



ST. BARTHOLOMEW NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2021



"To God be the Glory!" (1 Peter 4:11)

GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF JESUS OUR SAVIOR!

By God's grace, He has created us and calls each of us by name. He loves and wants His best for us. All of our time, talents, and money are given to us by God. He calls us to use these blessings to share His love with our families, friends, and communities. The Apostle Paul wrote, *"What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?"* (1 Corinthians 4:7). We are recipients of God's gifts. God is the owner, and we are the stewards. God works through us to share these gifts. By the grace of God, we become God's hands, feet, and mouth in the world.

Our stewardship emphasis for this year, **Stewards Walking by Grace**, concentrates on just one verse written by Paul to the church in Corinth: *"And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all time, you may abound in every good work"* (2 Corinthians 9:8).

As you approach your commitment decision for 2022, seek God's guidance in prayer. Let love guide you in your decision. During the services on October 20 & 24, we will provide every household an opportunity to fill out a form to make a commitment for offerings in 2022. Each giving unit of the congregation should have received a letter and commitment form in the mail. As in years past, complete the commitment form, tear off your copy, and place the other copy in the small envelope which you also received. Seal the envelope and bring it to church with you on October 20 or 24. If you completed and returned a commitment last year, you will find it in your church mailbox.



You are not required to fill out the commitment form. This form is a tool to guide you in your offerings to the ministry of our church. Your offerings to this ministry should be purposeful, planned, and proportionate to the gifts you have been given by God.

Together we are **stewards walking by grace**.

Together in Christ,

Pastor Kueger

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

August 2021

Year-to-date Income:	\$100,150.42
Year-to-date Expenses:	\$113,113.16
Year-to-date Budget:	\$113,312.00

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NEW MEMBERS

Pearl Zeamer by Transfer from St. Martin, Chilton
Clay, Wendy, Bret & Haylee Brehmer by Profession of Faith

RELEASE UPON REQUEST

Steve, Tane & Kendra Plate 9/8

KINGDOM WORKERS - OCTOBER

The following members are listed as Kingdom workers for September in the following areas:

Altar Guild: Roger & Carolyn Bladow,
Jody Denor

Acolytes: Oct. 3 - Natalie
10 - Addison
17 - Emma
24 - Kelvin
31 - Simon

Ushers: Wednesdays: Roger Bladow
Sundays: Steve & Spencer Gilbertson

Greeters: Wednesdays: Susan Wittmann
Sundays: Florence Behnke

Portals of Prayer

If you have not received a Portals of Prayer and would like to receive a copy, please contact the church office.

ELDER GROUPS

(A-G) Tanner Behnke	(920) 427-6201
(H-M) Ron Detert	756-3439
(N-Z) Gary Lemke	853-3846

Welcome
New Members



Pearl Zeamer
8/12/21



Clay & Wendy Brehmer
Haylee & Bret (Bret not pictured)
8/12/21

Voter's Meeting
October 24
10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Election of Officers and
2022 Budget

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MISSION STATEMENT

Sharing the Good News of salvation with others
(Matt. 28:19)

Believing in Jesus as our Savior (John 3:16)

Living our faith in what we say and do (James 2:18)

Caring for those in need (1 Peter 3:15; Mark 10:45;
Eph. 4:28; 1 John 3:17)

SHARING, BELIEVING LIVING AND CARING

Living Generously

The purpose of this newsletter is to share God's Word so that our members will better understand who we are to be and what we are to do in the light of the Scriptures. It is our hope that this monthly publication will help you grow in your relationship with the Lord and as a Christian steward.

Living Under New Management

In Christ, we are new creations. In his letter to the church in Corinth, the Apostle Paul wrote, *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come (2 Corinthians 5:17).* What does that mean? In Christ, we discover the meaning of life, and we no longer need to search for something to fill and satisfy the emptiness of our hearts. It means that we are, in a sense, under "under new management." When the management changes in any business or organization, there are new policies, new rules, and new expectations. The old way of doing things is changed to a new way. In the same way, we, as individuals, take on new direction and purpose when we live under God's management. When He is in control of our lives, we can expect His help in all things. Rather than obeying the dictates of the world, the devil, and the flesh, we seek to follow God's will for our lives. We have a new perspective and live for new purposes. Our thoughts and the desires of our hearts take on a new view. We begin to live in the light of eternity. Turning away from a life of rebellion against God, we now desire to know Him and to please Him. Our new purpose in life is to glorify and enjoy God.

With this new direction and purpose, we continue to grow each day. Because we are not perfect, we have a lot of growing and maturing to do. In order to grow and mature in our faith relationship with God, we need to be reading and studying God's Word. As God works in our hearts, this effort to study and grow becomes a big part and joy in our lives. Our attitude changes from feeling obligated to read and study to an attitude that we seek every opportunity to grow in our relationship by spending time in God's Word.



When management changes in the business world, they can use a sign that reads, "Under New Management." We don't use signs in our lives, but people will see that we are different in how we think, speak, and act.

Productiveness Versus Busyness

In the book of Luke, we read the story of Jesus visiting the home of His friends Mary and Martha in Bethany. Luke tells us that while Mary sat at the feet of Jesus listening to His conversation and wisdom, Martha was distracted by all the preparation that had to be done. Jesus told her, *"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which*

will not be taken away from her” (Luke 10:41-42).

As stewards, we hear in these verses that Jesus wants us to use our time productively. Certainly, the preparation that Martha was doing was important, but of far more importance was what Jesus had to say. In our lives, we also find distractions taking up our time and pulling us away from what God wants us to be about. Perhaps those activities which keep us so busy have kept us from studying God’s word and spending meaningful time in prayer. John 15 discusses at length the importance of abiding in Christ. As branches on the Vine, we will be nourished by Christ Himself Who will help us “keep the main thing the main thing.” The Holy Spirit will guide us into making proper choices so that our work will not just be “busyness” but produce real fruit.

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Putting our God-given Talents to Work

God gives us different abilities and talents in all areas of life so that we may do His work. Not only is God the source of our abilities and talents, He gives us motivation to develop them and opportunities to use them in His service. Whether we are given many or few talents, we are to be thankful for what we receive and use them to extend His kingdom and in service to others.

God wants us to be productive people. The Apostle Paul wrote, *“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them”* (Ephesians 2:10). God wants people to be *“zealous for good works”* (Titus 2:14). He does not appreciate laziness, idleness, or fruitlessness. He calls us to bear fruit (John 15:16), to serve (Ephesians 6:7), to give (Matthew 10:8), to love (Matthew 22:37-38), to witness (Ephesians 3:7), and to obey (John 14:23). God seeks people through whom He can work. Through our lips, He tells others of His life-saving Gospel; through our hands and feet, He brings love and care to those in need; and through our minds, hearts, and checkbooks, He financially supports the work of the Church.

As Christians, we are called into ministry. Through faith, we become more than just spectators. We are God’s representatives who are called to serve, just as our Master, Jesus, ministered to the people of His time. *“For I have given you an example that you also should do as I have done for you”* (John 13:15). Our ministries take place wherever we are.

Setting our Minds on Things Above

A theme the Apostle Paul returns to often throughout his letters in the New Testament is that of putting off the Old Adam and putting on the New Self. Get rid of those things that are a hindrance to your life in Christ. *“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. And be thankful”* (Colossians 3:2, 15). Focusing on temporal problems, we tend to get bogged down. Setting our minds on things above, however, we cannot but be thankful for all God is and all He has done and continues to do for us in Christ.

Blessings as you Live Generously!



WOOD FOR THE CUTTING

The Trustees are still looking for people to cut down some trees (ash, pine, & spruce) on the church property. Please spread the word. Those interested should contact one of the Trustees – Hank Horn VII, Dave Kamps, Russ Boldt.

CHURCH POSITIONS OPEN

The following positions will be open to serve on the Church council as well as several of the boards beginning in January 2022.

Elder (1)
Trustees (1)
Council Secretary
Stewardship/Evangelism (2)

The Nominating Committee will be seeking capable and dedicated members to fill these positions of service. Please prayerfully consider where you might serve.



EVENT

BINGO, GAMES, DINNER, & AUCTION

**Strengthening Families;
Strengthening Lives**

Celebrating 125 Years of Service

A family-friendly fund-raising event benefitting
Lutheran Counseling & Family Services of Wisconsin

OCTOBER 23, 2021 | 6:00-9:00PM

Luptak Terrace Room | Concordia University
\$50 Adults | \$25 Ages 12-18 | Free Ages 11 and under



414-536-8333

Space is Limited.
Purchase tickets in advance:

[LCFSWI.eventbrite.com](https://www.lcfswi.eventbrite.com)



2021-22 SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF

S.S. Superintendent
Amanda Zoellner

Assistant Superintendent
Becky Krahn

Teachers
Tanner Behnke, Megan Boldt,
Krystal Nenahlo and Tracy Hurda

Music
Becky Krahn

"You wouldn't be alive if God didn't have a purpose for you. It doesn't matter if you are 30, 50, or 95, God still has something for you to do."

– via Rev. Jack F. Coffey
Raleigh, NC



"Dr. Hecht says you're ready for a stress test.
Here's your hospital bill."

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“STATUE OF LIBERTY”

Trivia Questions

1. Who was the president when the Statue of Liberty was dedicated?
2. What year or date was it presented to the American people?
3. What country gave it to us?
4. What was the island formerly called where the Statue is located?
5. What once occupied the island where the Statue now stands?
6. What island is nearby which served as a U.S. immigration station for more than 60 years?
7. During those 60 years, how many aliens were examined at the island?
8. What is the Statues official name?
9. What does the Statue symbolize?
10. A small copy of the Statue of Liberty stands where?
11. Who designed the Statue?
12. What does the Statue depict?
13. What does the Statue have in her right hand?
14. What does the Statue have in her left hand?
15. What is at the Statues feet?
16. Statue of Liberty largest ever made—does anyone know either height or weight?
17. What is original cost of Statue?
18. When the Americans were unable to raise enough money for the base, a plea came out through a New York paper—where did the money begin pouring in from?
19. Basically how was the Statue made?
20. Who designed the framework?
21. What happened to the Statue during WWII?
22. Who wrote “New Colossus” which was inscribed on the Statue’s base in 1908?
23. What are some of the most famous words of this inscription?

Answers on page 9

ALTAR GUILD HELP NEEDED



Prayerfully consider serving on the Altar Guild for 2022. Women, men, or couples; in fact, any confirmed member

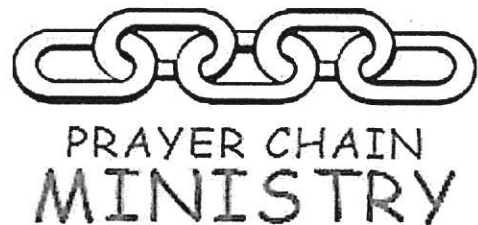
can serve. If you are interested, contact the church office and we will add your name to the list. We will also begin contacting the current Altar Guild members sometime in November to determine your willingness to serve in 2022.



Prayer Chain

A prayer request may be made to any member of the prayer chain. If you are requesting a prayer for someone, let the person know so that they are aware and respect their wishes if they do not want the request given to the prayer chain.

Judy Baer	756-2696
Florence Behnke	(920) 418-4315
Renee Bonick	(920) 296-9164
Sue Detert	756-3439
Lori Fels	(920) 639-3792
Rhonda Geiger	(920) 371-7375
Sandy Haberland	524-2016
Kris Krueger	756-3912
Faith Sonnabend	756-2779
Diane Zickert	(920) 841-8951
Joan Zutz	756-2501



“This is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us” (1 John 5:14)



Your Perfect Volunteer Opportunity!

Hilbert's St Vincent de Paul store wants some of your time, talent and support so we may help others in our community.

Why is St Vincent de Paul a great place to volunteer? We offer flexible hours that will fit within your schedule –at this time we are open for volunteers between the hours of 8:45 am – 4:45 pm Tuesday through Friday and 8:45 to 12:25 pm on Saturdays.

We have various volunteer opportunities in the following areas

1. Friday Afternoon Cashier (1 to 4:30/4:45 shift)
2. Sorting Donations as they arrive (any day we are open)
3. Back Room- Pricing Home Goods and placing out – Tues afternoon, Wed any time or Friday afternoon.
4. Selling certain items online
5. Christmas store – Cashiering / Placing items out (items are priced)

Christmas store will open beginning of October and stay open till the new year.

We are a Christian based organization and welcome everyone! Join our growing group of volunteers by starting today. We enjoy personal fulfillment and the friendship of fellow volunteers.

As a charitable 501 © 3 organization, your travel and certain other expenses are tax deductible.

Drop in anytime during store hours for a volunteer application

Any questions please feel free to call Susan during business hours 920-853-3449.

THE Garms FAMILY THANKS YOU

Sept. 3, 2021
Dear Pastor Mark and Members
of St. Bart's,

Thank you so much for the
check that we received today!
What a blessing we have been
gifted with. Our family really
appreciates you letting us stay
in your parking lot and use the
50-amp plug, garbage, kitchen sink,
etc. A huge blessing to us.

Thank you also for letting us share
the music & message on Sunday
morning - that God has given for
us to share. May God Bless You All
Richly as You Serve Him!!
Joy in Jesus Christ The Garms Family

Free-will offering for the
Garms Family \$426.00

Pastor APPRECIATION DAY

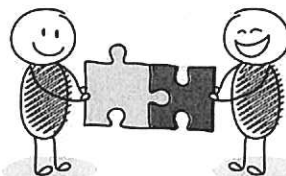
Clergy Appreciation Day is
observed on the second Sunday in
October (Oct. 10, 2021).

Clergy Appreciation Day is a time to
recognize the work of ministers,
pastors, and priests in the United
States. Thank our Pastor for the
work he does and remember him in
your prayers.




PUZZLE EXCHANGE

The puzzles have all been placed on shelves
in the first room on the left-hand or east side
past the hallway to the Fellowship hall. Feel
free to take one or two home to work on. If



you have any puzzles
you'd like to donate,
please make sure all the
pieces are in the box and
just place them in that
room. Thank you.

 LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

NORTH & SOUTH WISCONSIN LLL DISTRICT CONVENTION 2021



GUEST SPEAKER
Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Speaker of The Lutheran Hour®

October 23, 2021

Faith Lutheran Church
601 East Glendale Ave.
Appleton, WI 54911

Registration opens at 8:00 am
Convention 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Registration Fee (includes lunch):
\$25 per person

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Cambria Hotel Appleton
3940 North Gateway Dr.
Appleton, WI 54913
(866) 238-4218

Group rates available through
September 23, 2021:
Friday - \$119
Saturday - \$199

Participants are to make their own reservations.
In order to obtain the group rate,
use the group name, LHM, when registering.

Households of Faith
New research from Barna Group
in partnership with LHM



Other Highlights:

- Greetings from LCMS District Office and LWML District
- Two Break-out Sessions
 - Ambassador Recruitment and Training
 - Lutheran Hour Ministries Updates

For more information, visit www.nwdlll.org or contact South Wisconsin LLL DP: Tom Beineke • thomas.beineke@yahoo.com
Return Registration to: Peggy Kraase • N115W16887 El Camino Dr. • Germantown, WI 53022
(262) 293-9214 • peggyak2002@yahoo.com

St. Bartholomew has several special project/memorial funds set up to contribute toward.

These funds include:

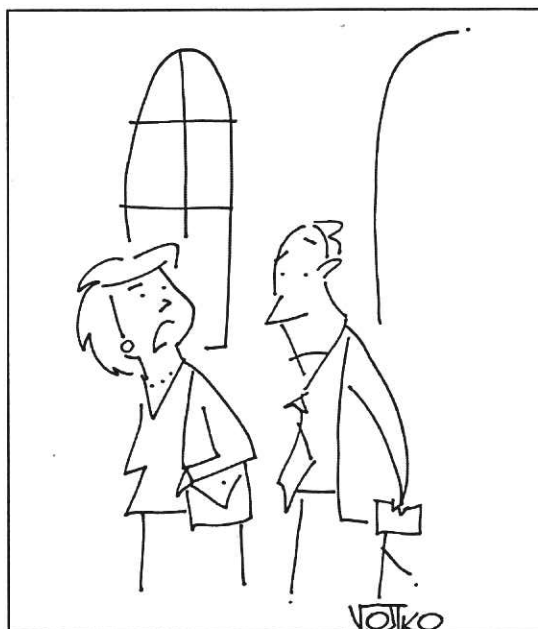
- Landscaping
- Hearing Loop
- Concordia Scholarship Fund
- Improvement Fund
- Decorating
- Banners



If you would like to contribute to any of the above funds please place your contribution in an envelope and mark it with your name and envelope number as well as the name of the fund you want the contribution assigned to. You may also use the specially marked envelopes in the literature rack.

Answers to Statue of Liberty Trivia

1. Grover Cleveland
2. July 4, 1884
3. France
4. Bedloe
5. Fort Wood
6. Ellis Island
7. Between 17 & 20 million
8. Liberty Enlightening the World
9. Liberty and fellowship enjoyed by the citizens under a free government
10. Bridge on Seine River near Paris
11. Frederic Bartholdi
12. Classical Greek Woman in a flowing robe
13. Torch
14. Tablet bearing the date of the Declaration of Independence
15. Broken shackle symbolizing people winning their liberty
16. Height—151 feet; weight—450,000 pounds
17. \$250,000
18. School children
19. Hammering sheets of copper over a framework of steel
20. Eiffel (also designed the Eiffel tower)
21. It was blackened—lights out
22. Emma Lazarus
23. Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free



"Religious freedom does not mean you get to doze off in church."

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The Power of Christian Counseling
Being concerned about your mental health should be as important as your physical health. The professional counselors at Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of Wisconsin are committed to helping to alleviate your concerns through both Christian based counseling and skilled clinical expertise. As Christian counselors, our staff can draw upon the promises of the Gospel of which our faith guides us. As Christians who have received the love of Christ, we together should help, console and build up one another. LCFS offers both in-person and tele-health counseling sessions. Please contact our office at 414-536-8333 or 800-291-4513 or learn more at www.lcfswi.org.

JULY SCRIP TOTALS

CARD NAME	TOTAL	PROFIT
Amazon	100	2.50
BP	750	11.25
BWW	25	2.00
Dairy Queen	35	7.00
Econo	1,975	59.25
Exxon	50	2.50
Festival	200	6.00
Kohls	500	20.00
Kwik Trip	250	10.00
Piggly Wiggly	100	3.00
Shell	225	11.25
Subway	25	2.50
VISA	50	0.63
Walgreens	100	5.00
WalMart	350	8.75
TOTALS	4,735	151.63

AUGUST SCRIP TOTALS

CARD NAME	TOTAL	PROFIT
Amazon	150	3.75
BP	1,000	15.00
Cobblestone	50	2.50
Econo	1,275	38.25
Festival	350	10.50
Home Depot	100	7.00
Kohls	100	4.00
Kwik Trip	800	32.00
McDonalds	40	1.60
Menards	100	3.00
Piggly Wiggly	50	1.50
Subway	45	4.50
Target	25	0.63
WalMart	400	10.00
TOTALS	4,485	134.23

The Sunday School children
will be singing
"I'm in God's Family"
on October 31



1st James Campbell-Nenahlo	14th Mary Eickert
2nd Adelyn Geiger	15th Debi Polkinghorne
4th Joel Koerth	15th Sebastian Gifford
6th Lon Fels	15th Seth Riemer
6th Brenda Geiger	17th Denise Emmer
8th Michael Fels	19th Craig Scharbarth
9th Randy Prigge	22nd Brandan Bowe
11th Alandra Grenzer	24th Abby Krahn
11th Betty Zarnoth	25th Bret Brehmer
12th Deacon Bonick	27th Creighton Moline
12th Beth Gilbertson	28th Nathan Levash
12th Grant Propson	28th Vanessa Reinke
14th Jennifer Bowe	29th Kim Rahn

ANNIVERSARIES

3 rd	Hank & Lori Horn
3 rd	Todd and Renee Maeder
9 th	Gary & Joan Lemke
9 th	Shawna & James Kiesow
10 th	Mitch & Morgan Krahn
19 th	Gary & Dori Reidy
19 th	Tom & Sandi Zahringer
20 th	Steve & Norma Latvala
25 th	Hank & Kit Horn
26 th	Dwane & Paula Kalies



Please forgive us and politely notify us if an anniversary or birthday is missing from the list. Thank you.



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