Woodlawn Weekly News

October 9, 10, 11, 2021

Next Week: Pentecost 21

Theme: Next to the attachment to hearth and home, a person's chief attachment is to his purse. So it is not out of order to consider what God has to say about his gifts of wealth and to let him put those gifts in a proper context for us.

<u>New Worship Seating Plan</u>: The north side of the sanctuary and the front **7** pews on the Lincoln Ave. side are completely open. The back **4** pews on the Lincoln Ave. side are reserved for those who are masked and wish to be seated with social distancing. Please follow and respect this plan and be gracious to everyone.

A GOD-LIVED LIFE STEWARDSHIP CHALLENGE: Stewardship is about more than money. It's our whole lives. Jesus lived his life and gave his life for us. Our loving response is to imitate that. This month, our congregation is focusing on being a disciple - growing and learning in God's Word. Last week we handed out cards that challenge each member to build Bible reading, home devotions, spiritual discussion and prayer time into their regular routine. You can still find these challenge cards, along with the suggested Bible reading list on our website or pick them up in the church entryway. May God bless us as we commit to living a God-lived life of discipleship!

LADIES AID: Attention Ladies! The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **October 12**, at 12:30pm in Room 101. We will begin with a special video presentation from LWMS, followed by a business meeting, snacks and fellowship. Future meetings will take place on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Contact Linda Wishman with questions at 414-327-1614.

PACKER PARTY & GAME DAY: After our 10:30am service on October 17, we will gather in the lunchroom on the lower level at 12:00pm for chili, all the fixings, and dessert, and cheer on the Packers as they take on "da Bears"!! There will also be board games and card games for those not interested in football. We hope to see you there! Sign-up sheets will be on the table in the entryway. And don't forget to invite your family and friends to join us in the fun!!

<u>WELS/ELS SINGLES GROUP</u>: Join us hiking at Pike Lake on **Saturday**, **October 16 at 1:30pm**. We will park in the beach parking lot (S. Pike Lake Dr. Hartford WI, 53027) and determine our route. If we are lucky it will be a good opportunity to see fall colors. If you have questions, please contact Rachel Fritz at <u>rachelfritz@yahoo.com</u> or (515)778-1374. If you are not able to make it but are interested in future events, stay in touch via our Facebook page <u>Facebook</u> Groups.

MLC CHOIR CONCERT IN HARTFORD: The Martin Luther College Choir of New Ulm, MN, will present a sacred concert at 7:00pm on Sunday, October 17 at Peace Lutheran Church, 1001 Center St, Hartford. The concert, titled "Let It Shine", will feature a selection of choral music representing various composers and styles. The public is invited to attend. A door offering will be gathered to assist with travel expenses for the choir.

<u>VALUE THE GIFT</u>: Join Christian Life Resources (CLR) on Saturday, **October 16** from 9:30am-3:00pm at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School (3399 Division Road in Jackson) for our annual National Convention. It will be an exciting, informative, and inspiring day of learning-on how to *VALUE THE GIFT* of life from beginning to end, today and tomorrow. We will be providing the event in person, AND there will be a live-streaming option too. Onsite \$45 cost includes presentations, all materials, continental breakfast, boxed lunch, and snacks. The livestreaming virtual option to watch on your computer is \$35. More at:

http://christianliferesources.com/resources/events/national-convention/ or call 800-729-9535 to register.

FORWARD IN CHRIST & MEDITATIONS: Subscription forms are on the table in the entryway for these two excellent materials from our Northwestern Publishing House. *"Forward in Christ"* is our monthly magazine that is filled with devotional articles, stories of faith and service, and news about the work being carried out in your synod. *"Meditations"* is a daily family devotion booklet that has a faith-strengthening message to give you a spiritual boost. By subscribing through the church, you save several dollars compared to an individual subscription. Samples of each are available for your use. If you have questions, talk to one of the pastors. Forms are due with payment by November 15th.

<u>SCRIP</u>: Thank you for your orders which came to just over \$1,400. Our next order date is **Monday, October 18**. Please note we have a small inventory of cards on hand if you need something between orders. Pick up an order form from the carousel outside Pastor Kneser's office. Contact Mrs. Gasper at mgasper@logls.org with questions.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Harold Fabian (recovering from surgery after a fall).

BIBLE CLASS: One by One is a Bible study based on Pastor David Rosenau's keynote presentation at the WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership in January of 2020. Using powerful personal stories and drawing from his wealth of experience both as a detective and a parish pastor, Pastor Rosenau helps Christians understand why it is so important to see every soul as a treasure and why we want to be willing to spend the time and effort necessary to share the gospel with each one.

Join us for this motivating, thought-provoking and encouraging class. We meet on Thursdays at **10:30am (NEW TIME)** in Room 101 on Sundays at 9:15 in Room 100. Both classes are held in Room 101. If you have questions, contact one of the pastors. Sign up using Sign-Up Genius at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AFAD2CA6F85-communion

BLESSINGS BASH: Jordan is hosting our next Youth Group activity and service project on Saturday, November 6th, 6:30-8:30pm. We are calling it a "Blessings Bash" because the activities will focus on the blessings we receive from God and how, by His grace, we can be a blessing to others. For this event, we are partnering (in a sense) with the Waukesha branch of Blessings in a Backpack. This is a national, non-profit organization that feeds school children in the United States utilizing the federally funded school Free and Reduced Meal Program and are at risk of going hungry on the weekends. Please go to https://www.blessingsinabackpack.org/ for more information. On November 6th, our young people will be writing short, general, messages of encouragement to the children who open and enjoy these 'backpack' meals. Please let Ahnsharee Klusmeyer know if your teen will be able to attend. aklusmeyer@goodshep-herds.net Upcoming Youth Group events: December 5th - caroling on Candy Cane Lane 6:00-8:00pm; January 16th - TBD

<u>PASTOR WESSEL CALL</u>: Pastor Wessel has received a call from Zion Lutheran in Rhinelander, WI to serve as Associate Pastor for Evangelism / Outreach as well as Youth and Family ministry. Please keep him in your prayers as he decides where best to serve the Lord at this time.

<u>AUDIO / VIDEO TECH HELP WANTED</u>: We are looking for some enthusiastic people to serve on a two-person team for live streaming our weekend and special church services. We will train you until you are comfortable operating the camera or computer with a teammate in a 4-6 week rotation. We are also looking for people to learn the basic operation of our new digital mixing board so that they can assist with mixing and shaping audio for special church services and other occasions, especially our monthly Contemporary services with the Worship Team. If interested, talk to a pastor or contact Jef Jaeger (414-423-9173 or jef.jaeger@juno.com).

<u>GRACE DOWNTOWN</u>: Job Opening at Grace-Grace Lutheran Church in downtown Milwaukee is *urgently seek-ing* a qualified candidate for the role of **Events Coordinator**. The Events Coordinator works closely with the Events Director and is responsible for select events and activities held at Grace. Candidate must be a WELS member and willing to work occasional evenings and weekends. **Currently a part-time role, there is the possibility of making it a full-time position for the right candidate.** For the full job description and more information, contact Veronica Brewer, Events Director at *vbrewer@gracedowntown.org* or 414-271-3006.

NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM VOLUNTEERS! Good Shepherd's, Woodlawn, and Jordan will again have a living nativity this year. It will be on Saturday, **December 4** at Good Shepherd's Lutheran Church. Anyone interested in participating in the event - we need actors and people who will be behind the scenes, etc. -- should contact Mike Zarling from Good Shepherd's. You can reach him by email at Mike.Zarling@directsupply.com or by phone at 414-418-4108. You can also sign up in the church entryway on the sign-up sheet.

THIS WEEK AT WOODLAWN

<u>Sun. Oct. 10</u> – Worship w/Communion at 8:00am & 10:30am; **Grades 3K-5K sing at Jordan at 9:00am**; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Sunday School in Room 201 & 203; Teen Bible Study in the Luther Lounge; Adult Bible Class (*One by One*) in Room 100)

Mon. Oct. 11 – Pastors' Conference at Good Shepherd's 9:00am—3:00pm; Worship w/Communion at 6:30pm
Tue. Oct. 12 – Ladies Aid at 12:30pm in Room 101; Pioneers at Jordan at 6:00pm; Bible 101 at 6:00pm in the Luther Lounge; Handbells at 6:30pm

Wed. Oct. 13 – Worship Team rehearsal at 6:30pm

<u>Thu. Oct. 14</u> – Bible Class (*One by One*) at 10:30am in Room 101; Public School Catechism at 5:00pm in the Luther Lounge; Choir at 6:30pm

Fri. Oct. 15 - School Chapel at 9:00am

Sat. Oct. 16 -Worship at 5:00pm

<u>Sun. Oct. 17</u> – Worship at 8:00am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Sunday School in Room 201 & 203; Adult & Teen Bible Class (*One by One*) in Room 100); *Contemporary Service at 10:30am;* Packer Party Potluck at Noon in the Cafeteria Mon. Oct. 18 – SCRIP orders due by 8:00am; Worship at 6:30pm