Next Week: Reformation

Theme: Prompted by God's grace let us recommit ourselves to purity of doctrine that comes alone from the Word, and to a life that reflects our devotion to the Savior who gives himself for us and then to us in his pure Word and sacraments.

<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.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Wayne Kabelowsky (Aurora-St. Luke).

PASTOR WESSEL CALL: 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>CHECK OUT THE NEW HYMNAL!</u> Please take a moment to check out the new hymnals and psalter on the table in the entryway. If you would like to order one or both for yourself or donate one or both to Woodlawn, pick up an order form and payment envelope next to the sample copies. <u>The deadline to order is November 1</u>.

A number of short videos are available for you to learn about the new hymnal, the psalter and new liturgies, plus how to use these worship tools at home. You can find them at <u>welscongregationalservices.net/hymnal-intropresentations/</u>.

<u>MISSION FESTIVAL NEXT WEEK</u>: There will be special services next weekend, **November 6-7** for our Mission Festival. Pastor Paul and his wife Aneela (Christ Lutheran – Pewaukee, International Friendship Center) will speak on how he went from being a physician of the body to a physician of the soul. Listen as he discusses his Outreach to South Asia in Southeastern Wisconsin. Please stick around after early service or come early to the late service next Sunday to see a video presentation of their work. It will begin around 9:30am.

<u>CHECK IT OUT!</u> Please take a moment to stop by the table in the entryway to visit the Martin Luther display. Special thanks to Sharon Klinger for taking the time to set it up.

<u>SCRIP</u>: Our next order date is **Monday**, **November 1**. <u>Please note we have a small inventory of cards on hand if</u> <u>you need something between orders</u>. Pick up an order form from the carousel outside Pastor Kneser's office. A retailer listing is also available. Contact Mrs. Gasper at <u>mgasper@logls.org</u> with questions.

Retailer Updates: <u>Door Dash</u> is available as an e-gift card only in amounts from \$15 - \$200 at a 3% contribution. <u>Fleet Farm</u> is now available in both physical and e-gift cards in amounts of \$25 or \$100 at 3.5%. <u>Harley Davidson</u> is available as a physical gift card in \$25 or \$500 denominations at a 5% contribution. Please check out <u>www.shopwithscrip.com</u> for more information on available physical, e-gift, and reloadable cards. You can also check out <u>www.RaiseRight.com</u> for information on the SCRIP App to order from your phone and even have cards delivered right to your home!

HYMN SING AT DIVINE PEACE: On Thursday, **November 4**, at 6:30pm, Divine Peace will host a Hymn Sing. This special event, led by guest organist David Porth, will be for the congregation and others to sing verses of their favorite hymns. There will also be an introductory and closing music piece that will showcase our organ. We will take hymn requests from the congregation and sing 1-2 verses of each hymn. Hymns can be from the Christian Worship hymnal or the Supplement. Come with a list of your favorites! Bring a friend! There will be light refreshments and fellowship after the Hymn Sing. If you have any questions about this event, please email the church office at: <u>church@divinepeacechurch.com</u>

<u>WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE</u>: <u>WLC - Warrior 5K & 8K...Through the Park</u>: Register for a trail run to be held at Greenfield Park on **November 6**. The event is presented by Wisconsin Lutheran College's Cross Country teams. Learn more at <u>wlc.edu/warrior5k</u>.

<u>Theatre Production</u>: The Wisconsin Lutheran College Theatre Department will present You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown November 12-14 and 17-21 in the Center for Arts and Performance. Learn more at <u>wlc.edu/char-liebrown</u> or call 414.443.8802.

CONCERT BAND PERFORMANCES: <u>Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Concert Band</u> will present their Fall Concert on Sunday **November 7th**, at 3:00pm in the Schwan Hall on the Wisconsin Lutheran College Campus. The hall is on the Wisconsin Avenue side of the campus. Members of Woodlawn Lutheran that are part of the band are Jamin and Emily Wendorf, Al Schumacher and Dan Odya.

<u>The Milwaukee American Legion Band</u> will perform their Fall concert at on Sunday, **November 14th**, at 3:00pm at United Memorial Methodist Church, 52nd and Forest Home Ave. Dan Odya is a member of this band.

BLESSINGS BASH: Jordan is hosting our next Youth Group activity and service project on Saturday, **November 6**th, 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 <u>https://www.blessingsinabackpack.org/</u> for more information. We 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. <u>aklusmeyer@goodshep-</u> <u>herds.net</u>.

LADIES AID: Our next Ladies Aid meeting will be on Tuesday, **November 9**th, at 12:30pm in Room 101. We will begin with a short Bible study on Ruth, followed by a business meeting, snacks, and fellowship. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

LADIES AID HARVEST FAIR: It's that time of year once again – time for our annual Ladies Aid Craft Fair/Bake Sale! This sale is vital to the work we strive to accomplish within this organization. The funds we raise go toward various projects right here at Woodlawn as well as numerous WELS agencies and missions. Please consider donating baked goods or crafts to our annual sale. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this event. We will be open on **Saturday, November 13** from 3:00-4:45pm and again after Saturday night service. It is also open **Sunday, November 14** after both services. Bring your donated items to the cafeteria beginning at 1:00pm on Saturday, November 13. You can also bring items during the sale hours. If you have any questions, please contact Denyce Baker at 262-789-8085 or Bev Bock at 262-395-4979.

HYMNAL INTRODUCTION SEMINAR: St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church (198 Westridge Ave.) in Burlington, WI will host an introduction seminar for the new WELS *Christian Worship* hymnal on Saturday, **November 20**. All members of WELS congregations are invited to attend. Registration, food, and fellowship begin at 8:30am; the seminar begins at 9:00am and will conclude by noon. This seminar is designed to introduce the new WELS *Christian Worship* hymnal to as many members of our nearby WELS congregations as possible, and we hope many will attend.

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. If you have questions, talk to one of the pastors. **Forms are due with payment by November 15th**. *The new subscription begins with the November 28th issue.*

<u>NEW BIBLE CLASS!</u> When we say "there are elephants in the room," we mean that people are ignoring important issues. Theistic evolution relies on ignoring key biblical teachings in order to appear reasonable. Our next Bible Class topic is called, *"Elephants in the Room: Evolution Versus the Message of Scripture."*

Using God's Word alone former Woodlawn member and NPH editor, Pastor Robert Koester, breaks down evolutionary arguments and shows believers how to discern biblical teachings about creation from common doctrinal errors. In this seven-lesson Bible study participants will gain a better ability to discuss these problems with others and avoid confusion about science's relationship with God's Word. They will also learn about incompatibilities between Scripture and evolution as well as the doctrinal errors that arise when they are combined.

Classes are on Thursdays, beginning November 11 at 10:30am and on Sundays beginning November 14 at 9:15am. Classes will meet either in Room 101 or the cafeteria. Use the SignupGenius link <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AFAD2CA6F85-communion</u>. If you wish to purchase the book on which the class is based, there is a signup sheet on the table in the entryway. See one of the pastors if you have questions.

FALL BACK: Daylight Savings Time ENDS next weekend, **November 7.** Be sure to set your clocks BACK one hour when you go to bed next Saturday night.

FULL-TIME HELP NEEDED! Good Shepherd's has an immediate opening for a full-time childcare teacher to work with mostly one-year-olds and various other ages as needed. A more detailed job description is posted on the bulletin board. If you are interested, please contact Shelly Nardi at <u>childcare@goodshepherds.net</u>.

LAMB OF GOD BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: Our huge basketball tournament is 21 days away! We have over 100 slots that need to be filled. We hope to see every school family at the tournament at some point throughout the weekend! We could also use help from the congregations as volunteers or with donations. Thanks to everyone in advance for their willingness to help! Volunteer sign-up links are below. Just go to the school website (www.logls.org), click on "Athletics", then "Log Tournament" to get to the volunteer sign-up pages or follow this link: https://www.logls.org/page/athletic-log-tournament

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL: WLHS Fall Drama and Spaghetti and Songs-On November 5-7,

WLHS brings to stage *Clue*, a mystery based on the iconic 1985 Paramount movie which was inspired by the classic Hasbro board game. The production features two casts and will be held on Friday, November 5, at 7:00pm, Saturday, November 6, at 3:00pm and 7:00pm, and Sunday, November 7, at 1:00pm. Purchase tickets online in advance for a discounted rate at <u>wlhs.org/drama</u>. Tickets may also be purchased at the door before each performance.

Everyone is also invited to Spaghetti and Songs on Friday, **November 5**, before the drama production. WLHS Choral Associates will host an evening of dinner and entertainment featuring Wisco Kids and Inspiration choral ensembles. Food will be served from 4:30-7:00pm. Meal tickets can be purchased at the door \$10 for adults, \$7 for children, children 3 and under eat free.

WLHS Veterans Day Observance—Wisconsin Lutheran High School will hold its Veterans Day observance on Thursday, **November 11**. Service men and women are invited to a complimentary plated breakfast that will be served in the WLHS cafeteria at 7:30am. <u>RSVP for the breakfast by Monday, November 1</u>, online at <u>wlhs.org/veterans</u>. For questions, contact Becky Glass at <u>becky.glass@wlhs.org</u> or 414-453-4567 ext. 2291.

Everyone is invited to the special Veterans Day presentation in the WLHS main gymnasium at 8:30am. Alumnus Major General Johnny K. Davis ('87) US Army Commanding General, US Army Cadet Command, Fort Knox, will return as keynote speaker. The presentation will also be streamed live online the day of the event at <u>wlhs.org</u>. <u>Out of respect for our guests, masks are strongly encouraged for those in attendance</u>.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED: Kingdom Workers is assisting Children's Hospital to recruit volunteers in the Milwaukee area. Help is needed to transport children in foster care to and from school – an urgent need due to the bus driver shortage. Are you at least 21, have a valid driver's license, and auto insurance? Are you willing to help for a limited time? Times and days are determined by volunteer availability. Mileage is reimbursable. To volunteer, start by visiting kingdomwrkrs.co/foster-support and completing the volunteer application. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

FLOWER THANKS: Thank you to David & Elaine Vraney for providing flowers

THIS WEEK AT WOODLAWN

Sun. Oct. 31 – REFORMATION – Worship w/Communion at 8:00am & 10:30am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Sunday School in Room 201 & 203; Adult & Teen Bible Class (One by One) in Room 100); Evangelism at 11:45am in the Luther Lounge

<u>Mon. Nov. 1</u> – SCRIP orders due by 8:00am; Worship w/Communion at 6:30pm; Jesus Cares at 6:30pm in Room 101 <u>Tue. Nov. 2</u> – Bible 101 at 6:00pm in the Luther Lounge; Handbells at 6:30pm; Lamb of God Board meets at 6:30pm w/Subcommittees

<u>Wed. Nov. 3</u> –

Thu. Nov. 4 – No Bible Class; Choir at 6:30pm

Fri. Nov. 5 – School Chapel at 9:00am

<u>Sat. Nov. 6</u> – Mary Mornings at 9:00am in Room 101; Mission Festival Worship 5:00pm; Teens at Jordan at 6:30pm; *Turn Back the Clocks One Hour Before Bed Tonight!*

<u>Sun. Nov. 7</u> – Daylight Savings Time Begins – Mission Festival Worship at 8:00am & 10:30am; Bible Hour at 9:15am (Sunday School in Room 201 & 203; No Bible Class; <u>Mission Presentation at 9:30am in church</u>; Grades 1-4 sing at 10:30am

Mon. Nov. 8 – Mission Festival Worship at 6:30pm

Merge for Ministry

An update on the process as Good Shepherd's, Jordan, and Woodlawn Lutheran Churches consider merging.

We have established four subcommittees comprised of members from each of the three congregations with the goal to provide more detail about what a merged congregation would look like. These four subcommittees are: Church Ministry, Finances, Children's Ministry, and Property. An executive committee is working closely to coordinate between the various subcommittees.

Each of the groups has had at least one meeting. While we do not have firm details to share yet, the groups are exploring how best to use the facilities that we currently own for merged church, school, and childcare ministries. We are investigating site and staffing plans for a transition phase, as well as short-term and long-term goals for a merged congregation. We are also reviewing past financial records, current assets and expenses, and building a combined budget that takes into consideration the financial implications of our short and long-term goals.

The executive committee met recently and reviewed areas where the subcommittees have overlapping interests, dependencies, or questions for each other. Overall, we are making good progress!

If you would like to speak to one of the individuals serving on these subcommittees, please do so. A list of subcommittee members is listed below.

Executive Committee

Mark Kuether (GS) Pastor Tim Wempner (GS) Jamin Wendorf (WL) Brian Wickland (J)

Church Ministry

Pastor Ben Wessel (WL), chairman Pastor Mark Aufdemberge (J) Joel Davis (WL) Pastor Tom Kneser (WL) Pastor Tim Wempner (GS) Paul Wolfgramm (GS) Jes Woller (WL) Pastor Josh Zarling (GS)

Finance Subcommittee

Brian Wickland (J), chairman John Klein (WL) Jill Parbs (J) Gary Schmid (GS) Diann Schachtschneider (GS) Mike Strautmann (GS)

Property Subcommittee

Mark Kuether (GS), chairman Joe Becker (J) Ryan Bogenschneider (GS) Kevin Bush (GS) Mike Gittins (J) Joe Lucchesi (WL) Craig Niermann (GS)

Children's Ministry Subcommittee

Jamin Wendorf (WL), chairman Chris Balke (GS) Diann Balke (GS) Mike Henning (GS) Shelly Nardi (GS) Tim MacKain (J) Jackie Schachtschneider (J) Becca Schwall (WL) Nicole Wickland (J)