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PRESCRIPTION NOTES

FORWARD: A CELEBRATION

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! As be began the Forward capital campaign we did so with prayers to the Lord for his blessing. We stepped forward with trust in God that he would bless our efforts, if it was his will. Today we have the chance to thank the Lord for blessing our congregation in many ways. Specifically we thank him for blessing our church building fund. We are blessed to have \$2 million in this fund at this point. This is after we have already spend some of the fund on tearing down parsonages and teacherage, for the architect's works, and for the capital campaign. What a joy it is to know that we have \$2 million in funding available at this point. With this financial good news, the Church Building Coordinating Task for is able to move forward in he planning process for building a new church, confident that we will be able to build a new church sooner rather than later.

We give all glory to God. That's the sole purpose of the Forward campaign and the building project. We give glory to God in our offerings given to the operating fund and the building fund. We give glory to God as we use the funds of our congregation wisely. We give glory to God as a we plan a new worship facility that we speak to all how great our God is. We give thanks to the Lord for his blessings. To God alone be the glory!

Thanks be to God for the number of people who are supporting this effort. 70 donors (individuals, couples, or families) have either committed, donated, or both. We expect this number to grow as we continue to promote and encourage participate in the capital campaign. Beyond the commitments to the capital campaign, members have informed us of future donations to the building fund through their estate plans. These blessings will come in the future as we repay the loan for the building project. Thank the Lord for these great blessings.

If you have not 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. The giving season for the campaign has started and will continue through March 2025. Simply place your check in a church building fund envelope, or donate online through our website. We pray that the Lord blesses all of us with the joy of giving cheerfully.

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School News

We begin our new school year with a new theme: Overflow with Hope, based on Romans 15:13, "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." This year we focus on the overflowing hope God gives his people - confidence to trust his will in all matters as he promises to work everything out for our good. With that confidence in mind, we hope that this year will be filled, or even overflowing, with exciting opportunities to learn and grow in our faith. May God bless us all throughout this school year.

Students in kindergarten through eighth grade have begun school. Preschoolers will join us on September 5th. In September we look forward to the beginning of the season for our cross country team and volleyball team. You can join us and cheer on our student athletes.

LOOK AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER

Fall Worship Schedule starts the weekend of September 9 & 10

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

Fall Bible Study starts the week of September 10

Sunday 9:15 am will resume the 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 (starting September 12) 6:30 pm and Thursday (starting September 14) 10 am ,will begin 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 begins September 10 at 9:15 am

Wednesday Catechism Instruction for 6th-8th grade will begin

September 13 at 3:30 pm

September Birthdays:

Carole Heberer 1 Paul Lemke 1 Lux Krueger 1 Jennifer Peters 2 John Dreher 2 Kayla Edwards 2 **Donald Zimmel 5** Barbara Knorr 6 Abby Shambeau 7 Lilly Shambeau 7 Alec Nagel 9 Eden Reindl 9 Kathy Wesenberg 9 Devon Berndt 10 Emily Douglas 11 Henry Stoffel 11 Ronald Kuhfuss 11 Tammy Kral Elliot Shambeau 13 Phyllis Schmidt 13 Logan Landvatter 14 Nancy Dreher 16 Irene Seefeldt 18 Keith Johnson 21 Micah Yttri 22 Charles Boegel 24 Micah Peck 24 **Gertrude Backus 25** Brett Lauters 26 Thomas Olewinski 27 **Kirstin Gloede 29** September Anniversaries: Thomas & Susan Olewinski 8 Howard & Cindy Hackbarth 13 Lucas & Holly Reindl 15 Russell & Linda Warneke 18 Kevin & Sandra Kempf 21 Harry & Jody Krueger 23 Josh & Whitney Maxwell 23 Kenneth & Carol Koth 25 Dennis and Pam Jeserig 29

Membership Changes: Baptism:

Raylee Anne Pollesch—August 27

Marriage: Makayla Demler and Noah Kahrs — August 5

Transfer from sister congregations:

Nicholas Hahn from St. Peter Lutheran in Weyauwega, WI Alexandra Hahn from Mount Olive Lutheran in Appleton, WI

Richard and Deborah Burt from Living Savior Lutheran Church in Valrico, FL

Katie Thull from Salem Lutheran Church, North 107th Street, Milwaukee, WI