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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 am Worship Service 10:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:15 am Sunday School/Preconfirmation Class (beginning Sept. 17)

No classes for adults or kids on Sept. 10 due to kickoff picnic. See information below for picnic details.

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The voters' meeting previously scheduled for Sept. 17 has been rescheduled to Oct. 8.

STEWARDS OF THE "GOOD NEWS"

The Christian steward is told to be faithful and trustworthy. "This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful" (1 Corinthians 4:1-2). The Apostle Paul is telling us that we are expected to tell others that Jesus can provide comfort to people whose lives are filled with hurts, self-centeredness, divorce, doubt, drugs, and living in a world that is not perfect, as well as living with people who are not perfect. Even more, our calling is to be faithful and trustworthy as we live and share the greatest gift we receive through Jesus—the mysteries of God, the Good News of the perfect gift of salvation, in spite of our sinful and imperfect ways.

Think of the things you may do as a Christian. You may serve on a church committee, sing in the choir, usher, visit people who need love, provide generous financial support for the work of the church, and go to church regularly. Being faithful in each of these is ultimately about living a Christian life and being a steward of the Good News in Christ.

Attending worship and Bible study and being involved as part of the church is how we grow in our Christian maturity, for we are to continue to grow (*Ephesians 4:15-16*). The Holy Spirit brings this growth about in us and leads us as we are involved in Word and Sacrament. As we grow, we are to be trustworthy and faithful and daily focus upon being a steward of the Good News in Christ!

Pastor Tool

During this final month of summer, I pray that the Dear Lord fills our hearts with the Holy Spirit to transform/reform/renew our lives such that we can be a bible to those around us. Give us the wisdom/knowledge to see the opportunities that the Lord has created that we can simply plant the seed of your word and then get out of the way. Jesus urges us to share with others the GOSPEL message, however imperfectly or bumbly. Don't need to be the Sermon on the Mount, perhaps just "thank-you and God Bless". In this post Covid-19 world it is good to wear a smile and lift our heads as we continue "Living for the Lord".

May we live our public lives such that if anyone ever accuses us of being a Christian, the overwhelming evidence can be gathered to totally convict us of said charges.

Philippians 4:7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand.

Roy Wolfe, Redeemer Elders.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

When we use our time in service to others, we are using our time wisely and giving God glory. "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve..." (Mark 10:45). It is clear that Jesus wants to develop that same servant heart in us. Our lives are God's gift to us. How we use them is our gift to God. When we commit our lives and time to service in response to Jesus' love for us, we are living wisely and fulfilling an important purpose for our lives. Service should be one of the primary uses of our time. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can change from being people who seek to serve ourselves into people who serve others.



SENIOR LUNCHEON is taking on a new format this year. Rather than a potluck the entire meal will be prepared by Lois Stutheit. Everything will be provided (food, tableware, etc.) All you need to bring is your appetite! The first luncheon is at noon on Friday, Sept. 8 (due to Sept. 1 being the beginning of Labor Day weekend). Come enjoy a good home cooked meal, fellowship, and a devotion.

MEN'S GROUP will kick off the year with their annual steak fry at the home of Mark Rogers (318 N. Idaho Place in Kennewick) on Saturday, Sept. 9 at 5pm. Bring your own meat to grill, beverage of choice, lawn chair, and a friend! All men of Redeemer and Emmaus-Pasco are invited!





LUTHER SENIOR CENTER will have a fall clothing giveaway on September 21 for their residents. If you have gently used fall/winter clothing that you would like to donate, please bring to the office. DO NOT TAKE TO LUTHER

SENIOR CENTER. They do not have the space to store it.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Sunnyside is celebrating their 70th Anniversary with a luncheon on September 24 at 1pm. Please RSVP to 509-837-4550 by Sept. 10 if you would like to attend.



NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY OR SUNDAY **SCHOOL!**

11:00 am Flat Top Park, West Richland

Join us for a picnic in the park to kickoff the new educational year. Food, fun, fellowship and games for every age!

SEE BACK FOR MORE DETAILS

Bring a chair if you'd like, but there will be plenty of picnic tables available, so chairs are optional!

SCHEDULE

11:00 - 11:30 ICE BREAKERS

11:30 - 12:30 LUNCH* SERVED

12:30 - 2:00 GAMES

*GRILLED HOT DOGS, POTATO SALAD, BAKED BEANS, POTATO CHIPS, LEMONADE, ICED TEA, ROOT BEER FLOATS!



Thank you for sharing the Good News of Christ crucified for all people

Many thanks to you, dear members of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, for your bold and faithful support of the 2023–2026 National Offering.

The LCMS preaches Christ crucified for all people. Your generous support will aid us in bringing this message to more people in more languages, that it may be known around the world.

Your contribution goes out alongside the generous offerings of your brothers and sisters in Christ. As the 2023 LCMS National Convention in Milwaukee concluded in early August, God's people in the LCMS had already given nearly \$315,000 to this effort toward an initial three-year goal of \$500,000. As of Aug. 17, that total had grown to nearly \$348,000.

These gifts will fund high-priority, high-quality translations of essential Christian teaching materials into various languages, beginning with Spanish and Chinese (Mandarin/Cantonese) and then moving on to others (i.e., Arabic, Portuguese and Korean), as increasing total contributions permit.

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NEHLM UPDATE

Greetings,

Rev. and Cliney Paul's daughter, Sarai, has been in the Puget Sound area of western Washington recently. She has given a couple presentations on the ministry to supportive churches and groups in that area. To the right is a picture of her giving a presentation.

Rev. Yves Thelemarque's son, Yevensly, fell and broke his arm



(both the ulna and radius) earlier this month. There ended up being complications with a high fever. He has received medical attention and Rev. Paul reports that he is recovering and doing better. He is about 11 years old and fell while playing with some other youth, an accidental injury that many youth have at this time of their lives.

Cliney and the school staff are making preparations for the beginning of school, which means sewing uniforms and obtaining books and other supplies. NEHLM is appreciative of funds received to allow us to support the education of close to 250 students.

When I inquired about the report of Kenyan UN troops being sent to Haiti to help stabilize the unrest, Rev. Paul reported; "Yes, there are some sent to Port au Prince. But here in Ouanaminthe, we are in a safe place. It is safe here, in Cap Haitian, and the Central Plateau." Let us pray for continued efforts for this country to increase their stability.

God's peace, Rev. Sam Wiseman NEHLM Pastoral Adviser



There are presently 115 confirmed dead (many of those not identified). Over 750 people are missing and 2200+ structures are destroyed from the three fires that raged on the island. (Besides the devastation in Lahaina, residents of Kihei and Kula were also affected.) The mourning process has been delayed for many. There is ample ongoing opportunity for Emmanuel's (God with us) people to give care and witness.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Maui (LCMS)

- Praise God with me for the following responses:
 The people of Emmanuel Lutheran Church and School rose to the occasion to be the people of God for the ones for whom Jesus shed his blood on their island.
- I saw growth from a functional relief response to relational Gospel-centered care.
- Leadership gifts blooming that empowered other leaders from Emmanuel.
- Although Emmanuel lacks a pastor, they have a fine commissioned ministerial leader, Joshua Rempfer, who serves as their principal.
- Emmanuel, Maui (presently in a vacancy) will be blessed by capable pastoral care through the end of September. Other pastoral workers are being arranged for, as needed. A pastoral call has been extended; pray for God's will to be done.
- Local leaders have been trained and empowered. Clear organization for relief is planned. (LCC, supported by CNH leadership, works to sustain those leaders from a distance.)
- Trained counselors and spiritual/pastoral care providers will continue to be deployed with grant assistance from LCMS Disaster response.
- Four children, displaced from school by the fire, are being enrolled at Emmanuel, with tuition paid for this year.
- Counselors are scheduled for deployment in the next several weeks to assist in a pastoral and spiritual response and to train local volunteers.
- Plans are being made by the response team to assist school and church families, who are housing displaced people long-term, providing temporary shelter and necessary support systems.
- Sustaining support, care, and funding will be facilitated through the people of Emmanuel.
- Your gifts sustain:
 Established trusted relations with multiple Points of Distribution for fire survivors around the island, supplying requested commodities.
- Gift cards that support temporary needs and provide a Gospel conversation. Sustained training, support, and care for Emmanuel members.

Praise God for the response of ALL his people. Ask God to grant his grace through the presence of his people and, specifically, to sustain the people of Emmanuel Lutheran Church and School on Maui. May Jesus 'love strengthen and empower us all. Rev. Mike Lange - CNH District President

You can contribute by sending a check to: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 655 Waine'e St, Lahaina, HI 96761. (Specify Maui fire relief in memo line.)

September Birthdays

- 2 Kyle Mauth
- 3 Jay Van Buren, Donna Hoopingarner
- 4 Jan Spencer
- 5 Rick Stutheit, Carla Thieme
- 7 Andy Grego, Jayden Wanot
- 8 Marge Valenti
- 10 Nate Gruzs
- 13 Trisha Beitz, Rebecca Gant
- 15 Annashod Beitz, Paul Julson
- 19 John Strege, Everett Yarbrough
- 22 Geri Redeker
- 23 Ann Robbins, Parker Beach
- 25 Marj Littlejohn
- 26 Michael Reuter
- 28 Robert Young II, Peter Ritzmann
- 29 Jen Turner

Anniversaries

- 1 Robert & Katje Compton
- 2 Rick & Shirley Stutheit, Troy & Marci Grall
- 11 Sash & Marsha Eirich
- 15 Roy & Ronda Wolfe
- 25 Mike & Liesl Batdorf
- 27 Malcolm & Bev Kroll
- 28 Dan & Gina Morgan

October Birthdays

- 1 Brooke Bond
- 4 Robert Bepple, Edgar Buck
- 6 Twilene Shanks
- 7 Miriam Hagedorn
- 8 Andrew Ritzmann
- 11 Barbara Lee, Mark Reeder
- 13 Don Darsow, Elliott Rebic
- 16 Aubrey Bepple, Susie Lindberg, Chuck Fordham
- 19 Will Landrum
- 20 Wayne Roundy, Shirley Clarkson
- 24 Wallace Ruff
- 26 Tanner Beach
- 27 Elsa Bepple, Kim Riordan, Ruth Shook, Lacey Turner
- 29 Roy Wolfe
- 30 Gunner Grall, Reta Siefken, Steve Gano
- 31 Gary Sebade

Anniversaries

- 4 John & Karin Cagle
- 17 Matt & Lisa Rogers
- 19 Ben & Gail Kroll

<u>PRAYERS</u> – Please let the office know of any changes to the prayer page by calling 943-4967 or emailing <u>office@richlandredeemer.org</u>. *Indicates friends/family.

HOMEBOUND:

Pearl Raabe
Ruth Shook
Reta Siefken
Bernie Simpkins
Eileen Stein
Eileen Stixruud

CANCER:

John Schug

Beth* (neighbor of Linda

Einspahr)

Barbara Connell* (sister-

in-law of Sandy

Guymon)

Rev. James & Ann Gier* (son & daughter-in-law of Marlene Paris-Ufkes)

Kevin Raabe* (son of

Pearl Raabe)

Sandi Sheeley* (sister of

Karin Nickola) Deanna Snider* **HEALTH CONCERNS:**

Bob & Cheryl Evenson

Sally Grego

Elaine Kutrowski

Pearl Raabe

Ruth Shook

Reta Siefken

Bernie Simpkins

Eileen Stein

Eileen Stixruud

Bobbie Van Buren

Bev Wetzler

Gregg Lee* (son of

Barbara Lee)

Jody Schug* (wife of

John Schug)

Phillip Turner*

MILITARY:

Sam Willhoite

Darion Woodall

Brandin Bunch*

Jacob Cagle*

Brandon Gano*

Byron Gano*

Matthew Gano*

James Hare*

Sean Williams*

