
Tabor Lutheran News

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Monthly Newsletter

To the Saints

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time." (1 Timothy 2:1-6) In the Name T of Jesus. Amen.

"Following the teachings of Scripture is not always an easy task. We are encouraged, and even commanded, to pray, think well of, and even give thanks for people we might not necessarily want to. In the book of 1 Timothy, Paul writes that we are to give thanks and pray for our leaders and others who rule over us. At the time of this writing, that would have been the government of the Roman Empire, the very same empire that was actively persecuting Christians. Yet, God still placed the rulers in charge, even if His reasons are unknown to man. Through rulers, good and bad, the Lord provides for His creatures. We are to give thanks to God for the things he accomplishes through them, and to pray that God would guide them away from evil deeds. But we are to pray for them in a different way, as well. We are told in our reading for today that we are to pray for our rulers and for all people because the Lord desires for all people to believe. We pray for the good and the evil, for the people we agree with and the people that we disagree with, for the people we know well and people who are strangers to us, that all may know and call upon the name of our Lord. When we are faced with enemies in this world, we are called to remember that they, too, were created by God and that He desires to be reconciled with them. It is not an easy task to love your enemy or to pray for the one who persecutes you, but it is what we are called to do as ones who have already been reconciled with God.

We do all of this only through the grace of Jesus Christ, whose blood was shed for all people."

This devotion serves as base and foundation for each of us as we live out our daily life of faith in a sinful and fallen world. This was made abundantly clear to us on Wednesday, September 10 with the assassination of Charlie Kirk. The response has been incredible as those who loved him were shattered and wondered why. The response has been equally incredible as those who hated him celebrated the event. While we do not understand, sometimes, why God allows this or that to happen, we are nonetheless, to be in constant prayer. To be following Paul's instruction here to Timothy, means more that just thinking good thoughts for others. It means that we are to set aside specific time each day to make our appeals to our God who is loving and forgiving, and to do so by enumerating each person by name. This applies especially to people with whom we do not get along or agree with. We pray for them because that is what God has commanded, it is what Jesus did for his enemies, as well as his disciples, because they were God's creatures who were in need of saving faith just as much as those who already believed. If God's grace for you, and Jesus' prayer for you does not change you so that you you pray for your enemies and those with whom you disagree, as well as your family and friends, how will you ever have the Peace of God that passes all understanding, because that is the grace of God. Forgiveness to all people for their sins, which includes you and I. The devotion closes with these words from the hymn "O God of Mercy, God of Might". "Teach us the lesson Thou hast taught: To feel for those Thy blood hath bought, That ev'ry word and deed and thought May work a work for Thee." (LSB 852:3) (Higher Things Devotion for September 19, 2025, Rev, Benjamin Heinz).

Together on the Way! Pastor Stoll

October Birthdays

- 1 Breanna Tienor
- 7 Debra Ulenbrauck
- 17 Paula Stoll
- 21 Janet Reed
- 31 Ronald Klawitter

October Anniversaries

- 6 Christopher and Sonya Schultz
- 10 Jeffrey and Deanna Tachick
- 21 David and Deborah Buchert
- 25 Ronald and Patricia Klawitter
- 29 Orville and Bette Quandt
Bill and Tracy Brooks

October Counters

- 5 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 12 Dennis and Sandy Sandri
- 19 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 26 Bill and Tracy Brooks

October Ushers

- 5 Jim and Cheryl Jawort
- 12 Brian and Diane Fitzpatrick
- 19 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 26 Orv Quandt and Gary Kebschull

October Elder on Call

Gary Kebschull: 920-590-3680 (Cell)

October Altar Committee

October--Brenda Urban and Janet Strohmusch
November--Tracy Brooks and Cindy Tennant

Life Quotes for Lutherans

October 5: "We shouldn't expect to know or understand the ways of God. We simply live in trust and ask God's blessing on our lives of sanctification, lived in love and thanksgiving to Christ." Marie MacPherson, author – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

October 12: "We care about that precious baby, but we also care about the mom. We care about that woman who is haunted by the guilt and shame of a past abortion ... We care because Jesus cares for us. We love because God first loved us. And this we know! Our

Lord Jesus—who died for us and took away all of our sin and guilt and shame—is risen and ascended to the Father's throne. JESUS LIVES! THE VICTORY'S WON!" Pastor Paul Clark, LFL of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

October 19: "You and I are made for life, abundant and everlasting. And this Gospel is made for all our neighbors, every genetic member of humanity." Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

October 26: "We need pro-life laws and alternative-to-abortion options to provide bridges and buy time for us to share the Gospel of salvation in Christ. Yet we cannot settle for a favorable court ruling, a strong piece of legislation, or a life-favoring politician ... Ultimately, though, changed hearts provide the alternative of eternal hope when despair and desperation tempt us to do bad things." Pastor Robert Fleischmann, Christian Life Resources – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

A Eunuch Approach

As a student at Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, MN, in the early 1930s, I sang in the male chorus. During our concerts at the churches we visited, one of us would lead in Scripture reading and prayer. Most of the devotionals were forgettable, but one remains in my memory as a "highlight" of those years.

A second-year student had selected the passage from Acts 8 that tells about Phillips conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch. After reading the account, he paused for a moment. Then, in a tone of great spiritual concern, he looked out over the congregation and said, "I'm sure there are many eunuchs here tonight."

What he said after that, including his prayer, I don't recall. I do remember that we barely stifled our laughter and, after the service, roasted him all the way back to the seminary.

The Reverend N W. Stoa
Seattle, WA



Lutheran Hour, October 2025

October 5

"Every Age Has a Stage"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola

Every age has a stage, not just a stage of life, but also a stage on which to perform and to serve.

(Numbers 8:23-26)

October 12

"When a Cakewalk Becomes a Crucible"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Forgiveness isn't a formality with God. Forgiveness is formative. It changes us.

(Numbers 14:30-31)

October 19

"God's Help Dwells in Us"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sanchez

The Holy Spirit is the Helper who comes to dwell in and with us, to encourage and empower us.

(Numbers 11:29)

October 27 was not available at the time of the printing of the monthly newsletter.

Come Back Here!

When our veteran church organist went away to college, one of the replacements was her younger sister, who had just begun taking organ lessons. I hadn't noticed how regularly our previous organist would leave the organ loft when the sermon began, taking the back stairs to the basement and returning just before the sermon ended. So I paid little attention to the fact that our fledgling organist had picked up her sister's habit. Until . . .



It was during one of our Lenten vesper services. I got into the pulpit and began my sermon with what I thought was a gripping illustration:

At the height of one of the battles of the Civil War, a young soldier thought he heard the command to charge. Leaping out of the trench with the regimental flag, he started running across no-man's-land toward the blazing fire of the enemy line. When his captain saw that other soldiers were running out of the trenches to follow the flag bearer, he shouted at the top of his voice (as I did that evening): "Come back here, you fool!"

Immediately, I heard the clatter of footsteps in the back of the church as our young organist emerged breathless to take her place on the organ bench. She never left the loft again during a sermon.

The Reverend Jaroslav J. Vajda
St. Louis, MO

Radio Broadcasts

<u>Station</u>	<u>City, State</u>	<u>Freq</u>	<u>Band</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
WRVM	Powers, MI	98.9	FM	Sun	10:00 AM
WRVM	Appleton, WI	101.7	FM	Sun	10:00 AM
WRVM	Ellison Bay, WI	103.1	FM	Sun	10:00 AM
WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	620	AM	Sun	6:30 AM
WRVM	North Fond du Lac, WI	88.5	FM	Sun	10:00 AM
WJMQ	Shawano, WI	92.3	FM	Sun	7:30 AM
WTCH	Shawano, WI	960	AM	Sun	7:30 AM
WRVM	Sturgeon Bay, WI	103.3	FM	Sun	10:00 AM
WRVM	Suring, WI	102.7	FM	Sun	10:00 AM

Tabor Council Meeting August 8, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order with attendance by Orville Quandt, Gary Kebschull, Scott Tennant, John Francis, Janet Strohmusch, and Sonja Schultz.

The meeting was called to order by Gary. Under this item, the defibrillator was discussed, with batteries sourced from the Fire Department. Additionally, a motion was made by John Francis to appoint Orville Quandt as President to fill the unexpired term of Dan Felker, effective until the annual meeting. The motion was seconded by Janet Strohmusch and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved with a motion by John Francis and second by Janet Strohmusch. There were no noted additions, deletions, or edits.

OPENING DEVOTIONS: Gary Kebschull led the opening prayer.

MINUTES FROM AUGUST 8: Sonja was tasked with emailing the minutes to all council members. The motion to approve was made by Scott Tennant, seconded by Gary Kebschull, and carried unanimously. No edits were noted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Concerns were raised about Concordia Publishing expenses possibly being misaligned with Emmanuel. Discussion also included the flower fund, with members donating flowers. The report was approved unanimously following a motion by John Francis and second by Scott Tennant.

PASTOR'S REPORT AND MISSION FESTIVAL: No formal report was available for the council. Planning for the Mission Festival on October 5 was discussed, including guest speaker Paul Steinhaus, lunch from Ladies Aid, and setup assistance from Dennis. A sign-up sheet showed 15 attendees from Tabor, with Emmanuel's participation still uncertain.

OLD BUSINESS: Extensive discussion was held regarding the parsonage basement and patio door issues. A quote of \$4,230 was received for drainage and piping work, with 50% down required. The patio door lacked proper structural support and would be addressed separately. The motion to proceed with basement work was made by Janet Strohmusch and seconded by Scott Tennant. Spectrum installation was

postponed to October 19. We received a \$400 quote from Mountain Painting to repaint the altar area, which was approved unanimously.

SHORT TERM PROJECT LIST: Plans for the Ladies Aid WML Fall Rally on October 11 were reviewed. Dennis will assist with speaker setup, Pastor will lead devotions, Carol will play the organ, and a luncheon will be provided. All women and their spouses are encouraged to attend.

NEW BUSINESS: Dual Parish Picnic scheduled for September 20 at Emmanuel. No update on Toys for Tots. Altar Guild staffing concerns and communion ware, with Gary Kebschull volunteering for rotation. Janet cleaned out the big books from the safe, which contained historical records and meeting notes. Discussed the retirement of Jane from newsletter and website duties, with Sonja planning to migrate content to Facebook. Addressed the need for a new payroll person due to Julia Timm's retirement, with council agreeing to keep the work local. In regard to communion ware no decision made was made. Concluded with a decision to resume quarterly reports rather than contacting the Circuit Visitor.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: October 10 at 4:30 p.m.

COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: No comments or announcements were made.

ELDER ON CALL FOR OCTOBER: Gary Kebschull will serve as elder for October, with Orville Quandt scheduled for November.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned following a motion by Scott Tennant and second by Janet Strohmusch, carried unanimously.

CLOSING PRAYER: The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by
Sonja Schultz, Secretary

Ladies Aide Meeting 9/9/2025, 9 a.m.

The Tabor ladies aide meeting called to order by President Nancy Krueger. Minutes from the meeting were approved by Tracy Brooks and Janet Strohmusch. Treasurer Diane Fitzpatrick gave: The final brat fry sales tally from August 8 ladies aide sales were \$1,008, which included funds from the combined bake sale. Other financials are: Extension fund balance is \$13,338.04, checkbook balance is \$5,952.85, and Gifts from the heart balance is \$205. Motion to accept the treasurer's report from Betty Quandt and Janet Strohmusch.

The joint annual picnic with Emmanuel will be Saturday, September 20. There is a sign up sheet on table in the common area if you are coming; and, also, if you can bring a dish to pass. Hours are 10:30 a.m. with a 12:00 (noon) lunch.

There is a sign up sheet for the Mission Festival, which is combined with Emmanuel at Tabor on Sunday, October 5. The church service will begin an hour later at 9:30 a.m. with the mission presentation to follow and lunch after the presentation. If you wish to bring a dish to pass, let us know.

The LWML District Fall Rally will be hosted by Tabor Ladies Aide on Saturday, October 11. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. with coffee and muffins, etc. This year's theme is Prayer, and our guest speaker will be Pastor Kleinschmidt from St. Jacobie Church in Shawano. There will be a lunch to follow. Information is posted on our bulletin board by the kitchen. The cost is \$5 **Please join us!!**

We will be displaying a new banner for October, which was created for our church by Janet Reed and was displayed at last year's district conference.

We will be restarting our Tuesday quilting sessions Tuesday, October 14, which will also be the monthly ladies aide meeting and Bible study.

The meeting ended with the Lords' Prayer with a motion to adjourn by Nancy Krueger and seconded by all.

Respectfully submitted by
Cindy Tennant, Acting Secretary

***2025 Tabor/Emmanuel
Mission Festival***

The Tabor/Emmanuel Mission Festival
will be held on **October 5, 2025**
at Tabor Lutheran Church

This year's guest speaker
is Wolf River Lutheran High School
Principa **Paul Steinhaus**

Divine Service will be at 9:30 a.m. at Tabor
Principal Steinhaus will speak immediately
following the service
LUNCH TO FOLLOW



If you would like to help plan for this event,
or plan to stay for lunch,
please sign up on the sheet
on the table in the Fellowship Hall

2025 LWML District Fall Rally

at Tabor Lutheran Church

October 11, 2025

**Registration
8:00 a.m.**

Theme for this year: Prayer

**Guest Speaker
Pastor Kleinschmidt
St. Jacoki Church in Shawano**

Cost: \$5

This includes all women and men.

Please join us!!

Tabor Lutheran Church Special Funds

<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Beg. Balance</u>	<u>Deposit</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Withdrawals</u>	<u>End. Balance</u>
	Flower Fund	639.44				639.44
	(In checking)					
8722	General Fund	\$3,301.13		4.21		\$ 3,305.34
7894	Parsonage Improvements	6,580.59	300.00	8.63		6,889.22
9486	Winter Savings	1,849.37		2.36		1,851.73
7906	Church Building/Maintenance	5,993.75	70.00	7.69		6,071.44
	Organ--In Above (3,377.00)					
7759	Bequest Fund	673.45		.86		674.31
6961	Scholarship Fund	2,090.06	5.00	2.67		2,097.73
8298	CD 40 Month Fixed 4%	12,132.77				12,132.77
5736	CD General*	16,110.48				16,110.48
5714	Winter*	8,055.26				8,055.26
5702	Bequest*	6,865.50				6,865.50
5725	Scholarship*	8,055.26				8,055.26
	TOTAL ALL SPECIAL FUNDS	\$71,707.62	\$375.00	\$26.42		\$72,109.04

*Interest paid quarterly

Tabor Lutheran Church Income/Expense Report - August 2025

Beginning Balance 08/01/25 6,448.18

August Income:

General Income.....	8,616.00
Loose	387.00
Thrivent.....	137.00
Church Bldg Fund.....	30.00
From Emmanuel.....	2,297.69
From Scholarship/Organ Fund	1,020.00
Missions.....	500.00
Visitor.....	145.00
Wolf River Luther High.....	672.00

Total August Income 13,804.69

August Expenses:

1 - District Budget	1,000.00
11 - Confirmation	117.58
12 - Pastor's Salary.....	4,101.82
13 - Pastor's CDSP.....	133.22
14 - Pastor's Retirement Fund	574.33
15 - Medical Reimbursement	1,110.00
17 - Parsonage Utilities	445.19
2 - Mission Designated.....	500.00
21 - Church Phone/Internet	140.05
31 - Church Utilities	217.35
36 - To LCEF Church Bldg/Main Fund	1,487.00
37 - Parsonage Fund	300.00
43 - Pass Through	600.00
48 - Scholarship Fund	72.00
5 - Organist	286.29
54 - Administrator Wages.....	735.67
5A - Organist Buttons	45.17
6 - Worship Supplies.....	538.49

Total August Expenses (12,699.96)

Ending Balance 08/31/25 7,552.91

OCTober 2025



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			01	02	03	04
			4:00-5:30 a.m. Catechism	9:00-10:00 a.m. Bible Study		
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
9:30 a.m. Combined Service Mission Festival Sunday @ Tabor Lunch to follow the speaker	PASTOR'S DAY OFF		4:00-5:30 a.m. Catechism	9:00-10:00 a.m. Bible Study	4:30 p.m. Board Meeting	LWML Zone Fall Rally @ Tabor 8:00 a.m. Registration 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Ruby's Pantry @ Gillett
12	13	14	15	16	7	18
8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Mites due LWML Sunday	PASTOR'S DAY OFF	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Meeting and Quilting after the meeting	9:30 a.m. Worship @ The Bay @ Suring 1:00 p.m. Serenity Gardens @ Gillett 4:00-5:30 p.m. Catechism	9:00-10:00 a.m. Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Worship @ Lakewood Assisted Living Center		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion		9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Quilting	4:00-5:30 a.m. Catechism	9:00-10:00 a.m. Bible Study		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Door Offer for WRLHS Reformation Sunday	PASTOR'S DAY OFF	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Quilting	4:00-5:30 a.m. Catechism	9:00-10:00 a.m. Bible Study		

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Address Service Requested

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Sunday Service 8:30 a.m.

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