

GOOD NEWS



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9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast 100.1 FM
Pastor: Tim W. Muehlbrad

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT:

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known;
As we love one another, serve our neighbor, and grow in our Faith
through studying God's Word and Worshipping God.*



As we celebrate our 150th anniversary this year, I have been thinking about the rich history that influenced those who were founding members of this congregation. What shaped their faith that they identified as Lutheran?

There are only few people that it can be said with absolute certainty that they changed the course of history. Jesus was one; so was Karl Marx. Still another was Martin Luther.

Near midnight on November 3, 1583, Martin Luther was born in candlelight. The next morning, his father Hans Luder, took him to St. Petri Church to be baptized. Being St. Martin's Day, he was named Martin. Luder was later respelled to Luther.

Martin Luther was many things to the sixteenth century Christian church: Reformer, pastor, teacher, orator, translator, theologian, musician, university professor, and family man. Except for Jesus, more books have been written about him than any other person in the history of the world.

Luther was a complex personality and often a person of contradictions. People who read him can find in him a great hero or a mad man depending on their purpose, but no one can dispute that he was a man of God. His relationship with God took first priority in all that he did.

You have heard about many of the great things he did such as his emphasis on Salvation by Grace through faith; the restoration of the use of the Bible for all believers; and the universal priesthood of all believers. However, I would like to share with you a few other tidbits of information about him, many of which are not that important but shed some light on the man.

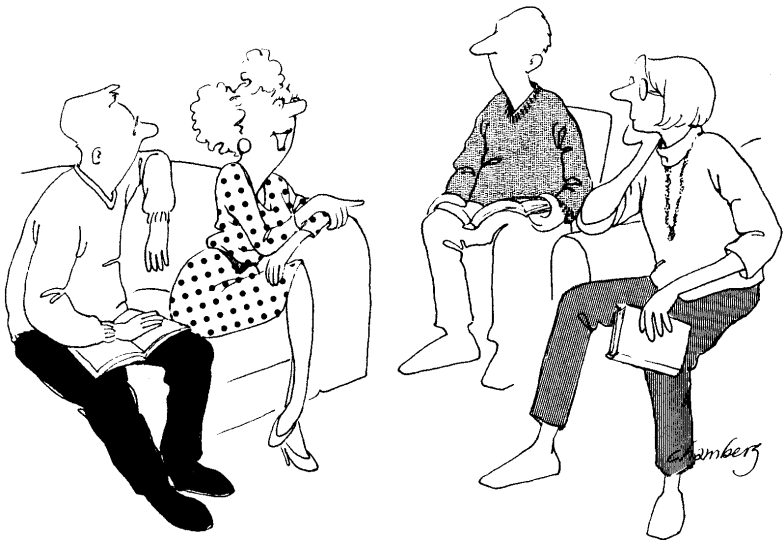
- Without the use of electricity for light, word processor, typewriter or even a ball point pen, he translated the Greek New Testament into the German in only 11 weeks.

- In his translation of the bible, he wanted it not to be merely a reading Bible but a speaking Bible, so he would question many people of the many different dialects, “how would you say this phrase?” As a result, Luther formed the modern German language.
- Up until Luther there was no uniform order of the Books in the Bible. Earlier translators placed them in whatever order that suited them. Luther worked up the order of books as we now have them. Tyndale who translated the Bible into the English language, met with Luther, was influenced by him, and followed the same order of books. The King James Version followed suit. So, everyone who memorizes the books of the Bible is following Luther’s order.
- Luther wrote 37 hymns and composed at least 12 tunes for his hymns.
- Published works that he wrote, ranging from pamphlets to books, number 420. We don’t know how many letters he wrote, but there are still 3000 in existence -- a lot of writing with a goose feather quill. Luther never took any royalties for his writings or his music, but his publishers became wealthy.
- Having studied music theory as a child, not only did he compose, but he loved to sing with his high tenor voice and enjoyed playing the flute and the lute (the forerunner of the modern-day guitar).
- The congregation did not sing in worship service for 1000 years, until Luther reintroduced it.
- In writing music, he originated the concept of “one syllable, one note”, which made it easier for congregational members to sing, and which we take for granted today.
- Though echoed before, Luther was the proponent of the modern view of religious liberty, insisting that the human conscience cannot be coerced.
- Luther was the forerunner of the Public School System. Before, it was all under the authority of the church. He stressed it to be a state responsibility.

- He changed the view of the Christian marriage. For centuries church manuals on marriage emphasized that marriage was a lesser estate, while celibacy and virginity was the higher estate. Marital sexual relations between husband and wife was often considered a venial (lesser) sin because it was a concession to the weakness of the flesh. Luther's teaching changed the emphasis of the times to the fact that sexual desire is God's good gift, and marriage is living a life for God.

So many more interesting comments could be made, but let's remember that our lives today are still strongly affected by the life of Luther.

Your Pastor,
Tim W Muehlbrad



"Well, I haven't actually DIED to sin, but I did feel kind of faint once."



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 11, 2022 – 7:00pm

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting of the Church Council of St. Paul Lutheran Church was called to order by Clem Waskow. Council members present for the meeting were Pastor Tim Muehlbrad, Clem Waskow, Bill Klaevemann, Boyd Weise, Linda Peyton, Hope Jendrzey, Cathy Moritz, Pam Hoefling, and Kristin Schustereit. Katie Serrano was also in attendance.
- 2) **DEVOTION** Boyd Weise gave the devotion.
- 3) **MINUTES** The minutes from September 13, 2022, were approved as printed with no corrections.
- 4) **REPORTS**
 - a) **Treasurer/Stewardship** – Cindy Parma made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Bill Klaevemann seconded. The motion carried.
 - b) **Parish Education** – No report.
 - c) **Youth** – Linda Peyton reported:
 1. Zoe Innocenti has been meeting with the high school and junior high students to see what they would like to see happen here at the church. So far, attendance has been very good.
 2. Laurey Garcia is going to start a Wednesday night program for the junior high, starting in November.
 3. The Summer Camp Fundraiser Money Wall has

been a huge success! The congregation has very generously donated \$22,942.00!

4. The next youth monthly gathering will be held on Saturday, October 15, at the Welch's Farm Corn Maze.
 5. The next Youth Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at 6pm.
- d) **Worship** – Boyd Weise reported: He will be contacting Ressman's about poinsettias. Pastor will be on vacation the first Sunday in November. The communion elements will be consecrated ahead of time so that we will be able to have communion in his absence. Boyd is going to join in giving the children's sermon at times. The committee would like to bring back the choir before the 150th celebration.
- e) **Evangelism/Outreach** – Nothing to report.
- f) **Social Concerns** – Cathy Moritz reported: Assistance was provided to one individual in September 2022 - \$100 to assist with a utility bill.
- g) **Christian Life** – Pam Hoefling reported: A potluck lunch was held on September 18, 2022, with about 40 people attending. Lots of good dishes were brought. For the next event, the committee will be preparing a Thanksgiving Meal after the Thank Offering Service to be held on November 13, 2022.
- h) **Property** – Bill Klaevemann reported the following as of October 2022:
1. Parsonage #2 had one garage sale, and plans are being made for a second one. Items not sold will either be donated or thrown away.
 2. Will review bid obtained for roof repairs on both bell towers of the sanctuary.
 3. Will obtain painting bids for parsonage #2 and stains to ceiling of church annex and elsewhere where water stains occurred from leaking bell towers.

4. Unplugged AC drain to attic unit in the church annex.

- i) **Cemetery** – Kristin Schustereit reported: Someone has been contacting her about purchasing three cemetery plots that are already owned. They were purchased in 1941 by a Herbert Wagner. Kristin has not been successful at finding any relatives to contact. The woman asking has asked to review church records to find information. The old cemetery records are unorganized and delicate.
- j) **CEM** – Written report was provided.
- k) **Pastor** – Professional activities during September 2022 included: 9 worship services, 4 hospital visits, 10 home visits, 10 educational events, 12 church meetings and events, and 1 professional meeting. Official acts during October included two burials.

5) OLD BUSINESS

- a) **Generator Project** – There is nothing new to report currently. Bill has not received any return calls as of yet. The item will remain on the agenda for November.

6) NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Compensation Package for Director of Christian Education** – Hope Jendrzey made a motion to increase the beginning salary range for Option 1 to \$42,500.00, and to give the interview committee discretion to raise the salary offer as they recommend. Linda Peyton seconded the motion. The motion carried.
The interview committee will consist of Pastor Tim, Clem Waskow, Linda Peyton, Kimberly Gaus, and Zoe Innocenti. They will meet on November 9, time to be determined.
- b) **Church Roof** – Bill Klaevemann made a motion to hire Victor Alvarez for \$20,880.00 to repair/replace the roofing on both bell towers of the church. Cindy

Parma seconded. The motion carried.

- c) **WELCA use of Fellowship Hall** – Bill Klaevemann made a motion to allow the WELCA to use our Fellowship Hall on November 4, 5, and 6, at the non-member rate. Linda Peyton seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- d) **Budget** – Budget requests are due by November 15. The budget committee meeting will be on November 7 at 2:00pm.
- e) **Annual Congregational Meeting Date** – Bill Klaevemann made a motion to hold the annual congregational meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023.
- 7) **CLOSING** – Boyd Weise made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hope Jendrzey seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Schustereit

2022 COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT – Clemens Waskow
SECRETARY – Kristin Schustereit

PARISH ED – Tina Boehm

STEWARDSHIP – Cindy Parma

WORSHIP – Boyd Weise

CHRISTIAN LIFE – Pam Hoefling

PROPERTY – Bill Klaevemann

SOCIAL CONCERNS – Cathy Moritz

YOUTH – Linda Peyton

EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Hope Jendrzey

Financial Report

GENERAL FUND	YTD 2022	BUILDING FUND	YTD 2022
Beginning Balance	44,295.10	Beginning Balance	33,153.48
Income	661,784.91	Income	89,900.47
Expenses	(692,423.37)	Expenses	(99,853.51)
Ending Balance	13,656.64	Ending Balance	23,200.44
Investment	117,005.69		
TOTAL	130,662.33		

Totals as of 10/17/2022

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

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YOUR ARTICLES
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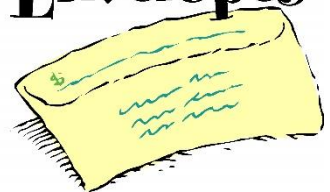
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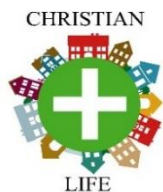


Thursday,
November 17, 2022

It's that time of the year where the offering envelopes will be going out soon. If you prefer not to have envelopes assigned to you, please let the church office know. We still have the e-giving option that you can utilize. Let's help cut down on excess expense!

Offering Envelopes





Save the dates for the upcoming Christian Life activities:

- October 30, 2022 – 150th Anniversary Celebration
- November 13, 2022 – Thank Offering meal to be held after the Thank Offering Service
- December 18, 2022 – Christmas Feast to be held after the Sunday School Christmas program.

The Community Thanksgiving Feast will be held Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 4:30 pm at Gruenau Hall. Please join us in Thanksgiving and sharing a meal with the community!

Thanksgiving



FEAST



Trunk or Treat! Come out and get a treat at the annual Yorktown Trunk or Treat at the Yorktown city park on Monday, October 31.

Junior High Youth Meeting

Beginning November 2022 every Wednesday from 6-7:30pm. the Junior High will have an opportunity to come together to share a meal, study the Bible and enjoy games and fellowship! We will meet in the basement. Feel free to bring a friend! Looking forward to growing our faith and friendships!!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or the church office.

-Laurey Garcia



This year the high school is putting on the Christmas program. It will be held on Sunday, December 18, 2022. Please bring your

children on Sunday, November 6, to receive their casting part. Practice days will be Sunday, December 11 from 2-4 pm and Saturday, December 17, from 9-11 am.

Parish Education will be holding a brief meeting for the teachers on Sunday, November 6, 2022 in the basement after Sunday School.





The Sunday School Second Graders were presented with their bibles. Pictured in the front row is Kollin Kerlick, Patrick Peyton, Maesen Foerster, Landrey Koopmann, Reece Foerster. Back row: Paislee Young, Molly Styra, Pastor Tim Muehlbrad, Maddilynn Rippamonti, McKinley Carriger, and Kerington Fehner.



Samaritan's Purse is a Christian international relief organization, responding to disasters in America and around the world.

You may know about their help in Victoria, clearing out damaged houses after the last hurricane.

Now Samaritan's Purse delivers 75 truckloads of food into Ukraine each week and works with 2,000 partner churches

to deliver the food to those in need. Winter in Ukraine is bitterly cold; war damage to bombed-out windows and holes ripped in roofs make it worse. Samaritan's Purse is providing clear plastic to seal windows and heavy-duty tarps to patch roofs.

They will send things like blankets and warm hats plus solar-powered lights for the long, dark nights. The churches have asked for wood-burning stoves to heat the damaged homes of 5000 families. One stove costs \$200. It is hard to imagine a hard winter without a stove in a damaged home without power or running water as they deal with shortages of food, fears for their safety, and endless grief.

If you would like to help with this large project, please send your gift to : Samaritan's Purse International Relief, P.O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607. You may also donate by calling 1-800-665-2843 or use samaritanspurse.org to donate or find out about this Christian-based organization. If I can answer any questions, I will be happy to do so. Lyn Janssen

We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:

LeRoy Landgrebe – who passed away
October 5, 2022. Services were held
October 9, 2022.

Eva Gohmert – who passed away
October 14, 2022. Services were held
October 24, 2022.



May the power of the resurrection continue to provide them assurance.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 6, 2022.



We remember the children of God who have left their earthly journey for their heavenly home this past year. We take this time to remember the blessings God has given us through each of them.

The SAINT'S of St. Paul who are now among the Saints Triumphant are:

David Lassmann, Roland Riedesel, Morris Kerlick, Lola Teschendorf, JoAn Young, David Metting, Lorene Schley, Michael Janssen, Melvin Sinast, Amy Lynch, Joyce

Hoeffling, Mary Ann Pfeifer, Stanley Johnson, C.B. Suggs, Leroy Landgrebe, and Eva Gohmert

Finally, we celebrate All Saint's Sunday because we, too, are counted as saints through the righteousness of Christ. Through the merits of His sacrifice and the promise of His resurrection, we shall one day also stand with all the saints in life!



In memory of Tammy Bitterly – CEM

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of Mark Boldt – Building

Ronnie Afflerbach

Renae Pierce

In memory of Mark Boldt – Parking Lot

Helen Breed

In memory of Pete & Edna Brandt – Building

Helen Breed

In memory of Delores Dickerman – CEM

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of Eva Gohmert – Endowment

Mallie Stanchos

In memory of Eva Gohmert – Parking Lot

Michael & Kim Blaschke

In memory of Eva Gohmert – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

In memory of Joyce Hoefling – Building

Barbara J. Mueller

Melissa Stolle & Sons

In memory of Joyce Hoefling – Senior Scholarship Fund

Arvid & Kitty Sievers

In memory of Doris Isley – Parking Lot

Carlton & Sandra Bolting

In memory of Stanley Johnson – Building

Mary Lou Gerhardt

Ann Adix

Helen Breed

In memory of Stanley Johnson – CEM

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of Stanley Johnson – Oromo Mission Fund

Jay & Sandra Heil

In memory of Stanley Johnson – Senior Scholarship Fund

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel

In memory of Leroy Landgrebe -Building

Bill & Carolyn Bargmann

Arlyn & Carole Seiler

Dennis Henze

Allen & Patsy Kolodziejeyk

Scott Straube

William Koopmann

Mary Lou Gerhardt

Koby & Shannon Reitz

In memory of Leroy Landgrebe – Oromo Mission Fund

Velma Lee Moritz

In memory of Leroy Landgrebe – Parking Lot

Jesse & Linda Hurta

In memory of Leroy Landgrebe – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

In memory of Albert & Gladys Metting – Parking Lot

Helen Breed

In memory of Michael Pattillo – Building

Mary Hilbrich	Dorothy Mayfield
Bill & Carolyn Bargmann	Laurie Barfield
Ricky & Judy Hilbrich	

In memory of Michael Pattillo – Cemetery

Bernice Geffert

In memory of Michael Pattillo – Oromo Mission Fund

Jay & Sandra Heil	Velma Lee Moritz
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In memory of Michael Pattillo – Parking Lot

Michael & Kim Blaschke

In memory of Michael Pattillo – Senior Scholarship Fund

Steven & Debbie Kneese

In memory of Aldn Podsim – CEM

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of Manuel Serrano – CEM

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of John Simpson – Building

Renae Pierce	Manroy & Gracie Wolpman
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In memory of John Simpson – Parking Lot

Michael & Kim Blaschke

In memory of C.B. Suggs – Building

Carol Guzman	Allen & Patty Kolodziejcyk
Velma Lee Moritz	June Buchhorn
Danny & Julie Nelson	Mary Lou Gerhardt
Betsy Schulze	Paul & Laverne Dentler
Ronnie Afflerbach	Joyce Baacke
Luellen Smiley	Renae Pierce
Barbara J. Mueller	Kermit & Doris Koehler
Ann Adix	Beth K. Sievers

Melissa Stolle & Sons

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Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of C.B. Suggs – Oromo Mission Fund

Jay & Sandra Heil

In memory of C.B. Suggs – Parking Lot

Carlton & Sandra Bolting	Jesse & Linda Hurta
Helen Breed	Michael & Kim Blaschke

In memory of Victoria Vargas – Building

Joyce Baacke

In memory of Walter Wunderlich Family – Parking Lot

Helen Breed

~Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of October 17, 2022.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, November 6, 2022 – All Saints Sunday



First Lesson: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Psalm: Psalm 149

Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:11-23

Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

Sunday, November 13, 2022-23rd Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalm: Psalm 98

Second Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19



Sunday, November 20, 2022 – Christ the King



First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm: Psalm 46

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

Sunday, November 27, 2022-1st Sunday of Advent

First Lesson: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm: Psalm 122

Second Lesson: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44





HONOR OR REMEMBER A SPECIAL PERSON IN YOUR LIFE

by having Poinsettias placed in the Sanctuary during the Christmas Season. Please complete the form below, make out a check to St. Paul Lutheran Church, and place this form and

your check in the offering plate or drop it by the church office.

☐ Make a Donation to the Building Fund \$ _____

☐ **POINSETTIA (cost is \$17.50 each)**

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By: _____

~ In Memory of: _____

By: _____

~ To the Glory of God, by: _____

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The office *will not*
be able to accept orders after
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2022

*Poinsettias may be picked up after the
Christmas Eve Worship Service.*

*Any Poinsettias left in the sanctuary by the end of that week
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