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Trinity Lutheran Church
Milledgeville, IL

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First Lutheran of
Jordan, Sterling, IL

October Mission Focus:

This October, we will continue to keep our focus on the recent natural disasters and use our Noisy Offering to send more support to the Lutheran Disaster Response through the ELCA.

Recovery is still happening from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Jose, and Maria. Recovery is still happening from the massive earthquakes that struck Mexico.

Whenever and wherever natural disaster occurs, Lutheran Disaster Response and their partner agencies are at work immediately bringing relief. 100% of all donations to LDR go directly to aid relief efforts.

Thank you for your continued support of the ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response.

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Glad Tidings
“Sound the Good News”



*But the righteous will live by their
faithfulness to God*

Habakkuk 2:4

500 years ago on the eve of All Hallows Day, a feisty German monk, priest, and professor changed the world. Martin Luther was that feisty German monk, priest, and professor. And the legend of his nailing 95 Theses for debate on the church door in Wittenberg sparked the Reformation.

What does the Reformation mean? Well, for starts it means Martin Luther questioned the hows and whys of the Church, at that point, the only Church. He realized the church had become stagnant and oppressive and corrupt and content with keeping the world’s status quo. He realized the Gospel message was quite contrary to this, the Gospel was life-bearing, changing, transformative, and most importantly, it set people free.



Reformation Day

The Gospel sets people free from oppression, free from the status quo, free from belaboring the point that we are sinners who must suffer as a consequence. The Gospel sets us free to be agents of change, to bring life, to be transformative and to set others free around us.

The Reformation may not feel quite as impactful today, after all 500 years later there is no one single Church, there are now hundreds of Christian denominations freely expressing their own beliefs. The Reformation may not speak quite so boldly as we have become settled into a new status quo, one that Martin Luther could never have imagined.

And yet, this era of history is not simply in the past. The Reformation has not ended. It is actually quite active and still happening in the world around us today. The Reformation needs to impact our stagnant lives, the Reformation needs to bear life to and through us, the Reformation needs to open our eyes to the transformative power of the Gospel.

As we celebrate 500 years of legend and Gospel revival, let us pray that the Holy Spirit would enrapture us into the continuing Reformation, that new life may awaken us and stir us from placidness and be the wind that pushes us forward bringing good news to the world.

Pastor Jamie Gallagher



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EPIC Sunday School

EPIC Sunday School is our Every Person In Christ faith formation time. We gather one Sunday a month for a light lunch and a time of learning.

Parents, Grandparents, children, adults with no children, everyone gets together and has a great time. We read the Bible, we make crafts, we play games, we laugh, we love to learn together.

EPIC Sunday School continues on Sunday, October 22nd. We will have a light lunch of grilled cheese sandwiches and tomato soup (Menu subject to change, though.) And then we will have a lesson on forgiveness.

Bring your friends, neighbors and uncles and aunts and grandparents and grandchildren and mom and dad. This is a great time to learn about God together!

Mark your calendars for these Sundays for our Every Person In Christ Sunday School.

Sundays: October 22, November 19
Wednesdays: Dec 6, 13 and 20
Sundays, Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 18, Apr 15
and May 6

ACTS Bible Study

Long ago, in a land far away (sounds like the beginning of Star Wars, doesn't it?)

These words were first spoken:
"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

So, what happened next? Join us this fall as we dive into the Book of Acts and read about the early disciples and their challenging mission of being Jesus' witnesses in a world that didn't want to see Jesus.

Join us as we dive into the Book of Acts and read about US and OUR Challenging mission of being Jesus' witnesses in a world that doesn't want to see Jesus.

The study continues Wednesday, October 18 at 7 pm at Trinity.

Thank you,



For everyone's donations to my trip to India this upcoming February .

I would especially like to thank anyone who helped, brought food, served, or came to the Spaghetti Dinner in September.

I also want to thank everyone who participated in the Noisy Offering and all other personal donations given to me.

This is all greatly appreciated and will be very helpful in my upcoming trip.

~~ Heide Gallagher



**Grace meals
Tuesday, October 17th**

11:30 AM at Trinity

Birthdays and Anniversaries
for both congregations will now be listed on our
monthly calendar pages.

Please let the office know if your birthday or
anniversary information is missing, needs to be

2017 Joint Worship Sundays

November 26th (Thanksgiving Weekend)
8:30 AM at First, WJ

December 24th (Christmas Eve Morning Service)
10:15 AM at Trinity

December 31st (New Year's Eve) 8:30 AM at First,
WJ



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Milledgeville, IL. ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR

**Saturday, October 21, 2017
8:30am to 1:30pm**



Church Made Noodles
Large Bake Sale
Angel Food Cakes, Rolls
Cookies & more

Fall and Christmas Crafts
American Doll Cloths
Quilted Items & more



BRUNCH SERVERD 8:30 TO 11:30
Assorted egg casseroles, assorted pastry's, juice
& coffee for \$7.00

1 Ticket for \$1.00
6 Tickets of \$5.00

Raffle

1st prize – Quilt
2nd prize – Holiday banners
3rd prize – Table runner & place mates
4th prize – Prayer Shawl

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November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			All Saints Day	Annivesary:Mark & Laurie Byvick	Pastor's Day Off	
			Birthday:Randy Landis	Birthday: Amy Landheer		
			7p-8:30p Acts Bible Study (Trinity)	Birthday:Patty Hiher		
				6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Base-ment		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
All Saints' Sunday	Birthday: LaVerne Woessner		9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meeting	7p-9p Dorcas Circle at Lynn Kaufman's home	Birthday: Mark Baron	Veterans Day
Birthday:Lori Oncken	Birthday:Ronda Imel		7p-8:30p Acts Bible Study (Trinity)		Birthday:Kevin Judas	
Daylight Savings Time Ends	11a-3p Sewers Meet				Birthday:Randy Kleckler	
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ					Pastor's Day Off	
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Time after Pentecost	11a-3p Sewers Meet	1:30p-3:30p Naomi Circle		6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Base-ment	Anniversary:Mike & Kaye Strehlow	Birthday:Carol Lee Bushman
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ					Birthday:Ross Hartman	Birthday:Tyler Wagenknecht
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity					Pastor's Day Off	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Birthday:Bonnie Queck-boerner	Anniversary:John & Patty Murray	Anniversary:Steve & Laura Buckman		Thanksgiving Day	Pastor's Day Off	Birthday:Lois Nye
Time After Pentecost	Birthday:Chelsey Imel	Birthday: Jake Wetzell				
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday:Ken Kaufman	11:30a-12:30p Grace Meals (Trinity Lutheran Church)				
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	Trinity Delivers Golden Meals					
11:30a-1p EPIC Sunday School	11a-3p Sewers Meet	4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home\, Milledgeville)				
6:30p-7:30p Community Thanksgiving Worship (Hope UMC\, Chadwick)						
26	27	28	29	30	Notes:	
Anniversary:Bill & Ruth Borth	Anniversary:Dana & Kyla Eastabrooks	Anniversary:Kim & Micheal Stewart		Birthday:Adien Barkley		
Christ the King Sunday	11a-3p Sewers Meet	Birthday:Connor Eubanks		Birthday:Christian Barkley		
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ				Birthday:Harlen Meinsma		

October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
◀ From Sep 28 Pastor Jamie on Vacation						
Time After Pentecost	Birthday:Darin Frederick	Birthday: Carol Woessner	Anniversary:Dick & Carol Bush-man	Anniversary: Jeff & Stacey Jacobson	Pastor's Day Off	Birthday:Debra Judas
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet	Birthday:Samantha Doyle	Birthday:Curt Dusing	6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement	7p-9:30p MHS Home Football Game	
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity					9:30p-12a 5th Quarter Youth Event (Milledgeville Brethren Church)	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
◀ From Sep 28 Pastor Jamie on Vacation						
Anniversary: John & Dawn Sauer	Birthday: Trina O'Brien	Birthday:Kaylee O'Neal	Anniversary:Jamie & Katie Gallagher	Anniversary:Dan & Lois Nye	Pastor's Day Off	Anniversary:Tom & Michelle Neubauer
Anniversary:Ramon & Melissa Woessner	11a-3p Sewers Meet	1:30p-3:30p Naomi Circle	Anniversary:Leland & Ruth Bryson	Birthday:Tucker Anderson		Birthday:Corrine Ohlwine
Anniversary:Stacy & Eric Mickel-son			Birthday: Jan Wetzell			Birthday:Paul Cheeseman
Birthday: Leona Ward			Birthday: Jordan Harris			Birthday:Trey Frederrick
Birthday: Luann Gvozdzjak			9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meeting			
Birthday:Lauren Schmidt						
Time After Pentecost						
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ						
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Birthday Bruce Simpson	Birthday:Melissa Emmons	Birthday:Jennifer Brubaker	7p-8:30p Acts Bible Study (Trinity)	Birthday: Carol Sibley	Birthday:Robin Palmer	Birthday:Robin Palmer
Birthday:Brian Simpson	Trinity Delivers Golden Meals					Birthday:Stephanie Barkley
Birthday:Cinda Heeren	11a-3p Sewers Meet	11:30a-12:30p Grace Meals (Trinity Lutheran Church)		Birthday: Kim Vickers	Pastor's Day Off	Birthday:Westley Bauling
Birthday:Nick Strehlow		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home\, Milledgeville)		6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement		8a-2p Fall Bazaar
Time After Pentecost				7p-9p Dorcas Circle		
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ						
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Birthday:Andy Hinrichs	Anniversary:Ben & Lisa McAuliffe	Anniversary:Jerry & Cinda Heeren	Birthday:David Blackburn (southtown)	Anniversary:Sally & Jason Caudillo	Pastor's Day Off	Beveroth - Baron Wedding (First, West Jordan)
Time After Pentecost	Birthday:Mark Dettman	1p-3p Worship and Music Commit-tee Meeting	7p-8:30p Acts Bible Study (Trinity)	Birthday:Belinda Scrogham	5p-6p Wedding Rehearsal (First, West Jordan)	Birthday:Eric Ebersole
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet			Birthday:Carson Murphy		
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	1p-3p Tri-County Conference (Trinity)			6:30p-8:30p Joint Council Meeting (Trinity)		
11:30a-1p EPIC Sunday School	6:30p-8p Girl Scouts					
29	30	31	Notes:			
Birthday: Linda Deets	Birthday:Dan Schmidt	Birthday: Adam Landheer				
Birthday:Austin Barkley	Birthday:Isabella Barkley	Birthday:Connie Brockhouse				
Reformation Sunday	Birthday:Kevin Anderson	Halloween				
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet					
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity						

First, West Jordan

Worship Helpers

October 1 & 8 — Mia and Jon Meyer
Lector: Mia Meyer

October 15, 22 & 29—
Dan and Tam Hinrichs
Lector: Tam Hinrichs

Reminder: the Joint Council meeting takes place on Thursday, October 26th at 6:30 PM at Trinity.

At this meeting, we will have a guest—Pastor Joseph O’Donnell of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Dixon will come and share a message from the Northern Illinois Synod.

On October 31st, we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther beginning the Reformation.

Here is his morning prayer from the Small Catechism

Make the sign of the cross and say “God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit watch over me, Amen”

Say the Apostles’ Creed and Lord’s Prayer. And then say, “I give you thanks, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected me through the night from all harm and danger. I ask that you would also protect me today from sin and all evil, so that my life and actions may please you. Into your hands I commend myself: my body, my soul, and all that is mine. Let your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen”

Luther then suggests we sing a hymn or tend to whatever devotion we typically use and then go joyfully about our day’s work.

In our prayers:

From First:

Sam Baker, Shari Banner, Ruth Borth, Jon Boyer, Sandy Bushman, Linda & Myron Deets, Kyla Eastabrooks, Anita Gilbert, Linda Habben, Milford Habben, Tina Harris, Roger Hinrichs, Tammy Hinrichs, Kara Koett and Abel Dowse, Scotty Powell, June Purvis, Jon Ryner, Al Vickers

In our prayers:

From Trinity:

Lori Anderson, Adlee Barajas, Carl & Peg Bauling, Jerry Blair, Ruth & Bill Borth, Leland Bryson, Kyla Eastabrooks, June Franks, Barb Gerdes, Tina Harris, Tammy Hinrichs, Kara Koett and Abel Dowse, Lawrence Maxwell, Kim Mennenga, Barb and Ivan Miller, Dan Nye, Corinne Ohlwine, Sue Pope, Mindy Riddick, Craig Schligden, Gladys Schopp, Cherrie Simpson, Melinda Wieck, Ruth Wolf
The family and friends of Peg Bauling

Church Leaders Directory

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Weekly Prayer Supplement

Each day when you take your quiet time to pray, here are some concerns —local and global— for you to include in your daily prayers

Week of October 1 to October 7

Pray for those continuing to deal with social and racial injustices, especially for people of color, for immigrants, and for all who face prejudice and unfair justice systems. Pray that people who feel compelled to riot may find their peace and that all neighborhoods may welcome diversity and walk hand in hand.

Week of October 8 to October 14

Pray for those continuing to deal with the aftermath of storms—Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Jose and Maria (That’s a lot of hurricanes this year!); and also those in the path of forest fires out west, and rebuilding after earthquakes in Mexico and other disasters too many to name.

Week of October 15 to October 21

Pray for the continual work of the reformation. This month, we come to the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther posting the 95 theses and starting the reformation, and in many places the church still needs reform—as in our congregation, our denomination, and our entire faith.

Week of October 22 to October 28

Pray for our partner ministries in Milledgeville—Chadwick: Chadwick Evangelical Free Church, Pastor Terry Komrska; First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chadwick, Pastor Chris Shoon; Fairhaven UMC/Hope UMC/ Hickory Grove UMC, Pastor Mary Bohall; Milledgeville Brethren Church, Pastor Jim Black; Dutch-town Brethren Church, Pastor Rick Koch; Milledgeville UMC, Pastor Sophia Hyon

For our Partner Congregation in the Faith on Forty Parish, for the Northern Illinois Synod and Bishop Jeff Clements, for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Daily Devotion Bible Book Mark

Dive Deeper into the Book of Acts. On Wednesday nights in September and October, we will study the Book of Acts. Now on a daily basis, you can read the stories and see God’s kingdom beginning to unfold through the first disciples.

___ Oct 1	Acts 15:22-41
___ Oct 2	Acts 16:1-15
___ Oct 3	Acts 16:16-40
___ Oct 4	Acts 17:1-15
___ Oct 5	Acts 17:16-34
___ Oct 6	Acts 18:1-17
___ Oct 7	Acts 18:18-28
___ Oct 8	Acts 19:1-22
___ Oct 9	Acts 19:23-41
___ Oct 10	Acts 20:1-12
___ Oct 11	Acts 20:13-38
___ Oct 12	Acts 21:1-14
___ Oct 13	Acts 21:15-40
___ Oct 14	Acts 22:1-23
___ Oct 15	Acts 22:24-29
___ Oct 16	Acts 22:30-23:11
___ Oct 17	Acts 23:12-35
___ Oct 18	Acts 24:1-16
___ Oct 19	Acts 24:17-27
___ Oct 20	Acts 25:1-22
___ Oct 21	Acts 25:23-27
___ Oct 22	Acts 26:1-18
___ Oct 23	Acts 26:19-32
___ Oct 24	Acts 27: 1-12
___ Oct 25	Acts 27:13-26
___ Oct 26	Acts 27:27-44
___ Oct 27	Acts 28:1-16
___ Oct 28	Acts 28:17-31

Pastor Jamie will be out of the Office

September 29th—October 13th, Pastor Jamie will be on vacation.

Pastor Chris Schoon of First Lutheran, Chadwick is available for all pastoral emergencies. Please call her at 815-768-7452