

# The Pacific Hills *Messenger*

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PACIFIC HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Lamb of God Preschool—

Our new school year is underway! We are off to a great start! We have been learning about how God made the world in six days and He cares for us and forgives us. We have been enjoying the new treehouse and spending lots of time out on our playground. We have been making new friends and learning our school routines.

Lamb of God Preschool will be singing in church on Sunday, October 8 at the 10:30 service. We hope you can join us and meet some of our students and families!

Please keep our preschool, students, and families in your prayers!

Blessings,

Kay Storck

Director/Teacher

## Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	11:30am	Outreach Board
Monday	6:00pm	Adult Confirmation
Tuesday	8:00am	Staff Meeting
	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
Wednesday	9:00am	Foster Care
	9:30am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	10:00am	Fellowship
	5:15pm	Midweek Classes
	6:00pm	Youth Confirmation Class
	6:30pm	Women's Bible Study
	8:00pm	Campus Ministry
Thursday	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	7:00pm	Gamblers
Saturday	8:30am	All Church Retreat
Sunday	8:00am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	<b>Eucharist</b>

**Today's altar flowers** are given to the glory of God by Lorene and Don Adams in thankfulness for family, friends and 61 years of marriage.

The Nominating Committee is working to create a slate of officers for the **2018 Board of Directors**. If you would like to learn about these opportunities, please contact Kevin Warneke at (402) 612-9151 by October 1. The congregation will be asked to approve the slate of officers during the annual congregation meeting on November 12.

Our former Director of Music, Christopher Ahlman, has received a Divine Call to serve Memorial Lutheran Church and School of Houston, Texas, as Associate Pastor and Director of Parish Music. Please keep Christopher and his family in your prayers during this time of deliberation.

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

**"Planet Sub" (90<sup>th</sup> & Center) has designated September 24 as Give Back Sunday" to Pacific Hills.** 10% of all sales, 11am to 8pm, will benefit the church. The event was created to show their commitment to the community and more specifically the neighborhood around them that they want to be involved. Since last spring, various groups, organizations, charities, etc... have been chosen and offered this opportunity. Stop in, eat, spread the word, and mention Pacific Hills!!

The "Reformation500" celebration at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in La Vista at 3 pm on Sunday, October 22, will feature a massed choir of singers from area LCMS congregations. Singers are needed! Rehearsals will be on Sundays, October 1, 8, and 15 at 2pm and on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am. To join this choir, contact Barb Fremder at [skipbobabe@yahoo.com](mailto:skipbobabe@yahoo.com).

**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 service** at noon. All are welcome.

#### Upcoming Events:

**September 30** - All Church Retreat, 8:30am

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

**October 3** — Prayer Vigil, 11am to 1pm. Service at noon.

**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 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation.

**October 28** - Trip to Mission Central, 8:30am meet at PHLC

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

**November 5** — All Saints Day (observed)

## BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

### 2 Corinthians 9:7

**"God loves a cheerful giver."**

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**Reminder: Tired of using your weekly offering envelope? Following is the web address for the company that does online giving for Pacific Hills**  
<http://www.myeoffering.com/eonline/index.php/dashboard/login/5087>

**Missions & Social Ministry Board 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. **This is the last week to sign up for the van, if we do not get enough people for the van, we still plan to go, but we will car pool instead.**

**Disaster Response.** Hurricanes Harvey and Irma have left a trail of destruction across the southern United States. If you are a **Thrivent member**, you may wish to participate in their \$3 million match on personal donations. Thrivent will match up to \$3 million in personal donations made online through Thrivent.com to specific disaster relief organizations responding to Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. The dollar-for-dollar match will lead to a total combined impact of up to \$6 million. Thrivent will pay the processing fees associated with the personal donations. For more details and to see the list of organizations included in the match, visit the Disaster Response page on Thrivent.com.

## Events of Other Congregations and Agencies

**St. John Lutheran Church** (11120 Calhoun Rd.) **Annual Fall Festival**, Sunday, September 24, 4pm to 7pm. All are invited to enjoy the food, fun and fellowship.

**Concordia 5K Run/Walk** to be held at Standing Bear Lake on Saturday, September 23. Every participant will receive a race t-shirt and pancake breakfast from *The Flapjack Guys*. Register today at [Concordiaomaha.org](http://Concordiaomaha.org). More information, sponsorship opportunities and motivation on Facebook page 'Concordia Run 2017'.

**Rev. Erick Jay will be installed as Associate Pastor of St. Mark Lutheran Church**, Sunday September 24, 3pm. Rev. Karl Ziegler will preach and install Rev. Jay. A reception will follow the worship in the fellowship hall.

# PRAYER LIST

September 22, 2017

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

**Readings for Sunday, October 1:** Deuteronomy 6:1-9;  
Psalm 119:105-112; 2 Timothy 3:14-17; John 1:1-14

## Anniversaries

Leroy & Nancy Stuckenschmidt 9/25

## Birthdays

Mary Sunderman 9/25

Tristan Zorko 9/25

Susan Chavez 9/29

**PHLC Members:** John Blacketer, Anita Bladt, Frank Bladt, Grady Chastain, Mary Lou Chastain, Duane Fieck, Jeannine Fulner, Paul Gladman, Helen Glanzer, JoAnn Graham, Roger Graham, Don Hafsaas, Freda Harris, Mike Horton, Christopher Kiihne, John Klingman, 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 Krengel (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)

Tammy Rogers (mother of Stacey Swan)

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.