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Friends from India
Coming to Visit July 17-23

Some of you met Pastor and Sheila's friends Isaac & Jemi a few years ago. They live in India, near where St. Thomas started a church and was martyred. Isaac & Jemi run an orphanage for boys. They are coming over to the US for a conference with other people who serve orphans from many countries. Isaac & Jemi will be with us for a few days. They would like to meet you. Keep an eye on the bulletin for more information to come.



Greeting Boxed & individual greeting cards are available for \$6.00 a box and .50 for individual cards. Cards are located in the church nursery. You may purchase anytime.

LUTHERAN TELEVISION PROGRAM

Main Street Living is an hour-long Lutheran television program that airs new episodes each Sunday morning. The Twin Cities program is broadcast at 9:00 am Central time on WFTC channel 29/9-2, or CHANNEL 10 on Spectrum. Each Sunday, viewers enjoy a 30-minute remastered episode of "This is the Life," a popular Lutheran Hour Ministries series from the 70's and 80's. The episode is followed by a modified Lutheran worship service-led by a different local pastor each week. Main Street Living (Twin Cities) is endorsed by the Minnesota South District of the Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod; however, the program receives no funding from the District. It is totally funded by the viewers and congregations of the WFTC viewing area. If you can't watch on Sunday, you can watch the program online later. Go to www.mainstreetliving.com. Scroll down and then you will be able to choose the program that you would like to watch.



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Portal of Prayers

available you may pick up at your convenience, in the church nursery.



Looking for Snack Servers

for Sunday morning.

You may sign up on the clipboard on the table in the narthex. Thank you



Those who wish may come to church on every Wednesday at 1:30 pm to receive the Lord's supper. If that time does not work please contact Pastor to setup something that is convenient for you.



Saturday, August 2, 2025

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is back!
At Lutheran Island Camp, Henning, MN.

The Live Quilt Auction will begin in person at 8:30 am. with the opportunity to view the quilts. The bidding will begin at 10:00 am. Coffee & donuts will be available to purchase in the morning and lunch is available for purchase in the afternoon.

The Online Quilt Auction will begin after the Live Auction is complete. Online ends on Friday, August 8. The link to the online quilt auction will be available in Mid -July. Website: www.islandcamp.org

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

Moth Drives Evolutionists Batty



"I will praise [You], O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvelous works." Psalm 9:1-2

I'm sure everyone has noticed that whenever nature programs on TV show an especially clever design in nature, the

program is always quick to explain how it came about by evolution. One good example is the unusual hearing ability of the moth. Night flying moths have hearing organs that are able to hear the ultrasonic signals used by bats. The bats use these signals to navigate and to find food, which includes the moths. However, evolutionists never want anyone to think about a Creator Who might have given the moths the ability to hear one of their main predators. So they quickly explained that as moths evolved, they developed the ability to hear the bats in response to bat attacks.

Years ago, a fossilized egg from a night-flying moth was discovered. Evolutionists said that the egg was half as old as any evidence of the first bat. Yet the egg clearly belongs to a moth species that can hear bats. Evolutionary scientists said that this discovery was most puzzling. They said that evolution would have no reason to evolve this species of moth before bats existed.



Those of us who believe the Word of our Creator in the Bible realize that all living things were made within a few days of each other. We see around us how each was designed in a way that keeps in mind the design found in other creatures. Moths have always been

moths, and bats have always been bats. There's nothing puzzling about it at all.

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A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY THE DEFENSE OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLES VII & VIII: OF THE CHURCH

1] The Seventh Article of our Confession, in which we said that the Church is the congregation of saints, they have condemned, and have added a long disquisition, that the wicked are not to be separated from the Church since John has compared the Church to a threshing-floor on which wheat and chaff are heaped together, Matt. 3:12, and Christ has compared it to a net in which 2] there are both good and bad fishes, Matt. 13:47. It is, verily, a true saying, namely, that there is no remedy against the attacks of the slanderer. Nothing can be spoken with such care that it can escape detraction. 3] For this reason we have added the Eighth Article, lest any one might think that we separate the wicked and hypocrites from the outward fellowship of the Church, or that we deny efficacy to Sacraments administered by hypocrites or wicked men... 5]the Church is not only the fellowship of outward objects and rites, as other governments, but it is originally a fellowship of faith and of the Holy Ghost in hearts. [The Christian Church consists... in inward communion of eternal blessings in the heart, as of the Holy Ghost, of faith, of the fear and love of God]; which fellowship...has outward marks..., namely, the pure doctrine of the Gospel, and the administration of the Sacraments in accordance with the Gospel of Christ... And this Church alone is called the body of Christ, which Christ renews, sanctifies and governs by His Spirit, as Paul testifies, Eph. 1:22 sq., when he says: And gave Him to be the Head over all things to the Church, which is His body, 6] the fullness of Him that fills all in all. Wherefore, those in whom Christ does not act [through His Spirit] are not the members of Christ... 7] Neither have we said anything new. Paul has defined the Church precisely in the same way, Eph. 5:25f, that it should be cleansed in order to be holy. And he adds the outward marks, the Word and Sacraments. For he says: Christ also loved the Church, and gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word, that He might present it to Himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish..." we have presented this sentence almost in the very words. Thus also the Church is defined by the article in the Creed which teaches us to believe that there is a holy Catholic Church.

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