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Monarch Butterflies *by Pastor Larson*

This summer Kristina and the kids set out to raise a monarch butterfly. They spotted a monarch laying eggs and brought home a newly laid egg on a milkweed leaf. I was a little skeptical, but it didn't take long for me to get into it. "How is that tiny little dot going to become a monarch!" I thought. Well, that tiny little dot hatched into a tiny little caterpillar. And boy, did it eat! And eat! And eat some more! I quickly found myself doing early morning or late-night excursions to find milkweed for our fledgling, hungry caterpillar.

Well, that caterpillar grew and when it came time, attached itself to a twig with a wad of silk and formed a chrysalis. We waited and we watched for days. When we came home after church on the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (Birds and Lilies), we found a monarch butterfly on the kitchen counter! How stunning! That little egg and crawling caterpillar had become a monarch butterfly! An orange, black, and white king with wings!

We took him outside for flight. After a short layover, on Lorraine's head, he soared heavenward until he was out of sight. Seeing that takeoff was enough to make your heart skip a beat, especially when you consider that journey from birth, chrysalis, and rebirth. Monarch, meaning "king," had always seemed to me an exaggerated title, but after seeing him fly up into the sky, I realized he deserved his royal title.

The ancient Egyptians and Greeks saw in the butterfly a symbol of the afterlife and so placed golden butterflies on their tombs. Ultimately, Christians lay claim to the butterfly as a symbol of the resurrection, new life, and immortality.

The same Sunday I saw the transformation of this butterfly we witnessed the Baptism of two new saints at Luther Memorial Chapel, in which they received forgiveness, new life, and salvation. St. Paul writes Romans, "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life" (Rom. 6:4). From the chrysalis of the baptismal

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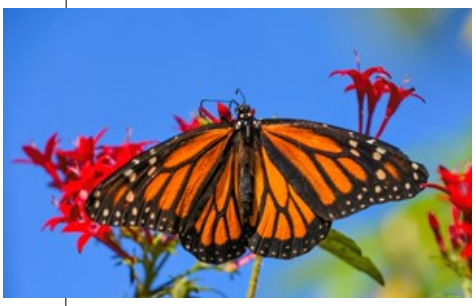

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font, out sprang new creatures arising to live before God in righteousness and purity forever. The significance of Baptism is in dying to sin and the resurrection of the new person now joined to Christ. In fact, in Christ our King, we all become royal subjects of a benevolent monarchy, as members of a very royal family.

Saint Paul writes, "So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body" (1 Cor. 15:42-44).

"And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another" (2 Cor. 3:18).

"For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed" (1 Cor. 15:52b).

SOME THOUGHTS ON CATECHESIS *BY PASTOR LARSON*

This article comes from an informational parent/catechumen meeting on Sunday, Sept. 9. The content, however, applies to all Christians.

The Goal of Catechesis

Catechism is not a "class" with mere impartation of knowledge to be completed and discarded when one has finished or been "confirmed." To be a disciple of Jesus is to be a catechumen (a student) for life. The ultimate goal of catechesis is faith in Christ. Through Catechism instruction children (or adults) are called to repentance and faith in the Gospel. They learn who God is as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Through God's Law they learn that they are sinners in need of forgiveness. They learn to confess their sins and by faith in the Gospel lay hold of Christ their Savior. They learn to hear His Word in preaching and to take comfort in the Sacraments. They learn to live holy lives, pleasing to God, saying boldly: "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20).

In Catechism we learn to do the things that Christians will do their entire lives, confessing sins, receiving absolution, forgiving the sins of others, and living holy lives in the stations to which God has called us.

Presence in Weekly Worship

There is no question where the Christian family will be when the Divine Service is taking place. Except for some extraordinary circumstances such as travel or sickness, the Christian family comes to church every week. The Lord commands it, and it is our greatest privilege in this life to come into the presence of God. Therefore, those called to be Christians, disciples, catechumens are present where the risen Christ has promised to be: in the hearing of Scripture, the hearing of preaching, and the eating and drinking of the Lord's body and blood. The Bible has a word for anything that becomes a substitute for proper worship of

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God – idolatry. If our children see that church has a lower place in our priorities, they are more likely to follow suit.

I would encourage Christians fathers and mothers to be thoughtful in their language about church and worship. In daily conversation, consider speaking about worship and presence in church as a great joy and privilege, not a crushing imposition or obligation to fulfill. Love of Christ and love of worship, although God's Word does everything, is also "infectious" – that is to say, it's "caught," learned, modeled, and taught in the Christian home.

Daily Prayer

We must lead the children in daily prayer and make a habit of it. If you're waiting for a convenient time to pray when you feel especially "spiritual," it simply will never come! The devil, the world, and our sinful flesh have distractions galore to prevent us from praying to our Father in heaven! Martin Luther once joked, dazed with overwhelming responsibilities, "I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer!" From the Scriptures we learn that we are to "pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17), and that we "ought always to pray and not lose heart" (Lk. 18:1). But guess what? We do lose heart! We fail and fall short in prayer. We fail to properly model it for our children, and we must repent, receive forgiveness, and resolve to do better.

You're not alone in this. One of His own disciples desperately implored Jesus, begging, "Lord, teach us to pray" (Lk. 11:1). In other words, it doesn't come naturally for us. So Jesus provides help and gives us His own prayer, *Our Father who art in heaven*. While prayer can be spontaneous and take different forms, it's of tremendous help to let the Catechism guide us. It's so simple! Make the sign of the cross. Say together the Apostles' Creed, pray the Lord's Prayer, sing a hymn, and pray Luther's morning or evening prayer.

I have two simple recommendations regarding the habit of Christian prayer. First, consider using the green "Daily Prayers" insert found in your bulletin each week. In it, you'll find a simple order of daily prayer, with a psalm of the week, readings according to the church year, Catechism review, hymn of the week, and other prayers. It also contains the Scripture readings and Hymn of the Day for that coming Sunday, so that meditation can begin in preparation for the Lord's Day. You may be surprised how much more enjoyable the readings, sermon, and hymns can be after familiarization with the key themes.

My second recommendation is to have a hymnal for everyone in your home. One of the worst ideas to ever catch hold in the Lutheran Church is the very notion of a "pew hymnal!" Hymnals should never be reserved exclusively for church use. It's a song and prayer book for the kitchen table, the family altar, and the bedside. Your grandparents carried their hymnals to and from church. If you don't currently have hymnals scattered in the home, fix it!

Learning the Catechism by Heart

We learn the Catechism by heart. We memorize it. Every year I've been in the ministry I've received some pushback about it being more important for children to explain the Christian faith in their own words. Well yes, that's very important! But that's the whole point of learning the Catechism, because it's giving them a sound biblical and theological vocabulary so they can do just that – have words to confess the faith in their daily lives. Before they can find their own words, they need the words to speak, namely, those words that God Himself gives. Luther's Small Catechism quite simply is the best prayer book to learn the Christian faith in a simple way.

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Sacrificial Giving

The earlier you can teach your children about sacrificial giving the better. We hold on to our stuff too tightly and are afraid that God will not provide for us what we need. This betrays a fundamental distrust that we have in God's kindness and goodness to us. Perhaps that's why God in His wisdom lays before us the feeding of the 5,000 in all four Gospels, because we need to be reminded again and again that God provides. God richly and daily provides us with all that we need to support body and life. Furthermore, He gives His own Son: "He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?" (Rom. 8:32).

We give in joyous gratitude in response to His love shown to us in Jesus Christ. God does not need our gifts, but our neighbor does, and furthermore, generosity is a vital aspect of how God enlivens us. The Christian life, at its core, is a life lived in selfless, sacrificial giving. This is simply who God is. A God who gives of Himself. As creatures made in His image and redeemed by His Son, we are likewise called to pour out ourselves as a "living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship" (Rom. 12:1).

Consider setting out three jars in your child's room. Budget an equal amount of money from allowance in the first jar for church, the second for savings, and the third for spending. Together learn the following verse by heart: "Each one must give as he has made up in his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:7).

Good Works

Christians do good works. Paul Speratus puts it so nicely in a hymn we frequently sing, "Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone And rests in Him unceasing; And by its fruit true faith is known, With love and hope increasing. For faith alone can justify; Works serve the neighbor and supply The proof that faith is living" (*LSB* 555:9). Good works do not save, but are nonetheless necessary in the Christian life. Through good works, God lets us exercise the resurrection life given to us in our Baptisms!

To be sure, we don't check off good works as meritorious, and in the parable of the sheep and goats we learn that we're actually ignorant of our good deeds when they are done in faith. That being said, however, let the children see you visiting the lonely, or bringing a meal to a family struck with illness or hardship. Paul writes that we are "created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them" (Eph. 2:10). There are concrete acts of mercy and love that Christians do in their various vocations within the household, at church, and among neighbors. Christians serve God by serving their neighbors.

Most Neglected Words of the Catechism

The most frequent and yet neglected words of the Catechism are these: "As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to his household." These words are repeated at the beginning of each of the sixth chief parts of the Catechism. The Small Catechism was never intended to be used exclusively between pastors and children. It is first and foremost a handbook or prayer book that guides the Christian family in daily meditation, prayer, and understanding one's vocation. Therefore instruction and prayer in the Catechism take place primarily in the Christian home, and are supplemented and supported by the Lutheran pastor. In other words, we're in this together!

The Guild of Saint Samuel: Acolytes in Divine Service

by Latif Gaba

Over the years LMC has been blessed with young people willing to serve as acolytes in our worship. The service of the acolyte is not new to us. You may have noticed, however, that in recent months there is a renewed effort in the training and organizing of our acolytes. We have a good corps of young men committed to train and study and work together in a group we are calling the **Guild of Saint Samuel**. These boys and young men, who have had their First Communion and commit to ongoing training, include members of LMC and also LCMS Lutherans who are part of our parish during their undergraduate study. Pastor Larson, along with the board of elders, has asked me to assist him in leading, training, and organizing the Guild of Saint Samuel.

Beginning with the Feast of the Ascension this year, we have been putting these newly trained acolytes into service for special feast days. Now our goal will be to have them assisting every Sunday. As you will be seeing them more often, a brief word on the nature of their role is in order. Sometimes called "altar servers" or "altar boys," they also go by the old term "acolyte," which can be traced back to an Attic Greek word that refers to someone whose solemn duty is to follow. Of course, at times you will see the pastor literally follow the acolyte. But the point is that the acolyte's role is to "follow" in the sense of "attending to" the pastor's needs in the conduct of the liturgy.

The acolyte is not there to draw attention to himself, but to serve the liturgy in a competent and reverent manner. In so doing, he is an invaluable aid not only to the celebrant and his assistants, but also to the worshipping community. For in the acolyte we have an image of the worship and voice of the Church itself, the Church as she is gathered from all places and epochs, and the Church as she is gathered around the Lamb in the heavenly realm. The acolyte wears a long black cassock. Let this remind you of his dedication to the service of the Church. In his service at the altar he is not about the business of the world, but is crucified to the world. His duty is to ponder nothing earthly minded, but to attend faithfully to the worship of the one in whose sacred presence he stands. Over that cassock he wears an ancient white garment known as the cotta, a shorter cut version of the surplice. Let this remind you of what is most true of all baptized Christians, that we stand before the Lamb and His throne in the white robes of the very righteousness of Christ Himself:

> ***After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen***" (Revelation 7:9-12, KJV).

Baptismal Birthdays

God's Child	Rebirth Date
Roger Carlton	Oct. 4
Zephaniah German	Oct. 4
Elijah Himsel	Oct. 5
Royce Huffman	Oct. 8
Linda Fitzgerald	Oct. 17
Gideon Himsel	Oct. 18
Eva Astrid Lane	Oct. 19
Lillian Sagert	Oct. 21
Lauren Genthe	Oct. 23
Michelle Toll	Oct. 24
Brenda Carlton	Oct. 26
David Hessel	Oct. 26
Donald Toll	Oct. 26
James Berrens	Oct. 27
Susan Rebholz	Oct. 27
Elizabeth Blanke	Oct. 28
Karen Kosmider	Oct. 28
Jason Pelsis	Oct. 28
Melissa Pergande	Oct. 28

Membership News

WEDDINGS *on July 14, 2018:*
Chris & Stephanie Coleman

On August 18, 2018:
Jaimie Fromm & Emmet Bartens

TRANSFERRED *to Risen Savior Lutheran Church, Franklin, WI:*
Bill & Judy Osterndorf

Altar Guild

Thanks to all who attended our annual meeting in September. More assistance is welcome, and there is great flexibility in times and frequency of service. Those new to our work always have a partner, and the steps we take are carefully explained and demonstrated.

We continue to celebrate the Trinity season during October with green paraments. Then, on Sunday, Oct. 28, we observe Reformation Day with red paraments, for red represents the Holy Spirit and the martyrs of the Christian Church. We remember that at times in the history of the Church, the blood of faithful confessors was shed.

Gospel lessons for October are:

Oct. 7	Matthew 22:1-14
Oct. 14	John 4:46-54
Oct. 21	Matthew 18:21-35
Oct. 28	John 8:31-36

Judy Hessel, Altar Guild Chair

Fall Mission Gift to Pastor Jacob Gaugert

LMC's Fall Mission Gift is designated for Rev. Jacob Gaugert, who is serving the Lord as a missionary through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Togo, West Africa. Jacob teaches courses in Lutheran theology at Centre Luthérien d'Etudes Théologiques (CLET), or Lutheran Center for Theological Studies, training men to be pastors. He also teaches distance learning and continuing education courses in Central Africa as needed. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, he assists with coordinating visiting professors and supervising LCMS projects in the region. Gifts are gathered the last two weekends of October.

Pastor Gaugert will visit us as our guest preacher on Sunday, Dec. 16.

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INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH AT LMC:

MORE RIPPLE EFFECTS: LMC & DIVORCE

BY TIM ALBERS

Two women—strangers to each other—two non-Christians from two vastly different backgrounds, from two cities far apart in a country on the other side of the world, now had two things in common: Luther Memorial Chapel and possible divorce. Both L. and R.* came to us hurting, with marriages on the verge of collapse. One of them, in fact, had been physically abused, though now she was in the midst of a half-year separation from her husband because of her stint in post-doctoral studies at UWM. Both spoke openly of divorce.

Why—at least at first—did these two women come to us, separately, at LMC? Not for marriage counseling. Rather, they sought us out just as most of our internationals do—to improve their English skills and find a friendly face. L. and R. met in iO's Worldview Conversations class and quickly became faithful attendees—though, perhaps because their backgrounds were so different, not really friends. But they both heard the Gospel each week, and dozens of "lines of evidence" why the Bible is true "beyond a reasonable doubt," and they attended other iO classes as well. And in private conversations with iO volunteers, they heard God's plan for marriage, that wives are indeed to submit to their husbands but also that husbands are to love their wives as Christ loved the Church—a sacrificial, self-giving love. They also learned, carefully, that biblical submission does *not* mean tolerating physical abuse.

Though coming from a country of persecution, both dared to get baptized during their time in Milwaukee: one had heard of us shortly after being baptized in Lake Michigan by another church and the other received the limited instruction for Baptism that was possible during her remaining time—and across a significant language barrier—from Pastor Wieting. Then, individually and effusively, they expressed their thanks to us, to LMC, as they departed for their two cities far apart from each other.

Remarkably, once back in their respective homes, L. and R. eventually sought each other out electronically for the support in the Body of Christ which was so difficult for them to find in their respective locales. One even undertook a day-long train ride to visit the other when she learned that her new Christian friend was in crisis. But even more remarkably, as "baby" Christians, they sought to put their faith into action in ways that leave us in awe of the power and creativity of the Holy Spirit (and maybe even put us to shame).

Progress reports were coming to us via weekly skype-discipleship sessions with iO volunteer Cheryl Albers. First, L.'s daughter, also baptized at LMC, had a (non-Christian) friend in middle school who wondered if L. could help him improve his English, despite her busy schedule. L. had compassion for the boy because of his own problematic family life. "Sure," she told him. "We'll do it the way I practice English. Every day I'll send you a Bible passage for you to practice reading and you send back a recording of yourself for me to critique." And they did!

Meanwhile, L. reported that her husband (also a Worldview "graduate" but still a respectful skeptic of Christianity) remarked often about the positive changes in her since she became a Christian, finding them very attractive. There was no more talk of divorce. In fact, his colleagues spontaneously remarked to him about the enviable *harmony* in his marriage. And a thousand miles away, R. was re-

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porting that her own husband, another non-believer, was also remarking positively on changes in *her*. In particular, he was delighted at a plan that L. and R. had proposed: they would meet together at his mountainous home village for a "mission trip" to minister to what in China are known as the "left-behind children."

Left-behind children are virtual orphans, victims of an all-too-common small-town economic circumstance in China where both parents must leave the family for as much as a year at a time to work in a faraway urban center. The children then are often in the care of grandparents or neighbors, but sometimes they're even left on their own. L. and R., moved by the Gospel, wanted to serve them somehow with a "summer program." By law, they can't tell of Christ directly, they reported, but they had a plan. Tune in next month, when we describe their plan and report what happened.

*Although these two women have shared their situations openly with a number of iO volunteers, we have chosen to protect their identities not only for normal reasons of privacy, but also because of the long surveillance arm of their government.

iO UPDATE FOR OCTOBER *BY JULIE WOHLRABE, iO DIRECTOR*

A joyful October to you LMC members! I have been asked to give an update each month to let you know what has happened and what we hope will happen with our International Outreach program.

So, when I first started Aug. 16, we saw

- Some international friends return to China (sadly for us);
- A young Muslim mother stay for Bible reading, more than once;
- Visiting scholars asking wonderful questions about our Triune God;
- Interesting and thought-provoking Worldview Conversations classes led by Tim and Cheryl Albers, as well as them spearheading the **Wis-cow-sin Welcome Dinner** for Internationals on Sept. 13 and the MANY, MANY volunteers who participated, including Paul and Judy Hessel, Elaine Cotter, Barb Knetzger, Marcia Genthe, the Galvins, the Tolls, the Larsons, and our iO teachers;
- Jennifer and Ellis Grasse leave with our gratitude for serving, and we welcomed Tessa Pariseau as the new Thursday evening children's teacher and Emily Renner as her teaching assistant, both of whom are CUW seniors and nursing students, as well as roommates;
- The beautiful Sacrament of public Holy Baptism bestowed upon two of our friends;
- The addition of LMC member Leah Wu to help out during our Tuesday/Thursday classes;
- Diane Meyer (and her mother Lillian) from Our Redeemer Lutheran in Wauwatosa step down as ESL morning teachers, and Diane step up as a teaching substitute;
- Susan Eyer substitute for Ann Nehring whilst away to see relatives in Germany (both members of Our Savior Lutheran);
- Nancy Wolck teaching her Thursday evening ESL class and producing a fantastic fall flyer for iO;

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- Don Toll and Jeff Button providing security on Thursday evenings;
- Martha Galvin, in addition to her Advanced English ESL class, fill in for the Culture class usually led by Joan Moeller, originally from St. Peter-Immanuel Lutheran Church, who is away for six weeks;
- iO teachers, representatives and friends of LMC, Deb Madigan, Michelle Rave, Elaine Cotter, Arlene Brackensick, Kathy Neumeier, Georgia Sylke and myself, Julie Wohlrabe, drive and navigate some of the 100 UWM internationals during the Tour of Milwaukee on Aug. 25;
- John Wolck finish his faithful year as Interim Coordinator for iO (thank you, John!) and his continuation as a substitute ESL teacher;
- Jim and Marcia Genthe retire with our gratitude from our Exchange Room after their much needed help, and Georgia Sylke taking up the cause.

WOW!!! We've seen A LOT, haven't we?!?

What we are looking forward to:

- New internationals hearing about us and finding friendly faces and kind communication;
- YOU, as members of LMC, praying that God would send us even more people so that we might be able to share with them the greatest gift of all, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ;
- The annual Pumpkin Carving, Thursday evening, Oct. 25, 5 p.m.;
- SEEING opportunities to share our faith and SEIZING those opportunities;
- Asking how we might be of service to the international community that God has so graciously placed in our midst.

Oh, my goodness, this is such an exciting and thriving outreach, is it not?!!! Thank you to all who give of their time, talents, and treasures. We invite YOU to ask any of us how you can be a part of it. Maybe a little, maybe a lot. How about prayer? That is actually a HUGE way you can be a part of iO. Would you please pray? I shall thank you in advance! And by the way, a copy of our iO article and monthly update is being placed in the family mailboxes of the members of my church in Whitefish Bay, Our Savior Lutheran. That way they too can rejoice at what God is doing with iO and also pray on behalf of this important outreach.

Jesus says in John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." May it be so with us, Lord Jesus!

UPDATE ON iO EXCHANGE ROOM

iO Exchange Room is temporarily closed for donations until Tuesday, Oct. 9.

After that date, we will accept **only** winter jackets, boots, hats, scarves, gloves and mittens for all ages.

Also kitchen utensils and silverware.

No furniture or electronics, please.

With any questions, contact
Georgia Sylke
or
Julie Wohlrabe

Thank you!

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH DIRECTOR JULIE WOHLRABE INSTALLED

BY PASTOR LARSON

Early this summer at a congregational meeting, leadership was charged with the responsibility to find a director to continue the work of International Outreach (iO). We looked the world over, reviewed resumes, and met candidates from a wide range of backgrounds. We prayed that this outreach would continue to thrive. After reflecting more deeply on the sort of person we were looking for in a director, it became abundantly clear that someone within our own ranks actually had those very gifts and talents!

Julie Wohlrabe has been serving as a volunteer for iO for a couple years now. She came in with experience teaching ESL in Japan. Through meaningful communication and friendship, she makes known the love of Christ and excels in making our international friends feel welcome, like family. She is committed to a clear presentation of the Gospel and is grounded in Lutheran theology and practice.

"Julie, we think you're perfect for this position. Can you help us continue this outreach!?" After conversation and prayer, she gladly accepted. Julie was installed as our International Outreach Director at the Divine Service on Sunday, Sept. 23. Many of our international friends were there for this happy event.

I am excited to work alongside Julie. Our volunteers adore her and are thankful for her. She has already brought new energy and a breath of fresh air to this outreach. Let us thank God in our prayers for Julie and the privilege we all have of being involved in this outreach.

Daily Scripture Readings for October 2018

WEEK ONE

Oct. 1 Deut 2:16–37
Matt 6:16–34

Oct. 2 Deut 3:1–29
Matt 7:1–12

Oct. 3 Deut 4:1–20
Matt 7:13–29

Oct. 4 Deut 4:21–40
Matt 8:1–17

Oct. 5 Deut 5:1–21
Matt 8:18–34

Oct. 6 Deut 5:22—6:9
Matt 9:1–17

WEEK TWO

Oct. 7 Deut 6:10–25
Matt 9:18–38

Oct. 8 Deut 7:1–19
Matt 10:1–23

Oct. 9 Deut 8:1–20
Matt 10:24–42

Oct. 10 Deut 9:1–22
Matt 11:1–19

Oct. 11 Deut 9:23—10:22
Matt 11:20–30

Oct. 12 Deut 11:1–25
Matt 12:1–21

Oct. 13 Deut 11:26—12:12
Matt 12:22–37

WEEK THREE

Oct. 14 Deut 12:13–32
Matt 12:38–50

Oct. 15 Deut 13:1–18
Matt 13:1–23

Oct. 16 Deut 14:1–2, 22–23, 28–29; 15:1–15
Matt 13:24–43

Oct. 17 Deut 15:19—16:22
Matt 13:44–58

Oct. 18 (*St Luke*)
Deut 17:1–20
Matt 14:1–21

Oct. 19
Deut 18:1–22
Matt 14:22–36

Oct. 20 Deut 19:1–20
Matt 15:1–20

WEEK FOUR

Oct. 21 Deut 20:1–20
Matt 15:21–39

Oct. 22 Deut 21:1–23
Matt 16:1–12
Deut 22:1—24:9

Oct. 23 Deut 24:10—25:10
Matt 16:13–28

Oct. 24 Deut 25:17—26:19
Matt 17:1–13

Oct. 25 Deut 27:1–26
Matt 17:14–27

Oct. 26 Deut 28:1–22
Matt 18:1–20

Oct. 27 Deut 29:1–29
Matt 18:21–35

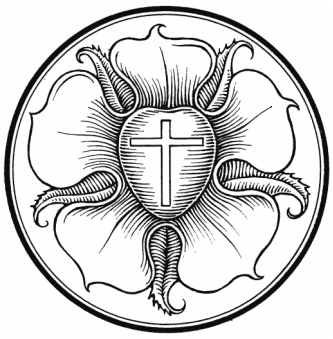
WEEK FIVE

Oct. 28 (St Simon & St Jude)
Deut 30:1–20
Matt 19:1–15

Oct. 29 Deut 31:1–29
Matt 19:16–30

Oct. 30 Deut 31:30—32:27
Matt 20:1–16

Oct. 31 (Reformation Day)
Deut 32:28–52
Matt 20:17–34
Deut 33:1–29



Schedules for October 2018

USHERS

Tom Rebholz, *Head Usher*
Jim Genthe
Paul Hessel
John Kretsch
Carl Schramm
Aaron Siegmann
Prince Solomon
Rachel Swanson
John Swanson
Aaron Viets

COFFEE BREAK SERVERS

October 7 *Volunteers Needed*

October 14 *Volunteers Needed*

October 21 *Congregational Meeting with Catered Lunch Instead*

October 28 *Burfeinds*

HYMN OF THE DAY & PSALM OF THE WEEK

October 7 Ps. 145
LSB **828** *We Are Called to Stand Together*

October 14 Ps. 90
LSB **607** *From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee*

October 21 Ps. 130
LSB **611** *Chief of Sinners Though I Be*

October 28 Ps. 46
LSB **555** *Salvation unto Us Has Come*

ELDERS ASSISTING WITH THE LORD'S SUPPER

ON SUNDAYS

Oct. 7 *Don Toll, John Galvin*

Oct. 14 *Aaron Viets, Adam Scott*

Oct. 21 *John Wolck, M. Paterson*

Oct. 28 *John Galvin, Joe Bratz*

ON MONDAYS

Oct. 1 *Mark Paterson*

Oct. 8 *Joe Bratz*

Oct. 15 *Jon Hagedorn*

Oct. 22 *Jeff Hagedorn*

Oct. 29 *Don Toll*

ALTAR GUILD

Judy Hessel
Diane Kretsch
training Hannah Engwall, Allison Kochheiser & Beth Vanderhyde

The Sovitzky family visited Luther Memorial Chapel on August 26, 2018, when they were vacationing in the U.S. during their move from the Czech Republic to Hong Kong.

All eight Sovitzky children were baptized at LMC's font. Pictured are Elspeth, 8, in front;

in the middle row, Rhiannon, 10; Ronan, 14; Isabel, 19; Ulrich, 12; Donovan, 10;

in the back row, Nathanael, 16; Richard IV, 18.