



ST. BARTHOLOMEW LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2022

“For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. *Luke alone is with me.*” These are the words which St. Paul wrote of St. Luke in his 2nd epistle to St. Timothy. On the 18th of October the church celebrates the life and martyrdom of St. Luke, who traveled with and helped Paul in his missionary journeys, and also wrote, under the inspiration of the Spirit, both the *Gospel of Luke*, and the *Acts of the Apostles*.

Luke was a physician, a doctor of his time, a highly learned man, who gave up, more than likely, quite a bit to accompany Paul and turn his gifts from the perusal of worldly wealth and glory to that of the glory of God. Luke has often been associated with the 2 disciples who visited Emmaus, so he is likewise believed to be one of the 72 whom Jesus sent out to proclaim the gospel to those in Judaea. Likewise, in Acts 16, when Luke is recounting the missionary work of Paul, he suddenly switches from speaking in the 3rd person (“he did this”) to the 1st person (we did this), meaning that Luke joined the apostle on his journey around that time. If he leaves himself out often and isn’t clear about his own contribution to Paul’s work, this ought to come as no surprise to us, for even the Apostle John humbly referred to himself as “the beloved disciple,” never naming himself directly, in an attempt to walk in line with those words of John the Baptist: “He must increase, but I must decrease.” (John 3:30)

Luke is believed to have died a martyr, being hung or crucified on a tree. Luke again is an excellent example of a man who has left all, and followed Christ, leaving to us words which bring life and light. Let us praise God together for such an excellent example of faithfulness towards Christ!

Pastor Brandmahl

FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

August 2022

Year-to-date Income:	\$110,013.78
Year-to-date Expenses:	\$113,488.02
Year-to-date Budget:	\$114,738.00

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RELEASED UPON REQUEST

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KINGDOM WORKERS - OCTOBER

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

Altar Guild: Roger & Carolyn Bladow
Sue Graf

Acolytes: Oct. 2 - Haylee
9 - Kelvin
16 - Simon
23 - Natalie
30 - Ashlynn

Ushers: Sun: Steve & Spencer Gilbertson
Wed: Roger Bladow, Russ Boldt

Voter's Meeting
October 30
10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Election of Officers and
2023 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)

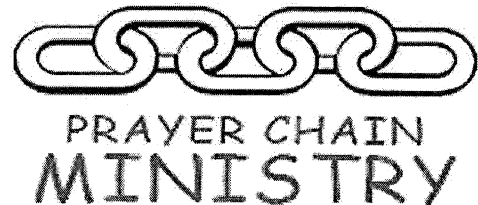
SHARING, BELIEVING LIVING AND CARING



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
Renee Bonick	(920) 296-9164
Sue Detert	756-3439
Lori Fels	(920) 639-3792
Rhonda Geiger	(920) 371-7375
Sandy Haberland	(920) 524-2016
Kris Krueger	(920) 871-4039
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)

ELDER GROUPS

(A-G) Tanner Behnke	(920) 427-6201
(H-M) Ron Detert	756-3439
(N-Z) Gary Lemke	(920) 464-1050



Clergy Appreciation Day is observed on the second Sunday in October (Oct. 9, 2022). 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.



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.

Portals of Prayer

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



ADULT INFORMATION CLASS

If anyone is interested in joining our congregation from a non-Lutheran background or is interested in Learning the basics of our beliefs as Lutherans, contact Pastor Brandmahl (920-756-3031) so a class can be set up beginning in November.

Stewardship Corner

God's Word is clear that our good works do not save us. God saves us by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8-9). The faith that saves us is even a gift. By the work of the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacraments, God creates in us new hearts with the desire to do good works. It is God Who enables us to do good works, and He is the one who prepares those good works for us beforehand. The Apostle Paul wrote, *"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 has good works already planned for us. These good works are God's gifts to us as they give us the opportunity to share God's love within us with others. May God continue to stir us to share His love to all people.

HELP NEEDED!!

ALTAR GUILD

Prayerfully consider serving on the Altar Guild for 2023. 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 2023.



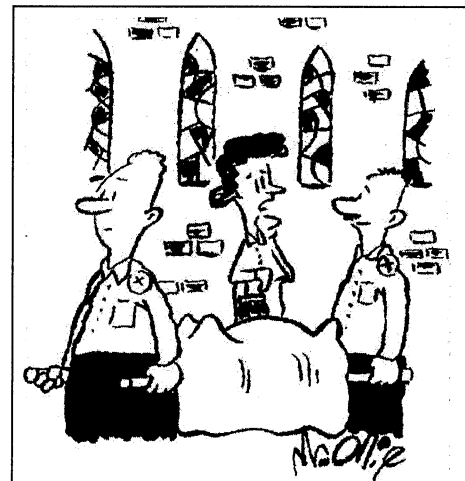
WORRY FREE

An unusual woman was being interviewed by a reporter. Although a widow for years, she had reared six children of her own and twelve adopted children. In spite of her busy and useful life, she was noted for her poise and charm. The reporter asked how she managed.

"You see, I'm in a partnership."

"What kind of partnership?"

"One day a long time ago I said, 'Lord, I'll do the work, and you do the worrying.' And I haven't had a worry since."



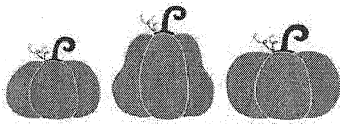
"But I thought he was just praying without ceasing."

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BIRTHDAYS

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	19th Craig Scharbarth
8th Michael Fels	22nd Brandan Bowe
9th Randy Prigge	24th Abby Krahn
11th Alandra Grenzer	25th Bret Brehmer
11th Betty Zarnoth	27th Creighton Moline
12th Deacon Bonick	28th Nathan Levash
12th Beth Gilbertson	28th Vanessa Reinke
12th Grant Propson	29th Kim Rahn
14th Jennifer Bowe	



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
29 th	Megan & Andrew Kiefer

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

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.

Creation in a nutshell

And on the 8th day, God created seniors. Most seniors never get enough exercise. In His wisdom, God decreed that seniors become forgetful so they would have to search for their eyeglasses, keys, and other things, thus doing more walking. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God saw there was another need. In His wisdom He made seniors lose coordination so they would drop things, requiring them to bend, reach, and stretch more. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God considered the function of bladders and decided seniors would have additional calls of nature, requiring more trips to the bathroom, thus providing more exercise. God looked down and saw that it was good.

So if you find, as you age, you are getting up and down a lot more times, remember it's God's will. It is all in your best interest even though you mutter under your breath.

AUGUST SCRIP TOTALS

CARD NAME	TOTAL	PROFIT
BP	500	7.50
Culver's	100	5.00
Dairy Queen	15	3.00
Econo	600	18.00
Exxon	75	3.75
Festival	100	3.00
Home Depot	100	7.00
Kwik Trip	1,200	48.00
Piggly Wiggly	100	3.00
Shell	75	3.75
WalMart	150	3.75
TOTALS	3,015.00	105.75

