

# Mt. Calvary Messenger



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## Pastor's Column

### Odds and Ends.....

Well, after a couple of months of being distracted by “many things,” I find myself with enough time on my hands (and focus) to share some thoughts as the Summer comes to an end, and we look forward to Fall weather...

### Concordia

One of the routines the “COVID Era” disturbed for us was the annual visits by new families looking to send their children to Concordia and wanting to see which of the supporting churches fit them best as a family. I’m glad to say that we’ve had some visits this last Summer, and have a couple of new families as a result. One of them (Vicky Jones and her grandchildren - Karmen, 7<sup>th</sup> grade; Kasen, Kindergarten; and Karson, with a couple of years before she starts school) have been at the school for a year already. But this Summer I was finally able to sit down with Vicky to do a membership class, and that concluded with both her and Karmen getting baptized! Kasen and Karson will also be baptized when they are ready. What a joy that we are being used to bring the grace and love of Christ to this family! The other family we are working with is Gale Brill, Jackie Brandt, and their children

Owen (4<sup>th</sup> grade) and Sydney (2<sup>nd</sup> grade). Gale is the brother of T.J. Brill, whose daughters Bella and Frankie both graduated from Concordia a few years back.

This reminds us what a powerful gift Concordia is in terms of bringing not only a first-class education to its students, but also the witness of God’s Word and His redeeming love for us in Christ. And for us, at Mt. Calvary, we are reminded that it is a blessing for us to be able to be a blessing to others - specifically in helping support families financially when they send their children to Concordia. So please greet these families as you have opportunity, and continue to keep Concordia in your prayers, AND be as generous and as disciplined as you can be with your financial support of the congregation so that we can continue to others.

### Baptism

As I mentioned above, we were pleased to be the congregation used by God to extend Holy Baptism to Vicky and Karmen. I should add, that by my count, it looks like we have at least seven more baptisms coming in the coming months. To God the glory!

But a question that came up recently spurred me to do some thinking. The question was this: with young children and infants, we assume Baptism is the means by which they are given the Holy Spirit Who creates new life in them, washes away original sin, and turns

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them to faith in Jesus (this is all according to God's Word) – but what about adults or young adults who have already been brought to faith? Since they are already confessing Jesus as Lord, certainly the Holy Spirit has moved them to faith by the Word, and given them new life in Christ. So what does baptism add?

The short answer is the assurance of God's covenant promise. Christ has said: "Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved." This does not mean that an unbaptized believer should be in doubt about her or his salvation – we just heard from Romans 10 the other week in worship that whoever confesses with the mouth that Jesus is Lord and believes in the heart that God raised Him from the dead will be saved. But it is one thing to trust in God's promise because of something you have done (or you have done by the movement of Another in you) – i.e. believed and confessed, and another thing entirely to trust in God's promise because of something He has done to you – i.e. Baptized you. You see, whatever comes from us is always open to suspicion – we can never be as sure as we'd like that what we think, feel, do, or say is as certain and clear and reliable as we'd like. On the other hand, what God does is always clear, true, concrete, and reliable. He does not vary with change, He does not take back His call, He does not undo His work. When God brings you to the waters of Holy Baptism you can know without doubt that you have been washed, made new, and brought into the household of God. He impresses you with the image of His Son; He gives you a new name ("Baptized"); He claims you as His Own beloved child – no "ifs, ands, or buts." What's not to love about that? By the water and the Word, you are given to stand before the world, and even the devil, and say, "Back off! I'm baptized!"

If you will, it is a weak analogy because of the way of the world.... But consider romantic love and marriage. A man and woman may come to love each other dearly and deeply – and declare that to each other constantly. And

as wonderful as that is, it is not the same as the two of them standing before their families and community, and vowing to each other to be husband and wife, according to God's ordaining, until death parts them. The vows give them new names – "husband" and "wife" – and what God has joined must not be separated!

So, let us rejoice in Baptism – and live as God's baptized people in Christ!

## **Stewardship**

Yeah – stewardship. We still need a Chair for our Board of Stewardship – so please prayerfully consider your gifts and abilities (and time), and then talk with me or Gerry Horst (our congregational President) if you are interested in looking at what that position involves. But even without a Chair, stewardship still happens, and still needs to happen. We are a leaner congregation on the other side of COVID – but the ministries we serve still need support. We are blessed with an endowment that helps to cover the short-fall between our current giving and expenses, BUT that is not a long-term means for funding the work of the congregation. So please look at how God has blessed you with the things of this world, and then support the work of Mt. Calvary as best you can.

Okay – that's enough for now. Peace to you all!

In Christ,



## SEPTEMBER Birthdays

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3. Joshua Varvil
4. Jorrdyn Foote
5. Brady Carver
10. Brooke Barr
14. Jill Adcock  
Vonnie Brinkmann
15. Mary Etta Romero
17. Dan Bremer  
Adley LaGrand
19. Paul Meyer  
Jessica Shivers
20. Penelope Lampton
21. Andrew Kroenke
22. Jacqueline Pendarvis
23. Keith Moore
24. Phil King
27. Hunter Whitby
28. Dale Brinkmann
29. Carissa Freeman  
Swayde Gibling

## SEPTEMBER Anniversaries

### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Bret & MacKensie Greenberg
- 4 Jerry & Paula Horst
- 5 Brian & Diane Freeman
- 9 Robert & Janet Frericks
- 9 Josh & Michele Joseph
- 14 Harold & Carolyn Pauli
- 20 Jonathan & Michelle Tagge
- 25 Ben & Allison Claudin
- 28 Keith & Carey Moore

### COUNTERS

Barb Zook & Diane Freeman

### ALTAR FLOWERS

September 3

OPEN

September 10

Harold & Carolyn Pauli

September 17

OPEN

September 24

Barb Zook



## Worship Notes

### LESSONS FOR SUNDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

#### September 3<sup>rd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 26; Jeremiah 15:15-21;  
Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

#### September 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 32:1-7; Ezekiel 33:7-9;  
Romans 13:1-10; Matthew 18:1-20

#### September 17<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 103:1-12; Genesis 50:15-21;  
Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

#### September 24<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 27:1-9; Isaiah 55:6-9;  
Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30; Matthew 20:1-16



### ELDERS FOR AUGUST

September 3 – Gary Beenders

September 10 – Dr. Joel Eckert

September 17 – Tom Brosowski

September 24 – Phil King

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## SEARCHING FOR SILVER

Godly, biblical wisdom is more valuable than gold or silver. Make this do-it-yourself toy to practice your searching skills.

### What you need:

- 12 small, smooth rocks
- An empty, clean egg carton
- Paintbrush
- Acrylic paint (gold or silver)
- Black permanent marker

### What you do:

1. Clean the rocks and egg carton. Place newspaper on a table to protect it from paint.
2. Paint all sides of the rocks and carton. Let dry. Add a second coat, if desired.
3. When rocks are dry, number each rock (1-12) with marker. Place rocks in the carton.
4. Play hide-and-seek with a friend. Take turns hiding the rocks in a room, sandbox or backyard. Give clues, if needed, and count the rocks as they're returned.
5. Use your imagination to incorporate a treasure hunt into study time or family devotions.



## ✠ Prayer List ✠

Prayer Notes: Folks have asked from time to time “who all are we praying for?” Here’s a partial list with reference to their relation to the congregation. **If you know of anyone who needs to be added, or who can be removed, please let Pr. Long or Judy know. Help us keep the list manageable!**



- † Jacob Achterberg – grandson to Ron, nephew to Linda Khattar
- † Phyllis Basquin – mother to Luann Claudin
- † Mary Bonesteel – friend to Long family
- † Ethan Saunders – grandson to Roger and Carole Hoffman
- † Gail and Jonathan von Holten – friends of Jessica Horman
- † Sharon Wenger – daughter to Sally Taylor
- † Cathy Hafley – daughter to Sally Taylor
- † Sandy Kissner – relative to Connie Kissner & family
- † Pr. Hoech & family (Ivy, Noah and Anna, and Kayla) – our “TIM” partners
- † Gordon Adams – Lynn Laredo’s father
- † Dave Maxwell – husband to Tina
- † Pr. Glenn Niemann – circuit pastor, disability
- † Jonathan Stutz – grandson to Donna
- † Maureen Leuba – Concordia parent
- † Christiane Ramahi – member
- † Jerry Jungck – member
- † Ruth Leibel – friend to Mark Manthey
- † Yasmin Ramahi – daughter to Christiane
- † Kathy Gruben – sister to Jan Heien
- † Gloria Carter – friend of Nancy Meyer
- † Eric Puterbaugh – friend of a member
- † Patty Reck – sister-in-law to Carole Hoffman
- † Michael Teeter – friend to Long Family
- † Dale Warren –
- † Ward & Cathy Lenz – sister and brother-in-law to Paula Horst
- † Jennifer Lenz – their daughter, niece to Paula & Gerry
- † Shannon Wilson – friend of Maxwell family
- † Alex Zook – military, grandson of Barb Zook
- † Faith Zook – granddaughter of Barb Zook
- † Jenna Zook – granddaughter of Barb Zook
- † Joshua Zook – military, grandson to Barb Zook
- † Derrick Foote – military, husband to Wendy (nee Crook)
- † Josh Crosiar – member
- † Anne Maske – member
- † Steve Brinkmann – son to Dale & Vonnie
- † Braylynn Davis – friend to Brill family
- † Steve Brown – family to Josh and Michelle Joseph
- † Gordon Dupres – family to the Tagges
- † Shane Cremeens – brother to Brande Ruskusky
- † Lil Mulvaney – friend to Pauli family
- † Ginny Preston – friend to LaVelle Borders
- † Clara Riddick – friend to Brill family
- † Jackie Brandt and Family – in membership class
- † Neil Barnhart – friend to Long family
- † Max Wessler – father-in-law to Carol Wessler
- † Bill & Pam Barr – members
- † Megan Primmer – cousin to Ginger Abel
- † Karen Stabler – mother to Tracie Johnson (visitor)
- † Sally Taylor – member
- † Kenneth Garner – acquaintance of Jan Pacey (Phyllis Knebel’s daughter)
- † Sally Leon – mother to Joe Leon (husband to Susie)
- † Lorrie Kaspar – member
- † Constance Danage – former cleaning person for the congregation
- † Rod Pauli – member, son to Harold & Carolyn
- † Gary Ruckle – member
- † Gloria Teeter – friend to Long Family
- † Mark Buettner – associate of Carol Wessler
- † Tamesha Gates – friend to Szold family
- † Sandra Boyer – daughter of food pantry contributor
- † Mark Leon – brother-in-law to Sue Leon
- † Shirley King – mother to Phil King
- † Rebecca Sierra – friend to Linda Khattar

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## ✠ Prayer List (continued) ✠

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- † Virginia Tackmann - mother of Michele Keehner
- † Kris Taylor - Josh Joseph's aunt
- † Delcie Lane - member
- † Mark Manthey - member
- † Sherry Emberton - Vonnie Brinkmann's sister
- † Earl Boyett - father of Theresa Brusick, grandfather of Nick
- † Sharon Rumbold - member at Bethel, Morton, occasional organist for us
- † Brian Kelly - uncle to Josh Joseph
- † Luann and Shelby Cooper - members
- † Victoria Buschard - family of Michael Marshall
- † Ms. Ellen Rytter - teacher at Concordia
- † Cheryl - friend to Linda Khattar
- † Jenny & Olivia Bradley - family to Lynn Laredo
- † Theo Norman - member, child of Cole and Brooke
- † Harriet Nora - member
- † Becky Richards - mother of Kim Carver
- † Daryl Claudin - member
- † Natalie Brusick - member, wife to Nick
- † Deb Alig - co-worker of Theresa Johnston
- † Carol Loughridge - member
- † Anne & Miguel Bolwerk - daughter and son-in-law to Dave & Jan Heien
- † Cheris Hoffmann - member
- † Harriet Caughey - member
- † Carole Hoffman - member
- † Maureen and children - extended family to Roger & Carole Hoffman
- † Teresa Kerrick -
- † Mary Dowds - occasional visitor
- † Pr. Drews - member of our local circuit
- † Joann Bettinghouse - mother to Abbie Matson
- † PJ Comacho - friend to Mark Manthey
- † Lorie Livingston - wife to Ty
- † Patty Caughey - member
- † Linda Perrone - friend to Patty Caughey
- † Maria Vicitoria Corrales - extended family to Jan Pacey (daughter of Phyllis Knebel)
- † Ada Becker - mother of our custodian, Michelle
- † Pr. Mark Matthews - brother in law to Tom Brosowske
- † Jessica Horman - member
- † Scott Wilson - custodian Michelle's boy friend
- † Ron Achterberg - member
- † Elizabeth Auer - military, daughter to MaryAnn and Doug
- † Tomi - mother to Chris Brusick
- † Nancy Meyer - member
- † Bill Parrott - Brad Parrott's father
- † Diane Norris - friend of member
- † Marty Liex - friend to LaVelle Borders
- † Ann Jacobson - sister to Richard & Harold Pauli
- † Lee Mauschbaugh - member
- † Doug Auer - member
- † Hugh - friend of member
- † Maddie Johnson - member
- † Ray Khattar - husband to Linda
- † Dale & Vonnie Brinkmann - members
- † Harold & Carolyn Pauli - members
- † Jane Wood - mother to Sherri Long
- † Ryan & Carol Stetzler - friends to the Tagges
- † Merrill Manthey - friend of the congregation
- † Sue Elder - friend of Theresa Johnston
- † Ben Claudin - member
- † Roger Woolsey - Carolyn Pauli's brother
- † Tricia Smith - sister to Marcia Riddle
- † Chris Walker - brother-in-law to Vicky Jones
- † Brett Parrott - relative of Brad & Erin
- † Paul Fager - member
- † Diane Freeman - member
- † Shirley Poole - mother to LuAnn Cooper
- † Don Moran - Judy Norman's brother
- † Bruce Tagge - member
- † Bev Hoffman - niece to Gordon

Attendance		Com.	General Fund Weekly Offering
July 31	21	18	\$2255.00
August 6	87	63	\$5,784.00
August 13	86	23	\$3,331.00
August 20	97	70	\$3,815.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$15,185.00</b>

**PUZZLE**

**A PATH TO PRAYER**

God's Word offers lots of insights about how to pray.

*Directions: Use the code to fill in the blanks and complete a Bible passage about prayer.*

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1:3-4, NIV

Answer: I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy. Philipians 1:3-4, NIV

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** – Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of:

† Gloria Stewart, niece of Alice Johnston, cousin of Theresa Johnston, who was called to her eternal rest on August 23, 2023. Services are pending.

May they find comfort, hope, and peace in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In His Service

**PASTOR:**  
Rev. Barry Long 243-2042

**MINISTER OF MUSIC**  
Mr. Bruce Tagge 361-9821

**SECRETARY**  
Mrs. Judy Honig 688-4321

**CONCORDIA SCHOOL**  
Mr. Andrew Monkmeyer, 691-8921  
Principal

**CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS**  
Chairman.....Gerald Horst  
ViceChairman.....David Heien  
Secretary .....Judy Honig  
Treasurer.....Carol Wessler  
Finan. Secretary.....Theresa Johnston

**MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS**

Marcia Riddle, LaVelle Borders & Eileen Benne

**WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY**

Chairperson Luann Claudin  
Vice Pres: Theresa Johnston  
Secretary: Marcia Riddle  
Treasurer: Dawn Henderson

**ALTAR GUILD**

Co-Presidents: Abbie Matson & Linda Khattar  
Treasurer: Marcia Riddle

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Pre-School-1st Grade — Linda Crook & Linda Khattar

2nd—5th Grades — Teresa Brusick

6th Grade-High School — Paula Horst & Kelly Eckert

**CONCORDIA SCHOOL BOARD**

Kelly Eckert & Erin Green

**CONCORDIA FOUNDATION**  
Alex Kroenke & Eileen Benne

**CONCORDIA TRUSTEES**  
Jarrod Horman

**Boards of Mt. Calvary**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Teresa Brusick, Paula Horst,

**BOARD OF EVANGELISM**  
Jan Heien

**BOARD OF YOUTH**  
Michele Keehner Erin Parrott

**BOARD OF LONG RANGE PLANNING**  
(Dormant)

**BOARD OF PROPERTY**

Chris Brusick, Lisa Cornelius,  
Larry Frank, Lee Mauschbaugh  
Josh Joseph, Jarrod Horman,  
Vicky Brosowske

**BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP**

Theresa Johnston, Kim Beenders

**BOARD OF ELDERS**

(families under each Elder's care)  
Achterberg - Brusick Tom Brosowske  
Carver - Grinslade Phil King  
Halverson - Kroenke Daniel Keehner  
Lampton - Norman Gary Beenders  
Parrott - Zook Dr. Joel Eckert

**FOOD PANTRY**

LaVelle Borders  
Paula & Jerry Horst

**WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS BY BAPTISM —**

Victoria Jones and her grand-daughter, Karmen Holman were baptized on Saturday, August 19, 2023. Karmen is in the 7th Grade at Concordia this year.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO: --**

† The Rev. Dr. Jacob and Tiia Corzine on the birth of their son, William Toivo Corzine, on July 25, 2023. William was baptized on August 6, 2023. All are well.

† Edwin & Mary Etta Romero on the birth of their daughter Anna Lisa Romero on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Anna Lisa weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz. and is 21 inches long. Both mother and baby are well. The proud and happy grandparents are Jerry & Paula Horst.

## FROM THE CENTRAL ILLINOIS DISTRICT

### Camp CILCA's Chicken Dinner

Camp CILCA's Chicken Dinner and Auction is **Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Grilled chicken, sides and desserts are available **from 11:30 am-2:00 pm** for \$10. Kids 4-12 are \$8. The live auction begins at 12:30 pm. A silent auction will also be conducted. Visit [cilca.org](http://cilca.org) to view auction items and get more information. See you Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at Camp CILCA!

### Music for Missions

*MUSIC FOR MISSIONS* is a Sacred Music Concert and Hymn Sing in support of our LC-MS Central Illinois District Campus Ministry at ISU in Normal, at the Wittenberg Lutheran Center.

The event will be held at **St. John's Lutheran Church, 711 Court St., Pekin, Illinois on Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**

*MUSIC FOR MISSIONS* will feature guest organist Peter Wykert, Cantor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Peoria. It will also include music from vocalists, choir, and hand bells, as well as congregational singing. A free-will offering will be gathered to support our Wittenberg Lutheran Center at ISU. Refreshments will be served following the program.

### DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE?

Please join Lutherans for Life during our Life Chain event on Sunday, October 1, 2:00pm.

Life Chain is a *peaceful* and *prayerful* public witness of pro-life individuals quietly standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that we support the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception. This is an annual observance of the Life Chain which occurs simultaneously in over 1,200 locations across our nation and in Canada (see [www.LifeChain.net](http://www.LifeChain.net)).

We will meet at 2:00 pm at the Planned Parenthood on 2709 N. Knoxville, Peoria, IL. The Life Chain will stretch north and south from there. Signs are provided by Central Illinois Right to Life. If you have any questions, please contact LFL President, Bob Wegner, at 309-481-4886. God bless.

## FROM WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY

### September Meeting

#### What is the buzz in September?

It is the women in Mt. Calvary getting ready to come together for the Women of Mt. Calvary meetings!

All women are welcome to be a part of the 'hive', actually the Women of MC group.

Our first meeting of the year will be **Monday, September 11 at 6:30 PM** in the church parish hall.

Come and . . .

- \* **Bee** Social together
- \* **Bee** Helpful to the Church
- \* **Bee** Inspired by the Word
- \* **Bee** Joyful in activities
- \* **Bee** Insightful with ideas and suggestions in creating a plan for the year
- \* And **Bee** Thankful for the Lord's work and the women who have agreed to serve this year!

We look forward to you **bee-ing** a part of Women of MC and continuing the Lord's work here at Mt. Calvary.



### Peoria/Pekin LWML Zone Rally

*Abound in Love for One Another* is the title of our Fall Zone Rally to be held on **September 20, 2023** at St. John's Lutheran Church, 711 Court Street, Pekin. Registration begins at 8:30 am with the Rally beginning at 9:00 am. Speaker will be the Rev. Wayne Knollhoff from Orphan *Grain Train*. Registration forms are available in the church office or from Theresa Johnston— just ask.

### Publications

Copies of the *LWML Quarterly* and *The Clarion* (the CID Newsletter) are available on the tables in the Narthex and the Parish Hall. Ladies, please take one and read about this past summer's National Convention in Milwaukee.

## **LUTHERAN WOMEN OF GREATER PEORIA**

### **Greetings Ladies of Mt. Calvary!**

You are welcome to attend our fall General Membership meeting as we honor a panel of five local Women in Ministry. Please come to support these ladies, enjoy a continental breakfast and a time of Christian fellowship. Postcard invitations are available at Mt. Calvary.

**Friday morning, Oct 20, 2023, 9-11am**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church**

**1427 West Lake Avenue, Peoria**

RSVP to Lisa Mack by Oct 16<sup>th</sup> so that we can plan accordingly.

Call or text (309) 360-2669

[LisaDMack14@gmail.com](mailto:LisaDMack14@gmail.com)

### **CUB SCOUT ROUNDUP!**

The leaders of Cub Scout Pack 155 will be hosting a Cub Scout Roundup night **Monday, Sept 18, from 6:30-7:30 pm** in the CLS Commons. Come by during this "open house style" event for S'Mores and to find out more about Cub Scouting. As you may have heard, Cub Scouting has transitioned into a family model as opposed to a single gender youth program. The Cub Scout leaders here at CLS are excited to now offer the core values of Scouting to all of the girls and boys in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade! Visit [www.scouting.org/programs/cub-scouts/benefits-of-cub-scouting/](http://www.scouting.org/programs/cub-scouts/benefits-of-cub-scouting/) to see how your child will benefit from being in Cub Scouts! Thanks for your time and I hope to see everyone at Cub Scout Roundup night on Sept 18. If you are interested in Cub Scouting for your child but can't make it to the Cub Scout Roundup, email [cub-masterpack155peoria@gmail.com](mailto:cub-masterpack155peoria@gmail.com) for more information.

### **CID LLL ANNUAL RETREAT.**

#### **GOD'S LIVING WORD TODAY**

**September 9, 2023 9:00 AM- 2:00 PM**

**CAMP CILCA 4124 CAMP CILCA RD,  
CANTRALL, IL**

Registration \$25.00 (INCLUDES LUNCH)

Guest Speaker- Rev. Timothy Scharr

Southern Illinois District President

Register by Sept. 5th by sending the fee  
to Deloris Blessmann,

24204 CR 1850N Topeka, IL 61567,

or emailing [delorisblessman@yahoo.com](mailto:delorisblessman@yahoo.com)

## **CURRENT BIBLE STUDY TOPICS**

**Youth Sunday School Classes** – Our Sunday School for our young people will begin again on **September 10th**. Our lesson that day will center on the story of Ananias and Sapphira. **High School Youth:** Do you need "service hours"? Talk to Mrs Horst and see if she has openings for classroom aids. **Parents** – bring your child to Sunday and then stay for the Adult Class.

**Sunday Morning Adult Class** – *Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?* Based on Pastor Matthew Richard's book of the same title, this video series and discussion (led by him) will explore some of the false images of Jesus that tempt Christians to turn from the Lord Who actually comes to us. The books for this study are available and have been a gift of the John Riddle Memorial. We thank the family for providing these books.

**Men's Bible Study Topic** – **Isaiah 40-64** – "**The Book of Consolation**" – Join us as we read through the portion of Isaiah written for exiles before they were even born! God promises deliverance to them – and promises a greater deliverance with the Messiah, and points us all to the final deliverance that comes the Last Day.

**We meet on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am at Gebby's Family Restaurant at 726 East War Memorial Drive in Peoria Heights.**

**Thursday Lunch Together and Bible Study!** -- We've added a little extra to our Thursday lunches: a Bible study. As we start expanding our offerings at Mt. Calvary, one of the natural places to begin is around a time of fellowship and meal sharing. So, the plan is to gather for lunch at Noon, eat and visit for a while, and then read a chapter of Scripture together and talk about it. Some days we might have more to say, some days less – so there's no "set" time for this. In fact, if you need to run after lunch, you can; and if you don't want to join us until we get to the Bible part – you can do that too (try to arrive around 12:30 pm for that). **We're reading the Acts of the Apostles together. Come join us!**

August 2023						
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October 2023						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# September

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

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Friday

Saturday

<p><b>3 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>            9:00 a Divine Service            10:15 a Time of Fellowship            10:30 a Bible Study            11:45 a Divine Service</p>	<p><b>4 Labor Day</b>  </p>	<p><b>5</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            9-11:00 a Food Pantry            6:30 p Board Meetings            7:30 p Administrative Council</p>	<p><b>6</b>            6:30 a Men's Bible Study            8:30 a Pastor has Chapel at Concordia</p>	<p><b>7</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            10:00 a Crafts &amp; Conversation            12:00 p Lunch Together            12:30 p Bible Study            6:00 p Divine Service</p>	<p><b>8</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>
<p><b>10 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>            9:00 a Matins Service            10:15 a Time of Fellowship            10:30 a Bible Study  <b>10:30 a Sunday School Begins</b>            11:45 a Divine Service</p>	<p><b>11</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            6:30 p Women of Mt. Calvary  </p>	<p><b>12</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>13</b>            6:30 a Men's Bible Study            8:30 a Pastor has Chapel at Concordia</p>	<p><b>14 Holy Cross Day</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            10:00 a Crafts &amp; Conversation            12:00 p Lunch Together            12:30 p Bible Study            6:00 p Divine Service            7:00 p Neighborhood Watch</p>	<p><b>15</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
<p><b>17 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>            9:00 a Divine Service            10:15 a Time of Fellowship            10:30 a Bible Study &amp; Sunday School            11:45 a Divine Service</p>	<p><b>18</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>19</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            3:00 p Worship &amp; Music            4:45 p Board of Elders</p>	<p><b>20</b>            6:30 a Men's Bible Study            8:30 a Pastor has Chapel at Concordia</p>	<p><b>21 St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            10:00 a Crafts &amp; Conversation            12:00 p Lunch Together            12:30 p Bible Study            6:00 p Divine Service</p>	<p><b>22</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>
<p><b>24 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>            9:00 a Matins Service            10:15 a Time of Fellowship            10:30 a Bible Study &amp; Sunday School            11:45 a Divine Service</p>	<p><b>25</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>26</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>27</b>            6:30 a Men's Bible Study            8:30 a Pastor has Chapel at Concordia            3:00 p Executive Committee            6:00 p Peoria Anti-Hunger Coalition Dinner</p>	<p><b>28</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia            10:00 a Crafts &amp; Conversation            12:00 p Lunch Together            12:30 p Bible Study            6:00 p Divine Service</p>	<p><b>29 St. Michael and All Angels</b>            8:30 a Pastor Teaches at Concordia</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>



OH, THE DEPTH OF  
the riches  
OF THE  
wisdom  
AND KNOWLEDGE OF  
GOD!  
ROMANS 11:33, NIV

