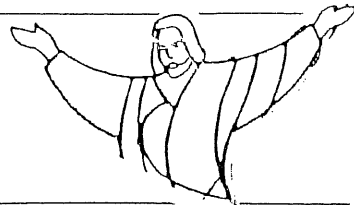


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SEPTEMBER



DID YOU SEE IT ?

Did you watch the Olympics? Then you must have seen it.

Wasn't it exciting to see the swimmers making "waves" as they strained to reach the goal. But, no, that isn't IT. Did you hold your breath as the petite gymnasts seemed to float through the air? No, exciting as that was it isn't IT. Neither were the volleyball, soccer, basketball, or the many other contests amazing as some of the feats were.

Did you see the LIGHT?

The TV cameras not only took us into the sports venues, they also panned the various sights of Rio. Did you see the hills and mountains that surround the city? Did you see the glowing white statue on the top of Mount Corcovada? You saw the massive 100foot statue called "Cristo Redentor" (Christ the Redeemer), standing with arms outstretched over the city. Because of its height, 2310 feet, it can be seen day and night from almost anywhere in Rio.

What were your thoughts when "Cristo Redentor" came on your screen? For some it may have reminded viewers of Christ's arms open wide to receive and bless all His children. In some cases perhaps it caused Olympic watchers to wish the camera would go back to the games..impatient to see the next context.

The Olympic participants and those who traveled to Brazil to watch the games have returned home. What will they remember? Obviously the games they saw, but what about the view they could see at all times of the Savior who loves us and gave himself to atone for our sins. A memory and a reminder..or will they, like so many today, remember only the gold medals, the sights and sounds down in the valley? Those exciting days in Rio, whether we were there or watching the TV screen, are over. Memories are wonderful treasures, but each day is new and what path chosen to walk is vitally important.

On Sunday, September 4th, we will sing Sigismund von Birken's hymn (LBW 487). May the memory of "Cristo Redentor" help us to walk each day with our Lord and Savior.

Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow his example pure.
Through a world that would deceive us,
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in his footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do our Father's bidding
Faithful Lord with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.

Womens Service Guild



The guild held their summer meeting and picnic at Linda Hoare's home. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all and we would like to thank Linda for opening her home to us.

The meeting was opened with devotions by Sandy Cobb. Several fund raisers were discussed:

Bottles and Cans We have been credited with \$10.15 thus far. This is an easy fund raiser. Just take your bottles and cans to the redemption center, 4255 Clark Street, Hamburg, and then credit Good Shepherd.

Frito Lay The literature and order forms will be available soon. We are planning on the shipment arriving in late September. If you have any questions, please speak to Donna Lenau.

In the Future

Pizza Hut/Dennys We have done the Pizza Hut in the past. On a specific set date, members and friends order their meals and credit is given to WSG. More information will follow.



Rummage/yard Sale Planning now for a sale in May or June 2017. What is a sale without items for sell!!!! If you have an item or items you are planning of 'parting company with' please remember us and either put them aside at your home, or, if storage is needed, speak to Joy Rease, Donna Lenau, or Geri Hubert. If you have space to store items for us, please let us know.

The group also discussed several proposed 'ingathering' projects:
Jericho Road's "Bundle up Buffalo"
Vive, Inc.

We are gathering more information on these two programs as well as a challenge from the synodical board to make/donate quilts for Lutheran World Relief. The goal: 500 quilts from Upstate New York Women of ELCA to honor the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in October, 2017.

COFFEE HOUR returns on Sunday September 11.

ALTAR FLOWERS There are two open Sundays: 18th-one vase, 25th-two vases.



NEXT MEETING Will be October 9th following the church service. Please, ladies, mark your calendar.

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Joel Slighter and Shannon Fagan on the birth of their daughter Lillian June, born June 26th weighing in at 7lbs 9oz and 20 inches long. Brian and Janet Slighter are the proud grandparents! Our prayers for the entire family as they begin an exciting new chapter in their lives.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Sunday School will resume lessons on Sunday, September 11th.

FINANCIAL NEWS FOR JULY

Deposits \$3439 Disbursements \$1858.26

FLORAL TRIBUTES

Sept 4 gift of Debra Bender for her birthday

Sept 4 gift of Corky and Geri Hubert for great grandson Julian Collins' 4th birthday

Sept 11 gift of Joyce Carr in memory of her daughter Robin Mead and the birthdays of Joe and Karla Mead

Sept 11 gift of Skip and Joy Rease in honor of Skip's birthday on September 16th

Sept 18 gift of Corky and Geri Hubert in honor of Gene and Jocelyn's birthdays

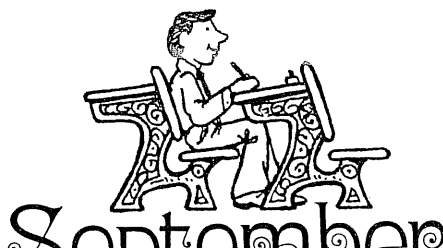
LUTHERAN CHARITIES

We received a thank you from Lutheran Charities for our donation of \$238.20 which will help support ministries in the community.

CHICKEN BBQ

All Saints Lutheran Church will be having a Weidner Chicken BBQ Saturday, September 17th 4pm to 7pm (or until sold out) eat in or pick up at 6065 South Park Avenue.

Proceeds to benefit Seneca Street CDC an inner city after school and summer youth program AND the All Saints Driveway Fund. Tickets are \$11 call Joanne at 648-4217 or Ron at 698-8877 for tickets



PRAYER CORNER...

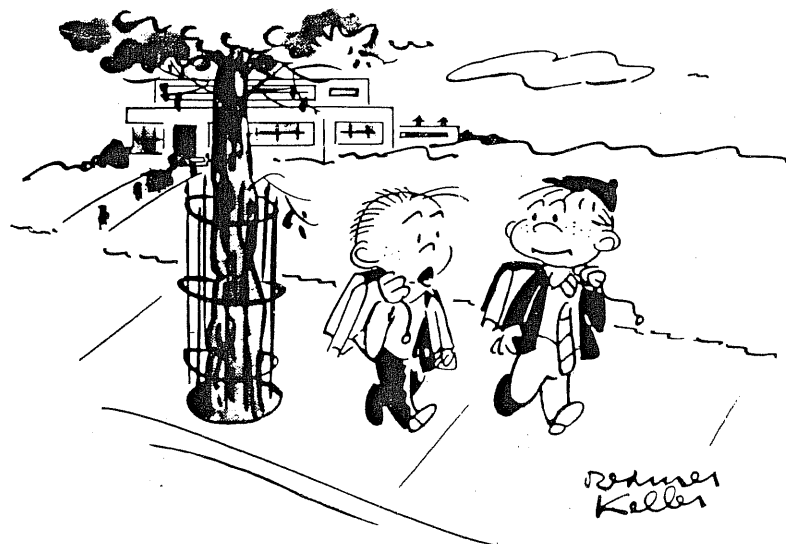
Remember in your prayers..Dennis Pilecki, Isabel Hahn, Pastor Richard Siemann, Pastor Raymond Fitch and his family, Jackie Cobb, John Demler, Lisa, Corky Hubert, Debbie Rogers, Herb and Jean Klein, Marac Schultz, Lorraine Kurkowiak, Bishop Macholz, Paul Pitz, Jeane Much, David Elsaesser, Kevin Elsaesser, Dawn Ackerman, Anna and her family, Donald Murray, Judy O'Brien, Tom Hedden, Debbie Quinn, Sister Edmunette Paczesny

FROM THE EDITOR

As the warmest August on record becomes a memory and the welcome cooler days of fall begin, remember our church family in your daily prayers. Once again we will begin to have a more daily/weekly routine. Thank you to all who have cleaned and helped in the many ways around the church and to Linda and Tim Hoare for opening their home for the Women's Annual Summer picnic! I cannot begin to remember each event/need that has happened over the summer, but our outdoor service and picnic was a success with a tent to shelter us-thanks Sunny-and delicious food to eat-and prizes from Sandy Cobb. (This just to mention a few!) It is now time to renew our energies with the help of the Holy Spirit as we continue to serve and worship our Lord here in the Boston Valley. Jocelyn Rola Editor

FUNDRAISER

Remember to take your refundable cans, glass bottles and plastic to the Can Redemption Center on Clark Street, (next to Vara Cleaners) and tell them the deposit refund is to go to Good Shepherd! You don't have to get sticky or sort your items-they do it all! Please tell your friends and neighbors-this is to benefit our women's group. At the beginning of August we had \$10.15 in our account.



"IT MIGHT BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL,
BUT I ALWAYS PRAY BEFORE A TEST."

Lutheran Disaster Response

Lutheran Disaster Response brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, we stay to provide ongoing assistance to those in need.

We are a church that is a catalyst, convener and bridge builder. Lutheran Disaster Response collaborates with other disaster response organizations and religious entities. This enables the greatest stewardship of resources and maximum impact of response. We are a welcome partner because we respect the perspectives and strengths of others.

We recognize that every disaster is local. Because of this, we believe every response needs to be rooted in the community; we work to accompany that community from immediate relief through long-term recovery. In our international work we partner closely with companion churches and other Lutheran and ecumenical relief agencies to make sure local needs are being addressed and met. In the United States, we work through our extensive affiliate network and other partners to address these same concerns.

Where Lutherans are responding: [Africa Drought](#), [West Virginia Flooding](#), [Texas and Louisiana Flooding](#), [Japan Earthquakes](#), [Nepal Earthquake](#), [U.S. Wildfires](#), [Middle East and Europe Refugee Crisis](#), [AMMPARO: Protecting Migrant Minors](#)

Lutheran Disaster Response would not exist if it were not for the thousands, if not millions, of people who make an impact by getting involved. Whether efforts are financial support, volunteering or helping to prepare communities for disasters, lives and livelihoods are improved. YOU are one of the people who helps, just by contributing to your ELCA congregation, which, in turn, sends mission support to its synod. *Thank you!*

We are church together for the sake of the world. God's work. Our Hands.

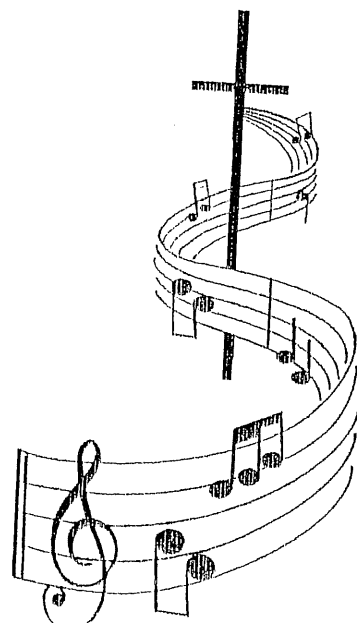
Blessings, Marcia Brown,
Mission Interpreter

CHOIR

An opportunity to raise your voice
in praise!!

REHEARSALS THURSDAYS 3 to 4

beginning **September 7**
and will sing on Sunday,
September 11.



Parents, teachers retired or still teaching, and those in the business world, enjoy as a new school year begins.

ANOTHER DAY AT THE OFFICE

Author: Unknown

Have you heard about the next planned Survivor show?

Three businessmen and three businesswomen will be dropped in an elementary school classroom for six (6) weeks.

Each business person will be provided with a copy of their school district's curriculum, and a class of 28 students.

Each class will have five learning-disabled children, three with ADD, one gifted child, and two who speak limited English. Three will be labeled as severe behavior problems.

Each business person must complete lesson plans at least 3 days in advance with annotations for curriculum objectives and modify, organize, or create materials accordingly.

They will be required to teach students, handle misconduct, implement technology, document attendance, write referrals, correct homework, make bulletin boards, compute grades, complete report cards, document benchmarks, communicate with parents, and arrange parent conferences.

They must also supervise recess and monitor the hallways. In addition, they will complete drills for fire, tornadoes and shooting attacks. They must attend workshops (100 hours), faculty meetings, union meetings and curriculum development meetings. They must also tutor those

students who are behind and strive to get their 2 non-English speaking children proficient enough to take the Terra Nova and EPA tests.

If they are sick or having a bad day they must not let it show. Each day they must incorporate reading, writing, math, science, and social studies into the program. They must maintain discipline and provide an educationally stimulating environment at all times.

The business people will only have access to the golf course on the weekends, but on their new salary they will not be able to afford it anyway. There will be no access to vendors who want to take them out to lunch, and lunch will be limited to 30 minutes.

On days when they do not have recess duty, the business people will be permitted to use the staff restroom as long as another survival candidate is supervising their class. They will be provided with two 40 minute planning periods per week while their students are at specials. If the copier is operable, they may make copies of necessary materials at this time. They must continually advance their education on their own time and pay for this advanced training themselves. This can be accomplished by moonlighting at a second job or marrying someone with money.

The winner will be allowed to return to his or her job.

SEPTEMBER 2016

- 9/4 9:30 AM – Worship Service
9/5 8 AM – 11 AM – Office Hours
9/8 3 PM - Choir

9/11 9:30 AM – Worship Service
Coffee Hour
10:45 AM – Sunday school
9/12 8 AM – 11 AM – Office Hours
9/15 3 PM - Choir

9/18 9:30 AM –Worship Service
10:45 AM – Sunday school
9/19 8 AM – 11 AM – Office Hours
6:00 – Investment Committee
6:30 PM – Council
9/22 3 PM - Choir

9/25 9:30 AM - Worship Service
10:45 AM – Sunday school
9/26 8 AM – 11 AM – Office Hours
9/29 3 PM - Choir

Birthdays

- Julian Collins - September 4
Debra Bender – September 9
Gene Rola – September 10
Skip Rease – September 16
Jocelyn Rola – September 22
Brian Slighter – September 24
Samantha Schultz – September 30

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

- 9/4 Greeter – Diane Enser
Ushers – Todd and Amanda Schroeder
Reader – Tim Metzler
Communion – Kevin Elsaesser
Cleaner – Diane Enser
Altar – Louise Siemann and
Lorraine Schroeder

9/11 Greeter – Gene and Jocelyn Rola
Ushers – Paul Kracht and Brian Slighter
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