

Sunday, October 25th at 10:15 am, we will have a joint worship service at First, West Jordan.

This Special Worship service will celebrate the Reformation and feature a "guest" preacher of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther.

Everyone is encouraged to wear Red in celebration of the Reformation. A potluck dinner is planned for after the service. Please bring a dish to pass or a desert to share. Table service will be provided.

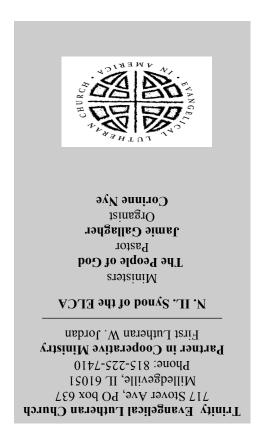
Reformation Day



October Mission Focus

October is Helping Hands Food Pantry month at Trinity.

Bring in canned or boxed food items, cash donations welcome as well. Helping Hands Food Pantry serves the people of the Chadwick-Milledgeville school district. It is open the first Tuesday of the month and distributes according to the number of people in a household. Lyle Gregory is the director. He is responsible for making sure we have sufficient items to serve the 50 families the pantry serves on average each month. Lyle spends several days a month shopping for milk, eggs and bread and other items the pantry needs in order to serve clients the best way possible. All donations, both food and cash, are greatly appreciated.



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH Of West Jordan

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Worship: Sundays 8:30 AM

TRINTY LUTHERAN CHURCH

707 Stover Ave, PO Box 637 Milledgeville, IL 61051 815-225-7410 www.trinitymville.com Worship: Sundays 10:15 AM

Glad Tidings "Sound the Good News"





Romans 1:17 New Living Translation (NLT)

⁷ This Good News tells us how God makes us right in his sight. This is accomplished from start to finish by faith. As the Scriptures say, "It is through faith that a righteous person has life." [a]

Footnotes:

a. 1:17 Or "The righteous will live by faith." Hab 2:4.

In 2017, the world will celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The Reformation is a period in history that began with a number of theologians who challenged the teachings of the church, including Martin Luther. It was on October 31, 1517, legend tells us, that Martin Luther, a priest and theology teacher in Wittenberg, Germany, posted 95 Theses on the church door hoping for debate. The 95 Theses centered on the selling of indulgences, but also questioned other elements of the church hierarchy and teachings that Luther felt contradicted the Bible's teaching of justification by grace through faith.

The Reformation did not simply end with Martin Luther's 95 Theses in 1517. It was in 1521 that Luther was officially excommunicated from the church. And his work at translating the Bible into German, writing the Large and Small Catechisms, teaching on everything related to the Bible and God, would continue until Luther's death in 1546. Luther was also not alone in his work as a reformer. Many others took advantage of this era to challenge the teaching of the church, including Calvin, Zwingli, Melanchthon. As a result, today there are many denominations that are called "Protestant" - the Presbyterians, the Lutherans, the Anglicans, the Moravians, the Baptists, and many others.

This is Reformation history in a nutshell. It is of course more greatly complex than can truly be covered in a newsletter article such as this. But, the Reformation is also more than history. We continue to live the Reformation Era today. The central teaching to Martin Luther, that we are justified by grace through faith, is just as important today as it was 500 years ago.

On Sunday, October 25th, our two congregations will come together for a joint worship service at First, West Jordan to celebrate the Reformation. We will sing A Mighty Fortress is Our God, a hymn written by Martin Luther. And we will hear from the great reformer himself. Yes, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther will make a guest appearance and share God's amazing good news with us that morning.

Join us, October 25th at 10:15 AM at First, West Jordan, for this amazing celebration of our past, present and future as the Reformation continues to live on through our ministry.





5th Ouarter Youth Nights

5th Quarter Nights Continue being hosted at the Milledgeville Brethren Church. Jr. High and High School youth are invited after home football games for food and fun. We typically wrap up around

Our church will help out with serving the food and have chaperones on the night of October 2nd. The final 5th Quarter nights are October 16th and October 23rd. Support your Missiles! And have fun!



Who do you think you are?

Our Wednesday Bible study continues on Wednesdays at

Learn about your ancestors in faith:

Oct 7 Abraham and Sarah Oct 14 Jacob Oct 21 Joseph Oct 28 Moses



Sunday, October 25th at 3 pm, we will have our Family Halloween Party.

Everyone is welcome. Wear your costumes.

Even Pastor Jamie has his costume all prepared! Last year, he was a mummy—what will he be this year? You have to come to find out.



Saturday, October 17th from

Lunch served from 11:00—1:00.

Lunch is \$7 for BBQ sandwich, salad bar, desert and drink

Craft items include fall and Christmas décor, American Girl doll clothes, quilted items.

Huge Bake sale includes homemade noodles, cakes, rolls, pies

Raffle prizes are: 1st: Quilt; 2nd: Wood lawn flowers; 3rd: pierced tote bag



Trinity will have Sunday school at 9 am on Sunday, October 4th and Sunday, October 18th.

To help with Sunday school, please contact Amy Strehlow



Looking ahead to November:

Sunday, November 1st is All Saints Sunday, we will light candles in worship to honor the saints who we have loved who have entered God's eternal, promised Kingdom.

Wednesday, November 4th, Trinity will host Life Line Screenings once again. Anyone interested in medical screenings is welcome to take advantage of this service. A fee does apply to the screenings. Call the Trinity Church office for more information.

Sunday, November 22nd is Christ the King Sunday, we bring to a close the church calendar, and prepare to begin a new Church year as we celebrate Jesus' rightful spot as our King.

Sunday, November 22nd will be our annual Milledgeville-Chadwick community Thanksgiving Worship service. More information will come out soon.

Sunday, November 29th is the First Sunday of Advent. We begin a new year of telling the story of Jesus with the season of Advent, a time of preparation for Jesus' return.

Sunday, November 29th, Trinity will have our Church decorating and Family Advent Party. More information will come out soon about this as well.

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

Helpers

Week 1 & 2

Ushers/Greeters: Jake and Katie Wetzell

Lector: Jake Wetzell

Week 3 & 4

Ushers/Greeters: Dan and Tammy Hinrichs

Lector: Tammy Hinrichs



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

October Grace Meal Oct 13th @ 11:30



Church Leaders Directory

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Jodi Woessner, secretary

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Sunday	Monday	l uesday	Wednesday	Inursday	rriday	Saturday
Saving Time Ends	2	3 Election Day	4	2	9	7
All Saints Sunday	11a-3p Sewers Meet		9a-1p Life Line Screenings	6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement	Pastor's Day Off	
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ			1p-2:30p Milledgeville School Mentoring (Milledgeville Elementary School)			
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity			7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)			
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10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home), Milledgeville)	1p-2:30p Milledgeville School Mentoring (Milledgeville Elementary School)	6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement		
			7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)			
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6:30p-8p Chadwick-Milledgeville Community Thanksgiving Worship						
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				5:30p-6:30p Milledgeville Homecoming Parade		
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				6p-7:30p Worship Committee (Trinity Lutheran Church)	9:30p-11:30p Milledgeville Youth 5th Quarter (Milledgeville Brethren Chuch)	
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9a-10a Sunday School - Trinity			7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)			
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10-3:30p CROP Walk (Trinity Lutheran)						
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-	12 Columbus Day		14	15	16	17
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet		9a-12p Pastor at Conference 6 Meeting	6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement		
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			School)			(15)
11:15a-12p Confirmation Class reception			7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)		9:30p-11:30p Milledgeville Youth 5th Quarter (Milledgeville Brethren	
					Church)	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 United Nations Day
Pastor's Vacation	Trinity delivers Golden Meals					
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween
Reformation Sunday	11a-3p Sewers Meet		1p-2:30p Milledgeville School Mentoring (Milledgeville Elementary G School)	6:30p-8p Synod Fall Discipleship Gathering	Pastor's Day Off	
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ First, West Jordan			7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)			
11:30a-1p Reformation Sunday Luncheon at West Jordan						
3n-5n Family Halloween Party (Trinity Lutheran						
Church)						

October 2015 Devotional Readings and Prayer Calendar

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.



October is the month we celebrate the Reformation, an era of Church history begun primarily by the work of Martin Luther. Luther's key discovery was that we are justified by grace through faith. The church of his era had been teaching that salvation, or justification, came only through following a strict code of morals and by paying huge sums of money to purchase "indulgences", or pieces of paper guaranteeing salvation.

Luther poured through scripture and found no evidence that God or Jesus had ever taught such a system for earning one's way into salvation. Instead, he found lots of scripture evidence that said it is by faith that one is justified, or saved, by God, not by the keeping of the laws.

This month, take each day to read a passage of scripture that talks about faith. Allow the good news of justification by grace through faith soak into your heart as these passages encourage you and strengthen you in faith.

Oct 1	Genesis 15:6	Oct 11	Acts 3:16	Oct 22	Psalm 31:5
Oct 2	Psalm 52:9	Oct 12	Romans 1:8	Oct 23	Psalm 116:6
Oct 3	Lamentations 3:23	Oct 13	Romans 4:3	Oct 24	Matthew 17:20
Oct 4	Habakkuk 2:4	Oct 14	Romans 10:17	Oct 25	Acts 15:32
Oct 5	John 16:1	Oct 15	Psalm 18:25	Oct 26	Romans 3:27-28
Oct 6	Romans 3:31	Oct 16	Psalm 86:15	Oct 27	Romans 5:2
Oct 7	Romans 10:10	Oct 17	Matthew 9:22	Oct 28	1 Corinthians 16:13
Oct 8	1 Samuel 23:16	Oct 18	Acts 15:9	Oct 29	Isaiah 26:2
Oct 9	Psalm 65:5	Oct 19	Romans 3:22	Oct 30	Mark 5:36
Oct 10	Matthew 9:2	Oct 20	Romans 4:16	Oct 31	Romans 1:17
		Oct 21	1 Corinthians 13:13		

	baptism day		happy Larth ay	(Happy Anniversary
		10/7	Debra Judas		
10/5	Ardree Fogel	10/8	Lauren Schmidt	10/2	Amanda & Craig Schildgen
10/8	Janet Barkley	10/11	Jordan Harris	10/4	Richard & Carol Lee Bushman
10/12	Lynn Kaufman	10/14	Paul Cheeseman	10/6	Sarah & Curtis Coyle
10/13	Rebecca Green	10/14	Corrine Ohlwine	10/8	Stacy & Eric Mickelson
10/20	Jenna Green	10/15	Cinda Heeren	10/11	Leland & Ruth Bryson
10/21	Cody Buckman	10/15	Brian Simpson	10/11	Jamie & Katie Gallagher
10/26 10/30	Stanley Meinsma	10/15	Nichlaus Strehlow	10/12	Dan & Lois Nye
10/30	Allen Chronister	10/16	Melissa Emmons		·
10/31	Sally Ann Caudillo	10/19	Carol Sibley	10/14	Tom & Michelle Neubauer
		10/23	Mark Dettman	10/24	Jerry & Cinda Heeren
		10/30	Kevin Anderson		
10/31		10/30	Dan Schmidt		
		10/31	Connie Brockhouse		

October Prayer

O Lord, maker of all things, you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. We praise you for crowning the fields with your blessings and enabling us once more to gather in the fruits of the earth. Teach us to use your gifts carefully, that our land may continue to yield its increase, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen



If you have a prayer request for our prayer chain or for our Sunday prayer list, please contact Pastor Jamie

October 4 — 10

This Week in prayer our homebound members: Myron and Linda Deets, Adeline Sheehan, Frank and Leona Ward, Elnora Hinrichs, Bill and Ruth Borth, Joan Massengil, Ardree Fogel; Pray also for the residents of Southtown Terrace, a home here in Milledgeville for adults with mental and physical challenges.

October 11-17

This week, pray for our 7 young people who were confirmed in faith on Sunday, October 11th.

Connor Eubanks, Brandon Eye, Heide Gallagher, Jenna Green, Clayton Simpson, Colton Simpson and Alyvia Woodard.

Stir up in (name) the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. Amen

October 18-24

This week in keep in prayer those from our prayer lists in worship:

From First: Ruth Borth, Sandy Bushman, Linda and Myron Deets, John Ethridge, Anita and Leonard Gilbert, Linda Habben, Roger Hinrichs, Tammy Hinrichs, Janet Koett, Jon Ryner, Daniel and Ryan Sauer, Gary and Carole Sibley

From Trinity: Lori Anderson, Adlee Barajas, Joyce Blair, Ruth & Bill Borth, Bob Brandt, Leland Bryson, Nancy Dittmar, Brad "Gus" Frederick, Elsie Heward, Alfred Hinrichs, Tammy Hinrichs, Janet Koett, Stephen McCormick, Ivan Miller, Corinne Ohlwine, June Stewart

<u>October 25 − 31</u>

Pray for our ministry partners: Northwest and Central Conferences of the Northern Illinois Synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Bishop Gary Wollersheim of the NIS and Bishop Elizabeth Eaton of the ELCA.

Lift up our local partners here in the Chadwick-Milledgeville community: Faith on Forty Ministry, Church of the Brethren on Main Street, Dutchtown Brethren, Milledgeville United Methodist, and Community Baptist Church, First Lutheran Church, Chadwick, Evangelical Free Church, Chadwick, Fairhaven United Methodist Church, Hope Methodist Church; and the Helping Hands Food Pantry.