Whatever Happened to Wednesday night being Church Night?

I get asked that question a lot, and I don't have an answer. I know it is difficult for schools as they try to fit in all the sports. It is difficult for families who have active athletes and musicians. But for as many as can't make it to Church on Wednesday nights, so many others can. So why sit and wonder where it is gone. Let us find it again. Wednesday Nights at Church are BACK! Read on! Join In! Invite others!

Who Do You Think You Are?

A Weekly Bible Study. 7 pm at Trinity

This is a Bible study that is open to all. We will use a video series called "Ancestors" which is produced by Sparkhouse, a part of Augsburg Fortress Publishing House. After watching the video, we will open our Bibles and have fun learning more about our ancestor in faith.

This is really open to all. Bring your kids, bring your grandkids, and while you are at it, bring your neighbors and their kids with you as well. When we gather to tell the family story, we include everyone. So it is with our Bible study. We include everyone.

Sunday school age! Middle School age! High School age! College Age! Parents! Grandparents! Great-Grandparents! Join us, learn more about your faith-family tree!

Sept 16 Adam and Eve

Sept 23 Noah

Sept 30 Abraham & Sarah





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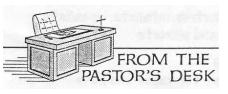
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Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith.

Hebrews 12:1-2

This fall, we will begin a new Bible study series called "Who do you think you are?" I am taking the name from the TLC TV show which explores the ancestry of famous people. I have done some genealogy work myself, and I have learned many things about my family and my wife's family. One of the most interesting things I learned is a family story that was never passed down, because of how much of a scandal it was. And I stumbled across the story quite by accident one day in a cemetery and subsequent newspaper stories. When I shared this story with my in-laws, we all agreed we now know why the great-grandparents never talked about it.

Just because a story is in our past, and may have some scandal involved, doesn't mean it is less important to know about. My research has discovered other stories that aren't scandalous at all. In fact, most of the stories we have learned have helped make our family heritage more strong and rich and something we want to learn even more about.

What does all this have to do with a Bible study? This fall, our Bible study will be on our ancestors of faith. Some of the stories we will dig into will be stories that will bring great joy to us. Some of the stories we will dig into will have an element of scandal involved. All of these stories belong to our faith family, and learning more about them will make our faith-family heritage more strong and rich and something we want to learn even more about.

It may have been a while since you last attended a regular, weekly Bible study. And our schedules are busy. So come to one a month, come to two a month, or just come as often as you can. Each week we will learn about another ancestor in our faith-family tree. We will learn something about the Bible, we will learn something about God's amazing grace.

Peace.

Pastor Jamie



Quilt Blessing – Sunday, September 27th during 10:15 worship

The Women have been working hard on many projects: Quilts, Health Kits, School Backpacks. All these things will be celebrated and blessed on Sunday, September 27th. After the service, they will be boxed and sent to LWR for the work of the Church across the world.



Confirmation Classes resume Sunday, September 13th

We will meet for class Sundays at 11:30, beginning with lunch again. We will have 3 final review class sessions. Sunday, October 4th, we will participate in the CROP Walk. Sunday, October 11th is Confirmation Sunday.

Invite your God-parents or Baptismal Sponsors. Invite your grandparents. Invite your neighbors. During the 10:15 AM service, we will celebrate the Rite of Affirmation of Baptism.

Confirmation Rehearsal will be Saturday, October 10^{th} at 9 am. This will be just for the students and at least one parent.



Newsletter available in your InBox

Did you know you can receive our newsletter by email? Every month, an electronic version is made available and put on our church website. An email with the link to the newsletter is sent out shortly after the newsletter is printed. If you would like to begin receiving your newsletter by email, you will be saving your congregation the price of a first class stamp and the costs of printing a copy for you.

Please let the office know what your email address is, and beginning next month you can receive your newsletter in your email and you can read it online or print out a copy any time you wish.



Mission Focus for September

Lutheran World Relief Backpacks

Backpacks need to be to the church, by September 27th

If you need a list of items for the backpacks, see the display in the Narthex.





5th Quarter Youth Nights



5th Quarter Nights are back! Hosted at the Milledgeville Brethren Church, Youth who come Friday nights after home football games will have food and fun. We typically wrap up around 11:30 pm.

Our church will help out with serving the food and have chaperones on the night of October 2nd. More information on that night will come later.

If you know someone in Jr High or High School – let them know about the 5th Quarter, the night isn't done just because the score has gone final.

Prayer Chain Updating

Our Prayer Chain will be updated. On September 15th at 7pm, there will be a meeting for the chain leaders. At this meeting, we will review our guidelines and practices, and also review our prayer chain lists. In October, we will have a meeting with everyone on the prayer chain, including some new recruits, and review our guidelines and practices with everyone.

We are looking for anyone interested in joining the prayer chain. No previous experience is required, just a desire to pray for our brothers and sisters in the faith in your own home. This includes members from the entire Faith on Forty Parish, so everyone can be a part o this.

If you would like more information, please call Pastor Jamie in the office.



Crop Walk

October 4 at 1:00 pm starting at Trinity Lutheran Church. The CROP Walk is an annual event to raise awareness and money for global and local hunger ministries. The money raised will support international hunger agency Church World Service and also our own Milledgeville Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Groups interested in walking should register with Pastor Jamie. A friendly competition between groups will result in prizes handed out to the group with the most participants, the group with the most creative theme, and the group with the largest donation of cash, and the group with the largest donation of boxed or canned goods for Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Due to the construction detours in the area, a route through town will be planned for this year's walk.





First West Jordan News



11th Larry Lenhart16th Mitch O'Brien19th Kathy Hinrichs22nd Brian Beveroth

Helpers

Week 1 & 2

Ushers/Greeters: Gary & Carol Sibley Lector: Carol Sibley

Week 3 & 4

Council Members

Patty Murray

Ushers/Greeters: LaVerne & Carol Woessner

Lector: LaVerne Woesner



If any information is incorrect or we have missed something, please let the office know.

Attention Snowbirds

Please let the office know when you leave and return, so we can make sure we send the newsletter to the correct address.



Thanks

September Grace Meal Sept. 15th @ 11:30

Beef Stew, Biscuits/Corn Bread Salads and Dessert



September Prayer

A prayer for our animals, in honor of St. Francis of Assisi whose commemoration date is October 4th.

Source and Sustainer of Life, we cherish the myriad works of your hands. Water, earth, and sky are yours, as are all their inhabitants, wild and tame. We thank you for the creatures that nourish and serve us, befriend, enrich, entertain, and protect us. May we, who are made in your image, care for them well. And may your groaning yet wondrous creation rally and thrive, revealing to all who come after us your wise, redemptive, transfiguring love; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen

Council Member

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"i'm going into all the world to make disciples of all nations. So I might be a little late for dinner."