

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

Saturday, September 16th, we will be serving lunch at 11:30 a.m. followed by our dedication service at 1p.m. and a cake reception/presentation following the service. There will also be tours given before and after the dedication worship service. We hope you will join us in praising Jesus for this historical event for our congregation. If you are able to come, please RSVP at FDLlutheran.com by September 9th!

KINSHIP Sponsors Needed - CLC Project KINSHIP provides for orphans and seminary students in India, Nepal and Africa through the kind sponsorship of stateside CLC members. Two new Bible Schools/Seminaries are opening in Togo and the Democratic Republic of Congo this year, and so there is a new need for sponsors right now.

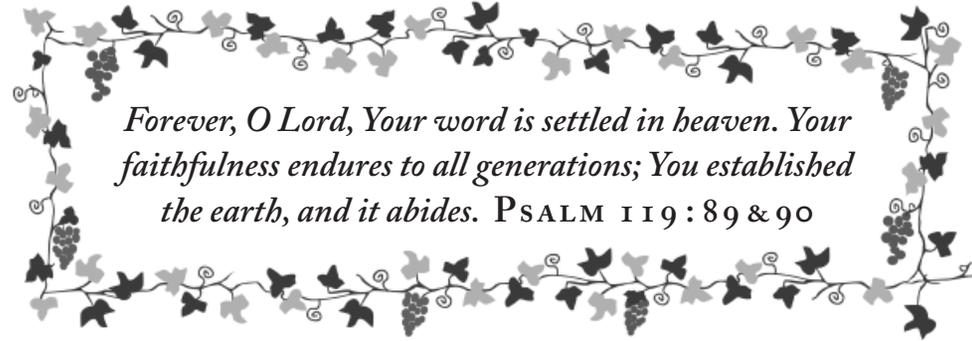
You can sponsor Togo students at \$30 per month or Congo students at \$40 per month. In India sponsorships are needed for BELC students at \$35 per month and CLCI students at \$40 per month. Consider supporting a student with family members or other families. If you are interested in sponsoring a man who is preparing for the Lutheran ministry in India or Africa, please contact KINSHIP Committee member Pastor David Fuerstenau, 426 Buren Road, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901; Phone: (907) 225-2842; E-mail: djfuerstenau@kpunet.net.

THANKS: to all who have been mowing this summer. The grounds look great. We are still in need of mowers thru September and October. Please check which week you can help and sign up in service to your Lord.

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church and School is a confessional Lutheran Church.

We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at mbern@juno.com

More Information and Audio Sermons at middletonlutheran.org



Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; You established the earth, and it abides. PSALM 119: 89 & 90

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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost • September 3, 2017

Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 119:XII

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Communion Liturgy, p. 15

Opening Hymn:	370
Before Sermon:	260
Offering Hymn:	568
During Distribution:	307/535
After Benediction:	532

Scripture Readings:

James 3:16-4:6

James contrasts the “wisdom” of the world and the “wisdom” from heaven. The wisdom from heaven is selfless, serving, submissive and sincere. James clearly lays it on the line, “Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God?”

For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there. 17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. 18 Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

4 Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members? 2 You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask. 3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures. 4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. 5 Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, “The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously”? 6 But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: “God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.”

Mark 9:30-37

For the second time Jesus foretells His upcoming death and resurrection. The disciples do not understand what He is saying. They show their ignorance of His message of selfless, serving love by arguing about whom among them is the greatest. Jesus teaches them the meaning of true greatness: a humble trust in Him and a loving willingness to serve others.

Then they departed from there and passed through Galilee, and He did not want anyone to know it. 31 For He taught His disciples and said to them, “The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will

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BIBLE CLASS:

Bible Class begins next Sunday. We will be looking at some Reformation events to help get us ready for the 500th Reformation Seminar that will be presented here on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. The next week we will continue with our study of the book of Revelation.

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHER CALL:

The Voters called Miss Miriam Bernthal to be the pre-school teacher for our pre-school. Miriam is the daughter of Teacher Dave & Kim Bernthal and lives in Fond Du Lac. Miriam graduated from ILHS and from Moraine Park Technical School in Fond Du Lac. Lord willing, we are planning to open our pre-school in January.

CLC NEWS

- Pastor Mike Wilke has returned the call extended to him by Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato, MN.
- St. Luke’s Lutheran, Lemmon SD, has called Pastor Mark Weis, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Cape Coral FL.

DEVOTIONAL BOOK: Pastor Mark Weis of Grace Lutheran Church (CLC), Cape Coral, Florida, has published an excellent new devotional book, “One Thing

Needful: For All the Distractions, Stresses and Worries of Life.”

It is available for \$3.99 as an e-book on Amazon, and can be read on any computer, tablet or cell phone with the free Kindle Reader. If you go to Amazon.com and search “Mark Weis” you will easily find the book. We also have 4 soft- cover books available for \$ 9.00. Please see Pastor if you would like one of the books.

TWO FELLOWSHIP

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN:

The CLC Women’s Retreat West will be held September 22-24, 2017 at Chadron State Park, Nebraska. You may find more information and a registration form at www.christianwomensretreat.weebly.com.

The CLC Southeastern Women’s Retreat will be held November 10-12, 2017 in Savannah, Georgia. For more information please contact Pastor Matthew Hanel at pastor@dallaslutheran.com, or 972-733-4535.

YOU’RE INVITED! Luther Memorial of Fond du Lac, WI is celebrating and praising the Lord’s blessings and work in our fully remodeled church and school over this past year. On

HOLY COMMUNION:

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated this morning. We encourage all of our members to attend this meal of forgiveness from our Savior. Since it is a confession of oneness in faith and doctrine, we ask that only members of Peace Thru Christ or of a sister congregation in the CLC come forward to partake of the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions concerning this practice called "Close Communion," please see Pastor Bernthal. Thank you.



This Week:

Today 10:15 a.m. S.S. Teachers meet

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan

Wednesday Pastoral Study Club

Thursday 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

Next Sunday 9:00 a.m. S.S./ Bible Class 10:00 a.m. Family Worship/Communion 11:15 a.m. Rally Day/Church Picnic

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: Church—Birkholz/Peterson School: Bernthal. Counters today: Matt Schaser & Gail Schaefer

LAST WEEK: Worship 38

OFFERINGS 8/27 for Unified Budget: \$1,396

IN YOUR MAILBOX: September Calendar & Newsletter

NEEDED QUICKLY: Two Sunday School teachers. One for lower level twice a month and one for upper level twice a month. Please see Matt Schaser or Pastor Bernthal.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:

Please meet after church to get the lessons for September.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY/ CHURCH PICNIC: Date is Sept.

10th. Make it a point to be here for this special day. Please bring a meat to grill (hot dogs, brats, hamburgers) and a dish to pass. Please also sign the sheet in the entry-way if you are planning on coming. Anyone interested in helping to co-ordinate activities for that day please contact Pastor Bernthal or Matt Schaser.

kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day." 32 But they did not understand this saying, and were afraid to ask Him. 33 Then He came to Capernaum. And when He was in the house He asked them, "What was it you disputed among yourselves on the road?" 34 But they kept silent, for on the road they had disputed among themselves who would be the greatest. 35 And He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all." 36 Then He took a little child and set him in the midst of them. And when He had taken him in His arms, He said to them, 37 "Whoever receives one of these little children in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me, receives not Me but Him who sent Me."

The Sermon: read/listen to sermons at www.middletonlutheran.org

Sermon Text: **Jeremiah 11:18-20**

OUR COMFORT IN TIMES OF CRISIS IS FOUND IN THE LORD!

I: He understands what is happening.

II: He is on our side.

Now the Lord gave me knowledge of it, and I know it; for You showed me their doings. 19 But I was like a docile lamb brought to the slaughter; and I did not know that they had devised schemes against me, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be remembered no more." 20 But, O Lord of hosts, You who judge righteously, Testing the mind and the heart, Let me see Your vengeance on them, For to You I have revealed my cause.

PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We thank God for the blessed opportunity to bring you His Word this morning. We pray that the power of His Gospel leads you to put your trust in Jesus in every situation of life—good or bad. Come, worship your Savior with us again. Please, also sign our guest register as you leave.

