



ST. LUCAS

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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PRESCRIPTION NOTES

FORWARD: A BIG DAY

This past Tuesday, September 19, was a big day in the process of building a new church building. For the past several months you have seen the note next to the exterior drawings of the new church building in the back of church which said that the covered drive up would require a variance from the village. The setback requirement in Kewaskum is 25 feet, and the roof for the drive up would be closer than that to the street. Our architects gathered information and presented a request for this variance. On Tuesday the Kewaskum Board for Zoning Appeals unanimously approved the request. We are now able to build the covered drive up as shown in the drawings. This is a great blessing.

At that same time meetings with our architect were being held at school. The number of people involved in the planning process has been expanded beyond the five on the Church Building Coordinating Task Force. Fifteen additional people gathered in groups to discuss different aspects of the building. A representative of Metro Sound and Video spoke about sound system, video projection, and other technology considerations, This information is needed so that construction documents are drawn with provisions for installing the technology. People work in the office area met to discuss design and arrangement of the administrative space, along with working through security concerns and recommendations. A group representing different aspects of worship (organists, singers, altar guild, etc.) discussed the design and space needs to support our worship services. Finally, members met to look at interior design items for the gathering space and the sanctuary. Over 4-1/2 hours of meetings produced much input and information that will be used to refine the plans for our church. The drawings you see in the back of church or on our website and very basic. The information gathered at Tuesday's meeting will be used to flesh out those plans. The meetings were all very joyful and enjoyable. This, too, is a great blessing.

On the financial side of planning, we have much for which to be thankful as well. We have \$2,006,541.76 on hand (Building Fund - \$107,491.45, WELS Investments - \$1,899,050.31). We have 47 giving units who have made commitments totaling \$323,124. So far 74 giving units have donated \$95,871 since March 1, which 29.67% of commitments. This means that more than one third of our donations have come from people who have not returned commitment cards, so we will exceed the commitment total. According to Generis, this is typical in WELS congregations. This, too, is a great blessing.

If you haven't done so already, please return a commitment card outlining your gift to the Lord for the purpose of building his house. That gift is one way of thanking the Lord for all he has given you. Commitment forms are available online, in the back of church, and outside the school office. They may be placed in the red box in the back of church or dropped off at the office during the week. Simply place your check in a church building fund envelope, or donate online through our website.

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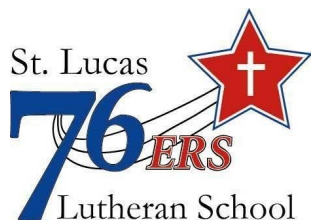
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School News

School is in full swing, and our students are hard at work. We have students competing in cross country and volleyball, and our forensics season is about to begin. We also have some excitement coming up with Grandparents' Day on October 6th. We invite all our grandparents to join for chapel, classes, and lunch in the morning to spend some extra quality time with their grandchildren.

Save the Date -The St. Lucas Lutheran School Parent Teacher Organization will be hosting a gala on March 7, 2024 in hopes of raising money to upgrade the security system and locks on the doors at school. PTO is looking for help and would appreciate any monetary donations, volunteering, silent auction items, and/or gift baskets for raffles. A donation receipt will be provided for any donation made. If you have any questions, or would like further information, please contact Liz Dreher at (262) 923-0241 or Jenell Enright at (608) 669-3190 or jenellenright@gmail.com.

FALL SCHEDULE

Worship Schedule

Saturday 6 pm, Sunday 8 & 10:30 am

Holy Communion on the second, fourth, and fifth Sundays of the month, and the Saturday before those Sundays

Bible Study

Sunday 9:15 am will study of the Letter of James

Often we are tempted to say that it is not really important what we believe but that we do good for others. Others try to pull us in the opposite direction: it is not what we do that counts but only that we believe the right things. James in his epistle sets the record straight.

Tuesday 6:30 pm and Thursday 10:00 am, a study of Isaiah

Isaiah's prophecy has been called "The Fifth Gospel." Many of his passages sound familiar to us. But do we understand them in their context or the prophet who recorded them? This study will not only help you understand Isaiah's greatest one-liners, but also his greater message.

Thursday 7:45 am Fuel for Moms

Come when you can, stay as you are able, for a casual discussion of Biblical topics. Bring your children along.

Sunday School Sunday's in school building 9:15 am

Wednesday Catechism Instruction for 6th-8th grade weekly 3:30– 5:00 pm

October Birthdays

Sadie Homuth 1
Debra Backhaus 2
Nolan Shaske 4
Steve Wolter 8
Wendi Dreher 10
Anna Henning 11
Caden Harris 11
Judith Groeschel 11
Amelia Stem 12
Erik Kral 12
Diane Schacht 15
Asher Peters 16
Joshua Dreher 16
Nathan Reisig 16
Tysen Enright 17
Mika Ullrich 18
Piper Scheunemann 18
Roy Brazeau 20
Amy Pesch 21
Elaine Prost 21
Howard Fischer 23
Robert Belger 23
Dennis Backhaus 24
Arya Paulus 26
Pastor Tim Henning 26
Alice Furlong 28
Elaine Hostettler 28
AJ Zimmel 29
Mason Shambeau 29
Shary Witte 29
Jody Krueger 30
Sandra Survis 31

October Anniversaries

BJ & Amanda Prost 1
Justin & Amy Pesch 3
Paige & Joseph Ballard 9
Scott & Debra Ebert 15
Mark & Julianna Hesse 16
Jason & Tina Eggert 17
Joseph & Saphirre Symicek 24

Christian Marriage

Sarah Rudzitis and Jason Chern -
September 30