St. Peters Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

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Our Mission Statement:

"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name; make known among the nations what he has done." Psalm 105:1

SERVING THE LORD IN

Germany

NEWS FROM THE DOMENICHELLI FAMILY



Sep 2024



"The Path of Jewish Culture"

If you ever find yourself hiking around the Glan region of Rheinland Pfalz, Germany, you may come across this curious sign displayed on posts and trees alike along walking paths. These particular signs run along a 28.5 km (17.7 mi) circular route known as Weg Jüdische Kultur or "The Path of Jewish Culture," which begins and ends at the "Jewish Museum" in Steinbach am Glan. It marks a historical fact that almost 300 years ago many peoples of the Jewish faith thrived in the region. In 1728, the lord of the Münchweiler office issued a letter of protection for the Jews living in the area. In the years following, the Jewish residents in the Glan grew to make up one-third of the overall population. For some, the purpose for commemorating this route is to remember the people who were lost during Germany's difficult and painful history.

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Our Lord is present where He gathers His church to receive His gifts.



The second Divine Service held by the new Spangdahlem Evangelical Lutheran Church plant.

September brought two Divine Services and two Bible studies for our new church plant in Spangdahlem! Praise God! So, it's fitting we take a moment to reflect on the Word of Christ.

Our Lord promised his followers, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them" (Matthew 18:20). Luther quotes this same passage in his Smalcald Articles in the Lutheran Confessions. He points out that God's overflowing grace is received by His people through the means by which the Gospel is distributed.

He writes, "We will now return to the Gospel, which does not give us counsel and aid against sin in only one way. God is superabundantly generous in His grace: First, through the spoken Word, by which the forgiveness of sins is preached in the whole world [Luke 24:45-47]. This is the particular office of the Gospel. Second, through Baptism. Third, through the holy Sacrament of the Altar. Fourth, through the Power of the Keys. Also, through the mutual conversation and consolation of the brethren, Where two or three are gathered' [Matthew 18:20] and other such verses [especially Romans 1:12]" (SA Part III, Art IV).

This Word from our Lord is meant to bring His saints joy and confidence that He is with them where His means of grace gather them together under His name. This is

especially important for the members of the newly-formed Spangdahlem Evangelical Lutheran Church plant. They need to have confidence that our Lord is with them there in His Divine Service, serving them with His gifts even though we are not meeting together in a church building with a steeple. They need to have confidence when they hear the invocation of the Trinity at the beginning of service that the Lord has called them His own, reminding them of the name they are baptized under. Most importantly, He is the One who has gathered them together to absolve them of their sins and strengthen their faith, even though they may be gathered in a home.

Why, "where two or three are gathered," because that is where we witness the Lord giving and His saints receiving. That is where Christ sends someone in His stead and by His command to deliver His forgiveness into the ears, mouths, and hearts of those gathered.

Please continue to pray for this congregation, that the Lord would supply all their needs, give them courage, and gather those nearby to receive His Word and Sacraments for the forgiveness of all their sins. God grant it for Jesus' sake. Amen.

~Pastor Domenichelli



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The Domenichelli family as they continue church planting efforts and the mission work God has sent them here for.
- That the family might make friends quickly and that last a lifetime.
- The Lord to give confidence and assurance that He will be with them as they His mission here in Germany.
- The Domenichelli children to have a good school year this year as they transition to a new school system.
- Direction and discernment as Pastor nenichelli delivers the One thing offul, Christ and Him crucified for

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- The men and women in our Mission cohort who have answered the call to serve the Lord's mission in their respective locations.
- Good health in all our travels thus far.
- God's grace as He cleanses our consciences through His Holy Absolution spoken into our hearts through the mouth of His called servant.

PRAISE GOD FOR:

- The many congregations and individuals who pray for us, encourage and support us.
- or His forgiveness, life and salvation nich He accomplished for us through hrist and His death and resurrection

Faith in a faithless world.



An account for the hope you have.

If you were to ask all five of the Domenichelli kids on any given day if they like their new school or if they enjoy living in Germany, it's almost guaranteed they would say, "Yes!" However, that doesn't mean it isn't challenging. Germany is a very secular place filled with very secular people. It is a challenge living in Germany, and the Domenichelli kids must stand firm in their faith in new ways. Even more, we, as parents, have learned we need to be prepared to help them along as new challenges arise. Recently, one of our children said that he wished his teacher knew Jesus. He asked what to do when an adult tries to diminish the Christian faith or challenge him by saying things like, "Christianity is a good moral tradition," or "is just one way to impart good values." We explained to him that it isn't his job to

convert anyone or change their mind, but the Holy Spirit's job. On the other hand, we told him, "Stand firm in Christ, speak the truth you know from scripture, and be willing to give an account for the hope that is within you" [c.f. 1 Pet 3:14]. When we are challenged, we don't have to give in or agree, but we hold to the truth delivered to us by the Spirit of God.

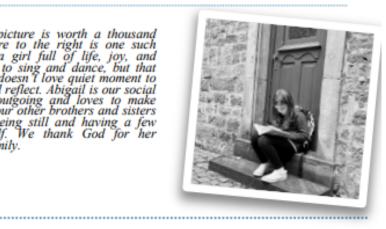
Overcoming the fog of a faithless

We live in an environment that has attempted to move beyond its Christian roots thanks to world wars, technology, and sin in general. Everything in the secular world applies a pressure to believe more in themselves than in Christ, who defeated sin, death and the devil on the cross. So, this is one of the reasons it's important to have regular family devotions. This is why it is important to spend time reading the scriptures and praying together. It's the only way to overcome the fog of a faithless world and to see with clarity the work of Christ, hear His voice, and follow where He leads. One hour one day a week in church is not enough. We need it daily because it equips us to stand firm daily in our beliefs. As St. Paul reminds us, "All scripture is breathed out by God...that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work" (2 Tim 3:16-17).

Pastor Domenichelli

It's been said a picture is worth a thousand words. This picture to the right is one such picture. Here is a girl full of life, joy, and energy who loves to sing and dance, but that doesn't mean she doesn't love quiet moment to herself to read and reflect. Abigail is our social butterfly. She is outgoing and loves to make friends, but with four other brothers and sisters she also enjoys being still and having a few minutes to herself. We thank God for her presence in our family.

Gratias Deo!





There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."

Prayerfully consider partnering with the LCMS to continue or begin supporting the work of the Rev. Jonah and Renee Domenichelli. Make checks payable to:

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Mission Central 40718 Highway E 16 Mapleton, IA 51034

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Ideas and Inspiration for Mission & Ministry
NAVIGATING THE INTERSECTIONS OF FAITH AND CULTURE
Plenary Address by
Rev. Dr. Greg Seltz,
Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty

November 2

Zion Lutheran Church, Rapid City 9:45 am - 3:00 pm

November 3

Sioux Falls Lutheran School, Sioux Falls 2:15 pm – 6:45 pm

Breakout Sessions

Rev. Dr. Greg Seltz, Lutheran Center of Religious Liberty
Dr. Brad Alles, Concordia University Wisconsin "Truth, Identity, and Purpose for Youth"
Rev. Tom Eckstein, A Biblical Response to LGBTQ

Saturday lunch & Sunday evening meal provided. NO COST!

For more information and to register visit: https://sddlcms.org/event/p-a-s-s-it-on-2/
For more information contact Rev. Paul Winckler, Assistant to the District President at paul.winckler@sddlcms.org or (605) 361-1514



Main Street Living KDLT viewing area bulletin blurbs for October 2024

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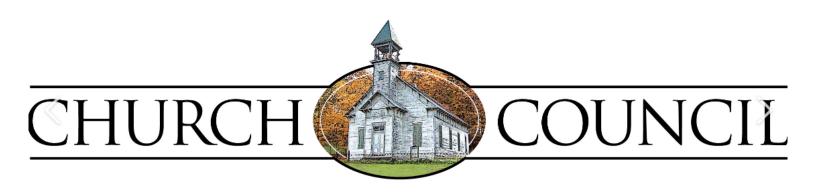
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Jr. Bell Choir will start practice on October 02, 2024 4:00 ~ 5:15PM!!!



Church Council Meeting October 17, 2024 7:00PM!



October 20, 2024 after church service.

If you have any nomination suggestions, please speak to Shawn Martin or the Elders!

FALL IN-GATHERING FOR THE LAKE COUNTY FOOD PANTRY



October 6 - 27, 2024

Personal Hygiene:

tooth brushes and paste hand soap shampoo deodorant

Paper Products:

table napkins paper towels toilet paper kleenex

"...blessed is he who is kind to the needy... for he honors God."

Proverbs 14:21 and 31 (paraphrased)

Meat:

hamburger hot dogs

*put in refrigerator or freezer

*will be delivered each Monday

Birthday Bags:

cake mix frosting baking cups opt. sprinkles/candles

Grocery ideas, but most non-perishable items OK:

baking supplies: sugar, flour etc condiments: mustard, catsup, mayo canned fruits and vegetables butter (put in the refrigerator) breakfast cereal: boxed

oatmeal packs cream of wheat

boxed/packaged pasta, rice and potato meals pasta: noodles, spaghetti, macaroni, shells soups of all kinds pancake mix hamburger and hot dog buns canned tuna and chicken

suggestion: "think meal"

peanut butter and jelly
pasta and pasta sauce
pancake mix and syrup and butter
noodles and cream soup and tuna
*lots of ways to go on this idea

Monetary donations are welcome and can be given to Delorus Limmer.







We have moved Our New Address 7716 Ridgeside LN Fort Wayne, IN 46835

Members of St. Peters, Thank you for your consistent support the past three years. In addition to our thanks, we extend our prayers to your congregation during this time of unexpected change.

In Christ, Marthew Baker

As you probably noticed, our communication during vicarage was abysmal, which is particularly unfortunate given that it was a terrific and pretty eventful year. Please forgive us. At the expense of skipping months' worth of information, we've opted to include a thorough (aka "long") letter this time around.

For some of you, this first piece of information is old news. For the rest of you, we're sorry it's taken so long to share it with you: We have a new(ish) baby! Jensen Robert was born on February 19. The delivery went smoothly, and he's been healthy and growing well ever since. For good or for ill, he's been quite a traveler in his short life. Two days after he was born, he was baptized at our midweek Lenten service, and two days after that we were in Bonesteel, SD, to see my grandfather whose health was rapidly declining. Jensen and his great-grandfather, Robert, were able to meet before grandpa entered the Church Triumphant on the 25th. We're grateful for Pastor Knox and our congregations in Iowa for allowing me to suspend my duties until after the funeral. (I had been scheduled to be the liturgist and preacher for all our midweek Lenten services.)

The very next week, we headed the other direction for another funeral, this time for the father of our home congregation pastor. It was a brief, two-day trip to Wisconsin, but well worth the time and miles to share our condolences in person to a family that's done so much for us in the last 11 years.

The next two trips were for more pleasant reasons. In early April, I attended a conference in Collinsville, IL. Since none of us had been to the St. Louis area before, we decided to make it a family affair. Logan and Camden each got to choose one paid attraction—a museum and the aquarium—but mostly we enjoyed free fun: the Gateway Arch, the zoo, a science center, the Concordia Seminary campus, the Lutheran Public Radio studio, and a little swimming at the hotel.

Later in April, we went to Fort Wayne to see our good friends, the Brubakers (yep, the Bakers and the Brubakers), while they were back from their vicarage for Jesse's call service. We're happy for them as they settle into their new home in Oregon but disappointed that our time with them in the future will likely be very limited.

During the times we were actually back home in Cedar Falls, life was pretty good. The highlight of homeschool this year was Logan's participation in an event called Faces of History. He researched, dressed up as, and gave an oral report on Theodore Roosevelt. It was great! Logan and Camden were still active in Trail Life. They each received multiple advancement awards at the spring court of honor. Pamela led the Sunday school children in singing for services about once a month. With the abundance of both rain and sun this spring, there was plenty to do outside: mowing, planting, playing in puddles, drawing with chalk, swinging, basketball, driving the Power Wheels Jeep (thanks, Grandpa and Grandma Baker), and much more.

My responsibilities at church stayed largely the same up until our departure. I led some lessons for VBS, I continued to teach between one and three Bible studies a week (including a nine-week study on the Song of Solomon), and I preached about two Sundays a month with an additional service here and there. Although teaching wasn't a new experience for me coming into vicarage, it still took some time to adjust to new content and new audiences. I treasured every opportunity to study, prepare, and teach the Scriptures, and the comments I received indicate my parishioners were appreciative as well.

My vicarage officially ended on July 21. I preached that weekend, and the congregations of Peace and Our Redeemer both hosted receptions for us. We're grateful for the thoughtful gifts they gave us, but especially for the heartfelt gratitude they expressed and the prayers they offered as we said goodbye to some dear friends there. We'll remember these two churches fondly for the rest of our lives.

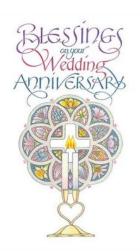
That same afternoon, we left all our belongings in a Penske truck in the church's back lot and headed west before making the big move east again. We were able to see most of Pamela's family in Iowa, mine in South Dakota, and many friends along the way, including a visit to our home congregation, Mount Calvary. As always, traveling with a family of seven wasn't exactly convenient, and we didn't get to spend nearly enough time with everyone, but it was a good opportunity to reconnect before a long stint in Indiana.

We arrived safely in Fort Wayne late on July 29. Although we were tired and unexcited about the daunting task of unpacking, we were back in familiar territory and greeted by friendly faces the next day. During the past month or so, we've tried to take advantage of some downtime—the last time that'll be a real possibility. We've met up with friends on campus; had playdates here at the house; been visited by Pamela's sister for a few days; attended a Tincaps baseball game; been to Sweetwater, the zoo, and Fox Island Park; enjoyed two church picnics; had a campout in the backyard; and more. Logan and Camden have hit it off with some boys who live adjacent to us, and they're very pleased to be playing flag football for the first time this fall. Of course, it's not all fun and games. Homeschool is well underway, and my classes began September 9.

We're happy that this year will bring some predictability, having already made it through years one and two, but not everything's the same. Some of our sem friends aren't here anymore. I already miss the rewarding parish work of vicarage. That said, we trust the Lord will be with us on this last transitional step as he always has been before. We thank you for your continued support and ask for your continued prayers as we begin our final year of this process.

In Christ, The Bakers ~ Matthew, Pamela, Logan, Camden, Brighton, Lincoln, Jensen

OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



James & Barb

Crawford

Brandon & AnnaLee

Fedeler

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Katie	Hantz			
Brandon	Fedeler			
Danielle	Gehrels			
Russ	Mendel			
Pat	Rausch			
Dan	Alfson			
Ione	Schmidt			
Emma	Hess			
Ryan	McManus			
Olivia	Cacho			
Lori	Hogrefe			
Llyn	Shuck			
Trish	Tammen			
Mason	Lindholm			
Matt	Tweet			
Loren	Zimmer			
Kathy	Dorow			
Connie	Brown			
Leon	Gerry			
Sophia	Fischer			
Todd	Кеирр			
Stetson	Fedeler			
Jason	Fischer			
Alex	Henrichs			

OCTOBER BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Ryan	Lindholm			
Deb	Reck			
Misty	Alfson			
Krista	Beeck			
Jeremy	Lindholm			
Remington	Miller			
Cindy	VanPelt			
Melissa	Reck			
Tyler	Reck			
Trish	Tammen			
Katie	Hantz			
Arlyn	Tammen			
Hattie	Foster			
Everett	Milbrandt			
Connie	Brown			
Rory	Milbrandt			



To read the Bible in one year:

SUGGESTED BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

DATE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING
October 1	Jonah 2:2 – 9	Jeremiah 32 – 34
October 2	Psalm 114	Jeremiah 35 – 37
October 3	Psalm 115	Jeremiah 38 – 40
October 4	Psalm 116	Jeremiah 41 – 43
October 5	Psalm 117	Jeremiah 44 – 47
October 6	Psalm 118	Jeremiah 48 – 50
October 7	Psalm 119:1 - 8	Jeremiah 51 – 52
October 8	Psalm 119:9 – 16	Lamentations 1 – 2
October 9	Psalm 119:17 – 24	Lamentations 3 – 5
October 10	Psalm 119:25 -32	Ezekiel 1 – 3
October 11	Psalm 119:33 – 40	Ezekiel 4 – 6
October 12	Psalm 119:41 – 48	Ezekiel 7 – 9
October 13	Psalm 119:49 – 56	Ezekiel 10 – 12
October 14	Psalm 119:57 – 64	Ezekiel 13 – 15
October 15	Psalm 119:65 – 72	Ezekiel 16 – 18
October 16	Psalm 119:73 – 80	Ezekiel 19 – 21
October 17	Psalm 119:81 – 88	Ezekiel 22 – 24
October 18	Psalm 119:89 – 96	Ezekiel 25 – 27
October 19	Psalm 119:97 – 104	Ezekiel 28 – 30
October 20	Psalm 119:105 – 112	Ezekiel 31 – 33
October 21	Psalm 119:113 – 120	Ezekiel 34 – 36
October 22	Psalm 119:121 – 128	Ezekiel 37 – 39
October 23	Psalm 119:129 – 136	Ezekiel 40 – 42
October 24	Psalm 119:137 – 144	Ezekiel 43 – 45
October 25	Psalm 119:145 – 152	Ezekiel 46 – 48
October 26	Psalm 119:153 – 160	Daniel 1 – 3
October 27	Psalm 119:161 – 168	Daniel 4 – 6
October 28	Psalm 119:169 – 176	Daniel 7 – 9
October 29	Psalm 120	Daniel 10 – 12
October 30	Psalm 121	Hosea 1 – 4
October 31	Jonah 2:2 – 9	Hosea 5 - 7



OCTOBER 2024



Altar Guild: Mandie Miller ~ Lori Hogrefe

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	3	4	5
6 Sunday, Oct. 6 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Jayden Delfs Greeters: Russ Claussen Organist: Peg George Sunday School following service.	7	8	9 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells NO Youth Group 7:00 pm ~ Elders Meeting	10	11	12
13 Sunday Oct. 13 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Darwin Lindholm Greeters: Ashes Dean Family Organist: Peg George Sunday School following service.	7:00 pm ~ Altar Guild	15	16 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	7:00 pm CHURCH COUNCIL Church Council Meeting	18	19
Sunday Oct. 20 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Libby Alfson Greeters: Julie Delfs; Benjamin Delfs Family; Samuel Delfs Organist: Peg George Sunday School following service. VOTER MEETING FOLLO-WING SERVICE!!!	21 NEWS LETTER DEAD-LINE	22	23 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	24	25	26
27 Sunday Oct. 27 - 9:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Acolyte: Ainslie Klawonn Greeters: Jane DeVaney Organist: Peg George Sunday School following service.	28	29	30 4:00 pm ~ Confirmation, Bible History, & Bells 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group	31		