

# October

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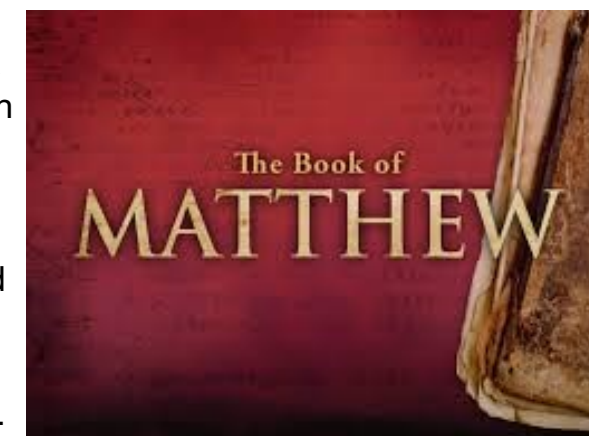


# The Mountain Top Messenger

ZION LUTHERAN EVANGELICAL CHURCH, ASHLAND, WI OCTOBER 2021

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Elders: Oct. 3 Darryl Wed. Oct. 20 Randy Wed. Nov. 3 John	Oct. 10 Randy Oct. 24 John	Wed. Oct. 13 Doug Wed. Oct. 27 Andy	Oct. 17 Andy Oct. 31 Doug			
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3 9:00am Worship SS 10:15am	4	5	6	7 Women's Bible Study	8	9
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31 9:00am Worship SS 10:15am Bible Study 10:30am	Nov. 1 Bible Study 10:am	2	3 6:30pm Worship Online Prayer Service 6:30pm	WEDNESDAYS will be in-church service at 6:30, same as Sunday's service. Pre-taped online Prayer Service 6:30pm, extension of Sunday's Service or other topic.		

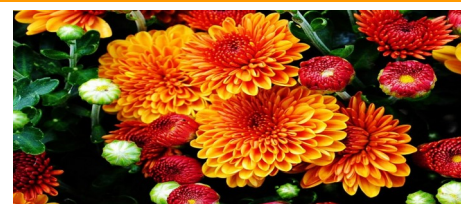
Welcome to October, crisp mornings, leaves changing, apples everywhere. I enjoy fall, cool during the day, good sleeping weather, and best of all no mosquitos. In the church it is also the time when church activities really start to get going after the summer hiatus. Sunday School is off to a good start, it is great to see all the kids and their bright smiling faces. Sunday morning Bible study is back on and we met last week to discuss topics and came up with two really good ones that should be really interesting. The first one is who were the writers of the New Testament. We are going to see what we can find out about Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, Peter, and James. What do we know about them, what does scripture say about them, what does history and legend say? Then after that we are going to take a look at Spiritual Gifts, what are they? Do I have them? How can I tell, and how can I best use them? That should be another interesting study. Also, we held our first Monday morning Bible study, it was a let's get reacquainted session with the actual Bible study starting on Monday, October 11 and we will begin with Matthew Chapter 1, verse 1.



That week of the 10<sup>th</sup> of October is going to be a busy one, because we are returning with Wednesday Evening in-person worship, this service will be the same as the Sunday service and we will not be live streaming that service. The only exception for that will be if the pastor forgets to turn on his microphone on Sunday, we might record it so people can catch up. Along with that, I will continue doing a streaming prayer service on Wednesday evening as well. That will be just like the service we have been doing all along with at deeper look at the readings and message from Sunday morning. I had one other thing going on that week and for the life of me can't remember what it is. Similarly, the Woman's Bible Study and fellowship group had their first meeting and they will begin meeting the first and third Thursday evenings of the month at 6:30pm at Zion. This will be a topical study and the group will begin by going through the book "Enough for Now". Books will be provided for all participants and snacks are optional. The Study talks about how do we tell when we have enough? The introduction begins as follows:

"We fill closets with more clothes and shoes and accessories. We stuff garages with more cars and tools and toys. We cram calendars with activities, strategize more goals, seek more social media likes. The broken world convinces us that we won't be content until we have more, but our insatiable desires for earthly things will never be satisfied. We'll never have enough."

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Eleanor Munson 715-682-8155



In the study you are going to look at scripture, study questions, reflection, prayer, and life application and learn that you can find security and joy only in God, who is sufficient for every imaginable need. I think it will be a very good study and time for fellowship.

Now for all the men out there who say wait, why do the women get a Bible Study, we want on to! Just let me know when. I have a men's Bible study entitled: *Does He, With the Most Toys Really Win?* All we need is a date and time to start. Let me know what you think.

Other than that, I can't think of much else other than the reminder that Advent is rapidly approaching, the end of the Church Year. Also, we still have confirmation coming up on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October Reformation Day. And on a side note, I am almost finished with my office make over. When things are all finished, I will actually have room for you to meet with me in my office when you come to see me. Thank you to everyone who helped and encouraged me during this process.

I think that is enough for now. I pray that you all have an enjoyable fall and I hope to see you often.

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look upon you favor and give you peace!

God Bless, Pastor Rick

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### A Little Lost Cat

*God wants me to do something, I thought. But what?* by **Jamie Wilson** May 19, 2017

Pulling into the church parking lot for my evening Bible study class, I said a prayer of thanks that I arrived safely in the wet and windy weather. I sat for a minute with my key in the ignition, waiting for a break in the rain.

Up ahead, my headlights illuminated a pair of glowing eyes in the shrubs. When I got out of the car, a small white cat followed me to the church. "Where do you belong, Sweetie?" I asked.

She didn't look like a stray, but there was no collar around her neck. I was tempted to put her in my car, but with five rescue cats at home already I couldn't possibly take in one more.

"Hey, did you notice a kitty outside?" I asked my friend Cindy when I got inside.

"Yes," Cindy said. "Poor little thing."

All through Bible study my mind wandered to the kitten. At one point, I didn't think I could sit still for another second. *God wants me to do something, I thought. But what?* My eyes fell on the bookmark in Cindy's Bible: an image of a little white cat.

"You're taking that kitten home tonight," I whispered to her.

"Uh, I don't know about that," Cindy said.

But I knew I was right. "If it doesn't work out, I'll find the cat a home." Cindy was as much of a cat lover as me. She couldn't say no.

Minutes after I arrived home, Cindy called. "You'll never believe it," she said. "My daughter has a friend at the house, and she recognized the cat. It ran away two days ago, and the owners live a few miles from church. Now we can bring her back!"

The best part? The kitty's name was Angel.



## How a Military Chaplain is Finding Strength After News in Afghanistan

by **Chaplain (Colonel—Retired) Ken Sampson** - Posted on Aug 20, 2021

Afghanistan is a hard place. The collapse of the Afghan government and the events that have occurred in the past week because of it have left me irritable, hurt, deeply disturbed and unsettled. News of the fall of major cities—Kunduz, Kandahar, Jalalabad, Khowst, Gahzni, Kabul—awakened memories of [sacrifice](#), aspirations for freedom and [hope](#) of a people that now seem shattered. The indignity and dishonor symbolized by the chaos of crowds mobbing our departing Air Force C-17 on the Kabul International Airport runway leave me raw.

From May 2003 to April 2004, I served as Combined Joint Task Force 180 Chaplain, with religious support responsibilities covering United States and Allied Forces in Afghanistan, Uzbekistan and Pakistan. At our Change of Command Ceremony on the Bagram Airfield tarmac on April 15, 2004, I prayed: "Almighty God, the Scriptures record, 'those who wait upon You get fresh strength. They spread their wings and [soar like eagles](#).'" Now, some 17 years later, I find myself needing some of that strength the prophet Isaiah wrote so poetically about. For me, it comes in the following ways:

**Reach out.** Life in the Armed Forces is all about relationships. Whether [veteran](#), Active Duty or Reserve, civilian or contractor, family member or deploying spouse, we take care of each other. Extend a hand. Do a "buddy check." Few things are as valuable as the email I received earlier this week: "...the recent horrors in Afghanistan. I imagine it is hard to reckon with since you invested so much there." Acknowledging pain and camaraderie through email, text, call, social media, or card, with an Armed Forces member or veteran you hold dear can renew and enhearten.

**Pray.** I find myself "doubling down" on petitions to God for our soldiers and Marines who are now deploying, Air Force crews and manifests flying in and out of Kabul, departing State Department officials processing Afghanistan citizens desiring exit. Prayers for former Afghan President Hamid Karzai, who is reportedly staying in Kabul to promote dialogue rather than violence, seem especially appropriate. Additionally, following through on the [Apostle Paul](#)'s words in Romans to "...pattern our lives after the One who took on the troubles of the troubled," we can pray in solidarity for and with the Afghan people. Distressing news accounts, photos and videos can be incentives for such prayer.

**Process.** Voice your heaviness. Vent frustrations. Share feelings of disappointment. Seeking out a trusted friend to serve as an emotional "shock absorber," someone who can hear bitter, distressing, sorrowful or unproductive feelings, is essential. Battle buddies from the past; esteemed family members; a former coach, teacher, [mentor](#) or rabbi, imam, priest or pastor; medical center or Veterans Affairs personnel; all can provide safe, helpful, listening and process-enabling ears.

**Take responsibility.** Avoid pointing fingers in [blame](#). Shrill, angry, self-righteous "I told you so" pronouncements serve too often to divide and depress rather than unite and enlighten. We are all in this together. Realizing our shared humanity as citizens and friends of these United States of America can promote a spirit of consensus and humility so needed in these troublesome times.

**Strengthen resolve.** Heavy, sad feelings. Asking, "Was it worth it?" Most of us experience this dismay. Yet, in broader analysis, our individual and collective efforts in Afghanistan have kept al Qaeda from staging global attacks; we've offered pioneering opportunities for freedom and development; and together we have shared resources, friendship, treasure, sweat and blood that the human rights of all Afghan people might flourish.

On a deeper level, the sense of calling enjoyed by our Forces to serve and protect with discipline, love and leadership, is a source of profound, healthy pride and respect. The camaraderie of shared [hardship](#), and professional competence to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States..." give meaning to the cause we have embraced. The glory of spirit and nobility of purpose championed by the women and men with whom we've served are humbling. They've steadfastly stood on watch for us all.

I concluded the Change of Command Ceremony prayer those many years ago with additional words echoing the prophet Isaiah: "...may [those] who follow us experience similar fulfillment—at the end of their tour—as we do now...to possess a deep sense of gratitude to You...and to delight in the fruits of one's labor and be satisfied." May we be encouraged, even in these uncertain days, with similar fulfillment and satisfaction, and be blessed.



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH - Ashland WI  
Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2021



**ZION LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

Monday, September 20, 2021

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Account #	Account Name	Beginning Balance	YTD Balance
<b>Assets</b>			
101.101	fM & I CK ACCOUNT Gen.	48,372.32	42,589.07
	<b>General Checking</b>	<b>\$48,372.32</b>	<b>\$42,589.07</b>
101.201	GEN FUND SAVINGS Northern Stat	33,239.21	33,641.85
119.999	TO BALANCE 01/01/2015 - 12/31/2015	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$81,611.53</b>	<b>\$76,230.92</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
202.102	M & I Line of Credit Loan	0.00	0.00
202.103	BULDG LOAN PAYABLE	95,714.71	95,714.71
202.104	Principle from Bldg Fund	(52,301.45)	(59,242.51)
	<b>Note payables LCEF &amp; M&amp; I bank</b>	<b>\$43,413.26</b>	<b>\$36,472.20</b>
200.000	Accounts Payable/Vendors	791.08	701.32
201.101	BORROWED WITHIN ORGANIZATION	0.00	0.00
201.201	EMPLOYER'S TAXES PAYABLE	1,456.48	(5,228.90)
201.203	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PAYABLE	271.27	1,083.19
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$45,932.09</b>	<b>\$33,027.81</b>
<b>Fund balance</b>			
	<b>Total Fund balance</b>	<b>\$35,679.44</b>	<b>\$43,203.11</b>
	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund balance</b>	<b>\$81,611.53</b>	<b>\$76,230.92</b>

Sunday Worship Service 9:00am in-church service and live streamed  
Wednesday Evening Service 6:30pm starting Oct. 13th  
Wednesday Evening Prayer Service online 6:30pm  
Sunday School - Grades 1-7

Bible Studies : Sundays 10:15am Mondays 10:00am starting Oct. 11  
Women's Bible Study 1st & 3rd Thursdays . 6:30pm at Zion

**Pastor Rick Williams - 715-209-0479**

**Office Hours: Mon/Tues/Thurs 9-5 Wed 12-8 Fri. off**

Please call ahead if you need to speak with Pastor.

**Office Secretary Lynn Ladd 715-682-6075 Office Hours Typically M/T/W 9-3**

**Church President: John Pruss 715-292-4825 Head Elder: Darryl Warren 715-492-0488**

**Little Friends of Jesus Child Care Center: 715-682-5185**

**LFOJ Administrator: Karyn Leino 715-682-6075**

**Website www.zionashland.org E-mail secretary@zionlutheranashland.com**

**PRAYERS for Home-bound, Assisted Living, Nursing Home**

Those who aren't able to attend common worship that they would find comfort knowing that the Lord is with them.

Walt Schutte  
Arlene Zimmerman  
Violet Basina  
Madge Houle  
Nancy Zehe

**PRAYERS FOR PROTECTION**

For our full-time troops and public servants, for travel, missionaries, and for peace and protection for families.

David Wright  
Jordan Thimm

**PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING**

For good test results, treatment, positive thinking, healing, and comfort during cancer treatments, for those suffering from addiction, mental illness and for healing, strength, comfort, and peace for family we pray for:

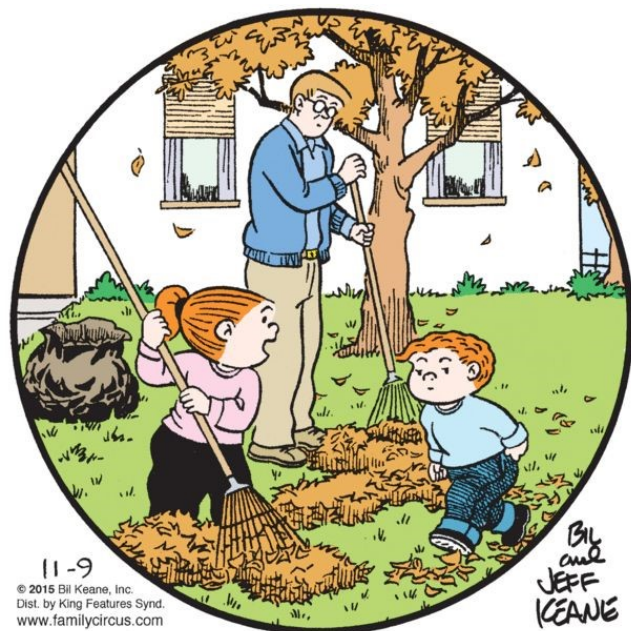
Brad Prill	Madge Houle
Alice Balmer	Penny Larson
Francis Balmer	LeAnn Billing
David Gustafson	Vi Basina
Andrea Gunderson	Dave Pearson
James Fletcher	Colton Ledin
Brett Everman	Judith Wismeth
Walt Schutte	Russel Joyner
Cheryl Hildebrandt	Haylee Fisher
John Schutte	Harold Larson
Nancy Beiersdorf	Sherry Gurski
Danny Pocernich	Larry Tody

James Lavasseur  
Lisa Thomson

Carmella Kortekaas  
Kyle Gumz

Tyler Hildebrandt  
Ally Gumz

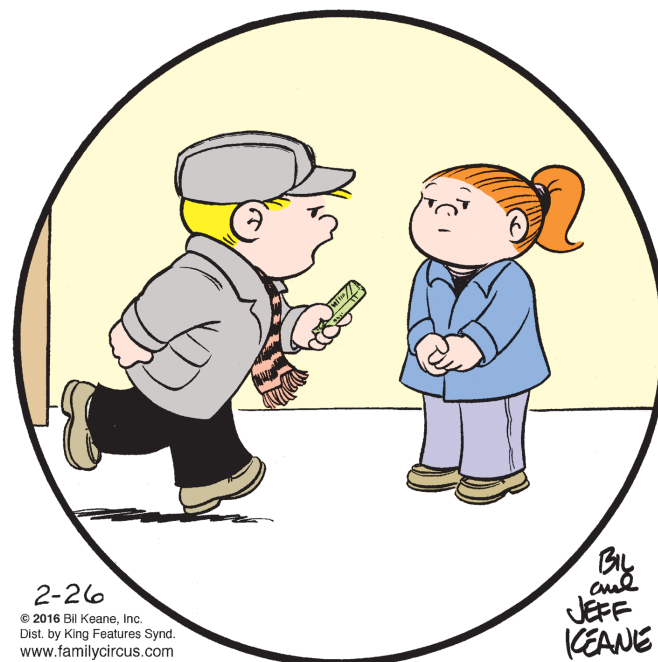
Pastor Bob  
and those in our hearts



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"Help us, Jeffy. We need to move the leaves so the snow has room to fall."

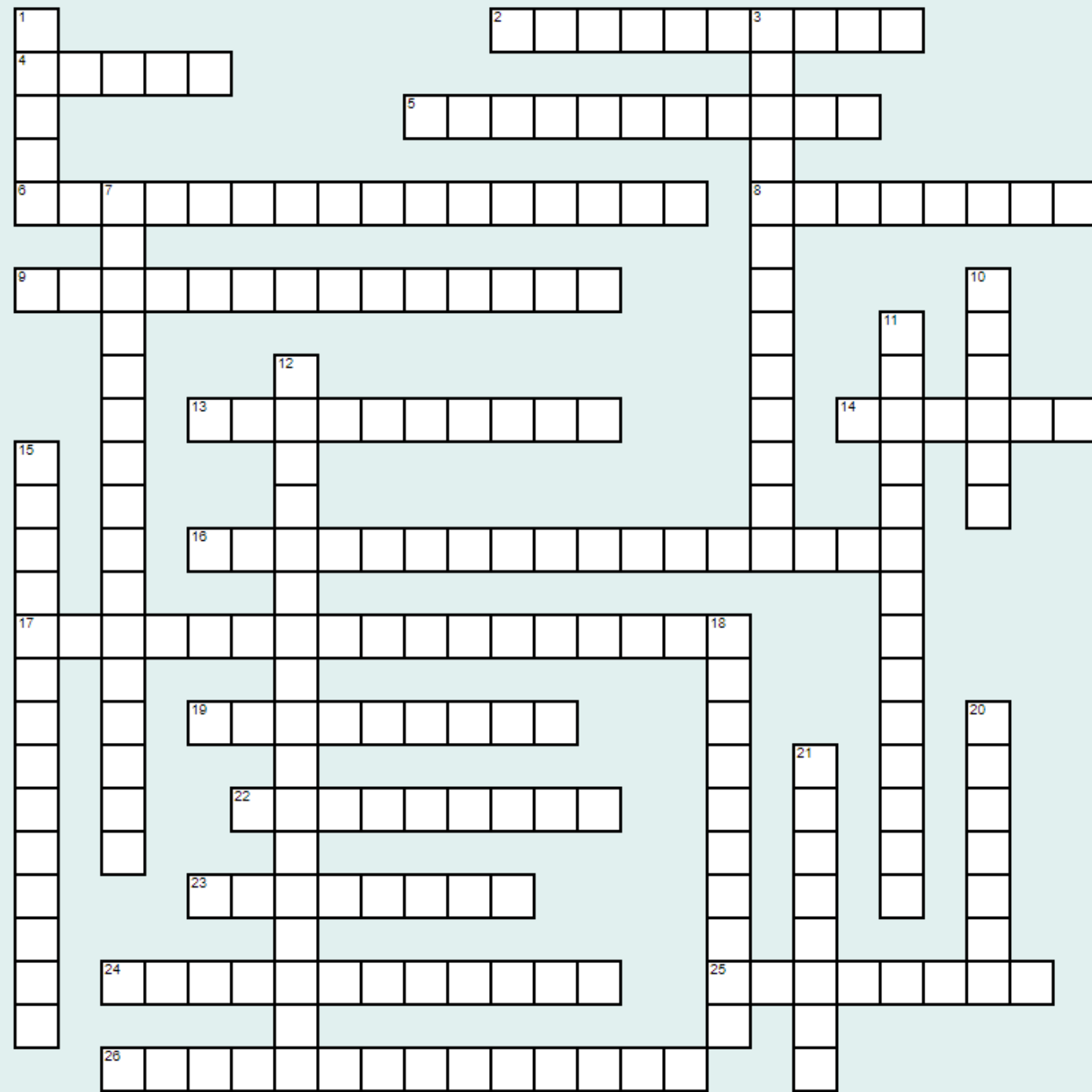


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"I could only buy one pack of gum. I think my economy could use a little boost."

# Reformation



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## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH - Ashland WI Treasurer's Report as of August 2021

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Account Name	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)	Annual Budget
<b>Church Maint. &amp; improvements</b>	<b>\$251.59</b>	<b>\$1,469.00</b>	<b>\$5,680.85</b>	<b>(\$6,071.15)</b>	<b>\$17,617.00</b>
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	0.00	8.00	174.89*	110.89	100.00
JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	0.00	57.00	95.25	(360.75)	678.00
KITCHEN SUPPLIES	0.00		0.00		
Member services in and out	0.00		0.00		
MUSIC	100.00	21.00	100.00	(68.00)	250.00
Office Supplies	110.64	83.00	304.45	(359.55)	996.00
POSTAGE	0.00	20.00	185.60*	25.60	240.00
Technology - Marketing	278.06	248.00	6,443.00*	4,459.00	2,976.00
WORSHIP SUPPLIES	545.17	177.00	1,770.05*	354.05	2,124.00
<b>Church Supplies</b>	<b>\$1,033.87</b>	<b>\$614.00</b>	<b>\$9,073.24*</b>	<b>\$4,161.24</b>	<b>\$7,364.00</b>
\$ FOR CONFER/ CONVENTIONS	0.00	167.00	377.37	(956.63)	2,000.00
\$ TO EDUCATION	100.00	342.00	100.00	(2,636.00)	4,104.00
\$ TO EVANGELISM	0.00	83.00	0.00	(664.00)	1,000.00
\$ TO LFOJ CHILD CARE SUPPORT	0.00		0.00		
\$ TO STEWARDSHIP	0.00	8.00	0.00	(64.00)	100.00
\$ TO YOUTH PROGRAMS	0.00	83.00	0.00	(666.00)	1,000.00
BRICK MISSION	135.00	135.00	1,080.00	0.00	1,620.00
MISSION varoius	0.00		0.00		
MISSIONS TO SYNOD	800.00	800.00	6,400.00	0.00	9,600.00
OVERALL OFFERINGS PD TO SYNOD	0.00		0.00		
PUBLICATIONS LUTH WIT. ETC	3.68	33.00	440.50*	176.50	400.00
<b>Ministry Disbursements</b>	<b>\$1,038.68</b>	<b>\$1,651.00</b>	<b>\$8,397.87</b>	<b>(\$4,810.13)</b>	<b>\$19,824.00</b>
interest on line of credit	0.00		0.00		
LOAN FEES	0.00		0.00		
Mort. & credit card interest	151.31	250.00	1,500.07	(499.93)	3,000.00
PRINCIPAL payment	883.98	1,035.00	7,825.04	(454.96)	12,425.00
<b>Total PRIN. AND INT. payments</b>	<b>\$1,035.29</b>	<b>\$1,285.00</b>	<b>\$9,325.11</b>	<b>(\$954.89)</b>	<b>\$15,425.00</b>
Ordination Expenses	0.00		0.00		
principal to principal from bl	0.00		(6,941.06)		
TRUSTEE CONTROLLED DISBURSEMNT	0.00		0.00		
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$11,162.03</b>	<b>\$14,013.00</b>	<b>\$94,559.61</b>	<b>(\$10,603.33)</b>	<b>\$168,160.00</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$910.95)</b>	<b>(\$45.00)</b>	<b>\$7,523.67</b>		<b>(\$540.00)</b>

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH - Ashland WI Consolidated Fund Activity Report for August 2021

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Account Name	Beg Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers/JE's	End Balance
BUILDING ACCOUNT TO BALANCE	(36,472.20)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(36,472.20)
LOAN					
BUILDING CAPITALIZED	(6,362.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(6,362.00)
General Fund	86,948.26	10,251.08	11,162.03	0.00	86,037.31
ORGAN FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$44,114.06</b>	<b>\$10,251.08</b>	<b>\$11,162.03</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$43,203.11</b>

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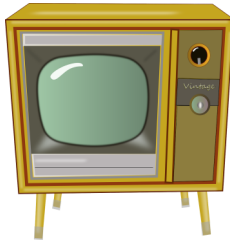
Account Name	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>					
BUILDING CAP PROJ FUNDRAISER	0.00		10.00		
EDUCATION FUNDRAISERS	0.00		0.00		
EVANGELISM FUNDRAISERS	0.00		10.00		
GEN. FUND ENVELOPE RECEIPTS	10,688.00	13,968.00	102,600.84	(9,143.16)	167,620.00
GEN. FUND INTEREST EARNED	0.00		13.86		
GENERAL FUND LOAN PROCEEDS	0.00		0.00		
LFOJ FUNDRAISERS	0.00		0.00		
Member services\$ etc	0.00		0.00		
Mission MISC IN/OUT	0.00		0.00		
ORGAN FUNDRAISER	0.00		0.00		
Special Gifts	0.00		1,250.00		
STEWARDSHIP FUNDRAISERS	0.00		0.00		
Transfers in/out general fund	(436.92)		(2,197.42)		
Trivent Choice Dollars	0.00		396.00		
TRUSTEE FUNDRAISERS	0.00		0.00		
YOUTH FUNDRAISERS	0.00		0.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$10,251.08</b>	<b>\$13,968.00</b>	<b>\$102,083.28</b>	<b>(\$9,143.16)</b>	<b>\$167,620.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
CHOIR DIRECTOR SALARY	0.00		0.00		
Guest/vacancy pastors	0.00	25.00	230.00*	30.00	300.00
MILEAGE OR TRAVEL EXPENSES	0.00	42.00	0.00	(336.00)	500.00
ORGANISTS SALARY	0.00	337.00	1,280.00	(1,416.00)	4,040.00
PASTOR'S SALARY	3,734.10	3,956.00	31,781.90*	133.90	47,475.00
SECRETARY SALARY	922.50	926.00	7,965.02*	557.02	11,115.00
SEXTON SALARY	153.13	275.00	1,570.63	(629.37)	3,300.00
SMP PROGRAM VICAR ED	0.00		0.00		
<b>Church Salaries</b>	<b>\$4,809.73</b>	<b>\$5,561.00</b>	<b>\$42,827.55</b>	<b>(\$1,660.45)</b>	<b>\$66,730.00</b>
EMPLOYEE RELATIONS	0.00	42.00	150.00	(186.00)	500.00
EMPLOYER'S FICA TAX EXP	367.96	473.00	3,398.47	(385.53)	5,677.00
HEALTH & DISABILITY INS.	121.04	115.00	970.32*	50.32	1,382.00
PASTOR'S HOUSING ALLOW.	1,153.84	1,250.00	10,384.56*	384.56	15,000.00
PASTOR'S PENSION PLAN	460.69	453.00	3,693.26*	69.26	5,441.00
PASTOR'S PROFESSIONAL EXP	0.00	42.00	0.00	(336.00)	500.00
Pastor's retirement Savings	0.00		0.00		
SEC. PENSION PLAN	0.00		0.00		
<b>Employee Benefits</b>	<b>\$2,103.53</b>	<b>\$2,375.00</b>	<b>\$18,596.61</b>	<b>(\$403.39)</b>	<b>\$28,500.00</b>
ELECTRICITY - CHURCH	574.66	333.00	1,654.08	(1,009.92)	4,000.00
FUEL - CHURCH	29.00	250.00	2,225.74*	225.74	3,000.00
INTERNET SERVICE & SOFTWARE	79.99	115.00	730.49	(189.51)	1,380.00
TELEPHONE - CHURCH	124.97	117.00	932.44	(3.56)	1,400.00
WASTE DISPOSAL	0.00	93.00	1,223.51*	479.51	1,120.00
WATER - CHURCH	80.72	150.00	833.18	(366.82)	1,800.00
<b>Church Utilities</b>	<b>\$889.34</b>	<b>\$1,058.00</b>	<b>\$7,599.44</b>	<b>(\$864.56)</b>	<b>\$12,700.00</b>
BUILDING CAPITALIZED PROJ	0.00	531.00	0.00	(4,248.00)	6,372.00
CHURCH MAINTENANCE	251.59	167.00	2,252.85*	916.85	2,000.00
ORGAN PURCHASE EXPENSE	0.00		0.00		
PRESCHOOL BLDG. MAINTENANCE	0.00	167.00	0.00	(1,336.00)	2,000.00
PROPERTY/WORK COMP INSURANCE	0.00	604.00	3,428.00	(1,404.00)	7,245.00
Snow Removal	0.00		0.00		
TRUSTEE SPECIAL PROJECTS	0.00		0.00		



*Sewing Circle is in need of sheets. Twin flats work the best but they can always cut the others to size. Or large pieces of fabric would work also. Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm. We have all types of jobs, you don't need to know how to sew. Thanks, the Sewing Circle*

Greetings from My Savior Lives (MSL) Northland, Cooler temperatures in the morning, earlier sunsets in the evening, and increasing glimpses of fall colors: it's clear the seasons are changing. But in the midst of this transition, one thing remains constant - the love of our Lord, Jesus Christ! What a blessing that is! For many, fall is a time to settle back into routines, so we want to remind you of the television schedule for My Savior Lives Northland -

**Sundays at 9:30 a.m. on KBJR6 TV.**  
**October 3, Pastor Mark Peske, Our Redeemer Lutheran, Cohasset, MN**  
**October 10, Pastor Patrick Lovejoy, First Lutheran, Grand Rapids, MN**  
**October 17, Pastor Jim Anthony, Redeemer Lutheran, Deer River, MN and Centennial Lutheran, Squaw Lake, MN**




The Altar Guild will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, October 12 at 6:00 pm. Please try to attend as this is the meeting when we discuss the rest of the year's activities and we would like all members input as well as what's coming up in 2022. New members are always warmly welcomed.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL 2021-22

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
September 20, 2021



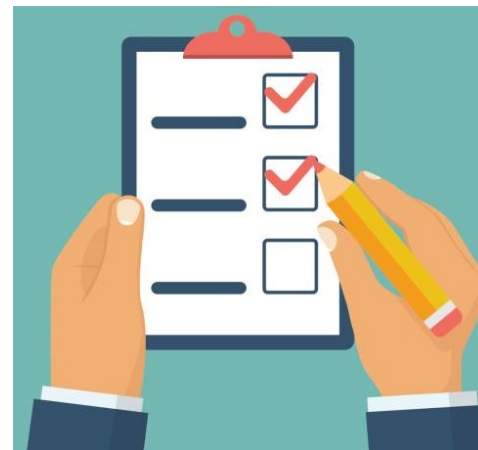
We are so excited that we are once again having our Sunday School classes. September 12th was Rally Sunday. The children decorated rocks that are currently along the walls of the entrance. Next summer they will adorn the flower beds.

Classes began September 19th and the children were so excited to attend. We have three classes this year: Grades 1-3 Teachers: Curt/Kim Harpster, Renee Bolz, Sarah Newd, Lily/Daniel Truchon Grades 4-5 Teachers Chad/Jaimie Lipske Grades 6-7 Teachers Ellie/Loren Munson, John/Liisa Eyerly, Doug Warren, Darryl Warren.

Thank you TEACHERS - We appreciate your time and talents for teaching our children the word of our Lord. If any of you would like to join in as a team teacher or as a substitute, please let the office aware of it. The classes had lessons, some singing, crafts, jumping, and even heard there was apple pie and ice cream in one class. Teachers - your are fantastic.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Since we resumed services from our COVID closure we have been taking attendance. It works very well because we do get everyone's names. We would like to continue with this practice. Lynn will be playing for the Wednesday nights services starting Oct. 13th, so she won't be at the Sunday services. Therefore we need someone to take over the Sunday attendance starting Oct 17th It could be more than one and taking turns. Usually the majority of people don't arrive until 9:45 or later, so you wouldn't have to be there very early. Please let the office know if you are interested. Thank you.



Call to order

Opening prayer

Roll Call    John Pruss, President    Darryl Warren, Elder    Nick Jarvela, Trustee  
                  Jule Jarvela, Secretary    Lori Landry, Evangelism  
                  Lisa Guski, Treasurer/LFOJ/Education    Pastor Williams

Approval of Minutes 1<sup>st</sup> – Darryl Warren 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lisa Guski MMC

Pastor' Report

Finishing office reorganizing                      Service attendance increasing both in person and online  
Looking to begin new members class in October                      Library being created by Liisa Eyerly  
Confirmation on October 31, 2021

Approval of Treasurer's report – 1<sup>st</sup> Darryl Warren 2<sup>nd</sup> – Nick Jarvela MMC

Approval of Agenda 1<sup>st</sup> – Lori Landry 2<sup>nd</sup> – Darryl Warren MMC

Board Reports

Trustees – Changing light switches in sanctuary, painting edge of stoop with reflective paint for safety, looking for new trustee, signed another PPP loan

Financial Secretary– Printed report

LFOJ – More staff needed, 30 children on waiting list. Continuing concerns with CoVid

Evangelism – Discussing new directory. Need more info about cost and availability of photographer

Education – Sunday School has begun. Three age groups of classes with teachers rotating weeks. No confirmation this year.

Elders - Met and addressed the subject of web sites.

Approval of Reports – 1<sup>st</sup> – Nick Jarvela 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lori Landry MMC

Official acts – none

Old Business – none

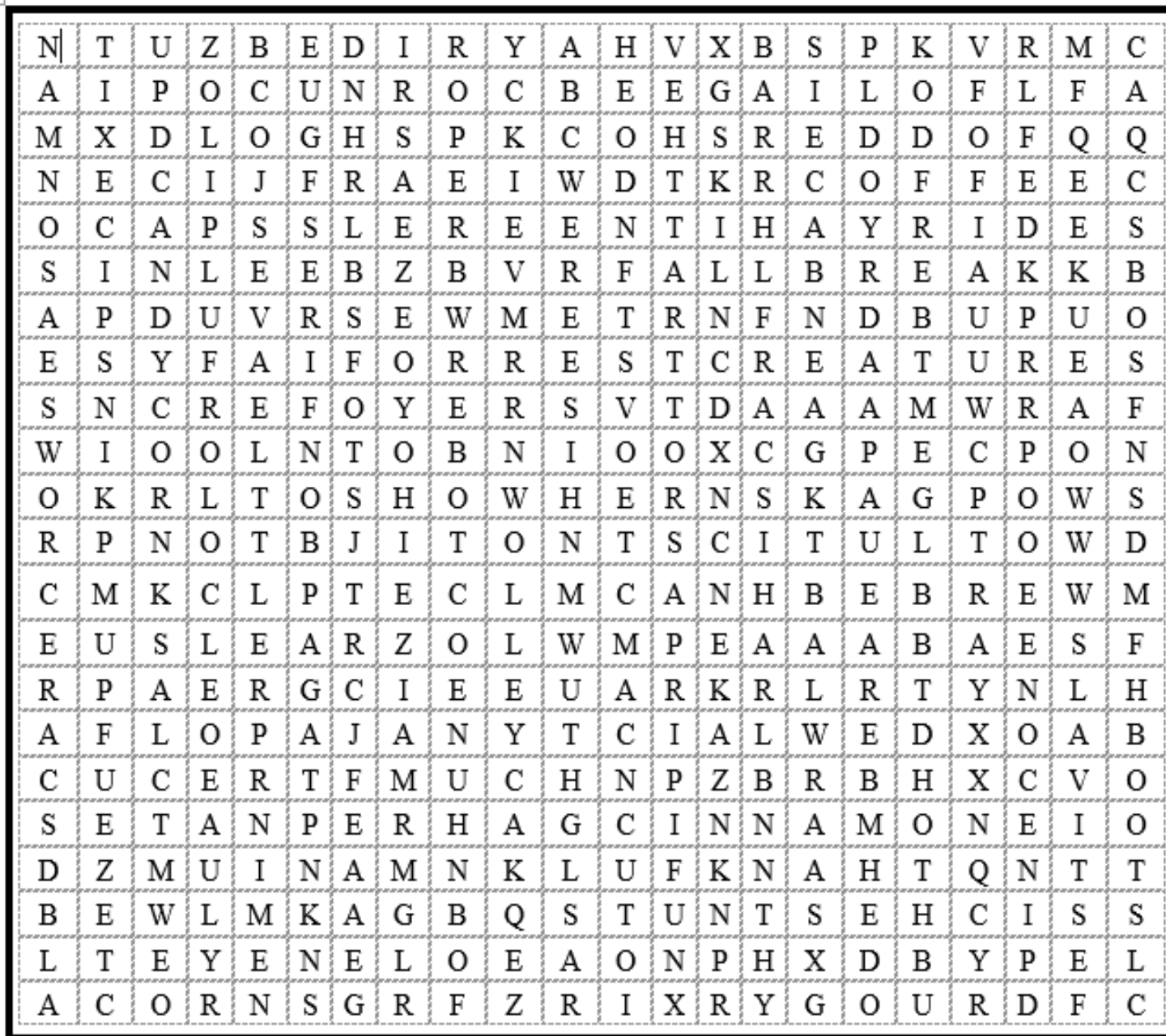
New Business

- A. The Council recommends that Lisa Guski be paid \$11.00/hr. for 1-3 hrs per week to fill the Treasurer's position. The congregation will vote on this recommendation at a special meeting in October.
- B. We have been informed by Acuity Insurance that they are changing our business income coverage to 80% beginning in November. They are also offering Terrorism coverage. Trustees recommended that we did not participate.
- C. New blinds are being purchased for Pastor's office

Next Council Meeting October 18, 2021

Motion to adjourn 1<sup>st</sup> – Lisa Guski 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lori Landry MMC

Closed with the Lord's Prayer



ACORNS	FALLBREAK	ORCHARD
APPLE	FESTIVALS	PIE
AUTUMN	FLANNEL	PINECONE
BAKING	FODDERSHOCK	PUMPKINPATCH
BERRIES	FOLIAGE	PUMPKINSPICE
BONFIRES	FOOTBALL	RAKE
BOOTS	FORRESTCREATURES	SCARECROW
BROWN	GOLD	SCARF
CANDYCORN	GOURD	SEASON
CARAMEL	HARVEST	SEPTEMBER
CHESTNUTS	HAYRIDE	SWEATER
CINNAMON	HAYRIDES	THANKFUL
COFFEE	LEAFPILE	TREES
COLORFUL	LEAVES	WEATHERCHANGE
CORNUCOPIA	MAIZE	WREATH
DECORATIONS	NOVEMBER	YELLOW
FALL	OCTOBER	

Dear Friends –  
 Are you looking for a project that will make a positive impact on our community? Do you love to develop plans from start to finish and connect with community partners to make those plans a reality? The BRICK has a place for you! We've been given host status by AmeriCorps VISTA are searching for a candidate to work on a special project from 10/25/21 to 10/24/22. This position is open to adults of *all ages*! The BRICK Ministries serves low-income residents of Ashland and Bayfield Counties, WI, with its Food Shelf and Benevolence Programs. The project goal of our AmeriCorps VISTA assignment is to develop a plan to launch a Bridges initiative in the region to address the causes of poverty. The Bridges Out of Poverty model, developed by aha! Process, is a community curriculum designed to transform communities of poverty into communities "that provide a better life for all residents." If you're interested, please contact Liz Seefeldt, Executive Director: 715-682-7425 ext. 2 or [director.thebrick@centurytel.net](mailto:director.thebrick@centurytel.net). Deadline to accept the position is 10/1/21, so get in touch today!



# VISTA

Volunteers In Service To America

Many thanks for your partnership in service through Christ's love -

*Liz*

Liz Seefeldt  
 The BRICK Ministries, Inc.



### Do You Know the American English Words for these British English Words?

1. flat
2. appetizer
3. fringe
4. hairslide
5. grill
6. grill
7. sweet(s)
8. mobile phone
9. crisps
10. snakes and ladders
11. wardrobe
12. biscuit
13. candyfloss
14. anticlockwise
15. cot
16. nappy
17. chemist
18. aubergine
19. junior school
20. lift



Two friends are talking, one says: "Man, I fell off a thirty-foot long ladder yesterday."  
 "Oh no, dude, are you alright?!" inquires the other one, shocked.  
 "Yeah, I'm OK, I was only on the second rung then."

"Sir, you cannot fish here!"

"Don't worry, I'm not fishing, I'm just teaching my worm to swim."

## CAMP LUTHER 75 Years of Outdoor Ministry!

In the mid-2000s a committee of Camp Luther leaders and supporters were assembled to consider the mission of Camp Luther. A mission statement is an action-oriented statement declaring the purpose an organization serves.

The committee discussed summer camps, year-round retreats, family camp, volunteer opportunities, and every way in which Camp Luther ministers to people who visit the camp. They considered the transforming impact of the ministry on children, high school youth, summer staff, families, and volunteers. And they wrestled with the question, "Why do we have a camp?"

Through several days of meetings that included prayer and study of God's Word, the committee came forward with the following mission statement "Building up the Body of Christ for service and witness to the world." That statement was later altered to the mission we know today **"Building up all people in Christ for service and witness to the world."**

That newly adopted mission statement echoed back to another time in the history of the camp. In 1968, 22 years after the founding of the camp, Mr. Walter Roehl, of Wausau, WI, a member of the original Camp Committee wrote an article for the North Wisconsin District Lutheran Witness to encourage involvement and remind everyone of the purpose of Camp. He wrote:

*"Camp Luther provides a creative Christian educational experience in cooperative living in the outdoors. It uses the resources of the natural surroundings to contribute significantly to mental, physical, social, and spiritual growth. It provides opportunities for boys and girls to observe young adults - counselors, whom they learn to admire and imitate, speak and live as children of God. It provides opportunities for boys and girls to **encourage one another and build up one another** in the faith through words and actions."*

Through God's faithfulness, the mission of Camp Luther has continued for 75 years! Thousands of children, summer staff, families, retreat participants, and volunteers have been encouraged and built up in their faith through their experiences at Camp Luther.

In February of this year, the North Wisconsin District Board of Directors passed a resolution in honor of Camp Luther's 75<sup>th</sup> year of outdoor ministry in which they asked congregations to:

1. Offer prayers and thanksgiving to God for the ministry of Camp Luther.
2. Encourage your church members to get involved at camp in different programs provided.

Encourage your church family to support the ministry at Camp Luther through special thank offerings for Every Kid to Camp and the completion of the Community Center.

Thank you for celebrating 75 years of Camp Luther! Thank you for your prayers, your involvement, and your gifts in support of this ministry! This is your camp!

In Awe of God's Faithfulness

Gary "Woody" Vought  
Executive Director

A short history of the camp was published this year in honor of Camp Luther's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. They are available through the camp office by calling 715-546-3647 or email [info@campluther.com](mailto:info@campluther.com).

Next page see what is going to be happening.....



## The Smart Stepfamily: 7 Steps to a Healthy Family, Revised and Expanded

By: Ron L. Deal

Expert Ron L. Deal reveals the seven fundamental steps to blended family success and provides practical, realistic solutions to the issues you face as a stepfamily. Whether married or soon-to-be married, you'll discover how to communicate effectively and solve the everyday puzzles of stepchildren relationships. This edition has updated research and two new chapters with more real-world advice on stepsibling relationships and later-life stepfamilies.



### 3 New DVDs



Does evolution explain how we came to be? Does the Bible give us a reliable account of the origin of life? Journey with Jim Scudder, Jr. and Bodie Hodge, as they walk through the world-famous Ark Encounter, the halls of the world-famous Creation Museum, and take you

on an unforgettable dinosaur dig in the wilderness of Colorado. They will answer questions like, "Do dinosaurs support the Biblical account of Creation and a global, catastrophic flood? Is there an explanation other than millions of years of evolution?"



### British to English Words

1. apartment
2. starter
3. bangs
4. barrette
5. broil
6. broiler
7. candy
8. cell phone
9. chips
10. chutes and ladders
11. closet
12. cookie, cracker
13. cotton candy
14. counter clockwise
15. crib
16. diaper
17. drugstore
18. eggplant
19. elementary school
20. elevator

How many did you know? Do you read British authors or watch British TV? We'll have another 20 next month

In the USA, there are more Chinese restaurants than all the McDonald's, KFCs, Burger Kings and Wendy's put together.

Butt is actually a British measuring unit equivalent to 125 US gallons or 105 imperial gallons.

When you say "a million seconds", it means 11 and a half days. "A billion seconds" would be over 31 years.

There are more English speakers in China than in the United States.

When you talk, you spray around 2.5 microscopic saliva droplets per word.

Our ears and our nose never stop growing.

Bulgarians nod when they want to say NO and shake their heads when they want to say YES.

25% of all bottled water (in the US at least) comes from the city tap.

### Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

101 Thomas St. Mellen, WI

**LWML NWD Zone #1 Fall Rally**

Saturday, October 23rd 9:15am

**"End Times: As the End Draws Near So Does Out Never Ending Salvation"**

Gifts of the Heart Ingathering—Silverware, bath/ hand/ Towel/Wash cloths, mops, brooms, cooking utensils, dishes, pots/pans pillows bedding New items to be used when relocating families.

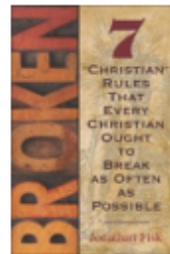


# COMING SOON

Zion is reviving our church library. Excellent new materials are available to support our members as we face life's challenges, encounter trials that knock us to our knees, and test our faith. We want to provide inspiring Biblical answers to the tough questions we all ask. We are taking requests for topics and suggested materials. These can be books, audio books, DVDs, or any resources that will strengthen and build our church family. It's your library we want to hear from you. We will keep you posted on when we will have the library functioning and books available to check out. Talk to Liisa Eyerly (church librarian) or Lynn in the office.

## New materials:

### 7 Christian Rules that every Christian out to Break as often as possible, by Jonathan Fisk.



There are only two kinds of spirituality in the world. One is false, and one is true. One is the manifestation of the old evil foe who has sent many false spiritualities out into the world, and the other is the holy spirituality found only in faith in the one true God. But which is which? Examine seven counterfeit "Christian" rules that every Christian ought to break as often as possible.

### Heaven on Earth: What the Bible Teaches about Life to Come

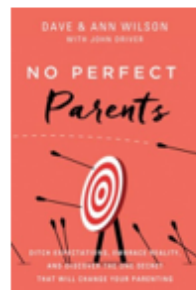
For all the skepticism that abounds in our time, people still want to know death. Do you know with any certainty where your conscious, thinking, self-communicative self will be? And does it matter, as long as you are in importance of 'heaven' does not consist only in it being the alternative to an abstract future state into which we will slip, it is a physical reality which hope even now as we look toward it.



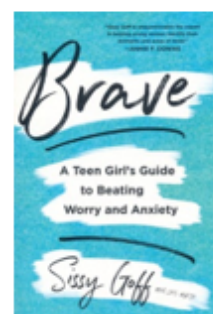
By: Derek

what happens after aware, 'heaven'? But the 'hell'. It is not just can give us joy and

### Perfect Parents: Ditch Expectations, Embrace Reality, and Discover the One Secret That Will Change Your Parenting



Parenting in the 21st century is a monumental task! The authors share hard-earned but easy-to-apply principles that really work—and the stories of some that didn't! Their hands-on manual will help you discipline without losing your mind, face the guilt trip, tame the teen years, avoid the top five mistakes, and more.



### Brave: A Teen Girl's Guide to Beating Worry and Anxiety

Give your teen a gift that'll empower her to cope with fears and concerns—and free her to become her best self! Goff teaches girls to understand their emotions, conquer worry and anxiety, and tap into the internal strength and courage that come from God.

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## Workbee Weekend

October 15-17, 2021

Our ministry at camp happens year round. Come join us and serve in a way that makes a difference for everyone that comes to camp. During a Workbee Weekend you'll enjoy the atmosphere, fellowship, and even the work! Come volunteer and make a difference around camp!



## Successful Golf Classic!

Thank You!

Thank you to all of you who golfed, those who won auction items, and all sponsors of the 2021 Golf Classic in June! It's because of YOU that 52 kids will be able to come to Camp Luther for their first time, thank you. Over \$26,000 was raised at this year's Golf Classic.

## October Recipe of the Month

### Simple Apple Pie by Pillsbury Crust

1 box (14.1 oz) refrigerated Pillsbury™ Pie Crusts (2 Count), softened as directed on box

**Filling\***  
6 cups thinly sliced, peeled apples (6 medium)

$\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar

2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

$\frac{3}{4}$  teaspoon ground cinnamon

$\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1 tablespoon lemon juice

### Steps

1 Heat oven to 425°F. Place 1 pie crust in ungreased 9-inch glass pie plate. Press firmly against side and bottom.

2 In large bowl, gently mix filling ingredients; spoon into crust-lined pie plate. Top with second crust. Wrap excess top crust under bottom crust edge, pressing edges together to seal; flute. Cut slits or shapes in several places in top crust.

3 Bake 40 to 45 minutes or until apples are tender and crust is golden brown. Cover edge of crust with 2- to 3-inch wide strips of foil after first 15 to 20 minutes of baking to prevent excessive browning. Cool on cooling rack at least 2 hours before serving.



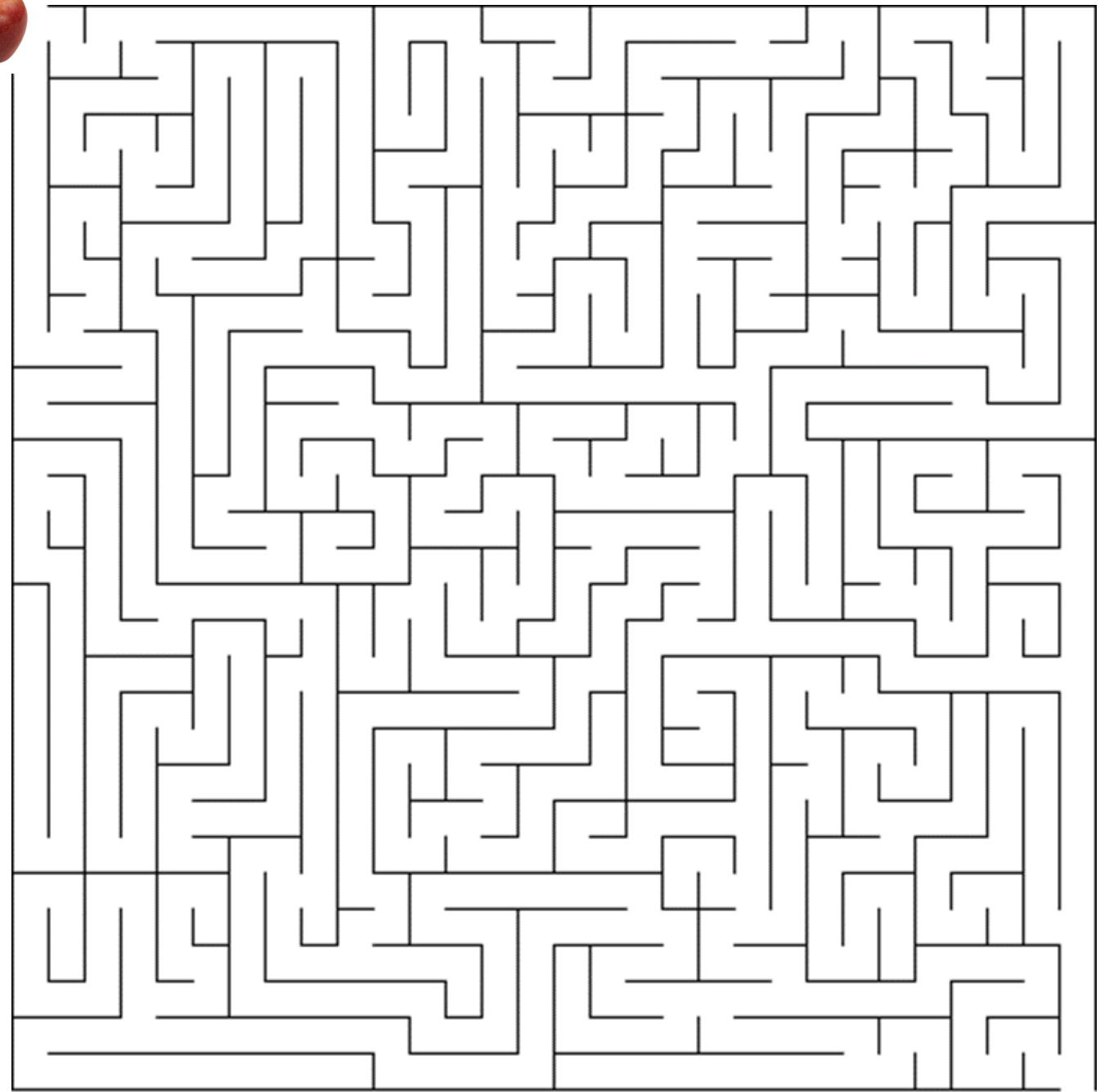
## Recipe of the Month

Do you have a favorite recipe for November? Something apple or cranberry or pumpkin or squash? Send me a copy of it. If I get more than one I will blindly pick one and put it in the next newsletter. Then I will put all the recipes I receive together and make copies for people to take. Please look over your recipe to be sure someone new looking at it will understand the instructions. Deadline :Oct. 20th The sooner the better.

# REFORMATION DAY



REFORMATION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 31, 2021



### Tips for those apple pie bakers:

#### Tip 1

The flour tossed with the fresh apples turns their juices into a thickened, spiced sauce during baking. Mix it with the sugar and spices before tossing the mixture with the apples.

#### Tip 2

Two (21-oz.) cans of more fruit apple pie filling can be used if you're short on time.

#### Tip 3

Let your apple pie cool for at least 2 hours before cutting into it. The filling will thicken as it cools, making it easier to slice.

#### Tip 4

To make Caramel-Pecan Apple Pie: right after removing the pie from the oven, drizzle with 1/3 cup caramel ice cream topping. Sprinkle with 2 to 4 tablespoons chopped pecans.

#### Tip 5

To freeze Baked Pie: Assemble and bake pie as directed in recipe. Cool completely. Wrap pie tightly with plastic wrap. Place pie in a 2-gallon freezer storage bag; seal. Freeze up to 4 months. To reheat, thaw pie in refrigerator overnight. Remove bag and plastic wrap. Cover with foil, bake at 350°F for 25 to 30 minutes or until warm.

