

# LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE LAKES

*Receiving and sharing God's mercy together*

Alleluia!  
You have  
been filled  
in him, who  
is the head  
of all rule  
and authority.  
Alleluia!

## **Pumpkin Fest**

**Saturday, October 28, 4:30 - 6:30 pm**

Invite your family, friends and neighbors to one of the nicest fall events in the area. This year we will have Trunk or Treat, Crafts, Games, Cake Walk, Hay Rides and more!

Volunteers are needed for set-up, face painting, trunk or treat, and clean-up,..

## **Annual Voters' Assembly**

**October 29, 2017 following the Single 10:00 am Service**

Each year we have the privilege of meeting to conduct church business and vote in new ministry officers. This year the following positions will be filled; Head Elder, Education Leader, Fellowship Leader, Council President, and Council Secretary. We also will ratify our operating budget. **The 2018 proposed budget is available for review on the Volunteer Desk.**

## **500th Year Reformation Celebration**

### **German Dinner**

**Sunday, October 29, following the 10:00 am Service**

Everyone is invited to enjoy a delicious German Dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 am. Following the dinner we will have the Voters' Assembly. Volunteers are needed to help with the dinner. Please see the Volunteer Desk to sign up.

**One Single Service Next Sunday 10:00 am**

**INTROIT***(or Psalm Prayer)***The Lord is your keeper;**

The Lord is your shade on your right hand.

**I lift up my eyes to the hills.**

From where does my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord,**

who made heaven and earth.

**He will not let your foot be moved;**

He who keeps you will not slumber.

**Behold, he who keeps Israel**

Will neither slumber nor sleep.

**The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in**

from this time forth and forevermore.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.****COLLECT***(or Gathering Prayer)***O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.****Isaiah 45:1-7**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: "I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness; I make well-being and create calamity; I am the Lord, who does all these things.

**I Thessalonians 1:1-10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

**Matthew 22:15-22**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

## ORDER OF GOD'S SERVICE

### God brings us together...

- Invocation, Confession & Absolution
- Opening Hymn "Earth and All Stars" # 438
- ✠ Opening Song "A Mighty Fortress"
- ✠ Psalm Prayer
- The Introit, Kyrie, Hymn of Praise & Collect

### Around His Word...

- The Old Testament Isaiah 45:1-7
- Choir "I Was Glad!"
- Epistle I Thessalonians 1:1-10
- ✠ Scripture Song "Faithful Men"
- ✠ The Gospel Matthew 22:15-22
- ✠ Children's Message
- Sermon Hymn "We Give You But Your Own" # 405
- ✠ Sermon Song "More Precious Than Silver"
- ◇ The Message HATS OFF AND KNEEL
- ◇ The Creed

### And Blesses Us!

- ◇ The Prayers
- ◇ The Offering
- Doxology
- ◇ The Lord's Prayer
- ✠ The Sacrament "Only By Grace"  
"Change My Heart, O God"  
"Shout to the Lord"
- The Closing Hymn "Lord of Glory" #402
- ◇ The Closing Prayer
- ◇ Benediction
- ✠ Indicates Praise Service Element
- ◇ Indicates Both Services Element
- Indicates First Service Element

### About Holy Communion

"Though we must be reverent and must be appreciative of what Communion symbolizes, Communion also speaks of intimacy and fellowship. And so we look back. We look back to the cross. We remember what Christ accomplished for us. And we are reminded of His love for us. We are to look ahead. The Scriptures say to do this "until he comes again" (1 Corinthians 11:26). The first time Jesus came to this earth, He came as the Suffering Servant. The next time, He will come as the Conquering King. Communion is an observance to remind us that Jesus will come again. Communion is a time to look within. We are to look within and ask the Holy Spirit to show us any areas of our lives that may not be pleasing to God. Once we acknowledge these areas, we are to repent of these sins. To fail to do so and then to take part in Communion is to eat and drink damnation to yourself, as the King James Version renders it. Or, it is to eat and drink, "not honoring the body of Christ" (verse 29). So come to the Communion table in joy. Come in reverence. Come in honesty. If there is something that isn't right, this is the time to deal with it. Communion is an ideal time to make a commitment or recommitment to Jesus Christ.

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

**Pastor:** Rev. Mike Ruhl

**Music Minister:** Rex Engle

**Elders:** Steve Bauer & Clif Weber

**Altar:** Connie Barth

**Ushers:** Tom Fenstemacher, Norm Fry, Art Pendley, Bob Gilstorff, Phil Bauer, Tim Wegman **Brent McMordie**, Jim Previch, Mark Luma, Brenda Luma, Doug Morningstar

**Men's Praise Team:** Adam Draa, Rex Engle, Richard Moran, Dennis Pickford, Ron Wyman, Clif Weber

**Choir:** Cheryl Boner, Don & Joan Connell, Eileen Fry, Kay Helf, Helen Nichols, Stan Reiter, Karen Rose, Gordon & Nancy Stites, Chet & Jean Yarger

**Multi Media:** Rick Baker, James Fernamberg

**Greeters:** Larry & Neva Warncke, Ron & M.L. Wyman

**Lay Readers:** Donna Haas & Tami Lash

**Fellowship:** Team Matthew

**Children's Message:** Pastor Mike

**Christ Connections:** Andi Langenderfer & Jan Thomas

## IT HAPPENED THIS WEEK

### Gifts of Love

A single mother called to ask if we knew of anyone who could help her pay off \$1500. in electricity charges so she could have her power turned on. We shared with her the names and numbers of local churches and community agencies. She called each and everyone of them. Telling her situation to one of the local churches, they took it upon themselves to pay her whole debt. She called LCOL with tears of thanks and joy for our help. God works through us, in wonderful and mysterious ways.

### New Microphone for Pastor Mike

We ordered a new microphone for Pastor Mike this week. The old one was starting to cut out and would work sometimes and not at others. (usually when we were starting the service) We will be looking to replace a couple more mic's as they fade and finances are available. Thank you for your patience.

### The Call Committee

The first call committee meeting is set for Monday, Oct. 23. Please pray that God will lead us to the pastor He has chosen for us.

### Charity Sunday

Today's door offering will benefit Bethesda Homes

## CALENDAR

<b>Sun. Oct. 22</b>	8:15 am	Divine Service	
	9:40 am	Christ Connections & Confirmation Classes	
	10:30 am	Praise Service	
<b>Mon. Oct. 23</b>	6:00 pm	Steve & Julie Bauer's Small Group	Horton
	7:00 pm	Call Committee Meeting	
<b>Tue. Oct. 24</b>	10:00 am	Bible Study	Library
	10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Group	Parent's Lounge
	10:30 am	Meals on Wheels	Ed & Pat Audet
	6:00 pm	Elder Meeting	
<b>Wed. Oct. 25</b>	10:30 am	Staff Mtg/ Rehearsal	
	11:00 am	PHD Meeting	Library
	6:00 pm	Life with God Class	Fellowship Hall
<b>Thurs. Oct. 26</b>	9:00 am	Bible Babes	Library
	6:00 pm	Praise Practice	
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
<b>Fri. Oct. 28</b>		Office Closed	
<b>Sat. Oct. 28</b>	4:30 pm	Pumpkin Fest	

## Birthdays

10/22	Linda Baker, Brooklyn Gahn, Donna Gray
10/24	Miranda Cannon
10/25	Aubrey Potts, Angela Price
10/26	Lauren Blunt
10/27	Lalana Berry, Michael Metz, Brittany Potts

## Baptism Birthdays

10/23	Hannah Covell
10/27	Jayce Murray

## Anniversaries

10/22	Dan & Elisabeth Kazup
10/23	Derek & Ashley Harrison, Jim & Renee Previch
10/25	Chet & Jean Yarger (65)
10/28	Mike & Kay Helf (50)

## TO OUR GUESTS

**Welcome!** We know that visiting a new church for the first few times can be awkward. We hope you will discover there are many wonderful people here and there are opportunities for you to find good friends and feel like you are a part of something bigger. We offer Christ Centered worship and Christ Connections Sunday School, along with a fellowship hour every Sunday at 9:40 am. Feel free to leave your contact information in the red booklets in the pew so we can better serve you in your walk with Christ.

### Helpful information

Restrooms and a water fountain are located in the hallway and fellowship hall. Changing tables are in both women's restrooms.

There are quiet rooms at the back of the Sanctuary. You can still see and hear the service and your child can play with the toys in the little bags just outside the quiet room door.

## TIME & TREASURE

### Last Week @ LCOL

<b>Worship</b>	10/15	161
		<b>Our Treasure</b>
General Fund	\$	4,746.00
Debt Retirement:	\$	375.00
General Fund Weekly Need:	\$	6,305.00
Mortgage Balance 9/30/17	\$	107,318.62