

The Pacific Hills *Messenger*

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Church Events

Choir returns September 17 with rehearsal at 9:15am, singing in the 10:30am service! The most difficult requirement may be to climb the steps to the balcony. The pay is double what it has been and the benefits are out of *this* world! On that day only we will have lunch together followed by another rehearsal until 2:30pm. Come join us!

In addition, our choir will be preparing for the long-awaited (**500 years!**) celebration service of the Reformation with our sister congregations in the area on **Sunday, October 22, at 3pm, at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church (96th and Giles) with music beginning at 2:30pm.** Fellowship and dessert will follow. Knowing most of you don't really like to attend church in the afternoon, please make a special effort--it's once in 500 years!

As my former pastor in Albuquerque put it, "Luther's legacy is God's work through him of bringing to light the pure, sweet Gospel found only in Jesus Christ." Therefore, Synod's theme directs us well--**It is Still All About Jesus!**

In His service,

Barbara Fremder, Minister of Music

Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:00am	Blood Pressure Screening
	9:15am	Rally Day Breakfast
	10:30am	Eucharist
Tuesday	12:00am	Worship & Music Comm.
	8:00am	Staff Meeting
	9:00am	Tai Chi
Wednesday	9:30am	Alanon
	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship
	5:15pm	Midweek Classes
	6:00pm	Youth Confirmation Class
Thursday	6:30pm	Women's Bible Study
	8:00pm	Campus Ministry
	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	7:00pm	Elders Board
Sunday	7:00pm	Gamblers
	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Eucharist
Sunday	11:30am	CYF Board
	12:00pm	Choir Retreat

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by John and Elaine Blacketer for all of God's blessings on their 50th wedding anniversary.

PHLC received \$2,634 from the door offering this past Sunday. All of these designated dollars have been sent to the LCMS for **Harvey Disaster Response/Relief.** In addition \$1000.00 was given from available Yahweh Funds to assist two congregations in Houston (Pilgrim and Oikos Lutheran Churches, LCMS) with which Pastor Bryan has some connections.

Senior Lunch Bunch: Mark your calendar for September 12. All are invited for lunch and fellowship at 11:30am at Longhorn Steak House, 7425 Dodge. They have a varied menu - not just steak. Every 2nd Tuesday of the month the Lunch Bunch will try a new restaurant for food and fellowship. No RSVP necessary, just come!

PHLC Clean up day Saturday, September 23, 9am to 12pm. More information to follow.

Additional copies of the PHLC Time & Talent Sheets have been placed on the kiosk for families needing more.

Wednesday Eucharist and Bible Fellowship —The new Lifelight Study is Galatians, Philippians and Colossians. Everyone is welcome. Invite a friend.

Save the date! On Sunday, October 22, the people of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations from throughout the Omaha metro area will celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation at 3pm at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in LaVista. You are invited! Spread the word!

September Social Ministry Back to School Supply and Back Pack Food Drives: Every year donations of school supplies are needed by Omaha children. This year our collection of school supplies will go to St. Paul Lutheran School to those students on scholarships. A "Shopping List" can be found on the narthex table. Donations may be placed in the narthex bin. Thank you for your donations!

Upcoming Events:

September 10 – Sunday School Breakfast Rally. 9:15am

September 11/12 – LOG Preschool Chapel, 11:45am

September 30 - All Church Retreat, 8:30am

October 1 – 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Sermon Series Begins – **Dare To Be Lutheran**

October 3— Prayer Vigil, 11am to 1pm

October 22 – Special Reformation Service at Beautiful Savior. Guest Speaker, Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, President of Concordia Seminary, 3pm

October 24 – Pastor and Cheryl lead a Tour to Germany over the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation.

October 29 – Reformation Eucharist (Observed), 8am, 10:30am

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

Luke 19:9

“Today salvation has come to this house.”

This coming Sunday, September 10, is Rally Day Kick-off Sunday! Rally Day at Pacific Hills signals to us that the summer has ended and the fall program is underway. Sunday school classes will begin their new program on September 10. Our youth confirmation classes just started meeting. September 6 was the first day.

All Sunday school teachers will be installed on September 10 and, as in the past; there will be a **pot-luck breakfast between the services** which the congregation is encouraged to attend.

The curriculum for Sunday school will be: **Growing in Christ** and will begin with the children learning about how God works through Prophets and Kings.

If you are not regularly in the Word, now is the time to rededicate yourself. Now is the time to get involved with Sunday morning Bible Study or a Bible Study throughout the week, or both! As church family let us strive to live out our mission: “to equip and encourage one another to grow up to full maturity in Christ.”

Blessings,
Pastor Bryan

New Adult Confirmation Classes will begin Monday, September 18, 6pm in Room 115. Please indicate your desire to participate with Pastor directly or with Linda in the church office. Classes will meet for 6 consecutive weeks.

Pacific Hills Hosting Prayer Vigil: Please join us at Pacific Hills for a time of prayer and reflection from **11am to 1pm, Tuesday, October 3.** Pacific Hills is hosting the prayer vigil as part of a series of vigils being held throughout the year at congregations in the North Circuit. You may come for a few minutes or stay the entire time. Pastor Drebes will lead a prayer session at noon. All are welcome.

Mission & Social Committee is planning a visit to Mission Central on October 28. The activities start there at 10:30am. The plan is to rent a 15 passenger van so we need people to sign up by September 28 for a count. We would depart from PHLC at 8:30am as it is about a 1 1/2 hours drive to Mapleton, Iowa, location of Mission Central. Activities at Mission Central include tour of museum, lunch and speaker will be Sarah Kanoy a missionary nurse in Kenya PHLC supports. Sign up sheet will be available at church in the narthex area. If you have not been to Mission Central it is well worth the trip.

PRAYER LIST

September 8, 2017

Family and Friends: Please call the church office to add/remove names below.)

Readings for Sunday, September 17: Genesis 1:26-31; Psalm 8; Ephesians 4:17-32; Matthew 25:14-30

Birthdays

Sophie Jackman	9/11
Joanna Shubart	9/14
Kay Dunker	9/14
Mary Wohlers	9/16
Will Kois	9/16

PHLC Members: John Blacketer, Anita Bladt, Frank Bladt, Grady Chastain, Mary Lou Chastain, Emily Demmel, Duane Fieck, Jeannine Fulner, Paul Gladman, Helen Glanzer, JoAnn Graham, Roger Graham, Don Hafsaas, Freda Harris, Mike Horton, Christopher Kiihne, James Koun, Carol Lacz, Bob Loeck, Harriet Moore, Jim Mueller, Geraldine Rueter, Jean Schmieding, Paul Shultz, Leon Siedlyk, Alfred Simonsen, Chris Stastny, Dorothy Storek, Carolyn Vierck, Marilyn Walker, Judy Webster, JoAn Werblow, Sara Young

In Assisted Living Facilities: Charlotte Berkland, Mary Lou Chastain, Dorothy Ebener, Lois Eggers, Jeannine Fulner, Mike Lessmann, Norma Payne, Jean Schmieding, Leon Siedlyk, Alfred Simonsen, Marilyn Walker, Jan Bouc, Helene Stigge

Friends and Relatives:

Tyler Adams (grandson of Don and Lorene Adams)
Luetta Beckman (mother of Linda Minor)
Sandy Botrell (cousin of Barbara Fremder)
Carol Copple (sister-in-law of Doris Anderson)
Brent, Angel, Paul Dale & Wendy (family of Esther Scarpello)
Patty Dyer (niece of Leon Siedlyk)
Ron Ethan (friend of Helen Glanzer and Kae Stille)
Sharlene Grindle (sister-in-law of Dennis Grindle)
Delbert Johns (grandfather of Shannon Green)
Mary Johnson (friend of Carol Priest)

Philip Kander in Military (nephew of Alice Osborn)
Vera Kregel (mother of Barbara Fremder)
Sharon Larson (cousin of Dennis Grindle)
Alma Meseke (aunt of Barbara Fremder)
Dave Minor (husband of Linda Minor)
Joan Moore (friend of Sara Young)
Barbara Nelson (sister-in-law of Doris Anderson)
Bob Nelson (son of Barb and Lew Nelson)
Both Nyun (family of Peter Chol)
Heidi Padilla (niece of Doris Anderson)
Jim Pape (father of Debbie Fraser)
Jo Anna Perkins (friend of Dennis Grindle)
Mary Grace Reese (friend of Dennis Grindle)
Virginia Syslo (friend of Carol Priest)
Charlotte Thompson (sister of Leon Siedlyk)
Gavin Webster (grandson of Larry and Judy Webster)
Marilyn Zimmermann (mother of Sharon Vacanti and Paul Zimmermann)

Special Intercessions:

Those who travel and those who protect us
All who lead us ecclesiastically and politically
Missions/Missionaries of the Church
Our Campus Ministry program
Our Lamb of God Preschool
All Lutheran Schools
The pastors, staffs, and members of our North Circuit congregations, schools, and preschools.
Ministry of Concordia Lutheran Schools of Omaha
Concordia University, Seward
Mentally ill, their caregivers, and PHLC Care Ministries
The ill, hospitalized, dying, and grieving
Health and protection of all children, including the unborn
Unemployed/financial difficulties
End to terrorism and for justice and peace among all nations
The incarcerated
Pray for God's grace and mercy upon all who face trials, chronic illnesses, or addictions, and upon all who lack a saving faith in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior
Unrest in the U.S. and the world
Victims of storms across the country
Good News Chaplain, Nsbiet Matthew, who serves prisons in Nigeria.