



The Spirit of Our Lord's Lutheran Church



"Called to Share Christ's Love with All"

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Weekend Worship Themes:

September

WEEKEND WORSHIP THEMES: "LEARNING THE WAYS OF GOD"

Sept 3-4:

"God's Way of Reconciliation"
(Matthew 18:15-20)

Sept 10-11:

"God's Way of Forgiveness"
(Mathew 18:21-35)

Sept 17-18:

"God's Way of Generosity"
(Matthew 20:1-16)

Sept 24-25:

"God's Way of Inclusion"
(Matthew 21:23-32)

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From Your Pastor

A REMARKABLE & INSPIRED EFFORT

Did you get to experience or participate in the Rummage Sale for Joplin Disaster Relief at Our Lord's in August?

The event, coordinated by the Ministry Team of Laura Foppe, Susanne Richter, Mike Williams, Bill & Linda Mann, & Dana Callahan, was an outstanding endeavor assisted by many, many volunteers who contributed literally countless hours of setting up, sorting, displaying, pricing, and staffing.

"Thank You" is too modest a phrase to express gratitude for such marvelous helping that so many people were pleased to offer because of the magnitude of the need.

Even so, a special "Thank You" needs to go not only to our members and friends for a remarkable effort but also to volunteers from St. John UCC in Collinsville, who have experience and expertise in rummage sales and helped greatly with signs and sorting.

Donations were accumulating for weeks before the "official" non-staffed and staffed drop-off dates during the week of August 14. There was a continual buzz of activity throughout the week before the sale. Items of all kinds filled the Fellowship Hall, Commons, Conference Room, and Narthex seemingly up to the rafters. Even the Patio, covered by our tent (to be seen again at Homecoming) did not escape being glutted with furniture and other household items.

If we reflect seriously about what just took place, the Rummage Sale was not only remarkable in its scope and energy, it was also inspired by a gracious God, whose Spirit of compassion stirred those who donated and helped and purchased, so that the distant disaster-affected people of Joplin could benefit from what we already knew how to do.

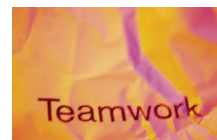
It is an awesome and humbling thing to experience the love of God at work in the hearts and hands of those who saw a need, chose to respond, and offered many simple gifts that accumulated into an extraordinary ministry in the name and manner of Jesus.

Especially touching was the well-crafted article by Laura Foppe, along with her moving photos of Joplin from a recent visit. In her Entry display that welcomed visitors, the reason for what we were doing was made concrete for donor and helper and buyer alike.

What other opportunities do each of us have daily to "Share Christ's Love with All"?

Blessed Fall Season,

Pastor John Lottes



CHURCH FESTIVALS

Listed on our **SEPTEMBER** calendar are these Church Festivals that are on page 16 (with Scripture Readings and Prayers on pp. 57-58) of our Hymnal

14 – HOLY CROSS DAY
 21 – MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST
 29 – MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

On page 16 of the Hymnal, you will also notice other Commemorations of martyrs, church leaders (**Nikolai Grundvig, John Chrysostom, Cyprian, and Jerome**), teachers, renewers of church or society, hymn writers, musicians, scientists, and more.



WORSHIP

(For more information and details, see our "Worship Opportunities" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS – SEPTEMBER 24

In gratitude to God and in respect and affection for our animal friends, OLLC will again share together in a service of "**The Blessing of the Animals.**" The special outdoor service in our Chapel in the Pines to celebrate all creation will be held on **Saturday, September 24 at 5:00 pm**, the closest Saturday available to the commemoration of **St. Francis of Assisi** (Oct 4). Invite your human friends and bring your animal friends to be blessed. Dogs and cats, birds and reptiles, fish and hamsters, any and all creatures who share their lives with you are welcome. You may also bring a photo of your pet for a special blessing if your pet does not travel well. Kids—bring your favorite stuffed animal too!

A few suggestions to make the worship experience more enjoyable for everyone:

- Bring a lawn chair for best comfort.
 - Make sure your pet is on a leash or in a cage.
 - Be sure to bring your camera to take photos.
- Have a pooper scooper...just in case.

For more information, please call the church office. See you and your furry or feathery friends on September 24 at 5 pm!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Holy Communion
 Sundays, 8:00 & 10:45 am
Hospitality Hour, 9:15-10:30 am
 Worship Center Sanctuary

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Holy Communion
 Saturdays, 5:00 pm
Hospitality Hour, 6:15 pm
 Worship Center Sanctuary

MIDWEEK WORSHIP

Holy Communion
Optional Brown Bag Lunch
 Wednesdays, 12:00 Noon
 Life Center Conference Room

Treasurer's Report



July – 2011

Receipts exceeded expenditures by	817.52
YTD expenditures exceeded receipts by	(8,446.87)

Cash - Unrestricted	37,498
Cash - Replacement Reserve	28,565
Cash - Designated for specific purposes	11,458

Venturing In Faith contributions	2,970
Cumulative since campaign inception	360,324

Total Principal Paid on Mortgage	3,217
Remaining Principal balance on Mortgage	551,709

ADMINISTRATION

MORTGAGE REFINANCING

In consultation with the Finance Team, the Church Council voted to refinance the outstanding mortgage on the church property to take advantage of reduced interest rates. In doing so, the church's monthly mortgage payment will be lowered from \$6,279 to \$4,234. The cost associated with refinancing was just over \$5,000, which covered a new property appraisal and various closing costs. That means that we will recoup this refinancing cost in less than three months due to the lower monthly payment.

We are going from a 5-year, adjustable rate loan at 6.5% to a 15-year, fixed rate loan at 4.75%. The new loan is through GCS Federal Credit Union; we checked with our current lender, the ELCA Mission Investment Fund, but it was unable to match GCS's rates. Also, you may be interested to know that our property has an appraised value of \$2,125,000. The worship center complex is appraised at \$1.2 million and the life center is appraised at \$925,000.

Sunday School News

Welcome to High School Students and Friends!

All 9th—12th grade students are invited to the High School Sunday School Class.

We meet at 9:30 a.m. Sundays starting September 11, 2011 in the Youth Room in the W.C.

We will be learning from “Choices, Choices, Choices” - Lutheran H.S. material. We will be seeing videos/movies and going on field trips.

Teachers: Debby Gunderson and Dona Racich

NOTICE OF CHANGE FOR NEWS-LETTER DELIVERY

In an effort to be more “green” and save on administrative costs, members will start receiving Our Lord’s monthly newsletter electronically if the church has your e-mail address. For members who do not have an e-mail address, a printed copy of the newsletter will be placed in your CHURCH mailbox in the Narthex for pick-up. Shut-ins will continue to receive their newsletters by the postal service. If you have an extenuating circumstance and need your newsletter mailed, please contact Loretta. Thank you for your support in this change as we try to be better stewards of our resources.

Morning Glories Bible Study

Topic: “To Follow and Serve: The Gospel of Mark” from “Gather Magazine” formerly “Lutheran Women Today”

Time: 2nd and 4th Thursday at 9 a.m.

Location: Life Center Conference Room

Leader: Debby Gunderson



EDUCATION

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(For more information and details, see our “Adult Education Opportunities” and “Children & Youth” brochures or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Ages: Age 3 to Grade 3

September Topics: God Calls Abraham & Sarah

Time: Saturdays, between Children’s Sermon and Communion

Location: Worship Center Conference Room

Leaders: Saturday Children’s Church Team (Beth, Katie, Erick, Susan, Dana)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ages: Pre-K to Grade 5

September Topics: Noah’s Ark, Abraham & Sarah

Time: Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Life Center Fellowship Hall & Classrooms

Leaders: Sunday School Team (18 teachers & assistants)

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Ages: Grades 6-7-8

September Topics: Luther & Bible Basics

Time: Sundays, 9:15-10:30 am

Location: Life Center Conference Room

Leaders: Confirmation Team (Pr. John, Ed, Laura, Amy, Lori, Greg, Barb, Shelly)

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY CLASS

Topic: “Choices, Choices, Choices: Managing My Life”

Time: Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Worship Center Youth Room

Leaders: Debby Gunderson & Dona Racich

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Topic: “The Story of Jesus” (History Channel DVD)

Time: Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Worship Center Fellowship Hall

Leader: Sunday Adult Ed. Team (Jim, Brian, Karen, Alan)

WEEKDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Topic: “Overview of the Books of the Bible”

Scope: One Book of the Bible Each Week: Highlights, Key Passages

Time: Wednesdays at 5:15 pm

Location: Worship Center Conference Room

Leader: Pastor John

QUESTIONS BIBLE STUDY

Topic: *Great Figures of the New Testament*

By: Professor Amy-Jill Levine @ Vanderbilt University
DivinitySchool, Tennessee

Time: 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Location: Life Center Conference
Room

Leader: Donna Racich

FELLOWSHIP

(For more information and details, see our "Fellowship Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

Fellowship News: **"I Scream for Ice Cream" Bicycle Fun Ride**

Mark your calendars for Sunday October 30, 2011
Start at the MCT Schoolhouse Bike Trail behind the YMCA
and ride to Culvers on 157. Trail ride is approx. 3.2 miles
each way. More details and sign up sheet to come.

ELCA Youth Gathering July 18–22, 2012, New Orleans, Louisiana



IMPORTANT!!!!

Kathy Hoelscher needs to know everyone who wants to attend next years convention in New Orleans, Louisiana and have their deposit of \$150.00 as soon as possible but deadline is October 1st.

Rummage Sale Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who supported the Jopin Benefit Rummage and Bake Sale! When asked to bring in plastic bags and hangers, you brought enough to circle the globe! When asked to bring gently used household goods and clothing, you brought enough to fill the building and overflow to the outside! When asked to shop the sale to raise money to help Joplin, you responded by spending over \$3,400! Thank you all for supporting this ministry!

There were many stories that surfaced around the rummage sale. One such story was the grandchildren of one St. John EUCC member raised \$40 at a lemonade stand to donate to our sale. Another was the visit of Flat Jesus, showing everyone, even those in Joplin, that He is with us always. If you have a story to share, please e-mail me at layministry@ourlords.org.

— Dana Callahan

The Spiritual Gift of Mercy

The gift that motivates a believer to feel deeply for those in physical, spiritual, or emotional need and then acts to meet that need possess the spiritual gift of mercy. The Joplin Benefit Rummage and Bake Sale Ministry Team exemplified mercy by seeing and feeling the need to do something to help the people in Joplin and then acted upon it. This was a special short-term ministry, but there are many others at our church to use this spiritual gift, such as, Home/Hospital/Institution Visitation; Transportation to Worship/Bible Study; Social Ministry Team; Support Group Leader; Telecare Minister. If you are feeling called to help others, contact Dana at 972-3955 to discuss the many possibilities.

St. John EUCC Rummage Sale

Our friends from St. John Church were very helpful with our Joplin Benefit Rummage Sale. We have the opportunity to return the favor by helping them with their fall rummage sale which benefits the Home-work Help & Hoops after-school tutoring program. Help is needed on Wednesday, September 7 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday, September 8 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday, September 9 from 8:30-2 p.m. Your rummage may be dropped off on Wednesday at any time and Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Your help is needed during the sale on Thursday, September 8 from 5-8 p.m. and Friday, September 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hope to see you there!



Bunkum Road Food Pantry Moves



Our Lord's has supported the Bunkum Road Food Pantry with your gifts in the yellow bags by the mailboxes and by monetary support on Souper Bowl Sunday and at other times. The pantry was established in a former "exotic" nightclub in Washington Park in 1997. After all these years, the building was falling apart and becoming uninsurable. The good news is that we were able to move the pantry to a new building ½ mil away at 1274 N. 37th in East St. Louis with the long name of the Lansdowne/Washington Park Food Pantry. We continue to serve approximately 4000 persons per month with food valued at \$1,000,000 per year.

We appreciate your continued support and donations.

Social Ministry Team

Joplin Benefit Rummage Sale a great success!

On Thursday and Friday August 11 and 12 the entire church building was buried in our collective treasures. We got the word out and we had a terrific response from the community! We ended our two day marathon with a total collection of over \$3,400! There are many to thank – all that donated, help organize, sort and price, those that volunteered on sale days, made baked goods and ran the lemonade stand! Everyone worked hard and should feel proud that we are a part of the solution to help Joplin rebuild their community!!



SERVICE

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)



VOLUNTEER FAIR

Goal: Acquaint members and visitors with opportunities in our area to assist with worthy causes.

Date & Time: Saturday, Sept. 10, 4:30-5:00 pm & 6:15-6:45 pm; Sunday, Sept. 11, 9:15-10:45 am.

Method: Displays and agency representatives in the Worship Center Commons, expanding into the Fellowship Hall as necessary.

Contact: Don Baden and the Social Ministry Team have more information.

COMMUNITY GARDEN AT OUR LORD'S



Goals: Establish and maintain a community garden for the benefit of members and those in need through food pantries.

Method: Land on the south side of the parking lot has been planted and cultivated. Ongoing help is needed in many ways as season ends. Helping the FASTT Garden on our property is also possible.

Contact: Pr. Rob Banitt can put you on the e-mail list to receive current information.

Volunteer Opportunity

You want to volunteer for a good cause but just don't know where you can do it?

You manage a not for profit agency and really could use some volunteers to help out, especially during these tough economic times?

The Southwestern Illinois Volunteer Center has been recently established to address both of these needs. The Center located at swivc.org is a virtual center—no building or offices—just a website managed by volunteers from AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps VISTA. The center was begun in March, 2010 to bring together people wanting to volunteer with agencies that need volunteers.

Volunteerism has expanded greatly in the last few years and is the focus of Serve Illinois and Serve America. SWIVC is the local focus of these state and national efforts.

When you go to the website as a potential volunteer you will be guided through a series of steps enabling you to pick possible volunteer assignments based on your interests, your availability, and skills. Agencies can enter their volunteer needs on the website and matches can begin.

Questions—contact us at volunteer@swivc.org.

Men's Club Breakfast

September's Men's Club will meet on Saturday, September 13 at 7 am for breakfast cooked by Ted Nemsy & Tim Schoenecker. After the good food and fellowship, there will be a few chores to attend to: Spray for weeds & poison ivy in the Pine Grove area; Check the roof of the sanctuary; Pour concrete, etc. for the new sidewalk from Worship Center to the Life Center (if not already completed); and Pick up and burn branches from the Pine Grove. All are welcome to come help.



September Mower Schedule

Date	Riding Mower	Trim Mower
Sept. 1-3	Jim Lemke	Chuck Pugh
Sept. 8-10	Don Baden	Harry Thiel
Sept. 15-17	Rudy Kantola	Eric Kantola
Sept. 22-24	Steve Hoelscher	Jim Trucano
Sept. 29-30	Wayne Eastby	Rob Banitt



Late Boomers



Late Boomers
September 25, 2011 Sunday 2:00 P. M. to ???
at Silver Lake Pavillion #1 Highland, Il 62249.
Volleyball and washers;
Meat will be provided;
Bring any outside games and your own drinks. RSVP by September 23rd to Joette & Denny McNeilly 618-654-1793 Home

Book Club

Book club will meet Thursday, Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Life Center conference room. This month we are reading Hannah Coulter by Wendell Berry. There is still time to read it if you haven't had a chance to pick it up yet. Come join us for great conversation and fellowship.



Day Trippers

Our Lord's DayTrippers will not have a September trip. Watch the next Newsletter and future bulletins for information about our October trip to the Great Rivers Museum and the new Lewis & Clark Tower.



WELCA NEWS

The Women of the ELCA donated 50 school kits to Grandma's Attic in August to be given to student for their school supplies.

A reminder to all women of Our Lord's Church that we need a president, vice president, secretary and mission outreach person to continue the work of the WELCA.

Please contact Dona Racich or Dana Callahan.

Movie Club



Movie: "Toy Story 3"
For: Members & Friends of All Ages
(levels of meaning & humor for all)
Date & Time: Friday, Sept. 9, 6:30 pm
Location: Worship Center Fellowship Hall
More Info: Terry & Cathy Brady, Coordinators



The Youth group worked hard over the summer to install all the engraved bricks in the Chapel in the Pines. They look Awesome. Great Job!



High School Youth Group

Reminder that youth group is meeting at Steve and Kathy Hoelscher's house, Sunday Sept. 11 at 5:00pm. Dinner is included. Kids will be brainstorming about fun ideas and activities they want to do for the year.

**LUTHERAN SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
ANNOUNCES
FALL TERM COURSES**

Lutheran School of Theology offers biblical and theological courses for everyone, from interested lay persons wanting to learn more, to professional church workers and students. You are cordially invited to enroll in the following upcoming Fall term courses beginning September 19: (details on p. 8)

- "Reading and Responding to the Gospel of Mark" (Dr. Deborah Krause),
- "Reading the Bible with Eyes Wide Open" (Dr. John M. Bracke), and
- "Preaching Mark From the 'Low and Outside': Wrestling with the Lectionary, Mark's Community, and our Contexts of Ministry" (Dr. Deborah Krause), a one-day workshop.

Brochures with registration forms are on the LST poster in the narthex.

You may also call 314-725-9710 or email <registrar@lststl.org> or register online at <http://www.lststl.org>.

NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

All of us remember where we were 10 years ago on the morning of September 11, 2011. We also remember how united the country was after that disaster. In honor of the victims of 9/11 and in recognition of the unity engendered by the event, President Bush and, now, President Obama have declared September 11 to be a National Day of Service.

At our services on September 10 and 11, representatives from various volunteer organizations will host a mini-volunteer fair to increase your awareness of volunteer opportunities in our area. Tables of these groups will be set up in the Fellowship Hall after Saturday night service and between services on Sunday for you to visit.

Volunteers are crucial to the continuation of services provided by many organizations. We look forward to your visiting these displays.

Social Ministry Team

Disaster response: Your church at work around the world



Horn of Africa: Extensive drought has caused a food shortage and resources have become scarce as many have fled to refugee camps. See www.elca.org/disaster.

Sudan: Fighting has broken out around the city of Kandugli with reports of heavy civilian casualties causing many to flee. See www.elca.org/disaster.

ACT Alliance: Learn more about how the ELCA Disaster Response works around the world with partners in the ACT Alliance. See the 2010 Annual Report at <http://blogs.elca.org/disasterresponse/>.

Thirteen new opportunities for missionary service. Recruiting has begun for positions around the world. See www.elca.org/globalserve and click "Global Service Opportunities" in the right sidebar, then type "2012" at the bottom for a keyword search.

Tanzania: A young person's view

Megan Stubbs reflects on life as a young person in Tanzania. Megan is the oldest daughter of Randy and Carol Stubbs, ELCA missionaries teaching music at Tanzania's Makumira University College. See <http://blogs.elca.org/handinhand/>.

South Africa: "I see you"

"Here we greet each other with the word sawubon. It means, 'I see you.' We want them to see the whole person." Brian and Kristen Konkol reflect on their team ministry with young adults in South Africa. Read more at www.elca.org/handinhand; click either the copy-ready bulletin insert or the Summer 2011 issue of the Hand in Hand newsletter.

Global Mission Gathering in San Antonio, Texas, September 23-24 Equip yourself for God's work in today's global and local realities. For more information and to register for an event, visit www.elca.org/glocal.

Companion synod relationships: New developments Online profiles have been updated by the Florida-Bahamas, Minneapolis Area, North/West Lower Michigan, Saint Paul Area, and Southeastern Synods of the ELCA, and the Manitoba/Northwestern Ontario Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. Learn what's happening with their companion synod relationships at www.elca.org/companionsynodprofiles.

In our prayers

Give thanks for the partnership between ELCA and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. Together, they share a long history of cooperation moving forward together in global mission. (This prayer for August 2 is available along with daily prayers from around the globe at www.elca.org/prayerventures.)

THE LARGER CHURCH— ELCA NEWS

(For more information and current news releases, see the ELCA website: www.elca.org)

OUR NEW SYNOD BISHOP

The Rev. Dr. S. John Roth, 57, was elected June 4 to a six-year term as bishop of our Central/Southern Illinois Synod of the ELCA at the Synod Assembly. He begins his serving as Bishop on September 1 and will be formally installed on October 15 in Springfield. He was formerly Pastor of Faith in Jacksonville, where he had served since 1988.

SYNODICALLY AUTHORIZED MINISTRY CLASS

Course Title: "Church History"

Description: Students will study: 1. The Ancient Church (First century to Augustine), 2. The Medieval Church (Augustine to the Reformation), 3. The Reformation, 4. Thirty Years War through the Nineteenth Century, and 5. Twentieth Century & Lutheranism in the United States.

Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Arthur C. ("Chris") Repp, Pastor of Epiphany Lutheran Church, Carbondale, IL. He has also taught church history and systematic theology for four years at a Russian Lutheran seminary.

Dates: Saturdays, Sept. 17; Oct. 1, 15 & 29; Nov. 12

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Zion Lutheran, 400 Elevator Street, Farmersville, IL

Tuition: \$150 (SAM credit); \$75 (audit) *[Because this is the third year of a three-year sequence, individuals may not take this course for S.A.M. credit unless they have previously completed S.A.M. coursework.]*

TO REGISTER: Contact Pastor John

PRAYER VENTURES

The two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries, formerly printed in our newsletters, will be available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at www.elca.org/prayerventures.

Christian Humor

Driving home from church one Sunday, a father tuned the radio to a country and western station.

"How can you stand that stuff?" complained his 16-year-old son.

"It's all about lonesome cowboys, gunfights and broken hearts."

Knowing he preferred rock 'n' roll, the dad asked, "Well, what's your music about?"

"That's the beauty of it," the son said. "You just don't know!"

LUTHERAN SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Fall ("Michaelmas") Term

Course PD 85

"READING & RESPONDING TO THE GOSPEL OF MARK"

Description: Students will read the Gospel of Mark from multiple contexts to honor both its historical origins and contemporary settings of interpretation and response. They will engage in different methods of biblical interpretation (e.g., socio-historical, literary, rhetorical, postcolonial and political) and will read Mark on Mark's own terms not in the shadow of its canonical cousins. They will seek to understand how Mark was a "saving word" in its day and our own.

Instructor: Dr. Deborah Krause, Professor of New Testament at Eden Seminary

Time: Six Mondays: 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Dates: September 19 through October 24

Location: Trinity Lutheran Church, 14088 Clayton Rd., Chesterfield, MO **Tuition:** \$81

COURSE PD-86

"READING THE BIBLE WITH EYES WIDE OPEN"

Description: Most people read the Bible unaware of the assumptions they make about how the Bible makes sense. In this class students explore these assumptions and discover many ways to read the Bible allowing them to be intentional in seeking to hear God speaking through Holy Scripture.

Instructor: Dr. John Bracke, Professor of Biblical Studies at Eden Seminary

Time: Six Mondays: 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Dates: September 19 through October 24

Location: St. Mark Lutheran Church, 105 East "D" Street, Belleville, IL **Tuition:** \$81

Course PM-71

"PREACHING MARK FROM THE 'LOW AND OUTSIDE': Wrestling with the Lectionary, Mark's Community, and Our Contexts of Ministry"

Description: Dr. Krause writes, "This is not your grandfather's lectionary Bible study! In fact, we will critique how the lectionary has thwarted Mark's full hearing in the Church. After critical engagement, we will explore ways to work with the assigned lectionary readings to offer a fresh and full hearing of Mark's "saving word" for ministry today.

Instructor: Dr. Deborah Krause, Professor of New Testament at Eden Seminary

Date: A One-Day Workshop, Thursday, November 17

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Trinity Lutheran Church, 14088 Clayton Rd., Chesterfield, MO

Tuition: \$40 (includes lunch)

TO REGISTER:

Mail your intent with check, payable to:

LST-Metro St. Louis Coalition

6325 Clayton Rd.

St. Louis, MO 63117

Or Register online: lststl.org

Pay online at [paypal.com](https://www.paypal.com)

Pay to this account: registrar@lststl.org

Or call for info or to register:

LST office phone: (314) 725-9710

LST office email: registrar@lststl.org

Penny and Keith Holste, Administrators

(314) 962-0918, pkholste@hotmail.com



During the week ahead, please pray for our brothers and sisters and for those afflicted in mind, body or spirit, especially remembering:

Jennifer Antinette (Beauchamp's friend)
Phyllis Aydt (Irene VanHooser's friend)
Elaine Baden
Gloria Becker
Greg Becker
Jodi Becker Family (at the death of her uncle Art Crader)
Cindy Berry (Eric Berry's mother)
Pr. Joe Bleakley
Brushaber Family
Dana Callahan
Marty Cavanaugh
Cathy Clyde (Lynn Kempf's aunt)
Barbara Cooper (Karen Eastby's cousin)
Corinne Comrie (Scott Comrie's mother)
Comrie Family (at the death of Rhonda's brother-in-law Dave Shelton)
Don & Dee Corbett
Marian Dealey (Pr. Dealey's mother)
Chuck Diggs
Pamela Downour (Christina Shields' friend)
Dorothy Eden
Ellen Eden (Lynn Thiel's cousin)
End of Violence in Sudan
Marian Foppe (Ed Foppe's mother)
Bucky & Julie Gruber
Dorothy Gunderson (Brian & Krissy Gunderson's grandmother)
Bill Hardy (Cindy Pugh's father)
Terri Hoef (Carole Callahan's friend)
Patti Hudak (Dana Callahan's friends)
Indiana Stage Collapse Victims
Ted Johnson (Mary Goodwin's cousin)
Betty Kamer (Lynn Kempf's friend)
Arkie Kantola
Dave Kantola
Bob Karvinen (Cliff Karvinen's brother)
Brian Kassing
Lisa Kelly (Lori Messina's sister)
Judy Klein (Dona Racich's friend)

Glenda Klingsick
Joy Kosten
Xavier Kurre (Sue Green's grandson)
Susan Lana (Bev Husband's daughter)
David Lottes (Pr. John & Vicki's son)
Vicki Lowrie (Judy Dunne's friend)
Dee Mann (Bill & Linda Mann's sister-in-law)
Lana Maue (Roberta Maue's sister-in-law)
Jennifer Meyer-Ashauer (KaLonny Short's friend)
Pr. Charles Miller
Jerry Moeke
Family of Those Killed in Norway
Kathy Oltmanns
Jim Perkins (Greg Becker's friend)
Gertrude Peters (Carol Gocken's mother)
Cyndi Peterson
Joyce Pick (Peggy Pick's mother)
Cindy Poelke (Carole Callahan's friend)
Jim Predipar
Dona Racich
Hilda Scheiter
Donna Schlechte (Kassing Family friend)
Schoenecker Family (at the death of Tim's aunt Delores Black)
Diane Stewart (Lynn Kempf's friend)
Tom Szczeblewski (Lori Fremder's cousin)
Stacey Taylor
Ginger Trucano
Matt Turcol (Tilashalski's friend)
Bob Vail
Starlene Villareal (Loretta Williams' friend)
Eunice Volkers
Lisa White
Libby Wood Ward
Jason Zotalis (Wannen's son-in-law)
Zachary Zwaga (Dan & Sue Homes' nephew)

Also, please pray for the health and safety of the following individuals, connected to our community serving in the United States military:

Nathaniel Brown
 Lt. **Tom** Buller
 Lance Cpl. **Clayton** Campbell
 Major **James** Carmichael
Dustin Crone
Jeff Crone
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John Meyer
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Kurtis Neubauer
Zachary Neubauer
 Major **John** Perrine
Josh Pace
Scott Prengel
Jack Scoles
 Staff Sgt. **Skipper** Smith
Haley Wagner

In Sympathy

Please remember these members and their families as they grieve their loss and share the sure promise of the resurrection:

- **Tim & Laura Schonecker & Family** (at the death of Tim's aunt Delores Black)
- **Greg & Jodi Becker & Family** (at the death of Jodi's uncle Art Crader)
- **Elna Larson & Family** (at the death of her nephew Dale Peterson)
- **Barb Erickson & Family** (at the death of her nephew Doug Durhan)
- **Doug & Wendy Wannen** (at the death of Doug's mother Elizabeth Wannen)
- **Andrea Mohl & Family** (at the death of John Mohl on Sunday, June 19)
- **Marty & Marianne Cavanaugh** (at the death of Marty's sister Joanne Herff)
- **Comrie Family** (at the death of Rhonda's brother-in-law Dave Shelton who died Sunday, August 14)

Celebrate these Births!

- **Cassius William David Schipkowski** (newborn son of Sara Gocken Schipkowski & husband Josh, & grandson of Dave & Carol Gocken)
- **Adelyn Joy Dyer** (newborn daughter of Adam & Jamie Dyer & granddaughter of Ron & Jean Dyer)
- **John Wyatt Mackey** (newborn son of Paul & Karen Mackey & grandson of Mary Olsen)

September Birthdays

- 1 Garin Rak
- 3 Kyle Polson
- 4 Landon Briggs
Jim Harriss
Jason Schreiber
Kevin Wyvell
- 6 April Vesper
- 7 Julia Schorr
- 8 AJ Clark
Kristin Schoenecker
- 9 Theresa Larson
Cate Ricchezza
- 10 Bill Homes
- 11 Olivia Lang
- 14 Ryan Anderson
Christy Hayes
- 15 Larry Trucano
- 16 David Schroeder
- 17 Tim Klingsick
- 18 Rachel Diggs
Pr. John Lottes
- 19 Lyn Kampwerth
- 20 Katie Beauchamp
Brenda Cusanelli
Laura Schoenecker
- 21 Jaime Henderson
- 22 Jim Lemke
Luke Maue
Sam Shemwell
- 23 Diana Huster
- 24 Charlotte Henderson
- 26 Travis Anderson
Kelly Wyvell
- 27 Sandy Moran
Deanna Wagner-Brice
Anne Cook
- 28 Bob Vail
- 30 Jacob Faerber

September Anniversaries

- 1 Doug & Wendy Wannan
- 4 Chris & KaLonny Short
- 5 Mike & Deanne Holshouser
- 6 Darrell & Sharon Bruhn
Erick & Theresa Larson
- 8 Ralph & Kathy Buske
- 9 Bucky & Julie Gruber
John & Diane Wooden
- 15 Mark & Annette Faerber
- 18 Jim & Michelle Binder
Vince & Laurie Ricchezza
- 20 Don & Lisa McGuire
- 22 Lee & Barbara Werne
- 24 Lelan & Colleen Olsen
- 27 Todd & Letitia Downen
- 29 Jason & Linda Schreiber

Within Our Church Family

- **New Members** were welcomed on August 14 at the 10:45 a.m. Sunday service. New members (and sponsors) include: **Mike Blotevogel, Kentra Mize-Blotevogel, Isabelle Mize, and Kaitlyn Blotevogel** (Brian and Jaime Henderson and family). **Kaitlyn** was also received in baptism. **Welcome to Our Lord's Family!**
- **Still Needed: College Students/Military Personnel Mailing Addresses & Email Addresses.** Please help ensure your student or military loved one gets all information and newsletters from the church. Help the church keep your student/military personnel informed!
- **Congratulations** to Casey Eakin for being on the Spring 2011 President's List (3.75+) at Lewis & Clark.
- **Thank You** to the Rummage Sale Ministry Team (**Laura Foppe, Susanne Richter, Mike Williams, Bill & Linda Mann, & Dana Callahan**) and the many other volunteers whose amazing effort helped to raise more than \$3,400 for Joplin Disaster Relief!
- **Thank You** to the "Sidewalk Team" (**Rob Banitt, Jeff Beauchamp, Darrell Bruhn, Scott Comrie, Ed Foppe, Brian Hartke, Steve Hoelscher, Billy Huster, Jim Lemke, Chuck Pugh, Fred Tatjenhorst, Jim Trucano**, others??) who completed the concrete sidewalk between the Worship Center & Life Center on two Saturdays in August. An outstanding job!
- **Dear Church Family,**
My family and I want to express our gratitude to all of you who have sent expressions of sympathy following John's sudden death. Thank you to all who were involved in preparing and cleaning up after the luncheon. Thanks to the Praise Band for leading us through the music John loved at the service. Thank you to Pastor John for guiding us through a difficult time. Finally, thanks to all of you who have donated to the Memorial Fund at Camp Wartburg in honor of John. As we reflect on our own memories of John, we are gratified by all of your wonderful memories as well. Thank you for all your support. *Andrea Mohl*

Council President's Note

I'd like to pass along a few thoughts that I have regarding two important, but very different events that marked our summer together this year. At the beginning of the summer, our church family was saddened by the sudden and heartbreaking death of our dear brother-in-Christ John Mohl. While we were all shocked and filled with grief, our church family pulled together to support the Mohl family by hosting a spirit-filled funeral and luncheon. In the midst of their grief, the members of our Praise Band pulled together for a remarkably beautiful performance. Clearly, the presence of the Holy Spirit was with them as they led the congregation in worship in John's remembrance. It was a service that I, and probably everyone else in attendance, will never forget.

A very different event marked the close of our summer together at Our Lord's. Under the wise (and in some ways heroic) leadership of Dana Callahan, a small group of volunteers grew into a much larger band of workers to conduct the Rummage Sale to benefit those victimized by the Joplin tornado. To say that this event was a success would be a true understatement. Once again, our congregational family pulled together, this time to support people in need several hundred miles away.

I mention these two events not because they were the only important things to happen at Our Lord's this summer (remember VBS, the community garden, the sidewalk and brick projects, and several others as well), but that they demonstrate that our congregation has the ability to pull together in amazing ways in times of need. We are truly blessed people of God!

September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 RECONCILIATION 8 - Worship 9:30 - Hospitality Hour 10:45 - Worship	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6 10 - Questions Bible Study 1 - Staff Mtg.	7 Noon - Midweek Worship 5:15 Adult Bible Study 6:30 - Bell Choir 8:45 - Adult Choir	8 9 - Morning Glories Bible Study 10:30 - Office Angels	9 Pastor's Sabbath 6:30 - Movie Club/ Toy Story 3	10 7 - Men's Club Breakfast 9 - Altar Guild 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/cc: "Forgiveness"
11 FORGIVENESS 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation 9:30 - Family Education Hour, Volunteer Fair 10:45 - Worship Noon - Hymn Planning Team 5 - H.S. Youth @ Hoelscher's	12 11 - Staff Mtg.	13 7 - Prayer Shawl Ministry	14 HOLY CROSS DAY Noon - Midweek Worship 5:15 Adult Bible Study 6:30 - Bell Choir 8:45 - Adult Choir	15 10:30 - Office Angels	16 Pastor's Sabbath	17 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/cc: "Generosity"
18 GENEROSITY 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation 9:30 - Family Education Hour 10:45 - Worship	19 19 - Staff Mtg. 6:30 - Stephen Ministry, Church Council	20 10 - Questions Bible Study 7 - La Leche League	21 MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST Noon - Midweek Worship 5:15 Adult Bible Study 6:30 - Bell Choir 8:45 - Adult Choir	22 9 -Morning Glories Bible Study 9:30 - Newsletter Assembly 10:30 - Office Angels	23 Pastor's Sabbath	24 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/cc: "Inclusion"
25 INCLUSION 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation 9:30 - Family Education Hour 10:45 - Worship 2 - Late Boomers	26 11 - Staff Mtg.	27 7 - Prayer Shawl Ministry	28 5:15 Adult Bible Study 6:30 - Bell Choir 8:45 - Adult Choir	29 MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS 10:30 - Office Angels	30 Pastor's Sabbath	

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