

From Your Pastor

It is my prayer and hope that the people of St. Paul's West Allis are doing well, walking with Jesus, and are growing in faith and love daily. There is a lot to be thankful for these days. It is crazy to think that I have now been a pastor here for three months! I'm reminded of the Apostle Paul's words to the Philippians when he writes,

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:4-7)

Monica and I have been warmly welcomed here at St. Paul's. We're thankful for the people who are here. She's thankful for her 3rd grade students. We're thankful for a fun staff to work with daily. We're thankful that we get to worship weekly. Yes, we are thankful!



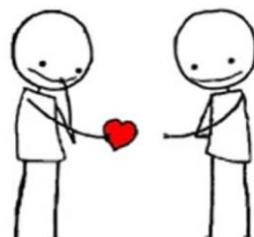
The life of any Christian must be one of giving thanks. Our dependence upon God never ends. He gives us everything that we need for this body and life. Each week in worship we pray, “Give us this day our daily bread.” When we think we can go it alone, we can end up in a bad place. But thanks be to God that He does provide! Jesus says, “Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them” (Mt 6:26). So, if God feeds and provides for birds in

the sky, how much more will God provide for you?

But that's not all. Thanks be to God that Jesus has rescued us from the captivity of sin and death. Jesus rose victorious for you and promises that death will be wiped out completely when he comes back again. This promise is for you! Rejoice!

With that in mind, I challenge you, the people of St. Paul's, to “pay it forward” in your daily living. How can you come to the aid of someone who really needs it? Who can you give thanks to God for? How can you bless someone that you haven't blessed before? Go give it a shot!

Your fellow servant,
Pastor Noah



Pay it forward

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Bible Classes



Men's Bible Breakfast - The Exodus

Some theologians see the "Exodus" as *the* major "motif" or picture of God's work of salvation in the Old Testament. It certainly points us forward to Christ and our eventual "exodus" out of a sinful, fallen world. Join us on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. Pastor Kegley will lead us through the truth of the Old Testament Exodus, a truth which was to be passed on from generation to generation. As we study God's Word, it will strengthen our faith and life in our own generation. In October we meet on the 6th and the 20th.

We meet a little before 7am in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast, socializing, prayer, and the study. 79th Street doors are open. All men of the congregation are invited. Please come and join us for some great Christian fellowship. It is a great way to start off your Saturday.

Sunday Morning Bible Class - The Prophet Isaiah (and a special guest)

During the month of October we will be looking to finish our study of the Prophet Isaiah. We will finish up the fifth "Servant Song" of Isaiah, chapter 60. Then we will look at the final chapter and discuss its significance for faith and life and our eternal destiny. On Sunday, October 21, we will have a special guest sharing with us mission work in other parts of the world (see below).

Getting into God's Word is the only way to grow in faith and trust in our God, in the knowledge of our Savior, and in walking in God's ways. Members are strongly encouraged to be in Bible study!! Coffee and baked goods are an added enticement. We meet each Sunday at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ to get to know them better and continue to grow in faith with them.

Helping Hands Eastern European Ministries - October 21 at 9:15am

What ever happened to the countries of the former Soviet Union after "the wall came down?"

For a short time, they were a focus of missions then soon the spotlight shifted to other parts of the world. The spiritual needs and hunger are still there, and so is **Helping Hands Eastern European Ministries**. On **Sunday Oct. 21st**, Linda Phillips, Founder of Helping Hands will give a presentation on her work in Eastern Europe for three years after the fall of the wall, and afterwards through Helping Hands Eastern European Ministries. Please come and hear what God has been doing in Bulgaria, Greece and Albania and with immigrants from those countries now living in the United States.

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

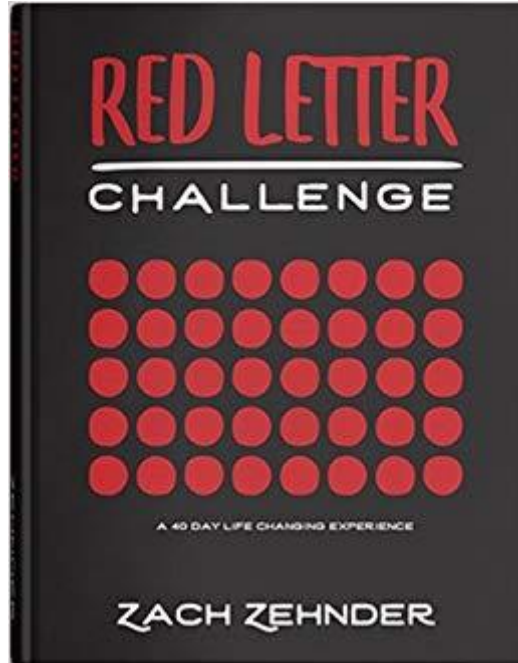
We continue our study of "The Hopeful Disciple." This study penned by Pastor Robert Tasler leads us through the truths of the apostle Peter's first and second epistles. Come and join us on Thursdays for a feast in God's Word. Come and be blessed.



October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Thank you Pastor Bender and Pastor Noah
for sharing God's love with us here at St. Paul's.





Interested in joining or starting a small group bible study? St. Paul's will be starting small groups in **October**. Groups will be walking through the **Red Letter Challenge!** What is the goal and mission of the Red Letter Challenge?

“The mission of Red Letter Challenge (RLC) is to help people live more like Jesus. Sadly, when people think of Jesus-followers it is a far cry from who Jesus actually is. After all that Jesus has done for us, we cannot be content with the picture and representation that we are sharing. We must change the story and perception of who Jesus is. At RLC, we believe that if people truly met the real Jesus, they would really fall in love with Him.

So how do we change the story that we are telling?

We go back to Christ's words. You know, those red letters in your Bible. It turns out he had a lot to say to His followers about what we are called to do and how we are called to live.”

Contact Pastor Noah: noah@splcwa.org





Voters Meeting

November 4, 2018

9:15am

in the Church



Confirmation Photos

In organizing our files, we've come across duplicate St. Paul's Confirmation photos. If you, or a loved one, was confirmed in the following years and would like a class photo, please call the church office. 414-541-6250

1977, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987, 1991, 1996

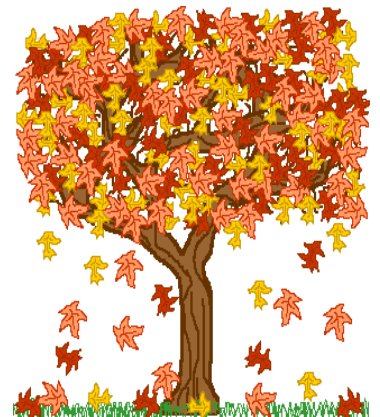
Camp LuWiSoMo

W5421 Aspen Road - Wild Rose, WI 54984

Fall Work Weekend October 19-21, 2018

Lodging is available on Friday and/or Saturday, if needed. Meals provided on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. Come for the day or the whole weekend.

Check out their website for more details: www.luwisomo.org



October

Widows Lunch The next Widows Lunch will be on Wednesday October 10th at 11:00 at Red Lobster on S. 76th Street.



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.

Ladies Guild is collecting baby clothes to make baby kits to send to Lutheran World Relief. These kits will be sent to third world countries along with the quilts the quilters make. We need new or gently used clothing sizes 6-24 months. T-shirts, gowns or sleepers, pants, jackets or sweaters with a cap, receiving blankets and cloth diapers are needed. A container for clothing donations will be located in the narthex. We hope that this will become an on-going project. Any questions, contact Ruth Miller at 414-425-2078. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our mission project.

Quilter's Patch

The first quilter's social was held on August 20th. This allowed all the quilters to get together to have some sweet treats and chat without having to work on quilts. It was nice getting to know a little more about each other. We may have additional socials since some of the quilters are not able to attend the Monday quilting sessions.



We have completed 60+ quilts since January. October 6th and 7th they will be displayed in the church and then on October 8th packed up.

We will meet in the fellowship hall on October 6th at 8:30am to display the quilts in the church. We will then meet on October 8th at 9am in the fellowship hall to take the quilts down and pack them for shipping.

Quilting dates October are 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

Ladies, please join us for book club! We will meet on Monday October 8th at 6:30pm at the Grant St. building. Our book for October is *"The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul"*. Hope to see you there!

LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) will be held on October 27th at 9:00am here at St. Paul's.



Soles for Jesus will be presented with the shoes that we have been collecting.

Come and hear about the mission work that LWML is doing. A breakfast will be served. All ladies are welcome to come & join us!

LWML Mite Box Collection ~ October 6 & 7

LWML Mite Boxes are located in the narthex. All members are welcome to use one and support our mission grants!

Save the Date

December 2, 2018

Advent By Candlelight



Music Notes



October Hymn of the Month: *The Saints in Christ Are One in Every Place* LSB #838

This month our hymn reminds us that we are all saints of the Lord called to share the good news of Jesus.

Verse one states, "The saints in Christ are one in every place to serve the Gospel of His costly grace; from those first days to this, our hope the same: The love of Christ, one lord, one saving name."

The hymn continues as it reminds us that prisoners, slaves praise the Lord. We are called to share the grace of forgiveness and life with ALL those we meet. The tune for this hymn comes from part of the liturgy written for our Hymnal Supplement 98. I pray this new hymn is a blessing for you musically and spiritually.

Remember we will be learning Divine Service IV during the month of October. We will celebrate learning together the traditional worship settings used by our many ancestors in the Christian faith. The flow of the service encourages and uplifts us now as it has since the time of Christ. What a blessing!

Sr. Fun Seekers



We are planning to tour the channel 10/36 studios at MATC in early November. Please watch future bulletins for more details.

Attention All Sr. High Youth -

MOVIE NIGHT AT
PB'S HOUSE
OCTOBER 14
6-8:30P



We Need Your Help!

On Saturday, October 27th, the High School Youth Group will travel around our community to rake leaves for homes that need yard work. We need students, drivers/chaperones, and yards to rake! Interested in participating? Know of someone who needs leaves raked? Contact pastor Noah: noah@splcwa.org



St. Paul's Students

In Grades 6 - 8

MINI GOLF

WHEN: Friday October 12. 4-6:30pm

WHERE: Moorland Golf Center

WHO: 6-8th graders

We'll meet right after school for open gym + snack
with a devotion from pastor noah at 4pm and then head
out to mini golf!

Questions? Contact pastor noah: noah@splcwa.org

OR

Shelly Mueller 262.613.3657

*Sing to the Lord of Harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise.....*

LSB #893



Sharing God's Bounty

Living for Jesus

German Theologian Martin Luther said, "If someone would knock on my heart and ask, 'Who lives here?' I would say, 'Martin Luther once lived here, but he has moved out and Jesus has moved in.'" In Galatians 2:20 the apostle Paul wrote that he, too, lived for Jesus. *"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God."*

Who or what do you live for? If we live for ourselves and the things of the world, we will focus our attention and energy on amassing more and more things. It is easy for money and possessions to become overly important because our society tells us that more is better and that happiness and success can only be achieved by having the newest and best things. To find happiness and success, we work long and hard.

King Solomon, who was wealthy and wise, tried almost everything and found no satisfaction with things of the world. In Ecclesiastes, he tells us that he tried wine and women; he built houses, gardens, and parks; he bought slaves, herds and flocks, and amassed silver and gold. *"I denied myself nothing my eyes desired; I refused my heart no pleasure . . . Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind; nothing was gained under the sun."* (Ecclesiastes 2:10-11). Regarding money, Solomon wrote, *"Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless"* (vs. 5:10).

In closing the book of Ecclesiastes, Solomon wrote, *"Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment . . ."* (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14). The only thing that finally gave Solomon's life purpose was living for God. Likewise, we as Christians understand that Jesus is the only person who can give us lasting peace, comfort, and security. He alone meets our needs. Jesus' tremendous sacrifice showed us his love for us and his love compels us to love him and live for him. Filled with Jesus' presence in our lives, we are empowered to overcome the pull of the world.

Christian Stewards do not dedicate their time, their talent, or their treasure so that they may become God's, but because they are God's.

Renewed in Christ Hope • Strength • Soar



Mission Trip

As our brothers and sisters in Christ, make another trip to Guatemala, may God guide them along the way, as they labor in the country far away. Sharing the Good News of God's love for all. Let us daily pray for their safe return to their home base, St. Paul's.

Elaine Lemke

Servants of Christ Seminar: October 13, 2018
This seminar is for all students in grades 5-8.

It will be held from 9:30am – 1:45pm on the
Concordia University Wisconsin
Mequon campus.

This event is free and lunch will be provided.
Adult chaperones are welcome to attend all
sessions and to eat with us at no cost.

For more information and to register
please visit and encourage your youth to
visit www.cuw.edu/ServantsofChristSeminar

Groundwork Guatemala News



Your Groundwork Guatemala team – Kristy Baars, Crystal Barry, Pastor Bender, Nancy Gottschalk, Carri Halstead, Darla Leitermann, Joe Ross, Lenore VanSanten, and LouAnn Zimmel - has been meeting since January to prepare, and now we are down to the final few weeks before leaving for Guatemala on October 20. You may notice that Bob Reynolds' name is missing from the roster – he is recovering from spine surgery, and we will surely miss his energy, enthusiasm, and all-around devotion to the team. (Not to mention his corny humor, puns, and the best-made PBJ sandwiches in Guatemala)

You may follow our daily activities on the St. Paul's website, GroundworkGuatemala.org The Groundwork Guatemala facebook page has daily photographs you would enjoy.

A huge and sincere THANK YOU to our faithful "support team" at St. Paul's – all of you who have contributed money, health/hygiene and school supplies; eaten at various restaurants and supported our barbecues. The trip would not be possible without the help you have given! We will continue to accept donations through October 17.



We especially ask for your prayer support while we are gone: for safe and healthy travel, for Ginny and Kevin and the eight local Guatemalan missionaries who work with us, for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and for the hearts of the Guatemalan people to be opened to the message we bring: the love of Jesus Christ, salvation, and eternal life.

Guatemala Health/Hygiene Needs

PAIN: Tylenol, Advil, Aleve ANTACIDS: Zantac, Prevacid, Nexium, Tums, etc DOSAGE CUPS
 ANTI-FUNGAL OINTMENTS CALADRYL LOTION CHILDREN'S FEVER/PAIN MEDS
 EYE/EAR DROPS (allergy antibiotic, red eye-single use if possible) INFANT VITAMIN DROPS
 COUGH/COLD/DECONGESTANT SINUS MEDS-Adult & Children PARASITE/WORM MEDS
 HYDROCORTISONE CREAM NAUSEA: Pepto liquid/tabs, Dramamine, meclizine
 NYSTATIN cream, suppository SILVER OXIDE OINTMENT SMALL PLASTIC BAGS for pill distribution
 STREP TESTS THROAT LOZENGES, regular & sugar-free WOUND CARE SUPPLIES
 TRIPLE ANTIBIOTIC CREAM (Neosporin) GLOVES: medium, large SUDAFED
 DIABETIC TEST STRIPS (Bayer, 1-touch ultra, universal) URINARY TRACT INFECTION TEST STRIPS
 VITAMINS: NO GUMMIES Adult: 15,000/month Children: 15,000/month Prenatal: 1500/month
 GAUZE SQUARES (boxed, not individually wrapped) TONGUE DEPRESSORS (Individually wrapped)
 ANTIBIOTICS: Suspension or pills – amoxicillin, amoxicillin/clavulanate, ampicillin, clarithromycin, cephalexin

<u>SCHOOL SUPPLIES</u>	<u>HYGIENE ITEMS</u>
Backpacks, 24-ct colored pencils, #2 pencils (yellow please), ballpoint pens (red, black, blue), permanent wide markers, construction paper, pencil sharpeners, 10-ct broad line markers, children's scissors, medium scissors, wide erasable markers (red, black, blue)	Unisex deodorant, deodorant soap, adult & children toothbrushes, large & travel size toothpaste, antibacterial wipes
MISCELLANEOUS Foam craft sheet/shapes, pipe cleaners, yarn, popsicle sticks, shape punches, craft scissors, sharpies, card stock, labels 80/sheet esp. white, labels 30/sheet, white, #10 peel/seal envelopes	CHRISTMAS GIFTS: SMALL! Matchbox cars, dolls, coloring books, (Girlie Things" (hair foofos, etc), jump ropes, stuffed animals, legos, baseball caps, "stocking stuffers", Etc.



School News

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. What an incredible start we have had to the 2018-2019 school year under the theme "Real. Present. God." The theme is based on Psalm 46:10 where it tells us to "Be still, and know that He is God". What a simple but powerful reminder for us all to cling to when things get a little crazy or when hit full-strength with a serious crisis.

A few items about the school:

- Our enrollment is up . We have increased 6% and are up to 144 students.
- Along with that we have added to our staff some amazing individuals with a wide variety of gifts and abilities, who all share the same goal of sharing the news about our "Real. Present. God."
- We have a new hot lunch program this year, serving children on every Wednesday.
- Our Library is back and growing.
- Choirs are performing in church almost every weekend.
- Sports teams are in full-swing both on the volleyball court, and out on the cross country courses.
- Our PTL is busy planning nights out at various establishments, the Christmas Store, and the Cookie Walk.
- We sold almost 100 spiritwear items to kick off the new year. We will be selling again in November. Go Panthers!



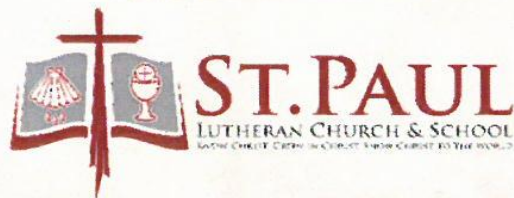
As you can see, our 2018-2019 school year is off to a great start, and we are just getting things started!

Please continue to pray for YOUR Lutheran school here at St. Paul's.

In Christ,
Jack Burkee, Principal



FUNDRAISING NIGHT!



St. Paul Lutheran

Wednesday, November 7th

4PM - 10PM

10% Donation Night

Support this cause by presenting this invitation to the listed Texas Roadhouse® location and Texas Roadhouse® will donate 10% of your total food purchases to the fundraiser!



(262) 784-7427

15425 W Rock Ridge Rd. New Berlin, WI
53151

St. Paul's Child Care Center

Growing seems to be the trend at the child care center. It certainly is a happy place to be.



There are many ways to grow-first and foremost with our Lord and Savior, Jesus and then one may grow taller or grow in knowledge. At St. Paul's Child Care Center, we are blessed to grow in numbers. Our Infant total is 6 with two tours planned for next week, while our toddler total remains at 3. Two of these children are full time and

the rest of our little ones have flexible schedules. Our 3's, 4's and 5's continue to grow as well as new families join our St. Paul's family. Recently, we have added two new three year olds to our program. The After School Care program continues to operate with 15-20 students per night. It certainly is a privilege to care for your children!

In addition, St. Paul's will be adding a 2 day a week 3 year old preschool on Wednesdays and Fridays. This will start the week of October 22nd. The hours will be 8:00 am - 10:30 am. Children should be 3 by Sept. 1st and potty trained in order to participate in this program. Please contact Amy Puechner at amy@splcwa.org or Tammy Evers at tammy@splcwa.org for additional information regarding this program.



FYI-there is a question regarding St. Paul's Child Care Center being open on Wednesday October 31, Thursday November 1 and Friday November 2. I am happy to say: WE WILL BE OPEN FROM 6:00 AM- 6:00 PM. Special activities are being planned for these three days and we look forward to having you with us.

I want to take this opportunity to invite all members to stop by for a visit - anytime and see how we have grown.

Amy Puechner, ECC Director

Lutheran Hour Ministries

The South Wisconsin District of the Lutheran Laymen's League will hold its annual Meeting on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 13445 Hampton Rd., Brookfield, WI. Registration begins at 9:00 AM and the meeting begins at 9:30 AM, and will conclude at 3:00 PM. Registration for the meeting is \$10.00 per person and includes the noon meal.

Keynote speakers are Dr. Christopher Cody, Education Executive for the South Wisconsin District and Dionne Lovestad-Jones, the new Lutheran Hour Ministries Constituent Relations Resource Manager.

Dr. Cody will be speaking on the original purpose & history of our Lutheran Schools, changes over the years, the impact of Choice and the importance of our LCMS schools as we confront cultural changes. Ms Lovestad-Jones will share what LHM has to offer children in the areas of Gospel adventures and equipping them for outreach using Children's outreach booklets.

She will also be sharing information on recent research from the Barna Group on how Christians share their faith.

For additional information and registration information please contact Tom Beineke at 414-610-9356 or thomas.beineke@yahoo.com.



GRAND OPENING SEPTEMBER 25!

Clothes are tagged, furniture is labeled, and accessories are on display. We're ready for customers!

Store Hours:

Tuesday-Friday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Closed Sunday and Monday

We are still looking for more volunteers for the store. We need your help sorting and tagging merchandise, arranging displays, cleaning, etc. There are always items coming in and new seasons to get ready for. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer at the store or have any general questions about 3in1 Thrift, please contact our Store Manager, Dorrae at dmoonen@lhsagm.org or 414-378-1915.

Donations will now be accepted at the store during operating hours, and will also still be accepted at our three high school locations. Larger items may be scheduled for pick-up, if necessary. You can find a list of acceptable donation items [here](#).

We look forward to seeing everyone shopping, volunteering, donating, and interacting with others in support of our three high schools!

3in1 Thrift
3117 S 108th Street
West Allis, WI 53227
414-914-9225



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HIGH SCHOOL



MARTIN LUTHER
HIGH SCHOOL



LAKE COUNTRY LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL

STAY
CONNECTED



Truth

The Lutheran High School Association of Greater Milwaukee,
10427 W. Lincoln Avenue #1300, West Allis, WI 53227

Mark Your Calendar

Martin Luther High School turns 50!

New updates, same spirit.

Anniversary Celebration - October 6, 2018

The 50th Birthday Worship Service and Celebration on campus at Martin Luther High School begins with a worship service at 2:00 p.m. with a reception to follow with refreshments.



SERVING THE LORD IN
UGANDA
NEWS FROM RACHEL MEYER



August 2018

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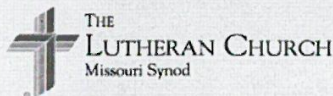
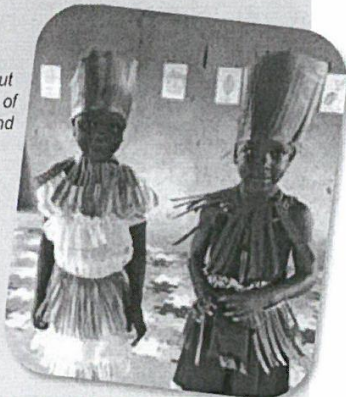
Missionary Meyer in Uganda

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
SNAPSHOTS**



Working with clay as we learn how God made us each special.

Acting out the story of Adam and Eve



To be added to or removed from this mailing list, send an email message to Rachel.Meyer@lcms.org with the word ADD or REMOVE in the subject line.

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done. Psalm 78:4

Sunday School



Sunday School Teacher Miriam (left) teaches about creation. Students of all ages enjoy coming to Sunday School.

Raising up children in the faith is a high priority for the Lutheran Church of Uganda. One way they do this is through the ministry at the Lutheran schools. Another is through Sunday School.

Hope Lutheran Church in Bufuula began a Sunday School program this month to reach out to the many young children in the congregation and community. It is a blessing to walk alongside them as they begin this new ministry.

Parents in the congregation are thankful that their young children can learn God's message of salvation by grace through faith from an early age. This is an opportunity many of the adults in the Lutheran church did not have, as the Lutheran Church of Uganda is only about 25 years old. Now, while the parents are in Bible study with the vicar on Sunday morning, their children can also be studying God's Word in Sunday School in the room next door.

God is also working through the Sunday School ministry to share the Gospel with non-Christians and

unchurched families in the community. Some of the children who live nearby come to Sunday school, and even stay for the worship service afterward, without their parents. We pray that as the Holy Spirit works through the Word in the hearts of the children, He will also embolden them to witness to others.

This is in fact the story of one of our Sunday School teachers. Miriam did not grow up in a Christian family. However, she lived near the Lutheran church, and she started attending church and Sunday school when she was still young. It was there that she first learned about the love of Jesus and the salvation He won for her. Now she is helping to teach the next generation about our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Please keep the students and Sunday school teachers in your prayers. Pray that the Holy Spirit may work mightily through His Word to raise this next generation in the faith. Pray that they, too, may share the wonders God has done for generations to come.

Learning and Growing

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Lord to bring more people in Uganda and around the world to saving faith in Christ

The Sunday School ministry in Bufula

God's continued blessings on the ministry at Hope Lutheran School as we begin the third term

Health and safety

Continued progress in Lusoga language study and use

GIVE THANKS FOR:

The steadfastness of God's Word, which has continued on through generations.

My numerous language and culture teachers who help me learn how to more effectively minister in this place

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.



Bishop Bameka prays for a woman as she is confirmed.

LEARNING IN THE CHURCH

It is a blessing to serve alongside the Lutheran Church of Uganda (LCU) and to see the way God is working through them to grow His kingdom. He has raised up pastors and lay leaders who faithfully preach His Word and train people up in the faith throughout the nearly 140 congregations of the LCU. While my primary place of service is in Bufula, I always appreciate opportunities to visit and encourage other congregations, as well. This month I was able to worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ in the village of Ikumbya in the Eastern deanery. What a joy to celebrate the work of God in their lives as several children were baptized and three adults were confirmed that Sunday!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord,
all the earth;
break forth into joyous song
and sing praises!

Psalm 98:4

LEARNING THROUGH MUSIC

The second term of the school year ended on August 17. The students are on break until September 10 when we will resume classes for the third and final term of the school year.

While we are on a short break from school, my own cultural learning continues. In addition to Lusoga lessons, this month I also started learning how to play the traditional drums (*engoma*).

You can learn a lot about a culture through its music, especially in a place like Uganda which is so rich in musical tradition. Singing and dancing are part of the very rhythm of life, and every song has a story to tell.

Drums play an important role in the music throughout Uganda. They are not only used in traditional music, but they are also often used in church to accompany the hymns and offer praise to God. In this region, the drums are most often played in a set of three, as pictured below. I continue to thank God for the gift of music and an opportunity to learn about the culture in a special way.



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



To support the LCMS through the work of Rachel Meyer, you may send a tax-deductible gift to:

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NEWS FROM THE FERRY FAMILY



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Making it Official...

We are guests in Taiwan, just like we were guests in Indonesia. It is only because we have the support of the local church, and the permission of the government, that we are able to live outside the USA to accomplish our work. This fact was driven home again over the last few weeks as we returned to the US for the necessities of life overseas. The Ferry Family was back in “the States” while we renewed passports for the four older kids, and assembled the documentation for our Taiwan visa applications.



This was the first time for the kids to be back on US soil in about a year, and the first time to return to their passport country since we moved to Taiwan. It’s also the first time for Charlotte to be in the US at all! We sent off the passports and prayed for the best. While we waited, we had much-needed reconnection time with family, and were able to make a few congregational visits around the Midwest.

We are so grateful for our friends, partners, family members, and other generous people who opened their churches, homes, and schools to us so we could tell them about the transition and the ongoing work we are accomplishing together. It was also an incredible opportunity to meet together with colleagues in person, and to experience some of the wonderful blessings of US life which are so often beyond our reach in Asia.

Once we had valid passports back in hand, and all the proper documentation assembled, authenticated, and notarized, it was time to appear at the Chicago diplomatic office for Taiwan. We were a bit nervous, but the staff was as warm and welcoming as anyone else we’ve met from Taiwan. The kids greeted the workers in Chinese, and the rest of the visit went very smoothly. Two weeks later, we had our passports back in hand with the fresh resident visas pasted in the middle. Thanks be to God!

The Ferry family is now back in Asia, unpacking our suitcases in our new home, and excited to get back to work. We still have some diplomatic tasks to accomplish to obtain our resident cards, but the hard part is over. Many thanks to each of you for your continued prayers, support, and love. We are humbled to begin this new chapter of service in earnest, and we look forward to sharing the updates and pictures.



The Ferry Family visits with a Sunday School class at Pilgrim Lutheran in Wauwatosa, WI, the congregation where Cheryl grew up.



Ferry Family Update



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- *The Ferry kids and Cheryl as they settle back into life in Taiwan as residents*
- *Those new missionaries who have recently completed orientation and are out building networks of support*
- *Those in the path of tropical storms and other bad weather, both in Asia and other places*

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- *Smooth visa process which delivered our opportunity to live in this field to serve our workers and YOU in our work together*

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Being back in the US is always interesting for the Ferry kids. They've lived most of their lives outside the country, so we're never sure how certain things are going to strike them, or how they'll react to things we normally take for granted. They are truly becoming seasoned professionals in getting adjusted quickly to new surroundings, and they never seem to mind being at the center of attention.

This year during a few of our visits, the kids took a turn in helping Daddy present on our work in Asia by answering some questions or even singing a nursery-rhyme song in Chinese. And they're always amazed to see Mommy or Daddy drive a vehicle, since we don't own anything (and don't drive ourselves) in Asia.

We are so grateful to everyone who opened their homes and lives to us as we returned for this brief time. We were especially humbled by our friends at Brookfield Lutheran Church (WI) who let us use their 12-passenger van for many miles... what a wonderful blessing to us!

Many thanks to all of **you** for allowing us to continue on this tradition of reaching out with the Gospel truth. We take great joy in the service we can give through our partnership!

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*



Everyone pulls their weight when we travel: even Chloe carries her sleeping bag into the hotel.



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Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p><i>1</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Quilters 11:30 AM Bible Class</p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Tai Chi 6:30 PM Board of Christian Education</p>	<p><i>3</i></p> <p>6:30 PM Guatemala Meeting 6:30 PM Public School Confirmation</p>	<p><i>4</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Tai Chi 10:00 AM Bible Class 6:00 PM Finance 6:10 PM Bells 7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>5</i></p>	<p><i>6</i></p> <p>7:00 AM Mens Breakfast 9:00 AM Adult Instruction 9:00 AM LWML Board Meeting 5:00 PM Worship</p>
<p><i>7</i></p> <p>8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship</p>	<p><i>8</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Quilters 11:30 AM Bible Class 6:30 PM Ladies Book Club</p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Tai Chi 6:00 PM Council</p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>11:00 AM Widows Lunch 6:30 PM Guatemala Meeting 6:30 PM Public School Confirmation 7:00 PM Praise Band</p>	<p><i>11</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Tai Chi 10:00 AM Bible Class 6:10 PM Bells 7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>12</i></p> <p>4:00 PM Jr Youth Mini Golf</p> 	<p><i>13</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Adult Instruction 5:00 PM Worship</p>
<p><i>14</i></p> <p>8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM Cleopas Walk Luncheon 6:00 PM Sr Youth Movie Night</p>	<p><i>15</i></p> <p>11:30 AM Bible Class</p>	<p><i>16</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Tai Chi 5:30 PM Divine Connections</p>	<p><i>17</i></p> <p>6:30 PM Guatemala Meeting 6:30 PM Public School Confirmation</p>	<p><i>18</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Tai Chi 10:00 AM Bible Class 6:10 PM Bells 7:15 PM Choir</p>	<p><i>19</i></p>	<p><i>20</i></p> <p>7:00 AM Mens Bible Breakfast 9:00 AM Adult Instruction 5:00 PM Worship <i>Guatemala Team Leaves for Guatemala</i></p>
<p><i>21</i></p> <p>8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship</p>	<p><i>22</i></p> <p>11:30 AM Bible Class <i>School Book Fair</i></p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Tai Chi 6:30 PM Elders <i>School Book Fair</i></p>	<p><i>24</i></p> <p>6:30 PM Public School Confirmation 7:00 PM Praise Band <i>School Book Fair</i></p>	<p><i>25</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Tai Chi 10:00 AM Bible Class 6:10 PM Bells 7:15 PM Choir <i>School Book Fair</i></p>	<p><i>26</i></p> <p><i>School Book Fair</i></p>	<p><i>27</i></p> <p>7:00 AM LWML Rally 5:00 PM Worship <i>Guatemala Team Returns From Guatemala</i> Youth Leaf Raking Event</p>
<p><i>28</i></p> <p>8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship</p>	<p><i>29</i></p> <p>11:30 AM Bible Class</p>	<p><i>30</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Tai Chi</p>	<p><i>31</i></p> <p>6:30 PM Public School Confirmation</p>	