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October 2022 Newsletter

From Lay Minister Mike:

October is here already. Where did the year go? School has been in session for over a month now. Sports are in full swing. Harvest is starting. Everyone is so busy.

Last weekend I completed another class at Wartburg. I am part way through my last class. My internship starts in November. More information to follow on that in next month's newsletter.

Thank you to the Sunday School and the Sunday School teachers for running the service September 25. I appreciate them stepping in to allow me to be out of town for school.

At the end of the month, we have Reformation Day. When I think of the Reformation, I think of Martin Luther nailing the 95 Theses on the door of Wittenberg Castle. As I have studied Christian History more, I find that Martin Luther's personal struggles with sin and redemption led to the most important discovery: Justification Through Faith Alone. It is good to review that history every year for Reformation Sunday to remind us where our Lutheran Church came from. The most important part of that history is when Martin Luther's study of Romans revealed that we are justified by faith alone. Both faith and justification are free gifts from God.

Amen.



West Clermont Lutheran Church Council Minutes – September 7, 2022

Present: Jed Dean, Brant Schrader, Tasha Massman, Wendy Steffens, Gene Ruckdashel, Jesse Bassett, Mary Amundson, Amy Cummings, Nicole Jacobsen, Kathy Wander, Brenden Wander and Pastor Mike Erickson

Jed called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Pastor Mike opened with prayer.

Motion was made by Nicole to approve the June minutes. Tasha second, motion carried.

Motion made by Amy to approve the agenda. Mary second, motion carried.

Kathy sent out the monthly financial statement for review prior to the meeting. Motion made by Amy to approve the Treasurer's Report. second, motion carried.

Kayleen Schrader and Jess Dean were present to give us an update on the Sunday School schedule and curriculum. They have lots of fun thing planned for the kids, including singing the first Sunday of each month, packing shoeboxes and the Christmas Program.

Pastor Report: Pastor will be gone on the 3rd Sunday so Sunday School will be taking over service that day. Pastor was verified today that his internship supervisor has been appointed and he is progressing towards that section of is schooling. Pastor drafted a Policy on Sexual Harassment and Misconduct Statement of Policy for his school, as the church did not have one. Wendy made the motion to approve the policy. Mary second, motion carried.

Pastor presented his Annual Meeting Proposal, which was completed for one of his classes and proposes a change in the annual meeting date. The council discussed that it would be proposed to the congregation at the annual meeting.

Paint project fundraising is underway. The quilt made by the WELCA ladies went for \$1,300 and have an awesome boost to our fundraising.

The service contract was received from NEIA Mechanical. Amy made a motion to approve the service contract, Gene second, motion carried.

The bid for the outside faucet on the North side of the church was received from NEIA Mechanical. Tasha made a motion to approve the outdoor faucet. Brant second, motion carried.

Pastor presented the organ maintenance contract. Brant made a motion to approve the contract update. Brenden second, motion carried.

Noisy can for the 4th quarter is to go to Karen Kohls for expenses related to her rehab stay in Decorah. Amy made a motion, Tasha second, motion carried.

Council will be seeking bids for insulation in the attic, which was recommended by Rhiele Painting, who will be painting the sanctuary.

Council will be seeking bids for a new window to be placed in the old office on the East side of the church

Newsletter items are due to the office by September 23, 2022.

Next council meeting will be held **October 5th at 5:30 p.m.**

Motion made by Brenden to adjourn at 7:05 pm. Nicole second, motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.



October, 2022

DATE	READERS	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION
10/2*	LaVerne Swenson	Teagan Schrader	Wendy or Greg Larson
10/9	Taylor Dean	Ryan Dean	
10/16	Karen Miller	Natalie Bassett	
10/23*	Aaron Steffens	Bella Dirksen	Wendy Steffens
10/30	LaVerne Swenson	Keagan Klemp	

October Ushers: Jerry Anderson, Lee & Karen West



October

10/01 Dirksen Joshua
 10/07 Dinan Holli
 10/10 Kerner Anthony
 10/13 Dean Taylor
 10/17 Berg Carol
 10/19 Martin-Wilker Aviel
 10/24 Noggle Cherokee
 10/26 Guyer Doris

10/04 Yauslin John
 10/07 Swenson Marti
 10/11 Wilker Matthew
 10/15 Helgerson Betty
 10/17 Siebrecht Jenna
 10/20 Corbin Isaiah
 10/25 Hoeck Ralph

10/05 Monteith Brandi
 10/09 Guyer Douglas
 10/12 Wescott Grant
 10/16 Miller Kjerstin
 10/19 Guyer Ellen
 10/21 Zimmer David
 10/25 Monteith Klay



Offerings: August 28, 2022 – September 18, 2022

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Loose: \$38.00
 Noisy Can: \$12.17
 Paint Project: \$1000.00 IMO Clarice Gass

Total General Fund: \$2,967.92

Bldg Fund Roof: \$90.00

Attendance: 58

Copies: \$7.75
 Regular: \$1,910.00

Sunday, September 4, 2022

Regular: \$1,250.00
 Noisy Can: \$66.37
Total General Fund: \$1,419.37

Bldg Fund – roof: \$90.00

Attendance: 51

Loose: \$103.00

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Attendance: 61

Sunday, September 18, 2022

Attendance: 109

Copies: \$4.00
 Regular: \$795.00
 Paint Project: \$306.00
Total General Fund: \$1,199.67

Loose: \$77.29
 Noisy Can: \$17.38



Prayer List

Requested: Jeanette (Davisson) Cain, Bob Kress, Don Erickson, Ken Erickson, Jake Noggle, David Wiczorek, Karen Guyer, Karen Kohls, Lynzee Henrikson-Makowski, Ardell Fortune, Inez Oakland, Jerry Erickson, Julie Albertson.

Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Shut-Ins: Millard Nelson, Betty Erickson, Gail Herman, John Yauslin, Marilyn Knutsen, Marilyn Shipton, Bud Siebrecht, Karen Follett.

In the Military: Jeff Kleppe, Nathan Guyer, Major Stephanie Wilkins, Kennedy White.



Congratulations to our First Communicants

*Natalie Bassett
Ryan Dean
Brailynn Dirksen
Keagan Klemp
Sutton Schrader*

October 2022, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

Leaving a Legacy

Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) has responded to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service for more than 150 years. We have created a legacy of lifting up and empowering thousands of our Iowa neighbors, thanks to the generosity of our supporters.

Through LSI, Iowans also have the opportunity to leave a legacy of their own. When you include LSI in your will or estate planning, you are making a lasting impact for years to come. By including LSI in your will or living trust, you are ensuring that we can continue our mission and ministry well into the future.

LSI is now offering seminars to those interested in learning more about legacy gifts, wills and final wishes.

October 2022, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story Continued...

If you would like more information on how you can include LSI in your estate planning, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563.676.2065. LSI is also available to provide a customized virtual shared ministry opportunity for your congregation. If you would like to share the message of LSI with your community, please visit LSIowa.org/church-relations or contact our Waverly office at 319.352.2630 to get started.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at www.LSIowa.org and www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

Making a Lasting Impact


Phil has had a connection to LSI since his college years. While taking social work classes at Wartburg College, he was asked to tutor a student at LSI's Bremwood Residential Treatment Center in Waverly. Even years later, he and his wife, Phyllis, continued to support LSI programming by making a donation around Christmas each year.

When Phyllis passed away in 2012, Phil began looking at their investments and considering how he could make a positive impact long-term. While at a church event, he met an LSI staff member and learned about a charitable trust program. He decided to establish four benefactors – including LSI – in his planned giving.

LSI can use the money in a wise, caring way for people who are at risk or who really need help, and in a way that nobody else is doing." Phil says. "Through planned giving, LSI and these other causes will be able to continue what they're doing even when I'm gone."



Mike Erickson has **office hours** on Tuesdays and Thursdays from **9:30am-noon**. To schedule an appointment you may contact the office. Drop ins welcome. You may also contact Mike @ 423-5122 (home) or 563-422-1687 (cell) at any time.

 **Noisy Can Offering** for 4th Quarter (Oct.-Dec.) will go to the Karen Kohl's family for expenses incurred while undergoing treatment for some health issues.

 **Confirmation Class** is on Wednesdays following school (2:30-3:30pm).



Men's Group will meet Saturday, October 22nd @ 8:30am at the church.



Quilters meet on Tuesdays @ 9am.



Ruth Circle has changed their meeting time. Circle will meet at **2:00pm** on **October 19th**.



Sunday Brunch for October is **Sunday, October 2nd** following worship. Sarah Circle is hosting the brunch and funds go toward the paint project. Serving: Biscuits & Gravy and fruit cups. Freewill Donation.



NFV Preschools' Family Informational Fair is Tuesday, October 4th from 5-6:30pm @ the Dance Pavilion at the Fayette Co. Fairgrounds.



FALL HAMBALL DINNER



sponsored by West Clermont Lutheran is Sunday, October 30th from 10:30am-2:00pm @ the Clermont Opera House. Serving: Hamballs, cheesy potatoes, green beans and pie. Proceeds to go toward the church paint project. This is a Thrivent sponsored event. Dine in or carry out. Freewill donation. Sign-up sheets for volunteers to help will be available at church during fellowship following worship services and in the office during office hours. Watch the bulletin for details and updates



Reed Cummings is raising money for his Eagle Scout Project.

This is the design of the new sign that will be placed on HWY 18 coming into Clermont heading North.

The old sign was destroyed by a hit-and-run driver in 2021.

The new sign will be installed this fall.



The Cresco Theatre & Opera House present **The Looney Lutherans Hold the Lutefisk: *It's beginning to smell a lot like Christmas!*** on Sunday, December 4th @ 2pm. Tickets are \$25 each and will be available in early October. This would be a fun group activity!