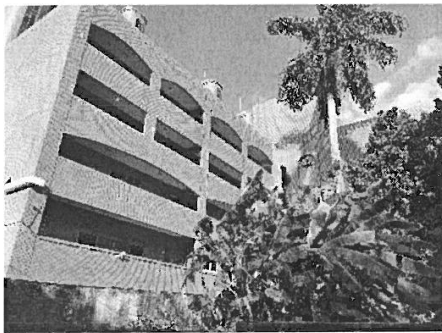
NEWS FROM THE FERRY FAMILY



January 2019

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“Why are we here?” While we could answer it in any number of ways, we’re usually asked it in the sense of “Why are you in Taiwan in that big building?” There have been some days I’ve asked myself the same thing!



The building in which we live is owned by our Taiwan partner church, the China Evangelical Lutheran Church (CELC). When we were looking for a new location for our regional headquarters, they were willing to allow us rent-free use of the building in southern Taiwan. Every once in a while, we have to take a step back and be grateful for our blessings, and ensure we’re using them faithfully.

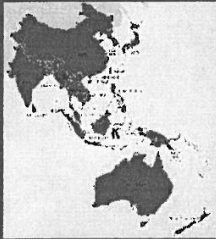
One of the most poignant “Why are you here” moments came when I met Paul. He’s the father of a young lady who attends church with us at the local congregation, and he brought his wife and son over to meet with me one day at our building in Chiayi. Paul isn’t Taiwanese; he’s Korean. But he came to Taiwan many decades ago as a self-appointed missionary to the Taiwanese people. He married a Taiwanese woman, and has been here ever since.



Paul came to visit me because he had noticed a difference lately: our building was finally being used, after having been vacant for many years. He had heard from his daughter that a bunch of missionaries had moved in, and were planning to use it for theological education and training of people in the Scriptures. He was amazed to see that I was a pastor, and I was able to confirm for him all the rumors he had heard. We were indeed building a center for theological education, and planned to train Lutherans so they could plant churches in Taiwan and all throughout the Chinese-speaking world.

Paul could hardly contain his joy. As it turns out, he had ridden by our building on his bicycle just about every day for most of his life. And as he rode by these last few years, he had prayed that the Lord would use this building, once built with plans to be a seminary, to be used once again in service to the Word of God. Paul prayed that people would use the building to train pastors and church workers, to enable the planting of churches and the proclamation of the Gospel. And in Paul’s eyes, LCMS Asia setting up shop here was just the answer his prayers had been seeking.

The building doesn’t belong to us, and we only occupy part of it; the bottom floors are to be rented out to local businesses and residences, and we hope to have it flush with students in good time. God grant that to happen, and for us always to remember that this is *His* work. Let us be good stewards of the time and resources entrusted to us all. Thank you for letting us be here to play these roles as He sees fit. ✠



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- *Faithfulness as we go about our duties, that we would be good stewards of our bountiful blessings*
- *Our Chinese friends as we celebrate Chinese/Lunar New Year*
- *All missionary families: that they would have joy and peace as they serve*

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- *People like Paul (above) who wait many years to receive answers to their prayers*

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Ferry Family Update

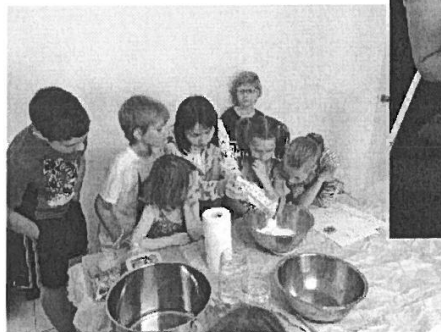


Cheryl and the kids have continued their school year, although their home school curriculum has been somewhat reduced due to their full-time studies in learning Mandarin Chinese. So while

they're still learning some history, science, and the like, they also have to make time for things like learning recorder (above).

Much of their time has been spent in Chinese class, where they learn with two different teachers, both of whom are native speakers. We know it's important to be able to speak to our neighbors, and to interact with those in whose midst we've been placed.

In the pictures below, their Chinese teachers give them instruction on how to make traditional Taiwanese treats, and how to make Chinese character calligraphy. We are blessed to have wonderful teachers.



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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Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr. taught English and literature at the college level, served as Dean of the School of Arts & Sciences at Concordia University Wisconsin, is Provost Emeritus at Patrick Henry College, directs the Cranach Institute, serves on the board of the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education, and is the author of *Postmodern Times*, *The Spirituality of the Cross*, *Classical Education*, and more.



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Registration

<https://emsweb.cuw.edu/EmsRegics/ConcordiaApologeticsConference2019>

Tentative Schedule



Friday, March 29		
5:00-6:00 PM	Registration	
6:00-6:15 PM	Welcome	
6:15-7:15 PM	Plenary I	Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr.
7:20-8:20 PM	Breakout I	
8:30-9:00 PM	Compline	
Saturday, March 30		
8:00-8:30 AM	Matins	
8:30-8:40 AM	Announcements & Words from Sponsors	
8:40-9:40 AM	Plenary II	Dr. Susan Mobley & Dr. Brian Harries
9:45-10:45 AM	Breakout II	
10:55-11:55 AM	Plenary III	Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr.
12:00-1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:05-2:05 PM	Plenary IV	Dr. Susan Mobley & Dr. Brian Harries
2:10-3:10 PM	Breakout III	
3:20-3:55 PM	Q & A Panel	
4:00 PM	Prayer & Farewell	



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Monthly Planner



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					1	2 7:00 AM Mens Breakfast 9:00 AM Adult Instruction 5:00 PM Worship
3 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 4:00 PM Jr Youth Bowling 4:00 PM Sr Youth Open Gym	4 9:00 AM Quilters 11:30 AM Bible Class	5 10:00 AM Tai Chi 6:30 PM Board of Christian Education	6 10:00 AM Worship 6:00 PM Worship 7:00 PM Finance 7:00 PM Public School Confirmation Ash Wednesday	7 9:00 AM Tai Chi 10:00 AM Bible Class 6:00 PM Bells 6:30 PM Financial Peace 7:15 PM Choir	8 6:30 PM Rangerettes	9 7:00 AM Mens Breakfast 9:00 AM Adult Instruction 5:00 PM Worship 
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