

November 21, 2021 Announcements

Sunday Morning Bible Study

One Christ - Many Creeds

A Study of Denominations from a Lutheran Perspective

What are the differences between our confession as Lutherans, and the teachings of other denominations? Do those differences matter? No one who is seriously Lutheran would ever maintain that only Lutherans are going to heaven, or that there are no Christians in other church bodies. However, no one who is seriously Lutheran would say that the differences between various church bodies are unimportant or superficial. There are important reasons – biblical reasons – why Lutherans are Lutherans and not Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Methodist, and so on. Join us as we examine the teaching of other denominations, so that we may gain a deeper and clearer understanding of our own confession of faith which is rooted in God's Word.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

God's Word is filled with paradoxes.

It's tempting to see these paradoxes as either-or statements – one must be true and the other must be false. End of story. Case Closed.

But the paradoxes in the Word of God are different. They are both- and statements, at once seeming contradictory but both being wholly and completely true. As Christians, we live in this tension, embracing that two sides of the same coin can be true at the same time.

We live in what is visible and invisible. We have the old man and the new man. We speak to those offered both an

inclusive and an exclusive Gospel. We are citizens of both church and state. We live in the now and the not yet. We speak a Word that is both Law and Gospel. Faith That Sees Through the Culture provides lenses to evaluate and bring clarity to these paradoxes. These lenses, when focused, aligned and coordinated, open whole new vistas for faith to see more clearly and be lived out more effectively in our culture.

To order a copy a Faith That Sees Through the Culture (\$13) please find the sign-up sheet in the information center.

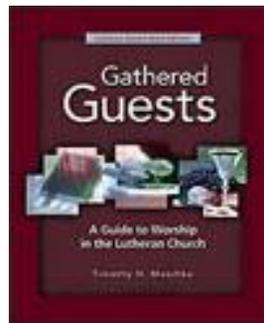
Thank You

Pastor Nierman and Pastor Flanscha and their wives take this means of thanking you for what you did for us on pastor appreciation Sunday. Your kind words, beautiful cards and generous gifts warm our hearts once again

"A Life Thought for Today from Lutherans For Life."

November 21 – Last Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 29B)

The sanctity of every human life involves far more than personal choices or political issues. We have the chance to snatch sisters and brothers from destruction (Jude 23) in the epic battle between good and evil. And the Lord's Words do not require our anger to prevail (Psalm 93:4), so let us engage every neighbor with mercy to untangle their confusion (Jude 22). Receive them as gifts and treat them as privileges just like our Father treasures us.



November Book of the Month

Gathered Guests - 2nd edition

by Maschke, Timothy **\$37.00**

God's gathered guests come together because God calls us by His Gospel. We are gathered in His name to receive His Word and Meal. We respond in praise and prayers and works of service. This gathering time provides us with the power for living and believing. The worship service ends, but our service continues throughout the

week as we live out our faith in Christ in our daily lives.—*from the Introduction*
This second edition of *Gathered Guests* explores the elements that compose the broad category of Lutheran worship, including

- The historic nature of and current structure of the Divine Service, prayer offices (including Matins and Vespers), and festival and occasional services used in the Lutheran Church.
- An overview of music, the arts, architecture, and their relationship to worship.
- The role of liturgy, rite, and ceremony in the Divine Service.
- Special features include:
- Glossary and topical and Scripture indexes.
- Targeted information for lectors and worship planners.
- Family and small-group devotional outlines.
- Addresses the service orders included in the Lutheran Service Book.

Book Club

Would you like to join Mount Olive Book Club? We will be reading, Two from Galilee, by Marjorie Holmes. It is a fictional depiction on the birth of Christ from the perspective of Mary. A great read for the Christmas season. Here are the steps: 1. Order the book on your own. 2. Read the book. 3. Talk about the book with others from Mount Olive on January 2nd at the home of Pastor and Jodi Nierman. Discussion is led by Jodi and hosted by the Board of Education. Sign up in the Cloak room to join!

Sunday School

Do you have a preschool or kindergarten aged child or grandchild? We would love to encourage you to BRING your child to Sunday School. We will be having a Sunday School hour for our littlest members EVERY 1st Sunday of the month throughout the school year. We would LOVE to see your child in church and Sunday School. Weekly Sunday School is offered for 1-12th grade students as well as Adult Bible Class. We hope to see you there!

Save the Date

Immanuel Lutheran Church Bazaar, November 20th, 9a.m.- 3:00p.m.

Many vendors, breakfast rolls, lunch, desserts, Christmas cookies, white elephant sale, handmade quilts, tea towels, Afghans, and more. See the bulletin board in the cloak room.

Ladies Brunch Bunch, November 27, at 10:00, CJ's Patio Grill. Sign-up sheet in the cloak room/information center.