

LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

From the Pastor's Desk...

Be Still! God is Our Fortress!

Luther's great Reformation hymn, *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, was based on Psalm 46. This Psalm reassures us of God's protection and help in all circumstances. As stated in verse one, "*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*"

We all face challenges in life that cause us to feel overwhelmed or helpless. But thankfully we are never without hope because God is a real and certain refuge. God provides the strength we need to endure all situations, and He helps us to bear any cross that troubles us.

Verse 10 is another comforting verse in Psalm 46: "*Be still, and know that I am God.*" In other words, be calm and trust that God has everything under control. God is the Almighty One, He is stronger than anything that could potentially overwhelm us, and He has promised to rescue us. And the rescue from death that He provides for all believers will of course be complete when our bodies are raised from the dead.

This verse fits well with our Lord's command not to worry or be anxious about our life. (see Matthew 6:25-34) Jesus is not telling us to have a lackadaisical or indifferent view towards life, but rather to trust that He is with us always, even when the troubles or struggles of life begin to weigh us down with grief or sorrow.

When life becomes frantic and overwhelming, or when we become weary from all the challenges we face, we first need to calm down and know that God is God. He has power to help us in times of trouble. The Lord wants us to ask Him for help and stop relying on our own strength alone. He will not leave us to fend for ourselves but offers us guidance and strength to face all troubles that come upon us.

This is especially important when we are troubled because of our sins. Only God can deliver us from sin, death and the devil. And thankfully He has done just that! God's Son, Jesus Christ, has paid for our sin on the cross and has defeated the power of death and the devil by His powerful resurrection from the grave. He is truly the refuge for troubled souls, a very present help in trouble!

No wonder this powerful and comforting Psalm was the driving influence behind Martin Luther's wonderful Reformation hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God."

"The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."



**Select Mission for October:
Cindy Zirbel Wrucke**

AROUND PELLA



LWML Cookie Dough Fundraiser October 8th–28th

Ladies Aid/LWML will be selling cookie dough, muffin batter and ready-made brownies from Reчек's in Beaver Dam. There will be sign-up sheet in the church office, if you would like to place an order.

The cookie dough and muffin batter come in 3 lb. pails and are \$12 each. Some of the cookie dough varieties are Peanut Butter, Oatmeal Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Cranberry Pecan, Sugar, M & M, and Chocolate Chip. The Muffin Batter flavors are Blueberry Supreme, Chocolate Chocolate Chip, Cranberry Nut, and Lemon Poppysseed. The Brownies (Chocolate Fudge or Chocolate Cream Cheese) are ready-made in an 8x8 pan and sell for \$6.00 each.

Pick-up for your order will be Wednesday, November 7th here at the church.

CROP Hunger Walk

The annual CROP Hunger Walk will take place on Saturday, October 13th starting at 9:00 A.M. at Bethel Christian Reformed Church, with registration at 8:30. From the funds collected from sponsors in the Walk, 25% comes back to the community for local hunger programs and 75% goes for world hunger. Please, consider being a walker or sponsoring someone who is walking. Check should be made out to CROP. Thank you for your loyal support of the CROP Hunger Walk.





Newsletter Prayer List

If you know of someone who should be included on this list, please contact Lora at 324-3321, ext. 10. Thank you.

Long-Term Prayer List:
Pastor Jim Herbolsheimer, Marvin & Lois Groth and all our homebound members
Sue Wilson (*Sister-in-law of Cheri Witkowski*)
Allison Townsend (*Friend of Cheri Witkowski*)

Our 'Together in Mission' Missionaries:
Cindy Zirbel Wrucke (Eurasia)
Rev. Michael & Karen Schempf (Uganda)



Pella Youth are sponsoring a "Trunk or Treat" on Saturday, October 27th from 4:00–6:00 p.m. in Pella's parking lot. Join the fun by dressing up, maybe even decorating your trunk, and handing out treats to "trick or treaters".

Annual National Life Chain

The Annual National Life Chain, sponsored by The Fond du Lac Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life, will be held at the intersection of W. Johnson Street and N. Peters Ave. in Fond du Lac on Sunday, October 7, 2018 (2:00–3:00pm) Please stand together in public prayer not just for an end to the tragedy of aborting our children but as a public Christian witness for the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death.



Monday, October 22, 2018

7:00 PM

Agenda: Budget; Election of Officers & Boards

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Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Pella Lutheran Church



It is getting to be that time of the year to start planning for the 29th Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner which will be held at Pella on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22nd at noon.

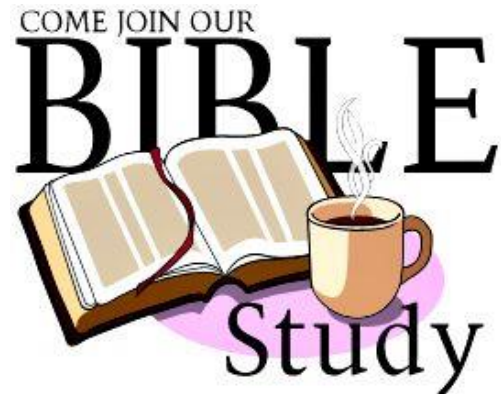
More details will follow in the next newsletter and future Sunday bulletins.

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please use the October 28th 'Thanksgiving Dinner' envelope.

The youth are planning a "Rake 'n Run" on Sunday, October 28th. If you need help with your yard fall clean-up, please call Karla Ceman at 920-291-8600 or Lora at the church office; 324-3321x10.



Bible Study:
"What Do Lutherans Believe?"
Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.,
starting October 30th



Who is this class for? Everyone! Especially those who would like a refresher on the basics of the Christian faith. This class will also serve as an adult instruction class for any friend or family member interested in joining our church. If you are planning to come, please let Pastor Knuth know at 324-3321 or send a note to dknuth@pellalutheran.org. Thank You!

October Birthdays

2 Reagan Holz	9 Margaret Drewa	21 Matthew Bunkoske
2 Rachel Martinez	9 Olivia Shadley	21 Fred McIver
2 Conner Nummerdor	10 Addison Derksen	21 Kim Parsons
3 Jada Turner	11 Janice Chase	22 James Braatz
4 Robert Pater	14 Georgia Desjarlais	22 Jacob Gerrits
5 Jerrod VanLoo	14 Corton VandeZande	22 Timothy Young
6 Riley Donovan	15 Marnie Zamzow	22 Courtney Zills
6 Mason Jahn	16 Karla Ceman	23 Casey Bunkoske
6 Jerica Landaal	17 Tyler Brabant	23 Kyle Hiner
6 Kelly Lang	17 Valentae Martinez	24 Sharon Friese
7 Eileen Westhuis	17 Khyra Ordonez	24 Dean Hopp
8 Joyce Cerjance	17 Tyler Vanderbush	24 Leroy VandeSlunt
8 Charmaine Holz	18 Dennis Parsons	25 Zoe VandeZande
8 Charles Lund	19 Rick Schaub	28 Matthew Jahnke
9 James Quade	19 Jake Teachout	28 Carson Kind
		30 Linda Zuhlke

October Anniversaries

2 Dan & Margaret Drewa	14
2 Dennis & Bernice Schultz	53
2 Clete & Charlene Zills	25
9 Peter & Kay Hansen	47
10 Jeffrey & Danielle Rasmussen	37
10 Eugene & Elaine Woock	59
11 Steve & Denise Wiersma	15
12 Jeffrey & Jenifer Derksen	11
14 Justin & Kathryn Madigan	7
15 Thomas & Kathy Hendricks	35
15 Charles & Jean Lund	13
18 Michael & Stefanie Vanderbush	10
25 Cecilio & Rachel Martinez	15
27 Dean & Amy Hopp	17
27 Fred & Betty Zurbuchen	73
28 Rich & Amanda Corning	11

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October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:00 PM Youth Board	2 6:00 PM Preschool Board	3 6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 7:00 PM Divine Service	4 5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	5	6 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
LWML Sunday 7 9:00 AM Divine Service 10:15 AM Education Hour 6:30 PM Confirmation Class	8 <i>LWML Cookie Dough Fundraiser Begins</i> 7:00 PM Elders' Meeting	9 6:30 PM Trustees' Meeting	10 6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 7:00 PM Divine Service/ Holy Communion	11 2:00 PM Ladies Aid/LWML 5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	12	13 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
<i>Pastor on Vacation October 10—October 18</i>						
14 9:00 AM Divine Service/ Holy Communion 10:15 AM Education Hour NO Confirmation Class	15 7:00 PM Church Council	16 9:30 AM Prayer Group	17 9:00 AM Quilting 6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 6:00 PM Pella Choir 7:00 PM Divine Service	18 NO Bible Study 5:30 PM 1st Place 4 Heath	19	20 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
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REFORMATION 28 9:00 AM Divine Service/ Holy Communion 10:15 AM Education Hour Rake 'n Run <i>Cookie Dough Fundraiser Ends</i> 6:30 PM Confirmation Class	29	30 6:30 PM SS Staff Meeting 7:00 PM New Bible Study begins	31 9:00 AM Quilting 6:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 6:00 PM Pella Choir 7:00 PM Divine Service	<p>Pella Lutheran Church 315 S. Madison Street Waupun, WI 53963 Phone 920-324-3321</p>		

October 2018 Serving Calendar

Date	Time	Organist	Elders/ Altar Assistant	Finance	V/PA-Radio	Greeters	Acolytes	Ushers
10-3	7:00 PM	Ch. Zills	N. Trauernicht					
10-7	9:00 AM	Ch. Zills	G. Woock	D. Beder	H. Schmitz, E. Swan ®	D. Klosterman		B. Schultz D. Klosterman
10-10	7:00 PM	Ch. Zills	B. Kuenzi				S. Drewa	
10-14	9:00 AM	Ca. Zills	D. Wetzels C. Lund	M. Bower S. Bower	V. Loehrke W. Schmitz ®	M. & P. Hopp	M. Holz	D. Buss N. Buss
10-17	7:00 PM	L. Huizenga	G. Woock					
10-21	9:00 AM	L. Huizenga	B. Kuenzi	M. Peachey C. Pater	D. VandeZande G. Baumann ®	H. & C. Schmitz	E. Wachter	H. Flier M. Hopp
10-24	7:00 PM	L. Huizenga	N. Trauernicht					
10-28	9:00 AM	L. Huizenga	W. Schmitz C. Lund	B. Kuenzi D. Kuenzi	S. Schmitz C. Landaal ®	J. & J. Quade	V. Martinez	H. Westhuis M. Nolan
10-31	7:00 PM	Ch. Zills	G. Woock					

Altar Circle Committee: Beverly Schultz, Donna Talley, Sandy Armga, Lora Huizenga
Soul Accounting: Milford & Pat Hopp

