

INTERESTED IN LUTHERANISM, MEMBERSHIP?

If you or someone you know is interested in learning about the basics of the Christian faith as confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, please contact Pastor Long – he may be reached through the church office or by e-mail at PRBLong@aol.com.

CONFESSION

Private confession is available on Saturdays before a Sunday with Communion as a preparation for the Sacrament on those Saturdays between 1 and 2 pm or by request; just contact Pastor Long for an appointment.

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Long is generally available at Mt. Calvary Tuesday through Friday mornings, or by appointment should you need or want to have conversation with him. You may reach him by e-mail at: PRBLong@aol.com.

HOSPITAL CALLS

If you or a loved one have an illness or hospitalization that needs to be brought to the attention of Pastor Long, please call the office as soon as possible so that he may visit you. Note: Be sure the hospital knows that you are a member of Mt. Calvary and that you wish to have Pastor Long visit you. However, the hospitals do not always call the church—it is best if you let the office know.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please take advantage of this opportunity to pray for your needs and those of your friends and family. Cards are available in the pew rack. To activate the chain please call Ardeane at 691-8007.

THIS WEEK'S FLOWERS – were given to the honor and glory of God by Lisa Cornelius in loving memory of her husband, Robert.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE – Our offering for the General Fund for October 13, 2019, was \$3,849.00. **Our weekly need for 2019 is \$7,695.39.** We started this fiscal year with a “clean slate” in terms of expenses vs. income. But we’d still like to make up some of the ground we lost last year – so please continue to give as generously as your means allow.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICE AVAILABLE

The Multi-Media Committee has made available a “hearing assist device” for use by those who cannot hear the service clearly. You can call the office during the week (688-4321) or see Pastor Long or the elder for the day on Sundays if you are interested in using one. Please take advantage of this opportunity to hear clearly and plainly the means of grace offered in the services.

CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL

Our congregation operates Concordia Lutheran School together with the congregations of Redeemer and Trinity. Call the Concordia School office at 691-8921, or check their web site at www.concordiapeoria.com for information.

CONCORDIA STAFF FROM MT. CALVARY

Brooke Barr - Grade 2, & Cheerleading Coach
Jan Heien - Title I Reading Tutor

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

October 27th – Reformation Sunday

Psalm 46

Revelation 14:6-7

Romans 3:19-28

Matthew 11:12-19

PASTOR TEACHES AT CONCORDIA – Last week began the portion of the school year that Pastor Long teaches 8th grade religion at Concordia. His topic is World Religions. This means that he will not be in the office until around 9:30 am most mornings. His classes end at the beginning of Christmas vacation.

CONCORDIA CHILDREN SING AT MT.

CALVARY – Today, the K through 5th grade students from Mt. Calvary and some of the children who may not be members of one of the congregations, will be singing in our early service. This is our chance to hear the children share their talents with us. We thank them for singing for our service.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK

† Dolores Bohne – OSF, room 5126

† Earl Johnston – OSF, room 2354

JR./SR. HIGH YOUTH – CORN MAZE FUN --

Today we'll meet here at church at 2:30 p.m. and go over to Ackerman Farms in Morton (or you can meet us there 27158 U. S. Hwy. 150 - Jackson St.) to enjoy some fun and fellowship at the corn maze. Cost for 11-12 yr. olds is \$4.00, 13 yrs. & older is \$6.00 and the Board of Youth will pay half. Paperwork will be available for your parents to fill out before we leave. We'll need to make sure we have adequate transportation, so please sign up on the bulletin board across from Pastor's office or you can call Michele (693-8095) or Brande (258-3216) and remember to bring a friend or two!

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS – During **October** our pantry will be in need of **Assorted Canned Vegetables, Cranberries, Chicken Broth, and Gravy.** If you can help out by bringing some, your donation can be placed in the baskets in either the Narthex or the Parish Hall or on the table in the Pantry room and will be greatly appreciated.

STICKY TRAPS IN KITCHEN – Once again we have “sticky traps” in the kitchen around the cabinets. Please do not let your children play with them and do not discard them. They were put there by our representative from American Pest Control.

FROM THE PROPERTY BOARD -- **Fall Clean Up Day** will be **Saturday, November 9th from 9 - noon.** The primary activities will be leaf/landscaping clean up and regular maintenance tasks. additional information.

FROM CONCORDIA

Congratulations To: -- Nine of our upper grade students at Concordia had grades high enough to put them on the Honor (3 .75 and above) and Merit (3.25 to 3.75) Rolls for the 1st Quarter. On Honor Roll are Cameron Dorsey, Kenyon Gillespie, Tyler Crosiar, and Ella Barr. On the Merit Roll are Maddie Johnson, Sarah Long, Sophia Joseph, Jayla Szold, and Payton Ruskusky. Good work, people!

Do You Shop At Kroger? -- Link your Kroger Rewards Card to Concordia and Kroger Community Rewards makes a donation to Concordia each time you shop! Please use Concordia Lutheran School's account number, JK774.

FROM WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY –

Harvest Dinner -- The Harvest dinner will be served **following the 10:45 am service next Sunday, October 27th.** Sign-up sheets have been posted on the bulletin board across from Pastor Long's office. Please sign-up if you are attending with the number in your party and where you are able to help provide food. Meat and vegetables (corn and green beans) will be provided.

Treats for Family House – Family House offers a home away from home for the families of patients receiving medical treatment in Peoria. Women of Mt. Calvary have signed up to sponsor treats on **the 4th Monday of each month.** These treats may be store bought or homemade, and do not have to be individually wrapped. Family House is also in need of laundry detergent and cleaning supplies. If you would like to donate, **please sign the sheet on the bulletin board across from Pastor's office** and bring your treats to church, leaving them in the kitchen marked “*Family House.*” Questions? Call LaVelle Borders, 681-9414.

Postage Stamps – The Women of Mt. Calvary are saving postage stamps for LWML. Please cut out your postage stamps from envelopes and place them in the striped box on the table in the parish hall. We will trim the stamps and send them to LWML to support their mission work. Thank you.

THANK YOU! – FOOD & DRINK – We understand that some folks and families need to bring beverages and food into the sanctuary to help keep everyone content and healthy during services. We would simply ask that you make sure crumbs, spills, and scraps are picked up before you go. Thanks!

HELP! PEOPLE TO STAFF NURSERY NEEDED!

– Women of Mt. Calvary would like to have at least two people in the nursery during the 10:45 am worship service **every** Sunday. Please consider helping with staffing the nursery and then sign the sheet indicating when you are available to serve. **Sign-up sheet is up through November.**

LOCK YOUR CARS! – Please remember to lock your cars at all times when on our parking lot and **do not leave anything of value in them. And, especially in the evenings, be aware of your surroundings.** More lighting had been installed, and the security cameras have been put up. They are on a motion sensor and will record anyone or anything that crosses in front of them. New signs warning that the cameras are there are now posted and the police department knows about them also.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT FOR THE DAY – We get to declare and demonstrate the Word of the Lord even in adversity (2 Timothy 4:2-3). Proclaim the truth of God no matter what political controversies it intersects. Perform the love of Jesus no matter what personal choices it interferes with. Speak and show how He creates, redeems, and calls every human life, especially the least of these. Face discrimination with courage and compassion. Meet ridicule with joy and hope. God guarantees justice (Luke 18:7-8).

Peoria Area Lutherans for Life -- Come and Get to Know Us! -- You are being invited to attend a meeting of the Peoria Area Lutherans for Life organization. We are finishing our usual summer break and will begin meeting again at 6:30 pm on the fourth Monday of each month at Bethel Lutheran Church in Morton. **Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 28th.** You might have noticed that interest in issues involving the sanctity of human life has been increasing across our nation. This is an exciting time to be involved in life saving efforts. We work to be gospel-motivated voices in support of life from conception to natural death. Please consider attending a meeting to see who we are and what we do. You might find you want to serve the Lord of Life by working with us. Come and see! Thank you.

Bob Wegner, LFL Chapter #268 president
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This week on KFUE.org, hear a curious theological topic discussed on Cross Defense with Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller (10/21 at 2:00 p.m. CT), study Psalm 26 & 27 along with Isaiah 26-28 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and dig into Amos 1-3 on Sharper Iron's mini-series "The Day is Surely Drawing Near" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT). Find these and more podcasts, including the new Lutheran Ladies' Lounge, at kfue.org or on your podcast app!

ISSUES ETC. – CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR THE CONFESSIONAL LUTHERAN -- Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Hymn "Salvation Unto Us Has Come," The Battle Over Religious Liberty in America, James of Jerusalem: Brother of Jesus & Martyr, The Book of Acts and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR VETERANS -- The Illinois Valley Fuller Center for Housing is offering the following fall services to Veterans and widows of Veterans: Volunteers will provide a maximum of 2 hours of raking yards in November. In addition, there will be furnace safety checks offered through a Partnership with Fritch Heating & Cooling. To sign up for either of these services or to learn about the home repair program through the Fuller Center call 309-363-3737.

CID ENDOWMENT FUND -- The CID Endowment Fund was established by the CID at the 2003 District Convention. For many years prior to this the Clara and Spencer Werner Foundation provided financial support for CID students. The Clara and Spencer Werner Foundation encouraged the CID to establish this Endowment Fund. The Endowment Fund provides a vehicle for others to join in the funding of church worker education.

The CID Endowment Fund's Board of Trustees manages Fund assets and establishes policies for disbursement gifts. Congregations and individuals are asked to prayerfully consider giving generously to the CID Endowment Fund. Your gift, when combined with the gifts of others, will help the CID continue its support for those answering the call to serve His church.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN SCHOOL, SPRINGFIELD -- Concordia Lutheran School, Springfield is seeking a part-time teacher for middle grades to work three afternoons a week for 3 hours per day. This would be a great opportunity for someone retired. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please contact Jan Burmeister or the school office at 217-529-3307 or school@concordiaspfld.org.

A NEW PODCAST FOR LUTHERAN WOMEN --

Lutheran Ladies: Are you searching for a Lutheran podcast that really catches your ear? An audio retreat full of inviting conversations, laughter, and fellowship with your Lutheran sisters? Look no further! Join Sarah Gulseth, Erin Alter, Rachel Bomberger, and Bri Gerzevske on the sofa in The Lutheran Ladies' Lounge. It's a podcast oasis for you, dear sisters — so come on in, sit, rest your feet, and stay a while. Podcast episodes are available at kfu.org/lutheranladieslounge and wherever you get your podcasts. For bonus content from the show and a chance to help shape future on-air conversations—and enjoy friendly fellowship with other Lutheran ladies—join The Lutheran Ladies' Lounge Facebook discussion group: facebook.com/groups/LutheranLadiesLounge.

✦ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT MT. CALVARY ✦

SUNDAY:

YOUTH:

Sunday School: – Ages 3-Grade 8 meet in the basement. “Saul Becomes King” was the Sunday School lesson for today. Students learned that though God lets us have our own way at times, His is the way of forgiving and saving, which He did for His people of old and for us today. Consider asking, *“How did God care for the children of Israel even though their desires were sinful? How does God show His care for us even though we are sinful?”*

ADULTS:

Augsburg Confession: So, why does something written in 1530 matter to us today? Simply because it gives voice to the core beliefs of our Christian Faith. While Lutherans often get lumped in with “Protestants,” when the cities and princes first defended their faith to the Emperor, they called themselves “Evangelical” (Gospel-oriented) to distinguish themselves from both Roman Catholicism and Eastern Orthodoxy. And as we read the Confessions, we’ll discover that the Reformers weren’t seeking to start a “new” church, but very much saw themselves calling all Christians back to a common heritage and confession drawn from Scripture and the Early Church. Join us Sunday mornings as we read together and discuss the meaning of this crucial document. **Meets in the Parish Hall at 9:30 am.**

WEDNESDAY:

Men’s Bible Study:

Romans: If you’ve travelled in Lutheran circles long, you’ve heard it hundreds of times: “The just shall live by faith,” or “we are justified by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone.” But what does this mean? And what does a life shaped by faith look like? Join us as we read Paul’s letter to the Church in Rome. **We meet Wednesday mornings at the Bob Evans on Allen Rd for an hour or so starting at 6:30 am.**

Wednesday Evening Study Group:

Isaiah – Perhaps the greatest of the “writing” prophets, Isaiah’s voice continues to speak to us with promise about the future, redemption, and the work of Christ. Join us as we do a “quick” read of the prophet and discuss God’s Word given to us through him. **Meets Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm.**

THURSDAY:

Afternoon Bible Study:

Joshua -- After 40 years of wandering, it is finally time for the Israelites to enter the Promised Land. What are the challenges they face, and how did God sustain and encourage them? Find out as we read through the history of Israel moving into Canaan. **We meet Thursdays at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall.**

+ THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR +

<i>Sunday</i> 10/20/2019	<i>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Divine Service - Concordia K-5 th Grades Sing Fellowship Coffee Sunday School/Bible Study Divine Service Youth Confirmation Youth Group to Corn Maze	8:00 a 9:15 a 9:30 a 10:45 a 1:00 p 2:30 p
<i>Monday</i>	Pastor Teaches at Concordia	8:30 a
<i>Tuesday</i>	Pastor Teaches at Concordia Youth Confirmation	8:30 a 4:00 p
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of Jesus and Martyr</i> Men's Bible Study -Romans Pastor Teaches at Concordia Wednesday Study Group - Isaiah	6:30 a 8:30 a 6:30 p
<i>Thursday</i>	Pastor Has Chapel at Concordia Crafts & Conversation Bible Study - Joshua Divine Service Bell Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal	8:30 a 10:00 a 1:00 p 6:00 p 6:45 p 7:45 p
<i>Friday</i>	Pastor Teaches at Concordia	8:30 a
<i>Sunday</i> 10/27/2019	<i>Reformation Sunday</i> Divine Service Fellowship Coffee Sunday School/Bible Class Divine Service Harvest/Reformation Dinner	8:00 a 9:15 a 9:30 a 10:45 a 12:00 p