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Weekly Updates

Do you get the church's weekly update via e-mail? A short blurb is e-mailed out to keep members informed of upcoming events. Let the office know your e-mail address so you can keep up with events.

OUR MISSION
is to share
God's message,
to grow in our
faith, to love and
serve others.

Our Stand Against Homelessness

by Pastor Chis

Imagine losing everything.

Your job. Your house. Your security. Your dignity.

Imagine total dependence on limited community resources or a stranger's act of random kindness.

Several youth spent 24 hours experiencing the want that homeless people face every day. They gave up food, slept in a cardboard box and left behind all the comforts of home. Well, almost. They still had plenty to drink (water, Gatorade, hot chocolate, apple cider) and a church to warm up in.



Yet this kind of affliction really wears on a person. While you walk in need, your body and mind just work differently. You can tell yourself to cheer up, put on a smile and plow through it all, but the effect of being homeless – even for just an evening – changes your disposition. Just one night pressed and battered my will and constitution. Physical, mental and emotional exhaustion quickly take their toll. Why? Denial of things that your body needs and expects. I can't imagine having to endure that on a recurring basis.

God's heart for people means meeting need. One of the best ways to meet need is to help those local agencies serve this kind of the homeless in our area. For the next month, we are asking our congregation to help the Gladys Rae shelter in Fargo restock their supplies that meet basic human need.

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Sundaes on Sunday Ice Cream Social

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Oct. 2

The elders are hosting a special event and serving up Sundaes on Oct. 2 in the fellowship hall. This event will provide an opportunity to meet and greet the elders and other members and friends of Beautiful Savior. You also will be given some updated information about the ministry of our congregation.



Our Stand Against Homelessness

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The mission of the Gladys Ray Shelter is to provide a safe, comfortable temporary shelter to people who cannot access other shelter options in the community and to help connect people to housing and services. GRS can serve up to 25 adult males and 10 adult females, and provides a safe respite from the streets where people who are homeless can take care of basic human needs daily. GRS is a free shelter for homeless adults regardless of physical or emotional conditions and aims to facilitate their move toward self-sufficiency.

To help the shelter, we are asking for donations that include the following:

- Body wash or bar soap
- Children's Tylenol
- Diapers or Pull-ups
- Baby wipes
- Toilet paper
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Brushes and combs
- Q-tips
- Lotion
- Dental floss
- New or gently used hats, gloves, scarves, coats, boots, shoes
- New or gently used clothing
- Combs and brushes
- Coffee (Full tins of Folgers, etc.)
- Coffee filters
- Shaving Cream
- Disposable razors (both men and women)

In Luke 6, Jesus says: "Love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

As people who know our entire human condition remains dependent on God's providence, salvation and sustaining, our lives bear witness to sinners granted mercy for Christ's sake. Through your donations, you can give witness to a loving God who meets human need with overflowing mercy and grace all flowing from the cross of Christ Jesus and the forgiveness he has won.

Pastor Chris

Bible Studies

9:40 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study

"Who Am I? What am I doing Here?"

These are the big questions that eventually confront everyone. Using what God has revealed, this study will provide honest and straightforward answers to these twin questions. God does not leave us desolate, wondering who we are. He does not condemn us to grope in the dark, seeking meaning in life. This study will explore what God has revealed about life's biggest questions and will shed light on the difference that knowing the answers makes for the way one lives in the routine of life.

7 p.m. Tuesday Evening Bible Study

"I Am the LORD"

Our study is on Ezekiel. In this book you will discover the central themes of judgment and deliverance as God deals with humanity. These themes are the central thrust of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as God brings upon Jesus His judgment and our salvation.

7 p.m. on Thursdays starting Oct. 13

Discovery Class (New Member)

Our Discovery class reviews the basic teachings of the Bible. We encourage those interested in learning more about the foundational teachings of the Bible or those interested in joining our congregation to attend this class. BSLC members are also invited to come as this study provides a great opportunity to grow in one's faith and Christian life.

"Gifts Chosen for You"

Women's Bible Study

Every Christian has spiritual gifts. What are yours? "Gifts Chosen for You" will teach us about the spiritual gift of administration, faith, generosity, mercy, service, prophecy, teaching, and wisdom. Our evening Bible study meets at 6 p.m. Mondays. Our morning Bible study meets at 9 a.m. Thursdays. This is open to all ladies.

LWML News

LWML Sunday is Oct. 9. Help celebrate LWML Sunday and paint the congregation purple! (No brushes required - just wear the color!)

Why Purple? The official colors of the LWML are purple and gold. According to the Southern Illinois Lutheran Woman's Quarterly Supplement, October 1948, the Southern Illinois district was the first to adopt the colors of purple, symbolizing royalty, and gold, symbolizing value and integrity. Learn more about LWML at: <http://www.lwml.org/>

The Mite Box will be out at both services on LWML Sunday. Please support mission grants by dropping change, cash, check into the box. There will be special treats between services in the Fellowship Hall. Please remember that the treats don't leave the fellowship hall as we don't want frosting to get on the carpet or church pews.

October Planning Meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 20 at 5:30 p.m. This will be potluck style, so bring a dish to share.

Women's Christmas/Advent Tea is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 4. Plan to decorate/host a table or attend. Contact Kim Wagner for more information.

Service Groups—We are in need of two new captains or co-captains. This is a great way to serve at the church and is not a big commitment. It involves lining up fellowship for a month by making phone-calls or sending emails maybe two times a year. The month of November is currently up for grabs. Contact the church office or Mary Seiffert for more information.



Christian Chicks Bookclub

Do you like to read Christian fiction? The next book our group will read is "Firewall" by Diann Mills. We will meet Wednesday, Oct. 5, at the Fargo Holiday Inn.

If you have questions or want to learn more, please e-mail ChicksBC16@gmail.com.

"Loose Change Sunday" is the fifth and last Sunday in October. The Mite Box will be out that Sunday as well.

"Think Mercy Conference" is Oct. 8 at Minot Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch.

LWML Fall Event, Oct. 29, 9 a.m. at Trinity in Hope, ND.

October is 31 days of prayer and Clergy Appreciation month!

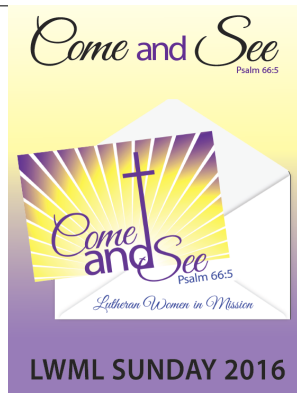
We would like to pray for our pastors every day throughout the month. Please sign up for a day in October to uphold our pastors in prayer. You may send them a note or greeting card expressing your thanks to them for all they do and let them know that you are praying for them. An optional idea would be to include a small gift card for a store, coffee shop or restaurant or drop off a baked good or treat. Please see Rhonda Hoge to sign up for your day or email her at hogegolf@cablone.net.

Thank You - to Marlene Bergseth for having served as LWML secretary. Thank you to Jeanne Barchinger for being a treasured treasurer for LWML and for continuing the postage stamp project, which is another way to support missions.

Confirmation Sponsors are needed for the new seventh-grade class. Contact Mary Seiffert to get a name and the student's information. Support your student with prayer and any other way you wish to remember them, be it a greeting card a treat, but most importantly, with the power of prayer.

FirstChoice Clinic LifeWalk

FirstChoice Clinic invites you to walk with them in support of life on Saturday, Oct. 1. Registration is at 8:30 a.m., and the walk begins at 9 a.m. The two-mile walk will begin at the Red River Zoo in Fargo and meander up 43rd Street. Please consider being a church liaison or walker. All proceeds go to benefit the mission and ministry of FirstChoice Clinic in helping those in our communities facing an unplanned pregnancy. Please call Mona Franck, FirstChoice Clinic outreach director, at 237-5902 or register at www.teamfirstchoice.com



Baptisms

Sept. 13: Andorra May Sheeley, daughter of Eddie and Mandy Sheeley, born April 2, 2016. Her sponsors were Michael and Ashley Best.



Quilting

Quilting will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 6 and 20. Please bring any materials you want and a sewing machine if you can. This is open to all women of the church. Bring a friend if you want!

October Service Group

Mary Seiffert is our captain for the month of October. Our group consists of the last names that begin with the letters L-N. She will call you asking for fellowship treats or to help out with funerals or other events. Thanks for your willingness to help.

Elder for October

Adam Tykwinski is our elder for the month of October. He will take time to greet members and visitors, help the pastors with any needs and see that things run smoothly. If you have any concerns or ideas for our church, talk to Adam or any of the elders.

Please Save Your Used Stamps

Please continue to bring in your used stamps, and place them in the drawer marked stamps by the LWML kiosk.

Thank you

Thank you to all our members who donated and helped with the bathroom remodeling. The new family/handicapped bathroom is so nice to have for our members. A special thank you to Sherman Waagen for all his hard work in designing and remodeling of the bathrooms.

Gold Club Wednesday, Oct. 12

Our Gold Club potluck will meet at noon Wednesday, Oct. 12. If you are a BSLC member older than 55 and/or retired, join us for fellowship with other BSLC members while enjoying a delicious potluck meal. Bring a spouse, a friend or just yourself.

BSLC Coffee Club

Every Friday, BSLC members gather at 9 a.m. at Randy's, 2130 University Drive S., Fargo. Take time to get to know other BSLC members. This is for both men and women of any age.

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Praying For Others

Prayer Chain

BSLC has an e-mail prayer chain. If you have a concern or joy and would like our prayer warriors to pray for you or others, please e-mail the office, and your prayer will be sent out on the e-mail chain. Prayer updates are appreciated by our prayer warriors.

Sunday prayers posted in bulletin

You may place prayer concerns and joys in our announcements and the petitions will continue to run weekly until you let the church know to remove them off the list. This gives all our church members a chance to pray for our particular needs and joys. God hears all our prayers at all times.

God's Light – Our Life

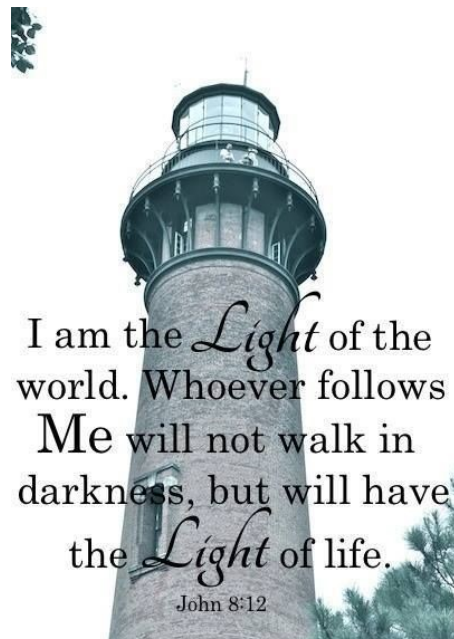
“For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.
Live as children of light.” (Ephesians 5:8)

Light is needed for human life. From the light of the sun, the earth is warmed and plants grow. It is from this that we are able to obtain our daily food and other things necessary for life here on earth. Light also enables us to see what is around us and help us know where we should go. Light is indispensable.

The Bible speaks about God being light and Jesus being the true light as a way to help us understand who God is, what He does for us and how this transforms our lives. For our mission and stewardship emphasis this fall, we will be using the theme “God's Light – Our Life” to enlighten and empower us to live as God's children.

As part of our mission and stewardship emphasis, we will have:

- A Day of Prayer – Saturday, Nov. 5, from 8 a.m. to noon
- A Sermon Series from Oct. 30 to Nov. 20
- Special mission and stewardship mailings
- New Member Sunday on Nov. 20



Martin Luther Exhibit at the Minneapolis Institute of Art

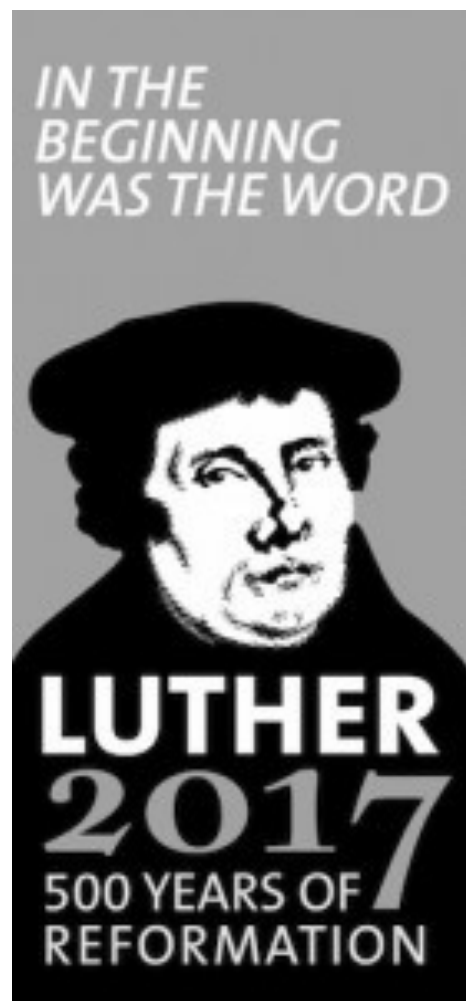
On Friday, Nov. 11, Immanuel Lutheran Church is planning a trip to the Minneapolis Institute of Art to see the Luther exhibit. Here's your chance to grow in your understanding of the reformation and its impact upon the world, but more importantly to see the importance of hearing and growing in God's Word. For where the Word of the Lord is heard, there is life! There is Jesus, giving us His gifts!

This will be a one day trip. We will take a bus from Fargo that Friday morning and take the tour at 2:30 p.m. We will return later that evening. The cost will be around \$40 for the bus ticket and tour. Food is your responsibility.

You need to register by Oct 9. Register or ask questions by e-mailing Pastor Bernie Worral at bworral@cablone.net or call him at 866-1163. Check out this link for more information: new.artsia.org/exhibition/martin-luther-and-the-art-of-the-reformation/

“God's Word forever shall abide
No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God Himself fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
Goods, honor, child or spouse.
Though life be wrenched away.
They cannot win the day.
The Kingdom's ours forever!”

From Martin Luther's Hymn “A Mighty Fortress”



STAND FOR LIFE

America is at a crossroads and the Sanctity of Life is under increasing attack. We're coming to 50 states in 40 days to sound the alarm and help bring our nation back to life.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE UNITED
UNITED FOR LIFE IN PRAYER & FASTING

COMING TO NORTH DAKOTA

Hear from dynamic local and national speakers, pray, fast, and stand together with pro-lifers from across our state

STATEWIDE RALLY: Fargo
Friday, October 14
6:30 pm
Civic Center Park
165 4th Street North

40daysunited.com

Help save lives by joining with record numbers of people across all 50 states for the largest nationwide pro-life mobilization in history!

OUR PARTNERS:

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FM Lutherans for Life

The upcoming **40 Days for Life** campaign will begin Sept 26 and will run until November 6, 2016. The **Fargo Moorhead Chapter of Lutherans for Life** has signed up for slots. We encourage you to join us so that we may pray and witness to the sanctity of life and the conversion of hearts. God has heard the prayers of many, as ND reported 98 fewer abortions in 2015, which accounts for an 8% decline.

Registered slots are as follows:

Wednesday October 5, 2016: 5 - 6pm our state board member Ken Koehler will lead prayer in front of the Red River Women's Clinic

Tuesday October 11, 2016: 4 - 6 pm our Pastoral Advisor Lyle Kath will lead prayer in front of the Red River Women's Clinic

Friday October 14, 2016 at 6:30 as part of 40 Days for Life United, there will be a state rally, 165 4th Street North, Civic Center Park in Fargo

Any questions? please e-mail Elsa at fmluth4life@gmail.com
To find out more about 40 Days for Life visit: <https://40daysforlife.com>

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LCMS MEN'S MINISTRY – Fargo
Saturday, October 8, 2016, 8:45 A.M. – 11:55 A.M.
Breakfast & Gospel-centered fellowship for MEN.

Immanuel, 1258 Broadway St. N., Fargo, ND

Christian Men and the Defense of Religious Liberty

Presenter:

Christopher D. Olson

ND House of Representatives District 13



Men need to be given opportunities to get to know one another and to grow in their faith through a variety of conversations and activities. They need to see that there are other Christian men who are excited about and committed to our Lord Jesus Christ. Our society does little to encourage men to "be there" for one another or to support and encourage each other. That's why we need to make some intentional efforts to provide an ongoing, Gospel-centered ministry to the men of our congregations.

Sponsor: Thrivent Action Team Event

RSVP: encourageMENT@gracefargo.org

College Students' Address

Please leave your child's new college address with the church office. This will allow us to keep in contact with them as well as notifying the campus ministry so they can make contact with your child.

Crossfire Youth Praise Band

Our youth praise band for students in grades 6-12 will meet at 7 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 2, 9, 16. They will also practice on Saturday, Oct. 29, at 6 p.m. They will lead music on Sunday, Oct. 30. If you have questions, call Ramsey Dahl at 866-5403.

October Youth Events

Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities

Wednesday, Oct. 5 - from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12
Wednesday, Oct. 12 - from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12
Wednesday, Oct. 19 - from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12
Wednesday, Oct. 26 Trunk or Treat Servant Event

Upcoming Fellowship Events

Saturday, Oct. 1: Walk for Life – All youth and their families are invited to participate in the annual LifeWalk from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Red River Zoo. All lives matter to God, and we as Christians are called to speak up for and protect life in the womb. In addition to taking a stand, participants are asked to raise money for First Choice Clinic, which offers free pregnancy tests, abortion education and confidential support for those experiencing an unintended pregnancy. If interested, please see Pastor Chris.

Sunday, Oct. 16 – Senior High Fall Hayride - Get a feel for the fall season with youth from other area LCMS churches at a bonfire and hayride during our Zone Fall Rally. The event will be from 4:30-9 p.m. and include Bible study, food and games and more. We will meet at Beautiful Savior at 4 p.m. and drive to Trinity Lutheran Church in Sabin. Please fill out a form and return to Pastor Chris as soon as possible. Cost is \$5.

Thursday, Oct. 20, through Saturday, Oct. 22 – District Jr. High Gathering— Join middle school students from across the state for the district junior high youth gathering at the Baymont Inn and Suites in Fargo. The Gathering is for sixth-graders and up! Those in grade nine and up are invited (and encouraged) to serve as teen counselors. Activities include Bible time and devotional talks, concerts, games, interest sessions on various topics, a variety show (Get your act ready.) and more! Friends are welcome to attend! Registration forms are available from Pastor Chris or at www.ndyouthonfire.org. Cost is \$160, but the church will pay half of your registration cost.

Wednesday, Oct. 26 – Trunk or Treat - All kids from the congregation and their families are invited to come to church Wednesday, Oct. 28, from 6:30-8 p.m. for Beautiful Savior's Trunk or Treat. For those from pre-school in fifth grade, come show off your costume and grab some treats in a fun, safe environment. For those in sixth grade through twelfth grade, we need you to sponsor a car where you will hand out candy from your trunk. There are several prizes, including gift cards for best costume (sixth grade and up), best car decoration and best treats. Join us for this fun event!

Sunday, Oct. 23—Thank you dinner for National Youth Gathering -The youth who attended the 2016 National Youth Gathering will be hosting a dinner at 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23. The youth will be sharing their experiences, along with a slide show. All are welcome to attend this free event.



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9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday.
9-noon Friday.

Additionally, Pastor Dave and Pastor Chris are available by appointment.

Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month.

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