

## LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

### Sunday Morning Divine Worship

Beginning September 10,  
we will return to two services on Sunday mornings,  
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.



### SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10

All children age 3 through grade 12 are encouraged to attend Sunday School beginning at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday, September 10.

Special thanks to our volunteer Sunday School staff: Stefanie Vanderbush, Ryan Bengsch, Karla Ceman, Kevin and Lisa Hahn, Jenna Westphal and Tomi Knuth. Substitute teachers: Morgan Mattheis and Grace Schrepferman.

**IN HIS HANDS PRESCHOOL** will have their first day of classes on Tuesday, September 5 with eleven students enrolled. Jenna Westphal and Laurel Whiting are looking forward to a fun year with our 3-year olds!

### TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

We will begin Tuesday evening Bible study on September 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please consider joining a Bible study this fall, we have many options available!

## From the Pastor's Desk...

There is a very nice hymn in The Lutheran Hymnal (TLH) which unfortunately did not make it into our current hymnal, the Lutheran Service Book (LSB). The hymn addresses the timeless question that we all must face: "Who knows when death may overtake me?" This hymn title echoes what is written in James 4:14: "For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes."

*Who knows when death may overtake me!  
Time passes on, my end draws near.  
How swiftly can my breath forsake me!  
How soon can life's last hour appear!  
My God, for Jesus' sake I pray  
Thy peace may bless my dying day.*

The Lord wants us to consider our days here on earth so that we always look to Him, trusting in His amazing grace. The psalmist writes: "So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom." (Psalm 90:12) A heart of wisdom trusts in the Lord and in the salvation He has won for us through His crucifixion. Jesus took away the guilt of our sin on the cross and by His power He came back to life, He overcame death and the grave. And because He lives, we too shall live, our bodies will be raised from the dead never to die again!

*My end to ponder teach me ever  
And, ere the hour of death appears,  
To cast my soul on Christ, my Savior,  
Nor spare repentant sighs and tears.  
My God, for Jesus' sake I pray  
Thy peace may bless my dying day.*

As God's redeemed people, baptized in Christ, we have nothing to fear, not even death. By the grace of God in Jesus Christ we are now the children of God and will live forever with Him. God wants us to always be aware of our mortality so that we always trust in Jesus Christ alone and to be ever thankful for the immortality we truly have in Him!

*Then death may come today, tomorrow,  
I know in Christ I perish not;  
He grants the peace that stills all sorrow,  
Gives me a robe without a spot.  
My God, for Jesus' sake I pray  
Thy peace may bless my dying day.  
(TLH 598, stanzas 1, 3, 10)*

In Christ's Service,  
Pastor Knuth



# AROUND PELLA

## From the Vicar's Desk...

*Crux sola est nostra theologia* (which means "The cross alone is our theology") was a tagline proudly used by the Luther and many other reformers in the sixteenth century. They used this as a rallying cry against the abuses of works righteousness and other theologies of the time, which proclaimed that one could earn the love of God, and therefore win for themselves their own salvation. Yet, Paul writes in 1 Corinthians that he is determined to know nothing "except for Christ and him crucified." Within the Divine Service Christ crucified is proclaimed in the scriptures, in the sermon, and throughout the Service of the Word, yet the crucified Christ is made physically present to all in his very body and blood in the Service of the Sacrament.

Vicar Schober wrote that he had a passion and love of the Liturgy and for the Hymnody of the Lutheran Church, because it is "Pious, good, edifying and biblical." I can do nothing but fervently agree with his description. Therefore, I feel that it is only right to pick up where

Vicar Schober has left off and focus, for the next few newsletters, on the portion of the Divine Service we call the Service of the Sacrament. To do otherwise would be a disservice to the good work that Vicar Schober has done thus far.

We shall begin our study in the next newsletter, but for now I would like to close this month's article by expressing both Grace's and my gratitude and appreciation for the love and support that we have already experienced in the few short weeks that we have been here already. I was told by the now Reverends Wendorff and Benish that Pella in Waupun is one of, if not *the* best Vicarages because of the love they have for each other, their pastor, and their vicars. We have seen this truth already, and we look forward to serving you all this year.

In Christ's service,  
Vicar Schrepferman  
*Crux Sola Est Nostra Theologia*

## YOUTH GROUP MEETING SCHEDULE

### Junior Youth (5th-8th Grades)

Wednesday, September 6, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, September 20, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

### Senior Youth (8th-12th Grades)

Wednesday, September 13, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, September 27, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions about the Youth Group's activities, please contact Megan Quiring at 920-296-6628.

### HELP NEEDED for VOLKSFEST!

We are looking for volunteers of all ages to serve desserts at Volksfest on September 16 from 10am-8pm at the Waupun Community Center. The shifts are 2-hour shifts. This is our main Youth fundraiser and all help will be very much appreciated. To sign-up, see the sheet near the church office.



**New Home or Phone?** If you have changed your address or cell number or if your adult children have new college or home addresses, please share that information with the church office to help us keep in touch with all of our members.

### Pregnancy Resource Center of Dodge County Fall Benefit—Saturday, September 23

Juneau Community Center

Doors open at 5PM

Dinner Buffet 6-7PM

Bar and Silent Auction close at 7PM

Guest Speaker: Rev. Mark Cutler

Please purchase Tickets by September 10 - \$45 for all attendees (pick up form in the church office)



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## SELECT MISSION for September

### Lutheran Neighborhood Schools— South Wisconsin District

At Lutheran Neighborhood Schools we are re-thinking education to faithfully serve our students, churches, and communities. A LNS education, characterized by its distinctly Lutheran principles and deliberately personal size, holds significant promise for fostering a unique and impactful learning environment. Grounded in the values of the Lutheran tradition, this approach places emphasis on an education that nurtures both intellectual growth and moral character. By intentionally keeping class sizes small, we cultivate personalized connections with students, allowing for tailored guidance and support that acknowledges each student's individual strengths and challenges. This approach promotes academic excellence and fosters a sense of belonging and community, aligning closely with Lutheran teachings. We are creating an environment that empowers students to develop academically, morally, and spiritually, fostering a well-rounded foundation for their futures. The first of these schools is opening this fall in Milwaukee with eight students enrolled.

## GriefShare®

This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. No matter when your loss was, you will find encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life and renewing your hope for the future. Grief-related books/materials are available for participants.

GriefShare will be led by Wendy Vick beginning September 7. Classes will be held on Thursdays from 6:00–8:00 pm and will run through Nov. 16th.

## LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM REVIEW:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

*What does this mean?* I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

## September Birthdays

1	Bryan Pater	15	Ann Keyser
2	Heidi Gerrits	16	Florence Hanna
3	Shirley Canniff	17	Stephanie Fischer
3	Breylen Forney	18	Dan Drewa
3	Gavin Forney	18	Suzanne Pluim
3	Darwin Wetzell	18	David Smit
4	Michaela Kennedy	19	Ryan Quiring
4	Julie Trauernicht	21	Charlotte Hagen
5	Sandra Flier	21	Sarah Kind
5	John Stephens	21	Susan King
5	Max Montanez	21	Cassandra Shadley
6	Nathan Trauernicht	26	Terry Canniff
9	Kelli Bonack	26	Jeffrey Talley
9	Jean Goodall	27	Donna Johnson
10	Denise Bauer	27	Noah Harmsen
10	Susan VandeBerg	28	Susan Berndt
11	Albert Kreis	28	Kim McDowell
12	Barbara Jahnke	29	Frank Kreuziger
12	Peyton VanderGalien	29	Jayden Aellig
15	Mason Holz		

## September Anniversaries

1	Warren and JoAnn Schmitz	5
2	Derek and Amanda Harmsen	6
7	Cory and Lori Peterson	32
13	Ryan and Megan Quiring	9
17	Jeff and Melissa Hayes	29
17	Jordan and Chelsea Bedker	1
24	Les and Barb Marx	41
25	Matthew and Sarah Bunkoske	8
30	Chad and Jennifer Harmsen	17

### Long-Term Prayer List:



#### Health Concerns:

Karla Schmidt (mother of Julie Trauernicht)  
Chuck Rhein (father of Jennifer Harmsen)  
Hannah (granddaughter of Ann Keyser)  
Paula Niecling (daughter of Jan Chase)  
Chelsea Talley (granddaughter of Donna Talley)

#### Our 'Together in Mission' Missionary:

Rev. Michael Paul (Taiwan)

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### Bible Verse of the Month

*Fear not,  
for I am with you;  
be not dismayed,  
for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you,  
I will help you,  
I will uphold you with my  
righteous right hand.*

Isaiah 41:10

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# September 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>When we put <i>God</i> first, all other things fall into their <i>proper place.</i></p>					<p><b>Pella Lutheran Church</b> 315 S. Madison Street Waupun, WI 53963 Phone 920-324-3321</p>	
					Church Office Closed <sup>1</sup>	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study <sup>2</sup>
<p>9:00 AM Divine Service w/ Holy Communion 10:15 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast</p> <p><sup>3</sup></p>	 <p><b>LABOR DAY</b></p> <p>Church Office Closed</p> <p><sup>4</sup></p>		<p>9:00 AM Quilting <sup>6</sup></p> <p>6:00 PM Junior Youth 7:00 PM Divine Service w/ Holy Communion</p>	<p>10:00 AM Bible Study <sup>7</sup></p> <p>6-8 PM Grief Share</p>	Church Office Closed <sup>8</sup>	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study <sup>9</sup>
<p>8:00 AM Divine Service <sup>10</sup> 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS 10:30 AM Divine Service w/ Holy Communion 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 6:30 PM Confirmation Class</p>	<p>6:30 PM Youth Board 7:00 PM Elders' Meeting</p> <p><sup>11</sup></p>	<p>6:30 PM Trustees Meeting</p> <p><sup>12</sup></p>	<p>9:00 AM Quilting <sup>13</sup></p> <p>6:00 PM Senior Youth 7:00 PM Divine Service</p>	<p>10:00 AM Bible Study <sup>14</sup></p> <p>2:00 PM Ladies Aid/LWML 6-8 PM Grief Share</p>	Church Office Closed <sup>15</sup>  NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	<p>7:00 AM Men's Bible Study <sup>16</sup> 10AM-8PM Volksfest Youth Fundraiser</p>
<p>8:00 AM Divine Service w/ Holy Communion <sup>17</sup> 9:15 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Divine Service 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 6:30 PM Confirmation Class</p>	<p>6:00 PM 125th Anniversary Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Church Council</p> <p><sup>18</sup></p>	<p>6:30 PM Bible Study</p> <p><sup>19</sup></p>	<p>9:00 AM Quilting <sup>20</sup></p> <p>6:00 PM Junior Youth 7:00 PM Divine Service w/ Holy Communion</p>	<p>10:00 AM Bible Study <sup>21</sup></p> <p>NEWSLETTER MAILING 6-8 PM Grief Share</p>	Church Office Closed <sup>22</sup>	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study <sup>23</sup>
<p>8:00 AM Divine Service <sup>24</sup> 9:15 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Divine Service w/ Holy Communion 11:00 AM Radio Broadcast 6:30 PM Confirmation Class</p>	<p>6:30 PM SS Staff Mtg.</p> <p><sup>25</sup></p>	<p>6:30 PM Bible Study</p> <p><sup>26</sup></p>	<p>9:00 AM Quilting <sup>27</sup></p> <p>6:00 PM Senior Youth 7:00 PM Divine Service</p>	<p>10:00 AM Bible Study <sup>28</sup></p> <p>6-8 PM Grief Share</p>	Church Office Closed <sup>29</sup>	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study <sup>30</sup>



# September 2023 Serving Calendar

Date	Time	Organist / Pianist	Elder/Usher	Finance	Video Recording	Audio / Radio Recording
Sunday September 3	9:00 AM	Lora Huizenga	Ben Kuenzi	Marj Peachey	Val Loehrke	G. Baumann / Warren Schmitz
Wednesday September 6	7:00 PM	Candis Breitkruetz	Darwin Wetzel			
Sunday September 10	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Candis Breitkruetz	Kevin Hahn	Ben & Debbie Kuenzi	Val Loehrke	G. Baumann / Warren Schmitz
Wednesday September 13	7:00 PM	Candis Breitkruetz	Ben Kuenzi			
Sunday September 17	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Candis Breitkruetz	George Baumann	Gail VanLoo Cheryl Pater	D. VandeZande	Dan Holz
Wednesday September 20	7:00 PM	Lora Huizenga	Darwin Wetzel			
Sunday September 24	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Lora Huizenga	Warren Schmitz	Marj Peachey Milford & Pat Hopp	Steve Schmitz	G. Baumann / Warren Schmitz
Wednesday September 27	7:00 PM	Candis Breitkruetz	George Baumann			

Altar Circle Committee: Rosie Wucherer, Tomi Knuth

Soul Accounting: To Be Determined

*If anyone serves me, he must follow me;  
and where I am, there will my servant be also.  
If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.  
John 12:26*