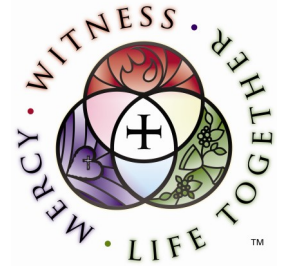




# LUTHER MEMORIAL CHAPEL & UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTER CHAPEL NEWS



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## LOOKING AHEAD TO LCMS CONVENTION

BY ADAM SCOTT, HEAD ELDER OF LMC

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. The days of the LCMS Synodical Convention are upon us. From July 29 through August 3, pastoral and lay delegates from all around the country will descend upon Milwaukee to conduct business that will guide the direction of the LCMS for the next triennium. The Word of God will be preached, elections will be conducted, and resolutions will be voted on (and some fiercely debated). All for the purpose of achieving the objectives of the LCMS which are summarized in the theme of the convention this year, "We Preach Christ Crucified." There is a REASON the Synod exists and why we are part of it! Article III of the LCMS Constitution lists the 10 objectives of the Synod, and these shared objectives are the reason why congregations are interested in being part of a larger governing body. Here is the first objective as an example:

Conserve and promote the unity of the true faith (Eph. 4:3–6; 1 Cor. 1:10), work through its official structure toward fellowship with other Christian church bodies, and provide a united defense against schism, sectarianism (Rom. 16:17), and heresy.

Just because there are common objectives doesn't mean there is unanimous agreement on the path to achieve those objectives. Votes will not be unanimous. Debate will be had. At times there might not be a clear right or wrong way to go. Some decisions might prove in the end to be the wrong ones. This is why it is of utmost importance that this task be grounded in prayer and meditation on God's Word. So I ask that you pray for me and all the other delegates and leaders of the Synod that God may guide us in our work and that the outcome may be a blessing to our brothers and sisters in Christ all around the world and bring more people to faith in Christ Jesus our Lord.

I will leave you with the text from 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, which the convention theme, "We Preach Christ Crucified," is based on (see next page).

## SERVING US

Michael C. Larson, *Pastor*

Jason Lane & Brian German,

*Assisting Pastors*

Kathryn A. Hill, *Church Secretary*

Dr. Craig Sproat, *Director of Music*

Julie Wohlrahe, *iO Director*

### GROW IN STEWARDSHIP

**Saturday, July 8, 9am to 2pm**

Please join us for a Bible Study based on Philippians, led by LCMS Assistant Coordinator for Stewardship, Reverend Doctor Nathan Meador. Bring your Bible and enjoy a furnished lunch break at noon.



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For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.



### PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S DAY IN JULY & AUGUST

Date	Name of Day	Hymn of the Day	OT Reading	Psalm	Epistle	Gospel
July 2	The Visitation	<i>TLH</i> 343	Is. 11:1–5	Psalm 45	Rom. 12:9–16	Luke 1:39–56
July 9	Fifth Sunday after Trinity	<i>LSB</i> 688	1 Kings 19:11–21	Psalm 84	1 Cor. 1:18–25 or 1 Peter 3:8–15	Luke 5:1–11
July 16	Sixth Sunday after Trinity	<i>LSB</i> 562	Ex. 20:1–17	Psalm 90	Rom. 6:1–11	Matt. 5:17–26
July 23	Seventh Sunday after Trinity	<i>LSB</i> 819	Gen. 2:7–17	Psalm 34	Rom. 6:19–23	Mark 8:1–9
July 30	Eighth Sunday after Trinity	<i>TLH</i> 260	Jer. 23:16–29	Psalm 31	Acts 20:27–38 or Rom. 8:12–17	Matt. 7:15–23
Aug. 6	Ninth Sunday after Trinity	<i>TLH</i> 366	2 Sam. 22:26–34	Psalm 8	1 Cor. 10:6–13	Luke 16:1–13
Aug. 13	Tenth Sunday after Trinity	<i>LSB</i> 680	Jer. 8:4–12 or Jer. 7:1–11	Psalm 17	Rom. 9:30–10:4 or 1 Cor. 12:1–11	Luke 19:41–48
Aug. 20	Eleventh Sunday after Trinity	<i>LSB</i> 613	Gen. 4:1–15	Psalm 28	Eph. 2:1–10 or 1 Cor. 15:1–10	Luke 18:9–14
Aug. 27	Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	<i>LSB</i> 820	Is. 29:15–24	Psalm 34	2 Cor. 3:4–11	Mark 7:31–37

*EXCERPTS FROM THE LARGE CATECHISM BY MARTIN LUTHER*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR: PART 6 OF 10



And we have, in the first place, the clear text in the very words of Christ: Do this in remembrance of Me. These are bidding and commanding words by which all who would be Christians are enjoined to partake of this Sacrament. Therefore, whoever would be a disciple of Christ, with whom He here speaks, must also consider and observe this, not from compulsion, as being forced by men, but in obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ, and to please Him. However, if you say: But the words are added, As oft as ye do it; there He compels no one, but leaves it to our free choice, answer: That is true, yet it is not written that we should never do so. Yea, just because He speaks the words, As oft as ye do it, it is nevertheless implied that we should do it often; and it is added for the reason that He wishes to have the Sacrament free, not limited to special times, like the Passover of the Jews, which they were obliged to eat only once a year, and that just upon the fourteenth day of the first full moon in the evening, and which they must not vary a day. As if He would say by these words: I institute a Passover or Supper for you which you shall enjoy not only once a year, just upon this evening, but often, when and where you will, according to everyone's opportunity and necessity, bound to no place or appointed time; although the Pope afterwards perverted it, and again made a Jewish feast of it.

Thus, you perceive, it is not left free in the sense that we may despise it. For that I call despising it if one allow so long a time to elapse and with nothing to hinder him yet never feels a desire for it. If you wish such liberty, you may just as well have the liberty to be no Christian, and neither have to believe nor pray; for the one is just as much the command of Christ as the other. But if you wish to be a Christian, you must from time to time render satisfaction and obedience to this commandment. For this commandment ought ever to move you to examine yourself and to think: See, what sort of a Christian I am! If I were one, I would certainly have some little longing for that which my Lord has commanded [me] to do.

And, indeed, since we act such strangers to it, it is easily seen what sort of Christians we were under the Papacy, namely, that we went from mere compulsion and fear of human commandments, without inclination and love, and never regarded the commandment of Christ. But we neither force nor compel anyone; nor need anyone do it to serve or please us. But this should induce and constrain you by itself, that He desires it and that it is pleasing to Him. You must not suffer men to coerce you unto faith or any good work. We are doing no more than to say and exhort you as to what you ought to do, not for our sake, but for your own sake. He invites and allures you; if you despise it, you must answer for it yourself.

## GREETINGS FROM CONGREGATIONAL PRESIDENT RICK SOVITZKY

Dear LMC Brothers and Sisters,

This is my first group email to LMC members as congregational President. I plan on sending brief messages periodically to inform you of congregational news, updates and upcoming events.

For the last several weeks, we have been sharing highlights of the congregation's finances in the weekly bulletin and *Chapel News*. So far this year, monthly expenses have exceeded monthly contributions by a significant amount and percentage, including compared to last year. Do we need to do anything? If so, what?

The first thing we are going to do is study the Word of God. Please strongly consider attending our study on Stewardship on Saturday, July 8, from 9 a.m. to 2.p.m. Rev. Dr. Nathan Meador, co-author of a book on biblical stewardship, will teach and discuss stewardship concepts based on God's Word. I believe this approach will be a great first step to help us prayerfully consider our situation and future options.

Meet at church on a Saturday in the middle of summer!?!?! I know it may be challenging, but please do prayerfully consider attending.

Childcare and lunch will be provided.

Separately, Head Elder Adam Scott shared after Divine Service last week that there are numerous volunteer opportunities to assist with the upcoming LCMS convention next month. Learn more at the South Wisconsin District website: <https://swd.lcms.org/>

Finally, a date has been set for the LMC congregational picnic: Sunday, September 10. More details will be coming soon!

I welcome any questions, feedback or suggestions you have.

In Christ,

Rick

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Luther Memorial Chapel President

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## TWENTY BIBLE VERSES FOR CHILDREN TO LEARN BY HEART *RECOMMENDED BY PASTOR LARSON*

I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.  
*(John 14:6)*

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.  
*(2 Corinthians 12:9)*

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom.  
*(Psalm 111:110)*

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.  
*(Proverbs 3:5)*

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.  
*(Galatians 2:20)*

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.  
*(Matthew 22:37-39)*

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.  
*(Colossians 1:13-14)*

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.  
*(1 Peter 4:8)*

My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching. Listen to your father who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old.  
*(Proverbs 6:20; 23:22)*

Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil.  
*(Ephesians 4:26-27)*

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.  
*(Romans 10:9)*

I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.  
*(John 11:25-26a)*

Godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.  
*(1 Timothy 6:6-8)*

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.  
*(John 15:12)*

For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.  
*(2 Corinthians 4:17-18)*

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.  
*(Lamentations 3:25-26)*

In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.  
*(John 16:33)*

Let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him.  
*(1 Corinthians 7:17)*

Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.  
*(Matthew 7:21)*

This is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.  
*(John 6:40)*

### BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Luke Kornelsen July 1  
 Tanner Toll July 6  
 Erica Wieting July 6  
 Patricia Baka July 9  
 Darice Button July 10  
 James Matthew Pool July 10  
 Miles Toll July 12  
 Joseph Bratz July 15  
 Adam Buelow July 16  
 Madison Rebholz July 16  
 Elspeth Sovitzky July 18  
 Susan Kohut July 20  
 Lilah Ledic July 28  
 Preston Kretsch July 29  
 Lauren Toll July 29  
 Richard Sovitzky IV July 30  
 Shelby Stevens July 31

### BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Benjamin Christensen Aug. 1  
 Martha Galvin Aug. 3  
 Lydia Larson Aug. 9  
 Katherine Genthe Aug. 10  
 Lydia Doying Aug. 15  
 Ronald Deichler Aug. 17  
 James Genthe Aug. 17  
 Sierra Polzin Aug. 17  
 Paul Hessel Aug. 21  
 Jeffry Berrens Aug. 22  
 Brett Galvin Aug. 22  
 Oliver Grasse Aug. 25  
 Temish Christiansen Aug. 29  
 Stephanie Coleman Aug. 29

### INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH



*“Rejoice in hope,  
 be patient in tribulation,  
 be constant in prayer.”*

Romans 12:12

#### Birthdays to Remember in July

Please send a card or make a call to:  
 SANDY GABRIEL  
 McKinley Place Assisted Living  
 W56 N225 McKinley Blvd  
 Cedarburg, WI 53012

July 4

ARLEEN O'CONNOR  
 2423 N. PIERCE ST  
 MILWAUKEE, WI 53212

July 18

### HOLY MATRIMONY

of Jonathan Paul  
 and Nicole Demlow  
 June 10, 2023



### BAPTIZED June 25, 2023

Kevin Winston

### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY 2023

	May 2023 Actual	2023 YTD Actual	2022 YTD Actual	Good (Bad) Change from 2022 Actual
Contributions	\$19,697	\$102,406	\$133,472	\$(31,067)
Expenses	\$25,111	\$139,287	\$128,272	\$(11,015)
Income (Loss)	\$(5,414)	\$(36,881)	\$5,201	\$(42,082)

As of May 2023, our contributions are \$102,406, which is \$31,067 LESS than in 2022.

As of May 2023, our expenses are \$139,287, which is \$11,015 MORE than in 2022.

As of May 2023, our loss is at \$36,881.

Overall, our 2023 budget position is \$42,082 WORSE than in 2022.

*If you have any questions regarding our financial position, please contact Laine Scott, Treasurer.*

# ONE BAPTISM

## FOR THE REMISSION OF SIN

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

#### 2023

July 17-20 (Mon-Thur) 9:00am-Noon

**Luther Memorial Chapel &  
University Student Center**

3833 N Maryland Ave, Shorewood, WI



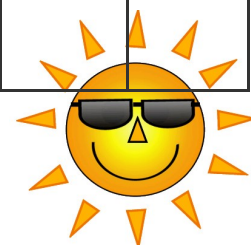
**Christ Centered**

**Bible stories**, crafts,  
**music**, snacks, **games**  
& **worship**.

**Starts with Matins**  
**each day at 9:00am**

## July & August 2023 at LMC

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2 THE VISITATION</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Hintze & Larson 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm iO Friendship Potluck Dinner	<b>3</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>4</b> Noon Potluck Lunch, Games, Conversation at LMC 3pm March in Shorewood Parade	<b>5</b> 8:30am Matins 6:30pm Elders	<b>6</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis 8:30pm Fighting Sheep Softball at Sijan Field	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9:00am Stewardship Workshop
<b>9 TRINITY 5</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Doying & Greco 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>11</b> 6:00pm Trustees	<b>12</b> 8:30am Matins	<b>13</b> Fighting Sheep Softball at Sijan Field, time to be determined 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16 TRINITY 6</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Janelle G & Rave 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 9:00am Vacation Bible School 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>18</b> 9:00am Vacation Bible School	<b>19</b> 8:30am Matins 9:00am Vacation Bible School	<b>20</b> 9:00am Vacation Bible School 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23 TRINITY 7</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Ledic & Lane 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>24</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>25</b> 6:30pm Church Council	<b>26</b> 8:30am Matins	<b>27</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30 TRINITY 8</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Sovitzky 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>31</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 8:30am Matins 6:30pm Elders	<b>3</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6 TRINITY 9</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Swanson & Stevens 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm iO Friendship Potluck Dinner	<b>7</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>8</b> 6:00pm Trustees	<b>9</b> 8:30am Matins	<b>10</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13 TRINITY 10</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Gaba & Paul 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>14</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 8:30am Matins	<b>17</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20 TRINITY 11</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Bender & Kempf 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>21</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 8:30am Matins	<b>24</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27 TRINITY 12</b> 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Coffee Break by Frusti & Cox 12:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>28</b> 7:00pm Divine Service	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 8:30am Matins	<b>31</b> 6:30pm New Member Catechesis		



**CHURCH PICNIC THIS YEAR WILL BE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**