
Tabor Lutheran News

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Monthly Newsletter

To the Saints

The person who does not pray knows neither his desperate need nor the benefit of praying. Although teaching people the language of prayer is indeed a good thing, still there is a sense in which prayer must be totally untaught and absolutely spontaneous. As new beings re-created after the Spirit, prayer should well up within us with artesian insistence (Jn 7:38). Unfortunately, spontaneity is often the excuse for lethargy. Prayer that must be spontaneous is often left unsaid because our flesh masters spontaneity.

To encourage prayer, God has attached great and precious promises to prayer. He promises to listen to us and see to our needs. However, we are also driven to prayer by the trouble we see in the world and feel in our own hearts. There is no end of things for which we should be praying. For the devil prowls around constantly seeking whom he may devour. Praying for rescue from the devil could occupy endless hours, plaguing Satan and glorifying God. Think of all those offices of divine governance in the world? We should pray for the President, Congress, the Supreme Court, state legislators, the Governor of our state, our mayor, the military, police and firefighters, rescue workers, doctors and nurses, and the like. We should pray for the faithful and successful execution of their duties and for their safety in the midst of many troubles and trials.

Most Christians have had the experience that they only pray earnestly when great trouble comes their way. This happens perhaps when a loved one becomes gravely ill. As many hours are spent in anxious waiting and watching at the sickbed of a spouse, parent, or child, heartfelt prayers ascend assailing heaven, demanding of God that He fulfill his gracious promises

to us his children. This is truly taking heaven by storm and is welcomed by our heavenly Father (Mt 11:12). There is so much to pray for and so much benefit in praying, we can never think of ourselves as having finished praying. Lord, teach us to pray!

Luther writes this, "Where there is true prayer there must be earnestness. We must feel our need, the distress that impels and drives us to cry out. Then prayer will come spontaneously, as it should, and we shall not need to be taught how to prepare for it or how

to generate devotion. The need which ought to be the concern of both ourselves and others is quite amply indicated in the Lord's Prayer. Therefore, it may serve to remind us and impress on us not to neglect praying. We all have needs enough, but the trouble is that we do not feel or see them. God, therefore, wishes you to lament and express your needs and wants, not because he is unaware of them, but in order that you

may kindle your heart to stronger and greater desires and spread your cloak wide to receive many things. "Each of us should form the habit from his youth to pray daily for all his needs, whenever he is aware of anything that affects him or other people around him, such as preachers, magistrates, neighbors, servants; and, as we have said, he should always remind God of His commandment and promise, knowing that He will not have them despised. This I say because I would like to see people brought again to pray rightly and not act so crudely and coldly that they become daily more inept at praying. This is just what the devil wants and works for with all his might for he is well aware what damage and harm he suffers when prayer is in proper use."



Together on the Way!
Pastor Stoll

November Birthdays

- 5 Arnold Bubolz
- 12 Brenda Urban
- 15 Brenda Carey-Milke
- 24 Roxanne Tienor
- 26 Brian Fitzpatrick
- 30 Pastor Steven Stoll
- 30 Steve Stoltenow
- 31 Darrel Wagenknecht

November Anniversaries

- 4 Scott and Cindy Tennant
- 6 Jim and Cheryl Jawort
Dennis and Sandy Sandri
- 10 Keith and Debra Uhlenbrauck
- 17 Earl and Lois Kahler
- 24 Steve and Jane Stoltenow

November Counters

- 2 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 9 Dennis and Sandy Sandri
- 16 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 23 Bill and Tracy Brooks
- 30 Dennis and Sandy Sandri

November Ushers

- 2 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 9 Brian and Diane Fitzpatrick
- 16 Eugene and Mark Krueger
- 23 Jim and Cheryl Jawort
- 26 Orv Quandt and Ron Lange
- 30 Orv Quandt and Gary Kebschull

November Elder on Call

Orv Quandt 715-853-5809 (cell phone)

November Altar Committee

November--Tracy Brooks and Cindy Tennant
December--Ev Charlson and Tracy Brooks

Hands Together, Eyes Closed

Because they are so familiar with the liturgy, pastors and laypersons at times may worship unthinkingly. Brains aren't always fully in gear on Sunday morning.

Not long ago a pastor told me about a colleague of his who was leading worshipers in the closing parts of the service. Turning toward the altar for the Lord's Prayer, he stretched

out his arms and began, "Now I lay me down to sleep . . ."

David L. C. Anderson, Anoka MN

Life Quotes for Lutherans

November 2 "We know that there will always be changes in laws and politics, and we can only change that as best as we can. The comfort that we do know is that the Father does not change like shifting shadows. In today's world, changes are swift and inevitable, but our faith and trust in our unchanging God are the comforts that sustain us!" Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

November 9 "God creates, redeems, and calls all human beings as His own precious treasures from fertilization to forever, regardless of ages, appearances, abilities, or impairments. The Gospel of Jesus Christ invites us to an honest humility and an enthusiastic hope that receive each one as gift and privilege!" Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

November 16 "When life around us is dark and despairing, when troubles are real and overwhelming, when our hurts outweigh our joys, take a moment to think about God's beautiful creation given for us as a 'good and perfect gift.' Take a moment to remember that we have another Light in our world—our Lord Jesus Who is the Creator of all things and is the light of men." Barbara Lane Geistfeld, DVM, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

November 23 "Thankful hearts and people produce a grateful culture, a society that is set free to live freely, set free from the mere whims of others, allowing all to live, everyone from the smallest to the perceived greatest. Whether you trust in God or not, freedom exudes gratitude. Gratitude is the grace that blesses all in this life. It gives others some semblance of hope." Rev. Mark Frith, Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

November 30 "As we prepare to celebrate Jesus' first Advent, His birth in Bethlehem, we also look forward to the day of His return, His second Advent. On the Last Day, we will see Jesus returning in glory as King and Judge. The Good Shepherd will come again to gather His flock to Himself forever." Dr. Carol Geisler, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org



upside-down, illogical logic.
(Philippians 2:5-11)

November 30

"Rise and Shine"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Belief in the resurrection of Jesus is no siesta. It's a 5am wake-up call, a jolt out of bed that will turn your world upside down.
(Romans 13:11)

Lutheran Hour, November 2025

November 2

"The Way Out"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Jesus alone is the Way out, rescuing us from sin, despair, and death. He calls us to live as people "on the way."

(1 Corinthians 10:13)

November 9

"The Lead of Life"

The lead (or 'lede') of a news story conveys the most essential information. What is the lead of the Good News, the Gospel?

(Luke 20:27-40)

November 16

"The Name on the Front"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Mercy is an others-focused attitude because God is an others-first God.

(Romans 12:5-6)

November 23

"An Unlikely King"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies

Christ is the King of an unlikely kingdom. Dr. Chad Lakies describes that kingdom's seemingly



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

Dear Friends

Greetings once again from hot and sunny Botswana.

Life continues to be interesting. Since my last update, Aaron left to go back to school at Michigan Tech and has settled in there again very well. Classes don't seem to be too much of a problem for him, and he is once again involved with Bible Studies and with events at Concordia House, the house the local LCMS church has right near campus which hosts events and offers rides to church on Sundays. It is strange being in Botswana without Aaron, we miss him. Andrew is currently finishing up his senior year of high school at home, spending some time making knives, and also continuing to learn the Irish flute and Ullian pipes (Irish bagpipes). He and Tim now provide quite a bit of the music for our Sunday worship, and have also given a few 'concerts' for tourists at the nearby camping lodge.

Burning season is upon us again, so I (Lisa) have temporarily moved to the town where we get supplies to get away from that. Thank goodness Andrew is as independent as he is; he does his school work and we go over his history and literature questions by phone. Tim got back about a week ago from a 10-day trip to Sierra Leone where he worked with the Themne translation team to do the final check on the first fifteen chapters of 1 Kings. Tim really enjoys the guys in this team, who happen to all be pastors, and enjoys the thoughtful discussions they have as they work through the passages to make sure they are both clear and faithful to the original. He also got to enjoy a lot of rain while in Sierra Leone -- which made me jealous; we haven't had any rain here since we arrived back in Botswana in May.



October promises to be more of the same for all of us. Tim is planning to come down to the town where I am in about three weeks to do some consultant checking with the Wayeyi translation team on the book of John. Andrew is planning on coming with Tim, and while Tim works with the translators Andrew wants to work at a friend's restaurant where he hope to pick up some recipes and good kitchen tips. I am looking forward to all three of us being in the same town again, at least for a little while.

Tim continues to help Splash with the planning of the November dedication for the Khwedam panoramic Bible, though Splash is the one in charge. Please pray for Splash; that is a lot of planning and responsibility riding on his shoulders, and things are not going smoothly for him.

Praises: -Thanksgiving for Aaron's safe travels and smooth transition back to the States and university.

-Thanksgiving for Tim's safe travel to and from Sierra Leone, and his productive time with the Themne team.

-Thanksgiving for safety and good health.

Prayers: *Please pray that the dedication for the Khwedam Panoramic Bible will be planned and come together well.

*Please pray for the checking with the Wayeyi team here in Botswana; that it will be very productive.

*Please pray for an end (or at least a vast reduction) to the burning.

Thank you again for all of your prayers on our behalf.

Tim, Lisa, Aaron & Andrew Beckendorf

Tabor Council Meeting (October 10, 2025)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Orv Quandt, with Pastor, Scott Tennant, Janet Strobusch, and Gary Keschull present. It was noted that the defibrillator had been successfully checked.

Approval of the Agenda: Orv Quandt proposed the agenda with an addition under New Business to include envelopes and a personal note. The motion was seconded by Sonja and Scott and carried unanimously.

Opening Devotion: Pastor led the opening devotion.

Minutes Approval: Orv Quandt moved to approve the previous meeting's minutes. The motion was seconded by Gary and Janet and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Janet presented the Treasurer's Report, addressing a voided check that appeared to have been canceled before leaving the account. Last Sunday's offering deposit remains locked in the safe, and Orv will deliver it to Dennis and Sandy for counting. The report was approved with outstanding questions, seconded by Sonja, and carried unanimously.

Pastor's Report: There were no baptisms and two funerals for Emmanuel. Catechism began with one student, focusing on daily faith practices. A circuit forum was held to elect a Pastoral Delegate for the national convention, with expenses covered. Synod assess-

ments will be sent in Jan/Feb based on baptized membership. All circuit churches will contribute to the convention account for travel to St. Louis. Pastor Nehring from White Lake is the alternate delegate. A vote for Synod President will occur in June. Pastor also completed multiple wellness visits. Rick Gipp submitted a membership transfer to Mt. Olive, and James will begin the paperwork. The LWML Rally is scheduled for October 11, 2025. The report was approved unanimously with motions by Janet and Scott.

Old Business: Updates included scheduling a plumber for the parsonage, Spectrum installation on October 19 with a new email address, altar painting planned for October, and continued work on the parsonage wall.

Short-Term Business: Toys for Tots will have a donation box in the entryway for children in Oconto County. Janet reported on communion ware options that resist tarnishing. Altar Guild members expressed concerns about monthly commitments for caring for altar cloths, and the issue was tabled.

Church Communication: Tools Janet reported that the website will be maintained, and Jane will be invited to the November Council Meeting for a knowledge transfer. A monthly bulletin insert will be created. The church's Facebook page is now live. A knowledge transfer meeting with Julia is needed for payroll responsibilities, pending identification of a replacement. The October 14 meeting at Emmanuel was noted. The parsonage faucet replacement is complete. Purchases made without using the church's sales tax exemption will be reimbursed minus tax. The newly added envelope list will be reviewed. Janet's term as Financial Secretary ends in December, and she will not continue. John and Scott's terms also end this year. The Annual Meeting will be held in January.

Next Council Meeting: The next council meeting is scheduled for November 14 at 4:30 p.m.

Comments/Announcements: General comments and announcements were shared.

Elder on Call: Orv Quandt will serve as Elder on Call for November.

Motion to Adjourn: Scott moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janet, and carried unanimously.

Closing Prayer: Pastor concluded the meeting with a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by
Sonja Schultz, Secretary

Tabor Ladies Aid Meeting

Six members of the Ladies Aid were in attendance for the Oct 14, 2025 meeting.

Tracy Brooks presented the Bible Study "That Human Touch" with an emphasis of the ways Jesus physically touched people and they were healed.

President Nancy Krueger called the meeting to order. A motion to accept the minutes of September 9 was made by Tracy Brooks, seconded by Janet Strohbusch. Motion passed. Diane Fitzpatrick gave the financial report showing \$5,078.96 in checking and \$13,359.97 in the Extension Fund. The Mite collection was \$149.53. Motion by Janet Strohbusch to approve, seconded by Tracy Brooks. Motion carried.

Old Business: Thirty-three members from Tabor and Emmanuel were served lunch on Mission Sunday. Thanks to those who helped prepare, serve and do the clean-up. The District LWML Fall Rally was hosted by the Tabor Ladies Aid. Total attendance was 34. We reviewed the donations and fees paid for the event. There are extra Thrivent T-shirts available on the table if you would like one.

New Business: Due to the fact the Mission Tidings publication has increased drastically, we will cut our order to 10 copies. The same number for the Quarterly Lutheran Woman's Magazine which is published four times a year.

Quilting will resume on Tuesdays starting on October 21. The quilts are donated to shelters in the surrounding area. If you can help, come and join the ladies. It's a good opportunity to enjoy the fellowship of our quilting group and help with our mission to provide warm quilts to those in need.

Diane Fitzpatrick will lead the Bible Study "Bearing Life's Burdens . . . Together" at our next meeting on November 11.

The Lord's Prayer was led by Nancy Krueger to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by
Ev Charlson, Secretary

Tabor Lutheran Church Special Funds

Acct #	Name	Beg. Balance	Deposit	Interest	Withdrawals	End. Balance
	Flower Fund (In checking)	952.13	639.44	25.00	69.61	569.83
8722	General Fund	\$3,305.34		4.08		\$ 3,309.42
7894	Parsonage Improvements	6,889.22	300.00	8.73		7,197.95
9486	Winter Savings	1,851.73		2.28		1,854.01
7906	Church Building/Maintenance Organ in above (3,77.00)	6,071.44	1,487.00	8.56	<u>2,415.43</u>	5,451.57
7759	Bequest Fund	674.31		.83		675.14
6961	Scholarship Fund	2,097.73	<u>72.00</u>	<u>2.64</u>		2,172.37
8298	CD one year	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*	6,860.50				6,860.50
5725	Scholarship*	<u>8,055.26</u>				<u>8,055.26</u>
TOTAL ALL SPECIAL FUNDS		\$72,109.04	\$1,859.00	\$27.12	2,415.43	\$71,879.73

*Interest paid quarterly

Tabor Lutheran Church Income/Expense Report - September 2025

Beginning Balance 09/01/25 8,305.76

September Income:

General Income.....	6,795.00	
Loose	275.05	
From Emmanuel.....	<u>2,297.69</u>	
Total September Income		9,367.74

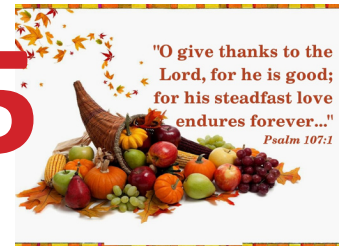
September Expenses:

1 - District Budget	1,000.00
12 - Pastor's Salary.....	4,101.82
13 - Pastor's CDSP.....	133.22
14 - Pastor's Retirement	574.33
16 - Pastor's Mileage Reimbursement.....	613.90
17 - Parsonage Utilities	103.29
18 - Conferences/Conventions.....	279.00
24 - Subscriptions/Pub/Dues	13.80
31 - Church Utilities	85.29
32 - Custodian Supplies	800.00
33 - Gen Maintenance/Repair Church.....	230.00
37 - Parsonage Fund	300.00
4 - Guest Pastor	170.00
41 - Flower Fund	69.61
5 - Organist	207.78
54 - Administrator Wages.....	735.68
55 - Guest Pastor's Mileage	55.30
5A - Organist/Buttons	46.18
6 - Worship Supplies.....	<u>372.03</u>

Total September Expenses (9,891.23)

Ending Balance 09/30/25 7,782.27

NOVember 2025



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						01
02 8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion All Saints Day	03 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	04 ELECTION DAY 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Quilting	05 4:00-5:30 p.m. Catechism	06 9:00 a.m. Bible Study @ Tabor	07	08 Ruby's Pantry @ Gillett
09 8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Mite Collection	10 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	11 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Meeting and then Quilting	12 4:00-5:30 p.m. Catechism	13 9:00 a.m. Bible Study @ Tabor	14 4:30 p.m. Board Meeting	15
16 8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion	17 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	18 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Quilting	19 9:30 a.m. Worship @ The Bay in Suring 1:00 p.m. Worship @ Serenity Gardens in Gillett 4:00-5:30 p.m. Catechism	20 9:00 a.m. Bible Study @ Tabor 1:00 p.m. Worship @ Lakewood Assisted Living Center	21	22
23 8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion	24 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	25 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Quilting	26 No Catechism 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving combined service @ Emmanuel	27 No Bible Study Thanksgiving	28	29
30 8:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion First Sunday in Advent Door Offering for WRLHS						

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ALL ARE WELCOME!



Sunday Service 8:30 a.m.

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