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Monthly Newsletter

To the Saints

Stewardship Under the Cross: Luther on Tithing and Stewardship Martin Luther had much to say about being a good steward of God's gift's. Below are a series of quotations from the great reformer about faithful, Biblical stewards. On vowing to support the church with tithes. Thus it is said (Prov. 3:9): "Honor the Lord with your substance." This must be understood not only of words and the worship of the mouth or genuflection but of the deed itself.... Gal. 6:6: 'Let him who is taught in the word share all good things with him who teaches." Therefore when God wants to be honored. then he wants sacrifices of the mouth but also the reverence of the heart, yes, the deed itself. He wants us to help the ministry, and he wants everyone to contribute for the purpose of supporting the studies of the pupils and of propagating the doctrine. Then God is truly praised and glorified there. Make a vow there, and say: "I promise that I am willing to contribute something for the assistance of the churches." That is St. Jacob's vow. Therefore this example should be diligently inculcated, namely, that Jacob vows tithes, not in order that God himself may eat or be enriched; but he gives them to the poor ministers and to those who are always the least of the brethren or disciples of Christ on earth. For all other arts are gainful and have profits. This profession alone is in need of bountiful giving. We must live from the altar, as Paul says (1 Cor. 9:13). Accordingly, he who is godly and loves the Word of God contributes something. He who hates the doctrine along with those who teach and learn it robs and despoils.

Otherwise God has so ordained that we should live from our vows, sacrifices, and alms that are owed to us by divine right. When the godly see poverty and need of the ministers of the church and the school, they make vows and obligate themselves to give tithes, as Jacob gave them. (LW v.5)

On Tithing to Support God's Work in the Church

Therefore this text shows that Jacob did not make such a foolish and godless vow, but that it was a vow of

thanksgiving. For he says: "If I come again, etc." It is as though he were saying: "I shall now obligate myself to pay a debt, and I shall make satisfactory reparation when I return. What? I shall build a school and a church here, and shall give a tithe of bulls and goats and fruits for its establishment and upkeep, likewise a tenth part of the milk and the butter." Of course, God does not need these things. For he does not eat bread or drink wine, as he says in Ps. 50:13: "Do I eat the flesh of bulls?" What then, are you doing? I answer that Jacob is already righteous. Accordingly, he does not make a vow to placate God by making it; but he wants to do this to give thanks, to glorify God, in order that he may conduct him and bring him back according to the promise. Who will receive these tithes? Not the angels, nor the sun, nor the moon. But he will perform that extraordinary and glorious work for the purpose of preserving the ministry and founding churches and schools.... This is how Moses should be understood when he says (Deut. 23:21): "When you make a vow to the Lord your God, you shall not be slack to pay it." What does it mean to make a vow to God, or whom is Moses addressing when he says: "The Lord your God"? It means to give tithes to the disciples, sons, and wives of the prophets, to the poor and needy. These are the ones who are supported by the tithes offered to God, and through these tithes God is supported. For God says: "Whatever you give to the children of the priests and prophets through whom the doctrines propagated you must regard as given to me, not that I must justify you through this work, but it should be a thanksgiving and a sacrifice of praise because I have justified you and have also blessed you in temporal matters. In addition, I shall bless you even more if you give ear to support, and cherish the poor sons of the prophets." (Luther's Works, Vol. 5)

On Abraham's Stewardship

This was not the first time that Abraham gave tithes of these to the priest Melchizedek; He did so every year. Even before that victory Abraham conducted

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July Birthdays Millian

- Kathy Rummel
- Debbie Alsteen
- 16 Gene Alsteen
- 19 Evie Schultz
- 22 Laurie Schoenebeck
- 31 Sean Krueger

July Anniversaries 🥯 John and Toni Francis

- Jeff and Roxanne Tienor

July Counters 🔅

- Steve and Jane Stoltenow
- 14 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 21 Orville and Bette Quandt
- 28 Donna Tetzlaff and Sandy Sandri

July Ushers 🔊

- Gary Kebschull and Glen Seering
- 14 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 21 Arnie Bubolz and Orville Quandt
- Jim and Cheryl Jawort

July Altar Committee 🛶

July--Jane Porubcan and Tracy Brooks August--Cheryl Jawort and Janet Strohbusch

July Elder on Call Rick Gipp (920) 595-0989

Life Quotes for Lutherans

July 7 "Know that you too have been called to serve on behalf of life at such a time as this. God continually equips you, and you will be in awe of what He is able to do in and through you. The best part is He had it planned in the beginning (Jeremiah 1:5; Psalm 139:16; Ephesians 2:10). May you be blessed as you continue to serve life in His image!" Jordan Killinger is President of Rice for Life – A Life Ouote from Lutherans For Life lutheransforlife.org

July 14 "We are each created in God's image regardless of our abilities. He has called us to be His witnesses in the world. We are blessed for life—that we might be a BLESSING—glorifying Him in all we do. Because He has redeemed ME, my response to His everlasting love is to seek to do His will in all things and seek to

serve. All His children, regardless of age (pre-born to wise with age), could seek to share God's love with each and every soul God has created." Lori Solyom, Director of Development, Voice of Care – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

July 21 "We have the grace and truth of the Gospel to share—not only with women and men in crisis pregnancies but also with those so adamantly advocating for abortion. Why would we not share Christ with a lost and hurting people?" Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

July 28 "Let's get back to the basics and drown out the ugly message that death is the solution to life issues. God loves life and His creation. He has no desire for any of us to take our own life or the life of someone else. Our days are in His hands, not our own. May your For Life work be blessed, and may you be filled with the joy that comes with doing the Lord's work as a faithful servant." Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Tew Fundraiser

Shortly the Flooring Project will be completed and the FINAL phase of the project will begin--THE PEWS! This piece of the project will be completed at a cost of \$9,700 or \$440 per PEW. Each member/family is encouraged to "SPONSOR" one-half of a PEW. SPON-SORSHIP WILL BE \$220. We only need 45 sponsors. Multiple sponsorships will be appreciated. We have a very short time to accomplish this task, so please ACT TODAY! Put your SPONSORSHIP in any envelope and mark it "PEW". Thank you.

The Church Council

Landscaping

The area between our front doors, and the bell tower now has a 4x4 border and stone. The Church does not have a caretaker, per se; therefore, no plantings have been placed. We want to give the congregation an "Opportunity" to offer their proposals/donations for consideration by the Council. Bear in mind that we have no one to maintain so items like a "Monument" or "Pavers" with a focal point could work nicely. We do have the bench by the door from the Elbe family that could easily be incorporated within. If you wish to have us consider any plan, please contact any member of the Council. Our next meeting is July 12 and we would like to have several to review. Thank You.

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Lutheran Hour, July 2024

July 7

"My Pastor"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Like sheep that need a shepherd, followers of Christ need pastors who will come looking for them when they stray.

(Acts 20:28)

July 14

"Words of Grace Build Us Up"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola

The gracious words of God change our lives for the better, tell us of our inheritance, and remind us that we are part of a much larger family.

(Acts 20:32)

July 21

"Unhindered"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Dr. Jeff Gibbs and podcaster Jessica Bordeleau join Dr. Michael Zeigler to talk about St. Paul's harrowing iourney to Rome. (Acts 27 & 28)



July 28

"Thus and So Spoke the Girl from Israel" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Jesus is making His people into a light for a world that's crying for help. He came to make God's light shine on us so that all people might see the face of God.

(2 Kings 5:4)

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Lakewood Food Pantru

There is a list of preferred donations to the food pantry posted on the bulletin board in the church entry.

Let's all do what we can to help our neighbors who are in need. Donations can be left in the shopping cart in the entry way.

When you drop off your items, notice the new flooring in the entry way!



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himself humbly, acknowledged Shem as a priest of the Most High, and gave him tithes, as did Lot and the other fathers who lived at that time. (LW Vol.2)... To be sure, Abraham had property; but he did not love it, since he showed that he was a manager and knew that by God's will he had been appointed a steward of his goods. (LW Vol. 30)

> Together on the Way! Pastor Stoll

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Tabor Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Friday, June 7, 2024, 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Pastor Stoll, Dan Felker, Cheryl Jawort, John Francis, Scott Tennant, Bette Quandt and Rick Gipp.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Felker. Rick Gipp confirmed that testing of the defibrillator was completed. A motion was made by Rick Gipp and seconded by Scott Tennant to approve the agenda. Motion carried. Pastor Stoll gave an opening devotion and prayer. A motion was made by John Francis and seconded by Rick Gipp to approve the minutes of the May 17 meeting. Motion carried. The treasurer's report was distributed and discussed by John Francis. A motion was made by Cheryl Jawort and seconded by Rick Gipp to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

PASTOR'S REPORT: There were no baptisms or funerals in May. All shut-ins were visited in May. Don and Gale Bahr are home. Jerry Moede had knee surgery on June 5. Pastor Haag will be the visiting pastor for the Sunday, June 16, service. A motion was made by Scott Tennant and seconded by Bette Quandt to approve Pastor's report.

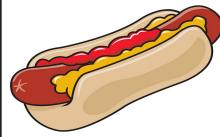
OLD BUSINESS: Dan mentioned that articles for the monthly newsletter must be submitted to Jane Porubcan no later than the second to last Sunday of the month. The landscaping by the front of the church is completed. The gutters and downspouts at the parsonage have been installed. The church and the sign lawns have been treated for weeds. The cost was covered by a donation. Waggoners Pew Cushions, Inc. have been contracted to reupholster the church pews. Several post cards that were included with the letters mailed to inactive members have been returned.

NEW BUSINESS: The drain for the sump pump at the parsonage needs to be repaired. The former organ and piano in the meeting room will be taken to the recycling center on Sunday. The housekeeping duties need to be reviewed and then shared with those cleaning the church. Dan reported on a letter received from Janet Strohbusch with suggestions on how to update/rearrange items and clutter at the church.

The Elder on call for July will be Rick Gipp. The next Council meeting will be Friday, July 12, at 8 a.m. A motion was made by Scott Tennant and seconded by Bette Quandt to adjourn. Motion carried. Dan Felker closed by leading us in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Cheryl Jawort

TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH



Congregational Brat Fry

WHEN: Saturday, July 5, 2024 Serving 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: SUPERVALU BRAT FRY STAND



WHAT: Serving Brats, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Cheese Burgers, Soda, and Water

A Thrivent Action Team Sponsored Event

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Tabor Ladies Aid Meeting

Six members of the Ladies Aid met on June 11, 2024, at Evelyn Charlson's home due to the carpeting being installed in the Church Fellowship Hall. Ev led the Bible Study "Take My Life". This references the Song Take My Life and Let It Be, as you learn about the gifts God has given you to serve Him and His people.

President Nancy Krueger opened the meeting asking for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21 meeting. A motion to accept was made by Tracy Brooks, seconded by Cindy Tennant. Motion carried. Diane Fitzpatrick gave the Treasurer's report showing \$4,944.30 in the checking account and \$13,014.28 in the Extension Fund. A motion to approve was made by Strohbusch, seconded by Tracy Brooks. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Tracy took quilts to the Safe Haven Shelter in Shawano. Nancy Krueger gave a quilt to the Heise family. Janet Strohbusch will be attending the LWML District Convention in Appleton, June 13-15. She will report on it at the next month's meeting. The VFW did use the Fellowship Hall following the Memorial Day service. If they plan on using it again, there needs to be more communication and planning from the group for serving, providing the supplies needed and the clean-up after including removing the trash. Our Ladies Aid volunteers are available to assist, but not to do the work. The Brat Sale for June 14 is being led by Cindy Tennant. Diane Fitzpatrick has donated funds to cover the cost for lettering on the signs. Thanks, Diane and Cindy. The volunteers are set to staff the event. A limited amount of baked items will be available for sale.

NEW BUSINESS: It will be Tabor's turn to host the joint picnic with Emmanuel this year. Nancy will contact the Church Council to set a date. We discussed the need for floor mats by the entry doors. There is a wide range of prices. No decision was made on whether the Ladies Aid is willing to take on the expense to provide them.

The July 9 meeting will be at Cindy Tennant's home at 9:00 am. Janet Strohbusch will lead the Bible Study "Giving and Receiving". Thank Ev for hosting this month's meeting. Nancy Krueger closed the meeting by leading us with the Lord's Prayer.

Ev Charlson, Secretary

Lutheran Women In Mission (LWML) 2024 District Convention Theme: Let Your Light Shine

The 2024 District Convention in Appleton was Amazing! Speaker, singing, meeting with old friends, and learning how our "Mighty Mites" helped so many organizations to Shine the Light of God's word into the darkness.

We are all encouraged to **Let Your Light Shine**, through our service to others, giving all glory to our Father in heaven.

<u>July Challenge</u>: Make a meal and take it to a shut-in or neighbor. Share a minute of conversation about God's love for them. Be sure elderly neighbors have cooling during the hot summer months.

REMINDER: Sunday, July 7 is Mighty Mites Sunday. Bring in your mite and deposit in the mites collection box.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR THE BREED PARADE ON THE 4TH OF JULY, 2024

Hwy 32 North to AA of Suring, Breed, WI

Seating is "Free" under canopies to watch the Breed Parade

There will be **Bucket Raffles Homemade Pies Ice Cream Burger, Hot Dogs, Ice Cream, Soda, Water**

Emmanuel is going to be giving <u>four bikes</u> away, <u>two</u> <u>adult</u> and <u>two children</u>, stop by to receive your ticket for the drawing after the parade.

Serving 10 AM until Gone

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3:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion	PASTOR'S DAY OFF	9:00 a.m. Ladies Aid Meeting			9:00 a.m. Board Meeting	Ruby's Pantry @ Gillett
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
3:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Mites Collected	PASTOR'S DAY OFF		9:30 a.m. Worship @ The Bay @ Suring 1:00 p.m. Serenity Gardens @ Gillett	1:00 p.m. Worship @ Lakewood Assisted Living Center		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	30	31			
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ALL ARE WELCOME!



Sunday Service 8:30 a.m.

Communion is celebrated every Sunday of each month; plus Holy Days