

September 2017 Newsletter  
Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church  
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### Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

A member congregation of the Northern Great Lakes Synod  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America

Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 AM

June thru August, Saturday Service: 5:30 PM

Fellowship/Coffee: 10:15 AM

Weekday Church School (preschool-grade 5): Wednesdays 4 PM  
(Weekday Church School runs from Labor Day to Memorial Day)

*EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND ROOTED IN THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE A  
LOVING COMMUNITY THAT FOLLOWS JESUS, AND SEEKS TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD  
AND DO IT IN OUR DAILY LIVES.*



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Council President: Doug Tarkowski 715-479-1154, Cell 715-891-0094  
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On the World Wide Web:  
[www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](http://www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org)  
[www.nglsynod.org](http://www.nglsynod.org)

## **BILL'S MESSAGE**

Peter cried out, "Lord save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "you of little faith, why do you doubt?" (Matt. 14: 30b-31)

In this story, we are often critical of Peter's lack of faith, and yet quite often we suffer in the same way ourselves. Each day, life itself tests our faith in many ways, much like the wind and the waves that battered the boat that carried the disciples. But just as Peter's faith was restored and his very life saved by Jesus' steady hand, we too can live each day confident that Jesus is with us, empowering and encouraging us as we strive to live out our faith, knowing along the way, we will have our own moments like Peter.

And we should try not to be too hard on Peter. After all he was the only one of the disciples who had the courage to step out of the boat..... We should too! ☺

Blessings, *Bill*

## **BISHOP THOMAS AND LUANNE SKRENES FUND FOR MINISTRY**

(Reprinted from July 31, 2017 Enotes)

About \$20,000 has been received in gifts and pledges for the Bishop Thomas and Luanne Skrenes Fund for Ministry. The ministry of Jesus in the Northern Great Lakes Synod continues! Luanne and I are showing our thanksgiving to God and appreciation to the ministry of the synod by establishing the "Bishop Thomas and Luanne Skrenes Ministry Fund" through our Synod Endowment. Annual distributions from the Skrenes Fund will support the clergy of our synod - debt retirement, as well as the work with our companion synod, the Eastern and Coastal Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. Please consider a financial gift to the Skrenes Ministry Fund of the synod. Thank you for supporting the efforts that have energized us in our ministries.

**NOTE:** Your Council unanimously voted to contribute \$500 to this fund as a retirement gift to Bishop Skrenes. This was done in the month of July 2017.

## **BRET & FRISK CONCERT**

Bret and Frisk will be performing at a concert for the community on Sunday, August 27, 2017, at 3 PM at The Sayner Pub. Shepherd will be the host for this event. Free-will offerings will be sent to Fortune Lake Lutheran Bible Camp in Crystal Falls, Michigan. A buffet and drinks will be available for a reasonable cost. Invite friends and neighbors to come and enjoy a wonderful Sunday afternoon concert! (Will be held rain or shine.) See details at the end of this newsletter!

# **PRAYER CONCERNS**

*Do you or someone you know need prayers? The very first thing you need to do is obtain permission to put the name on our prayer list. Then call Jan Lundin 715-891-2280, 715-337-0458 or [jlblundin@gmail.com](mailto:jlblundin@gmail.com). (NOTE: January-late April, please use only the 715-891-2280 number or the email address, not the 337 number. Prayers can also be requested thru Bill Wendorf, Barb Cashman or Barb Maines.) We don't need a lot of details but if you provide details to Jan, be assured that they remain confidential. She will pass on the request for prayers without details and all on the prayer chain will pray for that person. The request will also appear in the Sunday bulletin.*

- **Prayers requested since the last newsletter:** Mary Nysted, Shelle Blair, Rob Raichle, Justin Koegler, Tom Miles, Corey Soberg.
- **Ongoing health issues:** Joan Kirschner, Katie Fingerson, Diane Muri, Larry & Joan Stephenson, Bob Bernhardt, Ramona Schaeffel, Lisa Scheel, John Neuman, Betty Abraham, Linda Anderson, Darlene Mursett, Tom Miles, Corey Soberg, Mel Harvey, Alice Grosskreuz, Rich Kysiak, Tim Boman, Darrell Smith, Jessica, Charles Webb, Tim Nampel, Jerry Walters, Barb Maines, Tiffany Boman, Cassie Wiley, Lillian Crall, Evie Ahlborn, Shelle Blair, Rob Raichle, Jessica Stephenson.
- **Prayers of strength & comfort for the homebound or those in nursing homes:** Ginny & Lovell Morris, Marilyn Sheldon, Jackie Larsen, Mel Harvey.
- **Prayers of comfort and hope for those in prisons and those struggling with addictions:** Larry (friend of the Brentlingers), Jamie Goodrum.
- **Prayers for those who serve in our armed forces:** Jeff Hammer, Jeremy Vail, Brian Kriek, Adam & Brittany Recob, Brooks Maines, Will Schmidt, Lance Kangas, Jason Henke, Alex Bauer, Jared Mann, Mark Wolf.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Your church family would like the opportunity to pray for you, make arrangements for you to receive Holy Communion, or support you by other means. Please contact us:

- ...if you or someone in your family are ill at home or hospitalized.
- ...if you are anticipating surgery or another medical procedure.
- ...if you have a birth or death in your family.
- ...if you want to request prayers for someone else, ask their permission first.
- ...if you have any other significant event in your family.
- ...if you would like to schedule a visit with Bill Wendorf LLM or another church member.

Never forget that each of you are valued, loved, and cared for by your church family. Please notify Jan Lundin at 715-891-2280, 715-337-0458 or email [jlblundin@gmail.com](mailto:jlblundin@gmail.com) if you need prayers for any reason. (NOTE: January-late April, please use only the 715-891-2280 number or the email address, not the 337 number. Prayers can also be requested thru Bill Wendorf LLM, Barb Cashman or Barb Maines.)

We have a telephone calling tree with the prayer chain so those without a computer can participate in this ministry. If you would like to be included, your name will be added. Please let Jan know by calling 715-891-2280. An updated list will be mailed to you with a further explanation of how this works.

🕊️. Look for 🕊️...a Prayer Post at the flower bed 🌸 beneath the bell. If this interests you, join me in this outreach through the summer months. Thank you. Jan Lundin

# **ALWAYS BEING MADE NEW**

## JUST A WORD...

Please consider making a contribution to the ELCA's **Always Being Made New** campaign through our Northern Great Lakes Synod. This year's appeal is centered on the country of Tanzania in Africa. Monies will be divided equally between the local synod for grants to develop companion congregation relationships in Tanzania and the church-wide ELCA for missionary support for those serving in Tanzania.

There are bulletin inserts and envelopes available in the church narthex. If you need the address it is:

Northern Great Lakes Synod  
Always Being Made New  
1029 N Third St Suite A  
Marquette, MI 49855

Please include SOTL as your congregation as well as your address. Monies may also be given in the offering but please mark it as **Always Being Made New**.

**FYI** Tanzania gained independence from the United Kingdom in 1961. In 1964, the Republic of Tanganyika joined with the People's Republic of Zanzibar and Pemba to form the United Republic of Tanzania. The United Republic currently has over 45 million inhabitants.

This is "God's work Our Hands". HIS work **needs** our support - prayerfully, willingly, joyfully and financially!! As we continue to read Matthew as our Gospel lesson these summer Sundays there are well-known verses that close the Book of Matthew. It specifically refers to this appeal!

## JUST A WORD...

***GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND TEACHING THEM TO OBEY EVERYTHING THAT I HAVE COMMANDED YOU. AND REMEMBER, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN UNTIL THE END OF THE AGE. Mt 28:19-20***

Submitted by Kathy Helge

## **SENIOR MEALS**

**Senior Meals** are now being served at the St Germain Community Center every Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday at noon for anyone 60+. The suggested donation is \$5 per meal and menus are posted for the entire month at the community center and also here at Shepherd's bulletin board in the coat room. If you are able to volunteer even one day a week at these meals, please call Lois at 715-542-2881. Volunteers are desperately needed; hours would be approximately 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

## **THANK YOU'S**

**From Vital Links:** We are thankful for your ongoing support of our mission efforts in Viet Nam. The Gospel House kids are thriving as we watch them grow year after year. Your donations for them make a difference. Our mission team held a party for them in an outdoor setting. They enjoyed it. We listened to them learning English from the teacher we hired 2x a week. God's Peace & Our Love, Tom & Carol Miles.

**Thank you's also received from:**

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp for \$41.67

Caritas for \$41.67

**EYEGASSES COLLECTIONS**

In the coat room atop the hangers there are now two boxes to collect eyeglasses. One is marked for the collection of **used** prescription eyeglasses for the Lions Club. The other is marked for **NEW "Readers"** (preferably 2.0 or 2.5) which Vital Links will bring to Viet Nam on their next trip.

**Next scheduled printings of this newsletter below!**

Month	Date Articles are Due (Thursday)	Printing Date (Saturday)
September 2017	14 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>
October 2017	12 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>
November 2017	9 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>
December 2017	14 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>

Email articles to Barb Cashman at [bacashman@gmail.com](mailto:bacashman@gmail.com). Thank you.

*Luther's good friend, Philip Melancthon, once said, "I am a logician, and Justin Jonas is an orator; but Luther is good at everything: the wonder of mankind, for whatever he says or writes, it penetrates the heart, and makes a lasting impression."*

**Ten Things God Won't Ask**

1. God won't ask what kind of car you drove. He'll ask how many people you drove who didn't have transportation.
2. God won't ask the square footage of your house. He'll ask how many people you welcomed into your home.
3. God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet. He'll ask how many you helped to clothe.
4. God won't ask what your highest salary was. He'll ask if you compromised your character to obtain it.
5. God won't ask what your job title was. He'll ask if you performed your job to the best of your ability.
6. God won't ask how many friends you had. He'll ask how many people to whom you were a friend.
7. God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived. He'll ask how you treated your neighbors.
8. God won't ask about the color of your skin. He'll ask about the content of your character.
9. God won't ask why it took you so long to seek Him. He'll lovingly take you to His mansion in heaven.
10. If you received this by e-mail, God won't ask how many people to whom you forwarded this.

# SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – August 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>A church bulletin announced the coffee hour: "Thirst after righteousness."</i>		1	2	3 9 AM Text Study	4 10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	5 5:30 PM Worship Service
		6 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	7	8	9 9 AM Quilting Group	10 <b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b> 9 AM Text Study 6 PM WELCA Bible Study
13 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service Fellowship Brunch	14	15	16	17 9 AM Text Study	18 10 AM Bingo @ Avanti	19 5:30 PM Worship Service
20 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	21	22	23	24 9 AM Text Study	25	26 5:30 PM Worship Service
27 <b>Bret and Frisk Concert</b> 8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	28	29	30	31 9 AM Text Study		




**Food pantry** items needed for the month of August:  
Paper products including feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels, napkins, paper plates, paper cups.

### August Birthdays:

Nick Thompson	8 <sup>th</sup>	Jon Erpenbach	20 <sup>th</sup>
Joann Pierce	21 <sup>st</sup>	Sharon Geist	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Charlyne Perrine	29 <sup>th</sup>	Shirley Shambo	31 <sup>st</sup>

*Luther said, "God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on trees and in the flowers, clouds, and stars."*

# SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – September 2017


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <b>Food pantry</b> items needed for the month of June: Pasta, canned tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, parmesan cheese, boxed pancake mixes.					1  10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	2  5:30 PM Worship Service
3  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	4  <b>Labor Day</b>	5	6  9 AM Quilting Group	7  9 AM Text Study	8	9  9 AM Men's Breakfast
10  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service Fellowship Brunch	11	12	13  3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	14  <b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b>  9 AM Text Study 6 PM WELCA Bible Study	15  10 AM Bingo @ Avanti	16
17  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	18	19	20  3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	21  9 AM Text Study	22	23
24  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	25	26	27  3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	28  9 AM Text Study	29	30

## September Birthdays:

3 <sup>rd</sup> -Susie Seehafer	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Gary Heeler
4 <sup>th</sup> - Carolynn Brink	7 <sup>th</sup> – Kathy Helge
7 <sup>th</sup> – Judy Bernhardt	16 <sup>th</sup> – Louise Stroz
23 <sup>rd</sup> – John Eliason	24 <sup>th</sup> – George Lacharite
25 <sup>th</sup> – Carol Lacharite	26 <sup>th</sup> - LuAnn Brentlinger

*Famous Lutheran: Kris Kristofferson: singer/songwriter/actor...wrote many of the hit songs of the 1970's.  
Not only can he sing, Kristofferson is a Rhodes Scholar and a former West Point instructor.*

# SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	2	3	9 AM Quilting Group 3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	5  9 AM Text Study	6  10 AM Worship Service @ Avanti	7
8  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service Fellowship Breakfast	9	10  9 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast	11  3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	12  <b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b>  9 AM Text Study 6 PM WELCA Bible Study 6:30 PM Council Meeting	13	14  9 AM Men's Breakfast
15  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	16	17	18  3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	19  9 AM Text Study	20  10 AM Bingo @ Avanti	21
22  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	23	24  Game Day – 12 Noon	25  9 AM Text Study 3:45 PM Church School and Confirmation Class	26  9 AM Text Study	27	28
29  8 AM Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Worship Service	30	31	 <p><b><i>Food pantry</i></b> items needed for the month of October: Hair &amp; Nails items including comb, brush, shampoo, hair spray, scrunches, barrettes, toe nail clippers, emery boards. Please place items in the appropriate bins in the coat room.</p>			

**October Birthdays:**

1 <sup>st</sup> – Don Bauer	7 <sup>th</sup> – Don Dixon
7 <sup>th</sup> – Tina Wendorf	8 <sup>th</sup> – Carol Gebhardt
9 <sup>th</sup> – Frankie Will	12 <sup>th</sup> – Darrell Smith
16 <sup>th</sup> – Lolly Kloepfer	19 <sup>th</sup> – Mel Harvey
25 <sup>th</sup> – Cheryl Kazda	26 <sup>th</sup> – Jeanne Kroll
27 <sup>th</sup> – Adelin Thompson	29 <sup>th</sup> – Penny Zobel
30 <sup>th</sup> – Lillian Crall	

*You might be Lutheran if . . . you only serve Jell-O in the proper liturgical color for the season.*