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Reformation & Confirmation

REFORMATION SUNDAY

On Sunday, October 30, Protestants around the world (including Lutherans) will remember the teachings of Martin Luther who followed his conscience to bring about much-needed change in the Church. In honor of this day, you are invited to wear the color Red—the color of special festival days in the church.

At Lutheran Ministry in Christ, Reformation Sunday is also designated as Confirmation Sunday. Confirmation Sunday marks the end of the year-long Confirmation Ministry program in which students are instructed in the Christian faith as confessed in the teachings of the Lutheran Church. During the Service of Affirmation of Baptism (Sunday, October 30 at 11:00 AM), the Confirmands make a public profession of their faith and affirm the promises of their Baptism. Please keep these wonderful young people in your prayers as they celebrate this special day:

Jack Belk, Jr., Michael Buda, Matthew Chabarek, Nicholas Chabarek, Daniel Curren, Christopher Day, Madison Fleming, Rachel Hansard, Jensen Kurlmel, Ceejay Parker, and Kristin Ramaglia

ROOTS & RESULTS OF THE REFORMATION

Martin Luther (b. November 10, 1483, in Eisleben, Germany, d. February 18, 1546 in Eisleben) is known as the Father of Protestantism. He had studied to become a lawyer before becoming an Augustinian monk in 1505, and was ordained a priest in 1507. While continuing his studies in pursuit of a Doctor of Theology degree, he discovered significant differences between what he read in the Bible and the theology and practices of the church. On October 31, 1517, he posted a challenge on the church door at Wittenberg University to debate 95 theological issues. Luther's hope was that the church would reform its practice and preaching

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A Cool Cause

AIR CONDITIONING CHALLENGE

The word "Challenge" in the title of this article could refer to several things:

First: It will be a "Challenge" to find a way to stay cool when the 2nd AC unit for the Centrum gives out (predicted to happen soon/any day).

The story behind this "Challenge" has 2 parts. (1) In August, one of the two 10 ton units for the Church Centrum stopped working. This means that the older, remaining unit is working harder to try to do all of the work to cool the Centrum. The facilities team members on council, Al Koch and Dan Lindeman, have been working very quickly to assess the options and obtain bids. (2) The air handler-located in the bunker-is over 20 years old and has been kept alive via EMS of Scott Wiesel. This key unit could fail at any time. Plus, this unit contributes to the 'musty odor' frequently sniffed in the Centrum by staff, kids, and parents.

Second: When the second unit stops working, it will be a "Challenge" for the church to find funds to pay for the air conditioning solution which will have an estimated cost of \$20,000

This \$20,000 capital expense is not in the budget so the funds must be raised in addition to regular offerings and revenue generated from the school which is already otherwise allocated. This year's operating budget is extremely tight due to increasing expenses (insurance, costs to maintain a 30 yr old facility etc. and a decline in overall offerings)

Third: It will be a "Challenge" for our congregation to support this fundraising effort for the AC Challenge in addition to continuing to support HarvestFest and our annual pledge drive which are also equally critical in the everyday operations of the church.

This AC Challenge is just another reason to come out and support HarvestFest in a BIG WAY this year. Invite your friends, family and neighbors and lets make it the best and biggest HarvestFest ever! *[editor's note: special "invite cards" are available from the church office to help you get the word out.]*

Fourth: I "Challenge" each family in our congregation to think of creative ways to find money to go toward this "Cool" cause: Look around your house, is it time to clean out some stuff and have a garage sale? Do you have unused items that could be sold on EBay or Craigslist and donate the proceeds to the AC Challenge? October is great weather for garage sales! When making a contribution, just put in an envelope marked AC Challenge and marked with your offering envelope number or your name.

Fifth: As Treasurer, I am "Challenged" to find volunteers who have some time to help for a "Cool" cause. We may combine some social events with fundraising so let's make it fun! If this is something you could help with, please contact me at karinreal-tor@att.net

By: Karin Lupariello, Treasurer, Church Council



Installation Celebration

ONLINE RESERVATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR INSTALLATION RECEPTION

Pastor Keith Walbolt will be installed as Associate Pastor of Lutheran Ministry in Christ on Sunday, October 2 at 4:00 PM. The Service of Installation will be followed by a dinner reception in the Centrum. All are welcome! In order for us to be good stewards as we plan the reception, all those planning to attend the dinner reception are asked to make a reservation by signing up on the bulletin board in the breezeway or using the online reservation form that can be accessed via http://www.lmic.org/html/installation_reception.html

We are also inviting each of you to help with the event by bringing in a bottle or two of your favorite wine (red or white) to serve our guests, which will include the Church community of the Broward-Bahamas Conference, the community of Coral Springs and its neighbors.



Music Notes

LET'S GET RINGING & SINGING

*It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High (Psalm 92:1)*

Add Your Voice!

The 2011-2012 Choir Season has begun and runs through May 27, 2012. Choir practice is held on Thursdays beginning at 6:30 PM. Additional voices are needed. If you want to “sing unto the Lord,” please contact Phil Hinton, Director of Music (phinton@lmic.org or 954-752-6566).

Ring Your Bell

Hand Bell Choir practices on Sundays at 12:30 (or immediately after the 11:00 Service) in the choir loft for one hour. Bring a quick, non-messy snack if you need something to eat. A few more ringers are needed to round out the sound. To express your interest, please contact Karin Lupariello (klupariello@lmic.org) or Phil Hinton, Director of Music (phinton@lmic.org or 954-752-6566).

The Joy of Belonging

NEW MEMBER CLASS COMING SOON

Our ministries and programs are designed to “share with all people God’s unconditional and healing love.” Membership is never a pre-requisite to participate; however, membership in a faith community reflects a deeper commitment to the mission and ministries of a congregation as the people work together to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

As you reflect on your faith journey, we hope you will consider where the Lord is leading you. If you find that the Lord is calling you into a deeper relationship with Him through this congregation, we encourage you to take the next step by becoming a member.

During the New Member class, Pastor Robb provides a summary of Lutheran Doctrine (The Augsburg Confession and Luther’s Small Catechism), Lutheran Worship traditions, and the seven identifiable marks of discipleship: pray, study, worship, encourage, invite, serve, and give. All prospective new members, including those transferring from other congregations, must attend the new member class prior to joining LMIC.

A class is scheduled for Saturday, October 8 from 10:00-11:30 AM. New Members will be received at the Service of their choice October 15 & 16. Pre-registration is required. Active members of other Lutheran congregations need to request a transfer of their membership. Childcare is available, but arrangements must be made prior to the class. For further details, or to register for the class or child care, please contact Sandi Pontious, Director of Communications (spontious@lmic.org or 954-752-6566).

THE JOY OF BELONGING

NEW MEMBER CLASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM



Children, Youth & Family

Fifth Grade First Communion

Dear Fifth-Graders,

Your friends at church would like to invite you to God's Table for your First Communion. You've certainly been to the table before, and you may have even eaten a little bread. But, there's more to this story: something very special is happening and we'd love for you to learn more about it. Pastor Keith will spend some time with you and explore what Holy Communion means on **October 15th** from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Parents, you're invited to spend the last 30 minutes, from 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM, with us. Please pre-register

your fifth-grader in the breezeway or call the church office at 954-752-6566.



Preparation Class for 5th Graders
Saturday, October 15
9:00 AM—12:00 PM

First Communion may be taken
at the Service of your choice the
weekend of November 5-6

Canoe Trip

RIVER ADVENTURE

Middle & High Schoolers join us for the Annual Canoe Trip on the Loxahatchee. Meet here at Lutheran Ministry in Christ on **Saturday, October 1, at 7:00 AM**. The cost is \$15 per person. Anyone interested in attending must pre-register and turn in a completed permission slip and a medical release form available from the church office. Adults are needed to drive and/or chaperone. For further details, please contact Tom Keller by calling the church office (954-752-6566).

Pennies 4 Pandas

The service project for this year's Vacation Bible School was "Pennies for Pandas." The children were challenged to bring in pennies in support of Pandas International, a non-profit organization dedicated to research and preservation efforts so the endangered giant panda does not become extinct. They seek to rebuild the Panda's natural habitat in China that was destroyed by an earthquake in May 2008.



We are pleased to report that our children through their offerings donated

5000 Pennies!



Early Childhood Ministries

FALL CARNIVAL

ECM will hold the Fall Carnival for their students on Wednesday, October 26 during regular school hours. The children will enjoy carnival-type

games, snacks and have a chance to get their picture taken at the Pumpkin Patch.



THANKSGIVING WEEK "CAMP"

For parents needing childcare during Thanksgiving week (November 21-23), Early Childhood Ministries will host "Fall Follies" for children in Pre-K, Kindergarten or 1st grade. The activities for that week are already being planned, reservations are a must. Please call the ECM office at 954-752-0345 for all the details. Please note that ECM will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and the day after (November 24 & 25).

More Youth & Family Fun...

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

Every three years, high school youth involved with congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) gather together to worship, serve, learn, and to *be* the church. In the summer of 2012, youth numbering around 36,000 or so will join in New Orleans for the Gathering. High School youth from LMIC will have the opportunity to be part of this. This is more than a conference; this is a life-changing event for young people to experience the vibrant faith life among teens throughout the country. Young people return from the Gathering with a hunger to continue their faith journey and the promise that young people are at the center at the whole church. Their five days in New Orleans will include worshipping together, serving together, and growing as disciples together -- a microcosm of the Christian life. The theme of this Gathering, *citizens with the saints*, will give purpose not just to the five days in New Orleans, but to the ministry of youth at LMIC going forward. It does cost a significant amount to send these young people to the Gathering, and fundraising has already begun. The congregation of LMIC has always given much to enable these young people to go. In terms of time and money and energy, though, this is one of the best investments we can make for the church: building up the future *and the present* work of the Gospel through the vital faith of young people.

GATHERING FUNDRAISING TO INCLUDE SEVERAL SPECIAL EVENTS

Coffee Shop & Cake Pops

Last month the Coffee Shop opened for business for the first time. The high school youth sold homemade Cake Pops and a variety of fresh-brewed Keurig gourmet coffees and teas. It was a tremendous success. In addition, the Coffee Shop provided a chance for the congregation to sit and enjoy some coffee & conversation. The Coffee Shop will be open again on Sunday, October 2, following the 8:30 Service. Cake Pops will be available. We are also offering a chance to pre-order Cake Pops for any special occasion.

Pumpkin Patch

Starting in Mid October, you may notice a familiar sight on the south lawn as the Pumpkin Patch returns. The

Patch will offer pumpkins and other fall holiday items for sale, and is scheduled to begin on Oct. 15th. After years of faithful service, Boy Scouts Troop #339 which ran this fundraiser will no longer be managing the Pumpkin Patch. Instead, the Senior High Youth will take over. Besides raising funds for the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering, the Pumpkin Patch provides a welcome public face to the community, bringing in folks who may walk or drive by LMIC every day without noticing much. The pumpkins, hay stacks, and crafts lend a fall festival atmosphere to ECM activities and the upcoming Harvest Fest. Make a point to stop by throughout the weeks before Oct. 31st -- you'll find more than just pumpkins!

Mark your calendar for two special events that will be happening at the LMIC Pumpkin Patch:

Family Night at the Pumpkin Patch

All ECM and LMIC Families are invited to join us at the Pumpkin Patch on Wednesday, October 19 (6:00—8:00 PM) for an evening designed for our preschool and early elementary children. There will be plenty of games and activities. For a nominal fee you will also be able to decorate pumpkins and enjoy some special Halloween goodies. Hot dogs & chips will be available for sale.

Trunk or Treat

What is trunk or treat you ask? Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event that is often church- or community-sponsored. People gather and park their cars in a large parking lot. They open their trunks, or the backs of their vehicles, and decorate them. Then they pass out candy from their trunks. The event provides a safe family environment for Halloween fun! There will be plenty of games and activities for families as well.

LMIC will host a Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 27 from 6:30—8:30 PM. Members and friends are asked to sign up and decorate your vehicle's trunk and be there to pass out candy to the Trunk or Treaters! Best decorated trunk wins their own Pumpkin! If you would like to be one of the "trunks," please call the church office at 954-752-6566. If you would rather donate bags of candy to help insure we have enough for all the little ones, please bring your donations to the church office by Wednesday, October 26.



Harvest Fest & Auction

Sunday, October 23

4:00 - 7:30 PM



AUCTIONS

This year's event features both **SILENT and LIVE AUCTIONS**. Start working on your bidding strategy so you won't miss out on these fabulous items!

- Vintage Coca-Cola Memorabilia
- Executive Chef Matt Betlach will design & prepare a gourmet dinner hosted by Robb & Mary Grimm
- West Coast Get-A-Way in Naples, FL: one week stay in a relaxing timeshare
- Handmade Wooden Nativity Scene/Crèche
- Full Day Tour of Miami with Pastor Robb
- Broward Center Theater Tickets
- Sporting Items/Events
- and much, much more!



BASKETS

Harvest Fest baskets are assembled by the fantastic basket brigade and are sure to include something for everyone. Enter to win one of your very own or one for that special someone on your Christmas shopping list! Here are just a few of the baskets from which you will be able to choose:

- iPad 2 – with WiFi & 3G capability
- Vizio 37" LCD HD Flat Screen TV
- Disney Tickets – 4 Park Hopper Passes
- Basket of Cheer (including Patron, Beefeater, Glenlivet, Absolute, Jack Daniels & more)
- Yamaha Electronic Keyboard
- and much, much more!



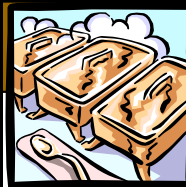
RAFFLES

Fun for all ages! We'll have both a **KIDS' and ADULT RAFFLE**. Look through those couch cushions and borrow from those piggy banks. It only takes \$1 to enter a raffle for your chance to win all sorts of prizes! You just might walk away with gift certificates or other amazing items!

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- Jam Band
- Volleyball
- Face Painting
- Arts & Crafts
- Karaoke
- and more!

Childcare will be provided. Please sign up for childcare when purchasing your tickets.



DINNER

Once again **TAVOLINO'S RISTORANTE** will provide a fantastic dinner including pasta, chicken, vegetables and rolls.

Their food is so great - **YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!** Special meal for those holding a "kids" ticket: chicken fingers & mac 'n cheese!

Plan to save some room for the **HOMEMADE DESSERT BUFFET AND COFFEE**. Families from LMIC go all out to share their favorite desserts with everyone who attends.

**TICKETS GO ON SALE
THE WEEKEND OF OCT. 2ND**

All proceeds from the Harvest Fest and Auction support the mission and ministries of LMIC.



Food, Fun & Fellowship for Everyone!

Harvest Fest is a FANTASTIC FAMILY EXPERIENCE that includes dinner, auctions, raffles, homemade desserts, fun and fellowship for both adults and kids of all ages. Invite your friends and family because all are welcome. Once again, we'll be offering discounted ticket prices when you buy in advance, as well as a family package price.



Want to **save money** on your Harvest Fest tickets and have more to spend on Harvest Fest & Auction prizes? Then be sure to buy your tickets in advance to take advantage of these special **REDUCED** prices!

ADVANCED Tickets*:

\$22 Adults

\$10 Teens (12-17)

\$5 Kids (3-11)

Free Kids 2 & Under

\$60 per Family*

(*advance purchase only, a family is defined as two adults and children under age 18)



***Discounted advance ticket sales start**

Sunday, October 2nd and end Wednesday, October 19th

Ticket prices increase Thursday, October 20th!

Buying your tickets in advance will help us ensure the proper amount of food is ordered for the event. We will always order some extra food just in case! Tickets will still be on sale after October 19th and up to the start of the event at the following prices: \$30 per Adult (age 18 and up), \$15 per Teen (age 12-17), \$7 per Child (age 3-11), no family discount after October 19.

New this year...

Special Events just for Middle & High Schoolers include volleyball, a musical "jam" session on the front lawn & much more!

IMPORTANT DATES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Advance, reduced price Ticket Sales BEGIN

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Advance, reduced price Ticket Sales END*

Price increase effective Thursday, October 20

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

Harvest Fest & Auction!!!

Reformation

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to be more consistent with the Word of God as contained in the Bible.

What started as an academic debate escalated to a religious war, fueled by fiery temperaments and violent language on both sides. As a result, there was not a reformation of the church but a separation. "Lutheran" was a name applied to Luther and his followers as an insult but adopted as a badge of honor by them instead.

Lutherans still celebrate the Reformation on October 31 (the Sunday nearest that date is celebrated as Reformation Sunday) and we still hold to the basic principles of theology and practice espoused by Luther— *Sola Gratia*, *Sola Fide*, *Sola Scriptura*:

- *Sola Gratia*: We are saved by the grace of God alone — not by anything we do;
- *Sola Fide*: Our salvation is through faith alone — we only need to believe that our sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who died to redeem us;
- *Sola Scriptura*: The Bible is the only norm of doctrine and life — the only true standard by which teachings and doctrines are to be judged.

Another of Luther's principles was that Scriptures and worship need to be in the language of the people. Many Lutherans still consider themselves as a reforming movement within the Church catholic, rather than a separatist movement, and Lutherans have engaged in ecumenical dialogue with other church bodies for decades. In fact, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has entered into cooperative "full communion" agreements with several other Protestant denominations.

Luther's Small Catechism, which contains teachings on the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Holy Baptism, Confession and Absolution, Holy Communion and Morning and Evening Prayers, is still used to introduce people to the Lutheran faith, as is the Augsburg Confession. If you are interested in reading more on the doctrines of the Lutheran Church, please stop by the library in the church office. Several books are available for loan.

At the Table with Our Lord

World Communion Sunday, October 2, is a very special day. Christians around the world will join together at the Lord's table to partake of the sacrament. What a great day that will be! Consider what an amazing table the Lord's table is! In a sense it stretches around the whole earth.

Catholic Christians,
Coptic Christians,
Orthodox Christians,
Reformed Christians,
Lutheran Christians,
Baptist Christians,
Anglican Christians,
Methodist Christians,
Evangelical Christians,
and Christians who
worship in churches
bearing names we may



never have heard of, will gather in their places of worship and do what Christ asked his friends to do: Remember him!

"Do this in remembrance of me," said our Lord Jesus. Then he broke bread as a reminder of his sacrificed body and lifted up the cup holding the wine representing his blood. The sacrament is a vivid symbol of Christ's sacrifice and loving concern for each of us. How could we ever forget him?

Remember, also, as we gather as Christ's family around that table of grace that we are brothers and sisters in Christ with Christians around the whole world. 'In Christ there is no east or west; In him no south or north; But one great fellowship of love, Throughout the whole wide earth.' Thank you, Lord.

At Lutheran Ministry in Christ, we believe that Our Lord Jesus Christ invites you to share in the Lord's Supper and that in this sacrament Jesus offers us the assurance of God's forgiving love and His healing promises. All baptized persons who share this belief are invited to commune, regardless of denomination. Children, at age ten receive Communion Instruction (see page 4 for upcoming class date), and younger children are invited to join their families for a special blessing. Communion is generally offered at every Sunday Service and at our Traditional Service on the first Saturday of the month.

Groups & Gatherings

WOMEN 2 WOMEN BOOK CLUB

Ladies: Dive into this nationally acclaimed novel and join in the discussion and fellowship at the home of a fellow book lover. Here's this month's schedule:

Tuesday, October 25 - 7:00 PM

Abraham by Bruce Feiler

Host: Julie Ray

Contact Mary Grimm (mag48@bellsouth.net) or call the church office (965-752-6566) for more information on the Women2Women Book Club.

BUSINESS SMALL GROUP

This group, which meets the last Thursday of the month (October 27) from 8:30 – 10:30 AM in the LMIC Youth Lounge, provides you the ability to support, network and share your experiences with other Christian business people. If you have an interest in joining or want more information, please contact Chris Miller (954-253-9912 or cmusaf1@comcast.net).

Watch for details coming soon on a Financial Planning Seminar sponsored by the Business Small Group.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP & STUDY

Women of all ages gather at 9:00 AM on Thursdays in the LMIC Youth Lounge for Bible Study and fellowship. For more information, please contact Susan Karneth (scrappingbee@gmail.com or 954-914-1726).

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men are invited to join us in the Centrum Tuesdays at 7:30 AM for coffee, philosophy, politics, investment advice and religion. Stop by for the stimulating conversation before you begin your Tuesday!

“HEALTHY HABITS”

This group meets on Wednesdays from 6:30—8:00 PM and provides information and support for living a healthier lifestyle. Please contact Susan McCloskey for additional details (954-775-6017).

ADULTS GET “WIRED”

Adults are invited to join us from 9:45—10:45 on Sunday mornings for informal Bible Study, refreshments and fellowship at the Adult Café. Using “The Wired Word,” participants delve into the Biblical dimensions of current events. Participants have the opportunity to have the week's topic sent to them via email if they want to review the material prior to the discussion. For further information, contact Lisa O'Donnell at loddonell@lmic.org or simply stop by the church office conference room on Sunday mornings at 9:45. All are welcome!

Church Family News



Remember your word to your servant,
in which you have made me hope.
This is my comfort in my distress,
that your promise gives me life.

Psalm 119:4-50

IN LOVING MEMORY OF GLADYS MARIE STEIN

Gladys Marie Stein completed her Baptismal journey at the age of 97 on September 11, 2011. Funeral Services were held at Kraeer Funeral Home, Coral Springs, on September 15. Pastor Robb Grimm presided. Gladys was born on March 1, 1914 in Hoboken, New Jersey. She is survived by her daughter Joy (Steven) Chanzas and her grandson Jarrett (Erika) Chanzas). She was preceded in death by her son, Thomas Lippett in November of 2010.

A member of Lutheran Ministry in Christ since 1979. Gladys spent the past several years homebound, unable to attend Worship or fellowship events; however, she remained a beloved member of the congregation and was lovingly cared for by our Stephen Ministry Team. Gladys will be missed by all those who knew and loved her. May God lovingly receive Gladys into his eternal embrace and be the source of all comfort and hope for those who mourn her passing.

Advertising Space Available

HELP YOUR BUSINESS... HELP YOUR CHURCH!

The Marketing and Evangelism Team presents a new Paid Advertising opportunity for you or your company in the weekly printed Announcement/Information folder. (At this time, paid advertising in the newsletter or on the website are not available). Here are the details for the Ads:

Ad size will be approximately the size of a standard business card.

Advertisements will be inserted into the Announcements and Information handout, distributed weekly at the Saturday and Sunday Services.

Deadline: Completed ad must be received by Monday in order to be included in the following week's announcements handout.

LMIC reserves the right to cancel an advertisement at anytime for any reason. A prorated refund will be given to the advertiser.

Advertising with Lutheran Ministry in Christ and Early Childhood Ministries does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation of your product/service.

All advertisements must follow the LMIC Value System for Groups, The Ten Commandments, Mission and Vision Statement of Lutheran Ministry in Christ and ELCA Social Statements and Messages.

All advertisements must be approved by at least 2 current LMIC council members.

Donations to be made in the name of: Lutheran Ministry in Christ. All proceeds will be used to increase our exposure in the community through the use of roadside banners, an improved Welcome Center, invite cards, car decals, and other promotional items. In this way, the Marketing and Evangelism Team will be better able to meet their goal of sharing with all people God's unconditional and healing love to the local area and beyond.

Introductory Rate: 3 Months - \$99

For further details, please contact Dan Lindeman, Marketing & Evangelism Team Member (561-5541-9298 or dlindeman@myacc.net).

We're Counting on You!

JOIN THE TELLERING TEAM

Looking for 8 volunteers (4 teams of 2) to volunteer one week a month to count offerings. Training will be provided and will begin in the next month or two.



Please contact Karin Lupariello, Council Treasurer at karinrealtor@att.net to express your interest.

SHARING YOUR GIFTS IN MINISTRY

Likening the church to the human body, the Apostle Paul illustrates for Christians their unique place in this world. There are billions of people, but there is only one you. Out of his great love for his children, God has created each of us with unique talents and abilities, reserving a special place for each person.

When we belong to the body of Christ, the diversity of God's creation works together to build up the church and its members. As we pray, worship, study and fellowship together, we fulfill God's plan for our lives. In sharing our time, talents and treasures with each other in His name, we find peace and understanding. As we comfort one another in times of trouble, we share God's unconditional and healing love. As we belong to the body, we receive energy from the Holy Spirit to move forward on our journey of faith. By the same token, we respond to this sense of joy in belonging by giving of ourselves to the body of Christ. Our responses vary, but are all the same when given out of gratitude to the God who first chose us to be his children.

At Lutheran Ministry in Christ, we are committed to helping God's people discover and use their gifts in ways that are meaningful and fulfill their calling—within the congregation and in their daily lives. We begin the process of discovery through the use of individual, confidential gift inventories.

The discovery of gifts can be done prior to or after joining the congregation. Please contact Sandi Pontious, Director of Communications (spontious@lmic.org or 954-752-6566) to schedule your confidential spiritual gifts inventory.

Here's what's happening!

Weekly Events

Saturday	5:30 PM	Traditional Worship	Tuesday	7:30 AM	Men's Morning Fellowship
Sunday	8:30 AM	Blended Worship	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Healthy Habits Group
	9:45 AM	Sunday Education Hour	Thursday	9:00 AM	Women's Fellowship & Study
	11:00 AM	Contemporary Worship		6:30 PM	Vocal Choir Rehearsal
	12:30 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal			

Monthly Meetings & Events

Date	Day	Start Time	Event
October 1	Saturday	7:00 AM	Middle & High School Canoe Trip
		8:30 AM	Cooperative Feeding Program
October 2	Sunday	9:30 AM	Coffee Shop & Cake Pops Fundraiser
		4:00 PM	Installation of Pastor Keith Walbolt & Dinner Reception
October 3 & 17	Monday	6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision
October 4 & 18	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Dads Group #3
October 8	Saturday	9:00 AM	CPR & First Aid Class <i>(contact Sue McCloskey 954-775-6017)</i>
		10:00 AM	"Joy of Belonging" New Member Class
October 12	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Marketing & Evangelism Team Meeting
October 13	Thursday	7:00 PM	Harvest Fest & Auction Team Meeting
October 15	Saturday	9:00 AM	First Communion Instruction for 5th Graders
October 18	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Congregation Council Meeting
October 19	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Family Night at the Pumpkin Patch
October 20	Thursday	4:00 PM	Kids Kare Sunshine Visit to Harbor Chase
October 23	Sunday	4:00 PM	Harvest Fest & Auction
October 25	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Women2Women Book Club at the home of Julie Ray
October 27	Thursday	8:30 AM	Business Small Group
		6:30 PM	Trunk or Treat Event
October 29	Saturday	9:00 AM	Confirmation Breakfast & Rehearsal
October 30	Sunday	11:00 AM	Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation Contemporary Worship

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Worship Opportunities Saturday

Traditional—5:30 PM

Sunday

Blended—8:30 AM

Contemporary—11:00 AM

Sunday School: 9:45 AM

Adult Café: The Wired Word

Sunday—9:45 AM

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