

### Serving Christ During the Week

Today: 9am, Divine Service

6:30pm H. S. Youth Gathering in Youth Room

Monday: [Labor Day; Pastor & Lynn gone]

Tuesday: 6am Early Bird Bible Study

10am Pastor Brege installs new seminary pastor

Wednesday: 8:20am Wyneken Chapel

Thursday: 9:30-11am Circuit Pastors' Exegetical Study

Friday: 3pm Reformation Service run-through

Saturday: 3pm 500th Anniversary Reformation Service at Hoagland Park

4pm-Midnight Reformation/Okttoberfest at Hoagland Park

Next Sunday: 8am, Divine Service

9:15am Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

10:15am, Matins

### **NEWS AND NOTES September 3, 2017**

⊕ During Communion distribution, the Communion hymn is sung. As long as people are still communing, the next consecutive hymns in the hymnal are sung. We do not stand for doxological hymn verses during Communion distribution.

⊕ This Saturday the Decatur Circuit (and other invited guests) will gather for a 500th Anniversary Reformation Celebration. Our Reformation & Oktoberfest will be September 9th, 3pm-Midnight. We will begin with a Divine Service, with Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison (LC-MS President) preaching. We will then join in "German-type" celebration: Amazing German Food & Drinks; Polka & Square Dancing; Family Friendly Education Stations; etc. Set this date aside and don't miss this celebration of the 500 Anniversary of the Reformation! (Individuals or Businesses that would like to donate for this event, get a flier in the back of the church.)

⊕ With the Reformation Service and Oktoberfest a special meal will be offered. The event and celebration are free. However if you want to attend the special meal, tickets for this meal can be purchased at any time from Tim Ehlerding, who is our congregation's representative for this celebration. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 10 and under. At the event meal tickets will be a dollar more. To purchase tickets today see Lynn Brege.

⊕ September 9th Circuit Reformation 500 Event Parking Volunteers: The circuit youth groups are taking shifts to serve as parking attendants at the Reformation 500 Service & Oktoberfest. Oasis has been asked to help with the last shift from 10:30pm-Midnight. We need both high school youth and parents to assist. Please contact Brian Horning if you are willing to help.

⊕ As again decided by the Voters Assembly, we will be returning to two Sunday services (8am & 10:15am) NEXT SUNDAY.

⊕ With our return to two services next Sunday, we will also begin another year of special instruction in God's Word. From 9:15-10am Sunday School will officially begin, as will Adult Bible Class. In Adult Bible Class we will consider the Epistle to the Hebrews. Come, join in this valuable time of give and take in relation to God's Word.

⊕ As First Vice President of the Indiana District, Pastor Brege will be installing an ordained seminary worker (Rev. Don Wiley) at the seminary opening service this Tuesday at 10am.

⊕ Wyneken parents who attend worship here with their Wyneken children are reminded to initial their column on the special books in the narthex. Recall that each Wyneken child(ren) and their families must attend at least 14 services at the church to retain their member tuition status.

⊕ YOUTH NEWS: **9/3, (9/10 TBA due to Reformation 500 Event Clean-up) 9/17, 10/1** in the Youth Room (Bingen Parish Hall Basement); **9/9 10:30pm-Midnight** Circuit Reformation 500 Event Parking Volunteers. Copies of the event calendar are in the narthex on the credenza.

⊕ **Nelsons Chicken Youth Fundraiser:** Oasis Lutheran Youth Fellowship is selling tickets for their Nelsons Half Chicken fundraiser being held on Sunday **September 24<sup>th</sup>** from 9am-2pm. We will deliver to all three association churches or you can pick up at our grilling location at CVS in Decatur. Tickets are \$8.00 included is a half chicken and Nelson's famous "pitatoes." Youth representatives will be selling tickets on **Sunday** mornings or you can contact Brian Horning ([260-301-1496](tel:260-301-1496)).

⊕ **Bingen Married Couples Retreat Registration is OPEN:** It is not too late to register for the married couples retreat that St. John Bingen is hosting the weekend of **September 29<sup>th</sup>-October 1<sup>st</sup>** at the Blue Gate Inn in Shipshewana, featuring guest speaker Rev. Dr. Todd Biermann. Registration forms available in the back of church. The priority date to make your hotel reservations in the "St. John" block is **Monday September 4th**. If you have any questions about this exciting opportunity, please contact Brian Horning, Mark & Rhonda Scheumann, Kevin & Tracy Brown, or Don & Danelle Westrick.

⊕ Mark your calendars for September 16th, this fall. Lutherans for Life is holding their Regional Conference at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, on that Saturday. The theme is "Hope for Life!" Go to: [www.lutheransforlife.org/conference](http://www.lutheransforlife.org/conference)

to register, and get more info.

⊕ In lieu of a one day summer cleaning, anyone willing to volunteer a little time to help with some extra cleaning, please contact our custodian, Jamie Miller (547-4229). Thank you greatly!

⊕ We will be making noodles September 11-13 beginning at 7am. All are welcome to attend. Come when you can and stay as long as you can.

⊕ Wyneken Golf Outing. If you haven't signed up to play, there is still time! [September 17](#) is the date of the event. This year's outing features door prizes, hole prizes, and prizes for winning. Dixon Golf will also be there with a Par 3 challenge and golf giveaways! There is a hog roast beginning at 5 pm for participants and non-golfers. Carry-outs are available. See a member of the Class of 2019 to get in on the fun. You can also contact Mike Macke at [260-517-3605](tel:260-517-3605) with questions or to sign up.

⊕ The LWML SRD Workshop will be held at St. John, Bingen on September 17, 2017 beginning at 3pm. There are 26 quilts made from donated material that need to be finished, so lots of helpers are needed. Please bring scissors and, if possible, a large eyed needle. An evening meal will be served.

⊕ Our Gently Used Sale will be on Friday, [September 22](#) from 8am-4pm and Saturday, [September 23](#) from 8-11am. There will also be baked goods and noodles for sale. \$2.00 a bag on [Saturday](#). If you have donations please wait to drop them off until after second service on September 17.

⊕ The LLL/LWML Rally will be held at Zion, Friedheim on October 15, 2017 beginning at 3pm. The speaker is Otto Brillinger who has done mission work in Lithuania and outreach to over 30,000 Lithuanians who migrated to Spain in the Valencia region. A meal will be served.

⊕ "Prayer list" for members to use as they bring the needs of others before God's throne of grace: Carol Bieberich; Cathy Terhune has miraculously shown improvement; Penny Smith.

⊕ Like Peter, the world imitates Satan in talking or acting as if some situations even Jesus shouldn't redeem (Matthew 16:21-23). Though we often allow this or even agree, still the Lord God does not forget or forsake us (Jeremiah 15:15, 20-21). Indeed, He lifts up the lowly (Romans 12:16), because His vengeance has been repaid against our crucified Savior instead (Romans 12:19). His forgiving goodness overcomes every evil, even sins against life. *Lord God of Hosts, by Your words let us bring rejoicing to those who weep. Amen.*

⊕ The lessons for next Sunday are Ezek. 33:7-9; Romans 13:1-10; Matt. 18:1-20.

## Saint Paul Lutheran Church Preble

Sermon: "In Us We Can't; In Christ We Do" Romans 12:9-21

1. Let love be genuine.
2. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.
3. Love one another with brotherly affection.
4. Outdo one another in showing honor.
5. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.
6. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.
7. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.
8. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.
9. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.
10. Live in harmony with one another.
11. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly.
12. Never be wise in your own sight.
13. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all.
14. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.
15. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."
16. To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head."
17. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**P:** Lord, in your mercy **C:** Hear our prayer:

*Anniversary:* Bob and Faye Keuneke celebrate their 55th! Altar flowers praise God for this.

*The Communicants*

*Our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod*

*The Nation* [Labor Day; also hurricane devastation]

*Our Sick & Shut-in:*

*Birthdays:* Lisa Engstrom, David Vitatoe, Ally Todd, Brad Baker, Alyssa Brune, Tiffany Reinhart, Kim Ehlerding, Renee Gallmeyer, Greg Gallmeyer, Kodi Hoffman, Ron Schueler, Ted Buuck, Scott Marbach

### SERVICE OF LOVE IN CHRIST

Serving Christ and Being Served in Worship

9am: 218

Serving Christ in our Offerings

Need Weekly: \$7,181.70 Received Last Week: \$3,317.25

(+) or (-) Weekly: -\$3,864.45 (+) or (-) Year to Date: -\$58,667.95