

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

Growing together in grace and service

Thursday October 15, 2020



Online worship on Shiner Lutheran Church Facebook page:

Sunday October 18 @ 10:15 am

In-person worship Sunday October 18 @ 10:15 am



For in-person worship please be sure to properly wear your required mask, remember to socially distance, and use hand sanitizer. Communion will be served in the pews. Offering and attendance slips will be picked up by ushers.

Special this week will be the sermon by Vicar Daniel Volkmann.



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First Communion instruction will be offered in November. Baptized children are invited to come with a parent to one of two Saturday sessions and meet with Pastor Chris to learn how all are welcome at the table. Families may choose either Saturday November 7th or Saturday November 14th from 10 am until noon. After attending one session, children will have a special place at the table when communion is celebrated on Sunday November 15th. Parents can decide if their child is

ready to participate; our church no longer sets a certain age for this spiritual milestone. Talk to Pastor Chris for details and to sign up your child for First Communion.



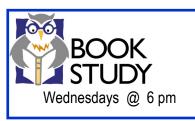
Thank you to all those who have donated to support the meals for

Wednesday evening GIFT. We continue to individually plate the meals which incurs more expense.

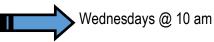
WE have a GIFT Mission Project raising funds for God's Global Barnyard. All donations in the red barn bank go to buy farm animals for needy families world wide.

Come learn

with others:







Sundays @ 9 am



UPDATES & INFORMATION



• **Hand Chimes** has begun practicing around 7:10 following GIFT on Wednesday nights. Practice is brief, but faithfulness in attending is necessary. Welcome anyone interested in joining!

Handchimes

 Sunday October 25th we celebrate Reformation Sunday and the Confirmation of Emma Davis and William Stock. Following the service, the confirmands will be honored with a cake served in the Gathering Place.



- The Noisy Offering on October 25th will go to Lutheran World Relief.
- Sunday November 1 is **All Saints Sunday**. We will be remembering loved ones who passed away during the past year. Please let the office know if you have a name you would like included in the service.
- The next stage of kitchen remodeling is set to begin very soon. Please remember to use the Gathering Place door to enter the building.

Flowers this week are donated by Larry Gerum in loving memory of his wife Marcella.





Christian sympathy is expressed to the families of:

Ella Hartman, who passed away October 11, 2020. Funeral services were held on Thursday October 15th at our church.

Harold Kutchke, cousin of Larry Gerum and Jeanette Kocian.

Prayers continue for all those in need, particularly for those dealing with long term illness and/or recovery, including Harold Koenning, Richard Dunmyre, Jean Wheelis, Elaina Bell, Bennie Lu Kaiser, etc.

Monthly S Budget

BUILDING FUND for September 2020

Receipts for Bldg Fund: \$8,519.77

Monthly Payment: \$11,002.78

Payment Balance: (\$ - 2,483.01)

(Negative balances are paid from the

Building Fund Reserves)

GENERAL FUND for September 2020

Beginning Balance: \$43,347.19

Receipts on Budget: \$ \$13,789.65

Expenses on Budget: (\$ - 16,038.66)

Balance as of Sept. 31: \$41,098.18



IN PERSON: Bring your offering to church and place it in the large offering envelope as you enter the Gathering Place, place it in the offering plate as you enter church, or bring it to the office.

BY MAIL: Send to the church at P.O. Box 26, Shiner.

TEXT: Text an amount to 1-844-697-3838 and put it on your credit or debit card.

APP: Download GIVE PLUS Church App from App Store or Google Play. Find our church (United Dr. Martin Luther Church) and set up your donation.

ONLINE: Go to our electronic giving service (VANCO) and set up a direct draft from your bank or credit card, which allows one time or recurrent giving to all our funds. This is recorded just like in-person contributions towards your giving statement and is managed by you. A direct link button to set this up is attached digitally.