

October Birthdays 2017

- 1 – Vern Wirtjes
Maren Subbert
- 2 – La Donna Reynolds
- 3 - Kaleb Kloetzer
- 8 – Deb Vanness
Braydon Younge
- 10 – Doris Knueppel
- 11 – Jeryl Schmitt
Jerry Meyer
- 12 – Harry Birdsell
Sandra Lingard
- 13 – Mary Koenen
Addison Johnson
Noel Hansen
- 17 – Teresa Groninga
Marlene Lampe
Tessa Haller
- 18 – Linda Berghoefer
Gene Miller
Andrew Suckow
- 19 – Joyce Hauser
Jessica Kurth
- 21 – Marlyn Tripp
- 22 – Paul Mulford
- 25 – Walt Nelsen
Mitch Vanness
- 27 – Gary Claypool
Bill Holmstrom
Christy Eisentrager
Sam Showalter
- 29 – Mary Sukup
Jim Suckow
Marshall Moats
Lydia Maas
- 30 – Joyce Schomburg
Jan Rodemeyer
Joan Pralle
- 31 – Kathy Jones

October Anniversaries

- 2 – Greg & Bradi Moore
- 6 – Larry & Deb Behn
Dr. James & Pam
Koenen
- 8 – Duane & Dixie Schmitt
- 11 – Brian & Teresa
Groninga
- 18 – Ryan & Katherine Harr
- 23 – Grant & Michelle
Giddings
- 29 – Jim & Cheryl Barrick

Happy Anniversary

ACOLYTES

October

- 1 – Tate Schmitt
- 8 – Jack Showalter
- 15 – Scott Harr
- 22 – Lydia Maas
- 29 – Tucker Schmitt

Greeters for October

- Harry & Jackie Birdsell
- Gary & Dorothy Brinkley
- Grant & Michelle Giddings
- Randy & Nicole Pooch

Ushers for October

- Randy Pooch, Chr.
- Chuck Akers
- Mike Betten
- Dr. James Koenen



SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNION

**Wednesday, October
18, 1:00 p.m.**

This is for any member that cannot come to the Lord's Supper on Sunday mornings. We have a social time afterwards with coffee and cookies.



Circuit Reformation
Celebration: October 29
Immanuel Lutheran in
Iowa Falls

3:00-4:00 PM

Dr. Benjamin Mayes
presentation

4:00-5:00 Worship Service

Dr. Mayes preaching

5:00 Dinner - free-will offering

Come and celebrate the 500th
Anniversary of the Reformation

WELCOME

Donald & Barbara Meyer
231 1st Ave SW Apt. C2
Hampton, Iowa 50441

LYF News

October 1 Meeting after the worship service



October 20 - 11:00 PM Meet at church to go for pizza and then to Clear Lake for Laser Tag

focused on the 500th Reformation and the LWML 75th Anniversary.

Birthday ladies were recognized

Hostesses for the evening were Beth Fink & Mary Hadley

The next meeting is to be December 21 (meal).

Peace & Joy

Deb Behn

Circles

October 4

Martha 1:30 PM

Devotions: Ruth Long

Bible Study: Melba Muhlenbruch

Hostess: Mary Sukup

Esther 7:00 PM

Devotion & Bible Study: Linda Berghoefer

Hostess: Helen Jorgensen

LWML SUNDAY will be October 8. The theme chosen for LWML Sunday 2017 is "Be Ready to Confess Jesus". Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and Her relationship with Jesus Christ, encouraging and equipping Christian women to live out their lives in active mission ministries, and to support missions around the world through their sacrificial gifts of mites, tithes, offerings, and tireless service.

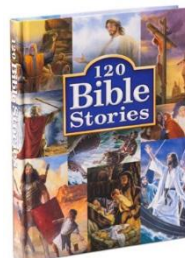
THANK YOU

Dear Members of Trinity,

Thank you very much for the recent gift you sent us! Balancing our responsibilities with newborn Annie has been a challenge, but school is going well, and the Lord is gracious.

Christ's Blessings to you,

Pierce & Kaiti Chadburn



THANK YOU

The Sunday school staff and students would like to thank the Edna Schnabel family for their generous memorial of Bibles and First Catechisms for the Sunday school rooms. It is greatly appreciated to have age appropriate materials for the

classroom. Thank you!



LWML NEWS

September News



The September 20 meeting was attended by 18 members.

The devotion given by Stephanie Behn was Entitled "The Glad Game-Accent the Positive" Committee reports were given:

Card- Sympathy & Christmas cards are on order and will be coming in.

Visiting & Cards - June: 5 visits, 4 cards, 1 sympathy, 1 birthday 1 get well

July: 7 cards, 8 visits, 4 birthday

August: 7 cards, 5 visits

Circle Coordinator- Esther Circle gave \$50 to Texas hurricane victims and \$50 to Gracie, the comfort dog, for rally September 30 at Alden.

Unfinished Business: Pastors' Wives Retreat is in October. It was approved if Julie decides to go. Sign-up sheet for Oct 8th LWML Sunday "Muffins for Missions" Group # 1 to serve.

Arlene Troester reported on sprucing up the fellowship hall. Ideas are welcome.

Martha Circle will not meet in Jan. or Feb. of 2018

New Business:

Fall Rally will be in Alden on September 30, 2017 The 2018 District Convention is to be in June at Cedar Rapids Marriott.

We approved to continue adopting a student at \$50 a month for 10 months.

New officers were elected for 2018: President: Dorothy Brinkley, Vice President: Sarah Heilskov, Secretary: Marlene Lampe, Treasurer: Mardell Jorgensen, LWML Secretary: Arlene Troester, Nominating Committee: Sharon Akers, Linda Brower & Beth Fink.

Christian Growth: Mary Hadley presented Christian Growth based on Romans 10:9-10. It

FROM VICAR

Dear Members of Trinity,

I pray that all of you are doing well! Since I will be writing a newsletter throughout my time here in Hampton, I would like to use this as an opportunity to briefly address each of the 10 Commandments, as Luther explained them in his *Large Catechism*. This month, we will address the First Commandment:

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean?

We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

In this commandment, we are commanded to have God as our one and only God. But what does it mean to have a god? Luther explains, that “a ‘god’ I the term for which we are to look for all good and in which we are to find refuge in all need. Therefore, to have a god is nothing else than to trust and believe in that one with your whole heart.” According to Luther, the intention of this commandment is to require the believer to have true faith and confidence of the heart, which always directs the Christian to the one true God and to cling to Him as the One who will help, save, comfort, and defend them.

However, this commandment is broken whenever we fear, love, and trust in something else in our time of need. This is called idolatry. Luther explains, “Idolatry does not consist merely of erecting an image and praying to it, but it is primarily a matter of the heart, which fixes its gaze upon other things and seeks help and consolation from creatures, saints, devils. It neither cares for God nor expects good things from Him sufficiently to trust that He wants to help, nor does it believe that whatever good it encounters comes from God.” Therefore, to worship something that is not God is idolatry and idolatry is nothing more than placing one’s own fear, love, and trust in something that promises to help you, but is unable to. In short, an idol is something that one seeks comfort and security from, but never ever receives that true comfort and security.

But for us Christians, we have true comfort and security because it comes from the LORD, who sent His only begotten Son into the world to save us

from our sins. God wants us to fear, love, and trust in Him alone because He is the only True God who loves us, wants to take care of us, and saves us from our sins through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. As Luther says, “Whatever good thing you lack, look to Me [God] for it and seek it from Me [God], and whenever you suffer misfortune and distress, crawl to Me [God] and cling to Me [God]. I, I myself [God], will give you what you need and help you out of every danger. Only do not let your heart cling to or rest in anyone else.”

Yours In Christ,
Vicar Rob Ricard

REFORMATION WALK

OCTBER 8

2 – 5 PM

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Mt. Vernon invites you to experience the sights, sounds, and tastes of life during the time of Martin Luther. This is for people of all ages. Plan 1 ½ hours if you wish to take in all of the stops on the walk. Questions? Call 319-895-8772 or email familylife@splcmv.org

Marriage, Children, & Music A Reformation Symposium

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Marshalltown, Iowa
Saturday, October 14, 2017

It begins at 9 AM

With registration

9:30 AM **“Before All Others”**: The Reformation’s
Impact upon Marriage

10:45 a.m. **“Priests in Their Home”**: The
Reformation’s Impact upon Parenthood

Noon – Lunch & Book Sales

1:00 p.m. **“The Singing Church”**: The
Reformation’s Impact upon Church Music

2:30 p.m. Panel Discussion

See the flier on the bulletin board across from
mailboxes for more information.



Choir starts Wednesday,

October 4, 6:30 PM

Come and join us.

100TH Anniversary News

Lutheran Heritage Foundation has been chosen for our October Mission Project. A door offering will be taken on Sunday, October 15. If you wish to contribute to this mission project, please make your check payable to Lutheran Heritage Foundation or Trinity Lutheran Church with a note stating your donation for Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Thank you for supporting our 100th Anniversary Mission Projects.

Mark your calendar: November 5

Our 100th Anniversary Year Closing Celebration will be held on Sunday, November 5th. A potluck dinner will be held after our regular 9:00 worship service. Watch the bulletin for more information.

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apostles and prophets,
Christ Jesus himself being the
cornerstone..."
Eph. 2:20



Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Collect for Peace Proper 9, Series

COLORFUL SAYINGS OF LUTHER

On the Bible: The Bible is alive, it speaks to me; it has feet, it runs after me; it has hands, it lays hold of me.

I'd like all my books to be destroyed so that only the sacred writings in the Bible would be diligently read.

On humility: God creates out of nothing. Therefore, until a man is nothing, God can make nothing out of him.

The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society

Our Lutheran brothers and sisters in Siberia have finished their summer activities and are preparing for the beginning of a new academic year at the seminary and the approaching Siberian winter.

The Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church (SELC) produces a monthly e-letter titled, "Faith & Hope." In

the latest newsletter, the SELC provide a description of the camp in Elremkino and how the camp serves the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church. There is a copy on the table across from the mailboxes. Please remember us in your prayers. Donations can be sent to Siberian Lutheran Mission Society % Ascension Lutheran Church, 8811 St. Joe Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46835, Rev. Daniel S. Johnson

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS: Mavis Claypool, Dorothy Fink, LaVonne Hansen, Wendell Schmitt and Evelyn Stratmann at Country View Nursing Facility, 1720 Central Ave E, Hampton, IA 50441. Clarence Kruse, Arnold & Lois Stratmann at Apple Valley Assisted Living, 1724 Central Ave E, Hampton, Iowa 50441. Erna Heyde at home, Ileene Christensen at Charles City; Betty Fink, Keelson Harbour Apt. 120, 2810 Aurora Ave, Spirit Lake, IA 51360

St. Paul Lutheran School

2017-2018 Theme:

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"



October Calendar

4 – 12:50 Early Dismissal -Professional Development

9 – Full Day of School: NO CAL bus or lunch

11 – W.O.W.

16 – 6:00 PM School Board Meeting

17 – 2:00 PM PLACE at Country view Hampton

18 12:50 PM Early Dismissal Professional Development

25 W.O.W. End of 1st Quarter

26-27 – NO School Teacher's Conference

How do you know that the promise of heaven is yours? Can you be sure? Yes! The Bible says. "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith-and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." Eph. 2:8-9.

It does not depend on any human work – Jesus did all that is necessary for us to go to heaven when He died on the cross to forgive our sins and then rose again and conquered death. This was the message of the great church Reformation in 1517, and is the same message 500 years later! Let us thirst to hear and study God's Word so that we may grow in faith and the peace that heaven is ours.

Praise God for all His Blessings!