

GOOD NEWS



St. Paul Lutheran Church

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9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast

1490 AM, 92.1 FM and 100.1 FM

Pastor: Tim W. Muehlbrad - 361-564-2335

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known; As we love one another, serve our neighbor, and grow in our Faith through studying God's Word and Worshipping God.



Ascension Day is on May 10th and on May 20th we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. It was at his ascension that Jesus gave the great commission to “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...” and as a result of the

gift of the Holy Spirit that the disciples received on the day of Pentecost, 3000 people were baptized. As members of St. Paul Lutheran Church we are a part of the Great Commission and continue the work of the disciples with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In our congregation there are a number of ways that we can do that, and one of the most important ways is in being a hospitable congregation. Being the body of Christ gives us the responsibility for providing a cordial and generous welcome to all who come for worship and study on Sunday mornings.

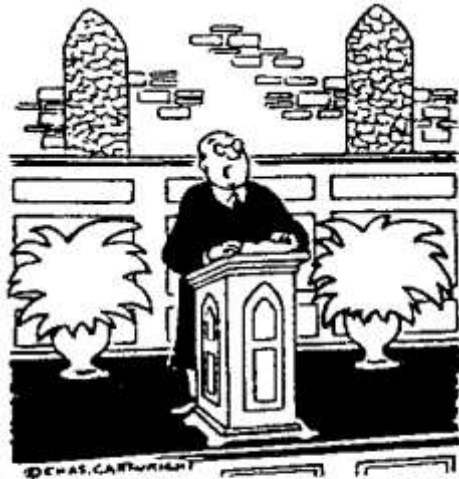
From different resources here are a few simple but important things we can do each Sunday morning or Saturday evening to be an inviting congregation:

Hospitality Checklist for Congregations

A Hospitable Congregation...

- (1) ... has people who begin hospitality at home by the way they help each other prepare for worship. (Scolding and fussing will not make for inviting worship.)
- (2) ... is a place where everyone greets everyone (in addition to greetings by the Pastor and appointed Greeters or Ushers). If you're not sure someone is a visitor or member, just say, “I don't think I've met you. My name is _____.”
- (3) ... is a place where people will stay after worship to visit or go to Sunday School. Do not rush off after worship to beat the Sunday crowd at the restaurant, but linger a while and share your company with those with whom you have just worshipped or invite them to Sunday School Class.
- (4) ... has a sign that is highly visible with worship and study times which are easily readable, and other attractive signs strategically placed on roads leading to the church.

- (5) ... has enough parking for everyone and has spaces reserved for visitors and those with handicapping conditions.
- (6) ... has hospitable ushers who know how uncomfortable a first visit can be and are therefore sensitive to the feelings and needs of visitors.
- (7) ... has members willing to slide down or give up "their seat" to make room for visitors.
- (8) ... takes care of its buildings and grounds so that they are bright, happy, inviting buildings and grounds.
- (9) ... has easy to use worship resources and has members who help those sitting next to them find the right pages.
- (10) ... marks important places around the property with signs and with people who can help give directions. Important places include the way to Sunday School, the nursery, the offices, and the bathrooms.
- (11) ... watches its language. Visitors are not "just" visiting; women are not 'just' housewives; men are not "just" muscles; and a church is not "just" for young families (thus excluding single people).
- (12) ... has a way for visitors to communicate in writing (registration cards or books). Registration is not only a way to keep abreast of our active membership -- it is a way visitors can indicate their address and phone number and their desire for a call or prayer.



"I am most gratified by the success of our Attendance Campaign, but I do regret the unfounded rumor about door prizes!"

What are we doing well? How can we improve? Together we can answer both questions!

Your Pastor,
Tim W Muehlbrad



Dear St. Paul,

We have been one month removed from Easter there are now going to be some shift changes. With all authority given to Christ, He has called us to go out into the world make disciples of all nations, and baptize them in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. It may seem scary to go to the ends

of the earth but I assure you it is not. We may look at missions as just “good deeds” but they are more than that. Being missional means being intentional about serving others. It is a way to build on a relationship that will eventually earn the respect of others in order that we can have the privilege to have a conversation about Christ. Being missional also means being God’s hand and feet to remind other believers that there is hope and that Christians are not alone in a hostile world. Early in the book of Acts Jesus comes to the disciples and lays out the game plan. The disciples are to start their mission in Jerusalem, then move throughout the region (Judea & Samaria), then they step outside and take the gospel story of Christ to the end of the earth. If Christ gave that order today he would say “stay here in Yorktown, then go to other parts of DeWitt County and the state of Texas, finally, I want you to leave the country you call home.” We start at home, move to our village, and then leave our home to enter a foreign land. So how can you be missional today? Parents can sign up to help Tina Boehm with VBS. In addition, we also need a support team to help our VBS volunteers. I’m looking for people to donate breakfast foods so we can feed the adults and youth who help run our VBS. Parents and children can show up in the morning to clean up the park here in Yorktown. Adults can volunteer to help our librarian close up on Mondays or help with the summer reading program. Every month I am told a delivery truck meets at the YAM building, and they need

volunteers to help unload. There is a pet shelter out in Cuero that is in desperate need of volunteers. They need people to show up and help socialize the animals so the pets have a better chance of adoption. We have a lot of exciting work ahead and I know St. Paul can answer the call. When I asked for supplies for disaster kits, St. Paul answered by giving a combination of seventy-five disaster kit items. Good job and thank you very much! The youth at the NALC warehouse will make great use of everything this church gave. For families looking for events during the summer we have "Cinema & Religion" nights. We are taking a look at secular movies and picking the hidden truths in them. Come and enjoy these wonderful movies and God's word as a family. Here are the following dates...

12 Angry Men (1957) - Wednesday, June 6th

Freaky Friday (2003) - Wednesday, June 20th

Captain America (2016) - Wednesday, July 11th

Star Wars: The Last Jedi (2017) - Wednesday, July 25th

Wizard of Oz (1939) - Wednesday, August 8th

We're the hands and feet!
Youth & Family Director
Nicholas Requejo



CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

April 12, 2018

Bill Klaevemann, president, called to order the meeting of St. Paul Lutheran Church's Council. Present for the meeting were Pastor Tim Muehlbrad, Bill Klaevemann, Nicholas Requejo, Beverly Bruns, Calvin Bruns, Kimberly Gaus, Jay Heil, Lois Kelch, Ray Lange, Cathy Moritz, Dorothy Mayfield, Judy Taylor, and visitors Victor Riske and O. F. Bolting.

Devotion The devotion was given by Dorothy Mayfield

Minutes With no corrections or additions, the minutes stand approved as presented.

Reports

Treasurer Calvin reported that the meeting with Katie, Dr. John Frels, Pastor Tim, and himself is rescheduled for April 19th, at which time they

will discuss the consolidation of some of the line items in the budget. In order to close the two accounts discussed at the February meeting, the banks require a letter giving Calvin the authority to close them. Calvin also mentioned that the spending deficit shown in March is really more of an accounting glitch than an actual deficit. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Stewardship No report

Youth Beverly reported that 3 youth helped Nick with some yard work at the Church over Spring Break, Grade 4 through 8 stuffed over 500 eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt, a skit, the *Colors of Easter*, was presented, several families helped with the Easter Breakfast, and preparation for Vacation Bible School continues.

Worship Jay stated that a new guide regarding the jobs and responsibilities of the Altar Guild, developed by Beverly Bruns, will be reviewed by the worship committee.

Social Concerns Judy reported that 3 people were assisted in February and two families were assisted in March.

Property Ray reported the walkway awning completed, installed 4 exhaust fans in restrooms, light bulbs replaced, 2 fans in daycare were replaced, fan and light on Pastor's porch replaced, electric plug added at Pastor's house, Nick's office is complete, all locks have been replaced, tree at cemetery has been trimmed, trees at church and cemetery have been sprayed for ball moss, stripping floor in hallway and fellowship hall is completed, hot water repaired in church, bathrooms in daycare completed, getting quotes for new fencing around air conditioners, and water bills corrected by city.

Parish Education The Nursery, Elementary, and Junior High School classes studied several of the Lectionary readings during March and the Easter egg hunt had approximately 25 children participate. Rally Day has been set for September 9th.

C. E. M. See attached report

Evangelism/Outreach An ad was placed in both Victoria and Yorktown Newspapers with the times of services. Gifts for Mother's Day and Father's Day will be presented. A thank you to First Responders was placed in the Yorktown Newspaper.

Christian Life The movie, Wonder, was presented in the Fellowship Hall with popcorn and pizza being served to 17 in attendance. The

Christian Life Committee will also be sponsoring the 5th Sunday Potluck meal on April 29th. A Chicken spaghetti Pentecost lunch will be held on May 20th. The senior recognition committee will be providing a cake at the lunch in honor of the graduating seniors.

Cemetery “Tree” was trimmed for Decoration Day. Gerhardt family will respond to 3 options given them concerning tree in a few weeks.

Nicholas Two youth showed up to help with flower beds. Easter egg hunt and Easter Breakfast went well. Sixty pillow cases, 10 cords of string and 15 towels were donated. They will be recruiting for VBS, recruiting breakfast items for VBS, and working to get messages to all parents via phones. They are still working on the youth policy and will have a trip to Laser world for the youth that helped with the Easter egg hunt and breakfast.

Pastor Tim Professional activities during March included 14 worship services, 4 hospital visits, 10 home visits, 10 education events, 8 church meetings and events, and 3 community events. Official acts included the burial of Beatrice Hoegemeyer, Alonso Duderstadt, Larry Vasbinder, Viola Majefski, and Joyce Audilet. First Communion was given to 8 young members.

Old Business

A. Communication with Gerhardt family

They will respond to our letter, concerning the 3 options for the tree at the cemetery, after a family gathering in a few weeks.

B. Learning garden bathrooms

The learning garden personnel wanted the water heaters, which are way up over the rest rooms, to be enclosed and the bid was \$1,875 for 2 areas. Believing the money could be spent more suitably in other ways, Beverly made a motion not to enclose the water heaters. Judy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

C. Lights in Attic

Treble lights are used to provide light in the attic, these type of lights are illegal according to our insurance company and are a fire hazard. To replace the lights would be \$1,200. Ray made a motion to replace the lights in the attic. Judy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

D. Pew Cushions

Ray made a motion to have the task force (Luellen Smiley, Doris Koehler, Beth Sievers, and Pam Hoefling) go forward with the process

of selecting new pew cushions and bring their suggestion to a congregational meeting for consideration. Dorothy seconded the motion. The motion carried

The council also would like the task force to work on some options for the floors in the sanctuary. They would select different options and consider factors such as allergies from carpeting, acoustics, esthetics, ease of cleaning the hardwood floors, etc. Any suggestions of the congregation should also be considered. Some suggestions are to have carpeting go up the center aisle only or have carpeting on center aisle and side aisles, etc.

The council would like the committee to make a suggestion and present it to the congregation through Temple Talks and get feedback from the congregation.

E. Location of trees honoring Herbert and Elorine Hahn

The tree donated by Sandy and Avi Ghosh in honor of Herbert and Elorine Hahn should be planted to the west side of the pavilion, in back of the cross. Robin and Clay Caran would like to donate 2 trees in honor of their grandchildren. Beverly made a motion to accept the two trees from Robin and Clay Caran. Jay seconded the motion. The motion carried. Victor Riske and Kristin Schustereit will mark where the trees should be planted on the west side of the pavilion.

F. Benches around the oak tree in front

The benches around the live oak tree to the south west side of the Church have deteriorated and probably need repair or replacement. It was decided to table the decision and let members of the council look at the benches. Also suggestions from other congregational members concerning the replacement of the benches would be beneficial.

New Business

A. Report from Endowment Committee

O. F. Bolting explained the origin of the Endowment fund which was initiated in 2003. The principal is a restricted amount which is actually invested at the time of the donation and can never be withdrawn. The interest can either be re-invested or withdrawn as deemed necessary. An application would be used by church organizations to request some of the interest for use by their group. Distribution of the funds is decided by the endowment committee.

B. Request

Beverly made a motion to have a Children's Music Ministry recital on May 27th at 6 PM in the Sanctuary. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Closing

Jay made a motion to adjourn. Lois seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Mayfield

2018 COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT - Bill Klaevemann – 649-2753

SECRETARY - Dorothy Mayfield - 550-9136

PARISH ED – Kimberly Gaus – 361-243-8696

STEWARDSHIP – Calvin Bruns – 564-9115

WORSHIP – Jay Heil – 564-3780

CHRISTIAN LIFE – Cathy Moritz – 830-305-8628

PROPERTY – Ray Lange – 571-7629

SOCIAL CONCERNS – Judy Taylor – 564-3894

YOUTH - Beverly Bruns – 564-9115

EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Lois Kelch - 361-401-0150

Financial Report

Adjustments are being made to the financial statement. It will be up next month. Thank you for your patience.

Cradle workshop is on summer break and will resume again in September.



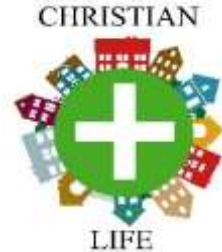
Once again, thank you so much for your generous support of this ministry. It is greatly appreciated! God Bless,
Child Outreach International



Tuesday
MAY 1, 2018

Group	Time	Study Leader	Hostess
FAITH	9:00 a.m.	Linda Hurta	Kathie Fehner
GRACE	9:00 a.m.	Judy Taylor	Penny Sievers
JOY	2:30 p.m.	Group	Meeting Room

Come relax and join us for a furnished congregational chicken spaghetti meal with all the trimmings to celebrate Pentecost and graduating senior recognition on May 20th after Sunday School.



SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY

- May 20th is a special day as we celebrate with our young people who are graduating from high school this year. Those graduating are:

Madison Hickman, Noah Innocenti, Keri Hilbrich
Chance Kaiser, Eran Krause, Joseph Matejek

You are cordially invited to a reception honoring Ms. Caroline Blain on her 94th birthday and Mr. John Wilkerson on his 90th birthday!

Yorktown Community Dining Hall
Saturday, May 19, 2018
4:30 – 8:00 pm

Music, Refreshments and just some good ole fun!



*Newsletter deadline will be May 18.
Make sure you get your articles in!*

GOD HAS BLESSED LaRae Wieland and David Kelley as they were united in marriage Saturday, April 14, 2018.



Thank you for your prayers and gift of \$809.32. Your financial contribution helps advance the King's work as your missionaries

bring the Gospel to those least likely to have heard, believe, or benefitted from its saving and transforming power. Our monthly newsletter is a quality mission & prayer resource which brings you the latest news on your 100 missionaries at work in 20 countries. Write mobilize @wmpl.org or phone 612-871-6843 to request a free subscription. We'll be happy to send it via postal mail, email, or both.

World Mission Prayer League

The Children's Music Ministry and the Chime Ringers will dismiss for June, July, and August. We will resume the first Wednesday at 4:00 and 4:30 in September.



Three beautiful new Live Oak trees now grace the



landscape at the Lutheran cemetery at the west end near the pavilion. We are very thankful to Sandy and Avi Ghosh, and Clay and Robin Caran for these beneficial donations in memory of family members.

The tree, donated by Sandy and Avi Ghosh, was planted in memory of Herbert and Elorine Hahn.

Two trees were donated by Clay and Robin Caran.

One of their trees has been planted as a memorial for Kennedy Beth Carriger and the second tree as a memorial for Harper Shea Carriger. Clay and Robin Caran donated the work of planting the trees. We appreciate the kindness and generosity of these families.



Words of Wellness for May 2018 From the Wesley Nurse

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“Liminal Space”

This is the time of year when it is common for me to get phone calls from parents of graduating high school seniors. While the details are different with each of these calls, there is one common theme to them all. The parents want to know why when graduation should be such a happy occasion, they are seeing such high levels of stress in their high school senior. “One moment my son/daughter is on top of the world, and the next they are in the depths of worry and despair. Are these mood swings normal?” I explain that what their son or daughter is experiencing is indeed normal and to be expected, and that the reason it is so is because their son or daughter is currently in a liminal space.

The word liminal comes from the Latin word *limens* which means “limit or threshold.” Author and theologian Richard Rohr defines the liminal space that is experienced when we go through a significant transition this way, “It is when you have left, or are about to leave, the tried and true, but have not yet been able to replace it with anything else. It is when you are between your old comfort zone and any possible new answer. If you are not trained in how to hold anxiety, how to live with ambiguity, how to entrust and wait, you will run...anything to flee this terrible cloud of unknowing.” Ancient cultures referred to liminal space as a “crazy time,” which seems to be exactly what the parents I spoke to on the phone this week were witnessing.

All cultures have rite of passage ceremonies to mark liminal transitions. For example, in addition to graduations, there are rites of passages throughout our lives for weddings, funerals, baby naming, or baptism ceremonies. Liminal transitions also occur in many other ways that are not always marked by official ceremonies. Starting or leaving a job, moving, retirement, beginning or ending a relationship, or a significant change in one’s health are all examples of liminal transitions.

There are two essential factors all people need when they find themselves in a liminal space: spirituality and community. These two factors will provide direction and support in the midst of this vulnerable, “crazy” time. Spirituality is what defines “true north” for us all the time, but especially in times of transition. It is what defines and grounds our core values and beliefs, and may or may not be connected to a religious faith. Community is our network of friends and family, the people we can turn to when we need support.

Therefore, all rites of passage ceremonies, including graduations, involve both a time for reflection and inspiration (spirituality) and a way for the community to jointly celebrate the important life transition that is being marked. The community gathers to both celebrate and support and show commitment to the person who is crossing the important threshold, as they move from some kind of previous “normal” to a new and yet undefined “normal.” So, if you receive an invitation to a graduation party this year know that it is actually a gathering to acknowledge a young person’s passage through a liminal space, and you now know the importance of showing up and offering your encouragement and support.

We are all wise to remember the words that are written in the photograph above, no matter what type of transition we, or someone we love, are going through, “Honor the space between no longer and not yet.”

Your Wesley Nurse,

Kathy Frels, RN

Reference: LivingCompass.com.

Samaritan Family Wellness Foundation. 500 W. Silver Spring Dr. K270
Glendale, WI 53217

**NORTH AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
SOUTH TEXAS MISSION DISTRICT
DISASTER RESPONSE WAREHOUSE**

In February of this year, we were able to dedicate a warehouse in our district. This building belongs to the NALC Disaster Response

Task Force and is for the use of the South Texas and North Texas Mission Districts and surrounding areas. Now that our district has the building, we need your help in filling it!

Wish List

Gift Cards!

Walmart – Home Depot – Lowe’s

Tools: Shovels & Rakes

Straw Brooms

String Mops (NOT sponge mops!)

Buckets – 5 gallon size with lid

Contractor trash bags

Scrub Brushes

Bath Towels: new & slightly used

Towels (for rags): all sizes & any condition

Gloves: leather, cotton, rubber (all 3 kinds needed)

Dust masks (N95)

Bug Spray

Spanish Language Bibles (We have plenty of English language Bibles!)

Thanks for your help!

Michael Dittrich

*for more information, or if you have questions, please call Nick at the church office at 361-564-2135.



What's happening at The Learning Garden!!

Summer/Fall Enrollment:

The Learning Garden is holding Open enrollment for the Summer/Fall Session May 1st - 31st. For more information, contact Tracie in the office.

Bathrooms:

Bathrooms have been completed and we are so excited. The teachers have been raving about how it is so nice to not stop lessons to take the children to the potty down the hall. They have taught the children when they need to use the potty to just get up

and go. No lessons or activities are being interrupted and the children are getting so much more instruction time. Thank you for approving this wonderful addition.

Enrollment:

Current Fall Enrollment ~ 51 children

- Infants ~ 5
- Toddlers ~ 4
- Two-Year Old's ~ 10
- Preschool ~ 15
- Prekindergarten ~ 16
- After School ~ 1

Waitlist:

- 2 ~ Infants
- 1 ~ Toddler
- 2 ~ 3-year-olds
- 1 ~ After Schooler

If you have any questions, or just want to come in to visit us let Tracie know. You are all welcome to come see what we do here at The Learning Garden.

**MAY 2018
SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Sunday, May 6, 2018 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 10:44-48

Psalm: Psalm 98

Second Lesson: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 15:9-17



Sunday, May 13, 2018 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Psalm: Psalm 1

Second Lesson: 1 John 5:9-13

Gospel: John 17:6-19



Sunday, May 20, 2018 – Day of Pentecost

First Lesson: Act 2:1-21

Psalm: Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Second Lesson: Romans 8:22-27



Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Sunday, May 27, 2018 – First Sunday after Pentecost



First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm: Psalm 29

Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-17

Gospel: John 3:1-17

We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:

LeRoy Ruppert – who passed away April 12, 2018. Services were held April 16, 2018.



May the power of the resurrection continue to provide them assurance.



In memory of Larry Vasbinder – Building

Manroy & Gracie Wolpman

Ricky & Judy Hilbrich

Elorine Domann & Mary Lee Kozielski

Mary Lou Gerhardt

Carl & Sandra Bolting

Lyn Janssen

KC & Doris Koehler

Joyce M. Lamprecht

Dorothy Mayfield

Lance & Kari Mueller

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

David & Patsy Ibrom

Lana Beth Helmers

James & Irma Chomout

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel

James & Brenda Nash

Cathy Moritz

Robert & Shirley Ibrom

Jesse & Linda Hurta

Gaylen & Laura Kaiser

Aaron & Erin Koopmann

Carl & Sharon Matejek

Harvey & Shirley Mueller

Velma Lee Moritz

Jim & Joan Urban

Margaret Krause & Family

John & Elaine McGhee

BJ & Jennifer Chomout

Darryl & Shirley Mueller
Rod & Donna Seidel
Billy & Wysenda Fischer
Arlen & Cindy Parma
Clarence & Cynthia Strait

LaFran Budge

Gilbert & Mary Louise Pargmann

Caroline Blain

Clay & Robin Caran

In memory of Larry Vasbinder – CEM

Don & Susan Wieland

In memory of Larry Vasbinder – Cemetery

Emil & Bernice Geffert

Steven & Debbie Kneese

In memory of Larry Vasbinder – Endowment

Alvin & Mallie Stanchos

In memory of Joyce Audilet - Building

Joseph Jendrzey

Mandy Hahn & Matt Carlsen

Phyllis Hahn

Ray & Karon Arnold

Charles & Wanda Styra

Mark & Cindy Knobles

Elorine Domann & Mary Lee Kozielski

Mary Lou Gerhardt

David & Patsy Ibrom

Allen Machost

Lance & Kari Mueller

Kraege & Judy Wolpman

Gregg & Darlene Metting

Cathy Moritz

Gary & Lana Podsim

Velma Lee Moritz

Carl & Sandra Bolting

Arlen & Kathie Fehner

Glen & Judy Henze

Joyce M. Lamprecht

Dennis Henze

Caroline Blain

Ricky & Judy Hilbrich

In memory of Joyce Audilet – CEM

Jesse & Linda Hurta

Victor Riske

In memory of Joyce Audilet – Cemetery

Steven & Debbie Kneese

In memory of Joyce Audilet – Endowment Fund

Alvin & Mallie Stanchos

In memory of Gerry Riske - Building

Elorine Domann & Mary Lee Kozielski

In memory of Alvin Domann - Building

Elorine Domann & Mary Lee Kozielski

In memory of Agustin Serrano, Sr. - Cemetery

Steven & Debbie Kneese

In memory of Agustin Serrano, Sr. – Building

Cathy Moritz

In memory of Agustin Serrano, Sr. – CEM

Robert Riedesel

In memory of Janet Geffert Herring – Cemetery

Sherry Metting

In memory of Bill Robinson – Building

Margaret Krause & Family

In memory of Beatrice Hoegemeyer – Building

Algerine Vasbinder

In memory of Alonso Duderstadt – Cemetery

Dan Gohmert

In memory of LeRoy Ruppert – Endowment

Alvin & Mallie Stanchos

In memory of LeRoy Ruppert – Building

Boyd & Pam Weise

Arvid & Kitty Sievers

Roger & Kristin Schustereit

Loris Maddox

Joyce M. Lamprecht

Arlen & Kathie Fehner

Audrey Balcar

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Roland & Gail Riedesel

Harland & Judith Schlenker

Dorothy Mayfield

Roger & Deborah Geffert

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Elorine Domann

Mary Lee Kozielski

Ruby Warzecha

Melissa Stolle & Boys

Derek & Jennifer Franke

Marsha Gibson

Scott Straube

Buddy & Mary Blackwell

In memory of LeRoy Ruppert – CEM

Jesse & Linda Hurta

In memory of LeRoy Ruppert – Cemetery

Steven & Debbie Kneese

Jerry & Debbie Yount & Family

Emil & Bernice Geffert

**Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of April 20, 2018.*



Will we have enough pastors?

Will our pastors be well-grounded in God's Word and the Lutheran Confessions?

Will they be able to teach and equip disciples at all ages and stages of life?

The NALS will continue to answer "YES" to these questions with your help during North American Lutheran Seminary Month.

The North American Lutheran Seminary needs both your prayers and generous financial support to continue our mission of preparing competent, evangelical and confessional pastors who will faithfully and eagerly serve in the decades to come. Here are some startling facts illustrating the urgent need for growing the Seminary of the North American Lutheran Church:

- Approximately 9 of 10 NALC pastors are over the age of 40.
- 75% of pastors are over the age of 60.
- Since 2010, the NALC has grown to more than 420 congregations and is still growing.

As a result, the Seminary's student body, faculty and staff are already growing and preparing to grow even more at our residential campus in Ambridge, at extension sites and through relationships with undergraduate institutions across North America.

Join us this May to observe North American Lutheran Seminary Month. With your prayers and generous donation, you are supporting the NALS and providing for the future of the North American Lutheran Church.

Gifts for this year's North American Lutheran Seminary Month may be remitted to:

North American Lutheran Church
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Minneapolis, MN 55486-0565

Checks should be payable to North American Lutheran Church or NALS. Use the memo line to indicate North American Lutheran Seminary or NALS.



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