

NEWSLETTER



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August / September 2016 A.D. – THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.” (Romans 1:7b ESV)

Let me begin this addition of “Thoughts From The Pastor” with a big thank you to everyone who helped celebrate my 40 years in the public ministry on June 5, 2016. It was a wonderful day to thank and praise the Lord for all His mercy and grace not just to me, but also to all of you who are disciples of Jesus Christ by faith.

The visitors from other congregations that I have served who attended our worship service that day brought back memories of events that long had lay dormant in my mind. The card and monetary gift from you the members of St. Timothy was unexpected. Some of you have already suggested that the money help fund a trip to somewhere in the world.

Please continue down my memory lane with me a bit longer. August 1st marks the date of my first installation as a pastor of a congregation (Immanuel Lutheran Church – Linn, Kansas). I remember that it was a very hot summer afternoon -- with no air conditioning in the church (or in the parish hall or in the parsonage!!)!!

But it wasn't until the next Sunday (August 8, 1976) that I preached my first sermon as an ordained and installed pastor. I have the hand written copy of that sermon in a file with all sorts of other sermons. It was based on Mark 6:34. **“When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So He began teaching them many things.”** (NIV)

As I read through that sermon, I figured that it must have taken me all of 8 or 9 minute to preached it. However, this particular sentence caught my attention. *“Jesus is never too tied, overworked, or worn out to help anyone and everyone who calls on His name in faith.”*

That statement was true then, it is true today, and it will continue to be true until Jesus returns in glory on the Last Day. It's based on the compassion that Jesus has for all people. Therefore as we end summer and move into fall, let us continue to call upon the Lord at all times knowing that His compassion for us never fails.

“Jesus Christ's compassion for us gives our lives meaning and purpose so that we too might have compassion on other people. May the Lord grant this to us all!”

And may the love of the Lord Jesus always be in your heart!

Pastor Flath

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May 11, 2016

Rev. Richard Flath
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Dear Pastor Flath,

Congratulations on the 40th anniversary of your ordination in ministry in the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod! We praise and thank God for you, and rejoice that you answered God's call to serve in pastoral ministry and as a military chaplain. I am sure the years since your ordination on June 6, 1976 have flown by, and that the coming years will continue to be filled with joy. Congregational ministry is challenging and rewarding, and to combine that with service as a reserve military chaplain requires an extra measure of commitment and faith by both you and Sandra. Thank you for your commitment and heart to serve where needed.

All of us in the District Office rejoice with you, Sandra, your family, and the people of St. Timothy, and thank God for you and your ministry. Enjoy the celebration of your ministry on Saturday, June 5th. Regretfully I am not able to join you for the celebration, but Rev. Ted Werfelmann, Vice President of Puget Sound Region will represent the district and bring greetings on my behalf. Even though I will not be present, my prayers are with you for a joyful celebration. We are blessed and honored to serve with you in the Northwest District, and pray God's continued blessing on your ministry.

²⁴The LORD bless you and keep you; ²⁵the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; ²⁶the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
Numbers 6:24-26 ESV

Serving Christ Together,

Rev. Paul Linnemann, President
Northwest District – LCMS

LADIES GUILD NEWS

Ladies' Guild Meetings

Meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 1:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2016. All ladies are welcome!

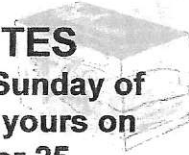


SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS

Psalm 100:2

LWML MISSION MITES

are collected on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please bring yours on August 28th & September 25. Donations will be collected during the church service when you come to the front for communion.



The Ladies Guild purpose is to provide the women of St. Timothy Lutheran Church the opportunity to increase their knowledge of our Savior, and to benefit from fellowship and service to the Lord.

Odds and Ends:

The Lutheran Witness is an official publication of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Thank you to everyone who is now subscribed beginning with the September 2016 issue. Copies of past issues of The Lutheran Witness are in the Narthex. Please feel free to take home with you any of the past issues.

1st Aid Kits are available. One is kept in the draws near the mailboxes in the Narthex. The other is in the Fellowship Hall closet where the kitchen supplies are stored. Ice-packs are in the basement refrigerator's freezer in the Fellowship Hall kitchen.

Portals of Prayer devotional booklets for July – September 2016 are available in the Narthex for you to take and share with a relative and/or a friend.

Life Line Screening will be here at St Timothy Lutheran Church on Thursday, August 25, 2016 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Please refer to the flyer posted in the Narthex to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease.

There is no time like the present to take action! Learn more by watching this short video:

<http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/>

LWML Washington-Alaska District Mission Grants 2016 - 2018

Aid to Washington-Alaska District Scholarship Fund.....	\$19,000
Lutheran Indian Ministries – Support of Natives on the Olympic Peninsula..	\$6,500
Veterans of the Cross	\$2,500
Lutherans for Life – Y4Life Campus Ministry	\$4,000
Opportunity Mission Outreach, Washington-Alaska District	\$6,000
Family Promise of Skagit Valley	\$5,000
Mission Central – Support for LCMS Missionaries	\$5,000
Sewing Mission Society-India – Office of International Mission	\$2,500
Espwa Berlancia Medical Transportation, Haiti.....	\$7,000
Holiday Hospitality for the Homeless, Tacoma, Washington.....	\$2,000
Lutheran Ministry Services Northwest	\$3,000
Secondary School, Ouanaminthe, Haiti – Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission (NEHLM).....	\$9,000
Christ the Son of God Lutheran Church, Seattle, Washington.....	\$6,000
Kitsap Rescue Mission – A Safe Harbor Campaign	\$5,000
Lutheran Bible Translators, New Missionary Vehicle Fund	\$5,000
Nursing Student Mercy Medical Team, Madagascar.....	\$2,500
Mission Grants - Goal:	\$90,000

LWML Mission Grants 2015 - 2017

\$14,063⁹⁴

Rosa Young Academies



This grant will aid children with a safe environment for education and spiritual growth. They will have an opportunity to worship together; grow in the Word of God; witness to one another of God's love, mercy, and grace; participate in positive life changing spiritual and character building programs; receive healthy nutritious meals and learn healthy eating habits; and be counseled in learning healthy life skills. The academies will provide a positive life change in rural, urban, and inner-city communities inspiring children to embrace church careers.



Mission Grant Prayer

Dear Lord, we give You thanks for the courage of Rosa Young that prevailed throughout her life. She saw the need to bring hope for impoverished young people and their families. You gave her the vision and encouragement to develop the Rosa Young Project Initiatives. Now, Father, use the LWML, the women on a mission, to respond with mites to support this ministry. To God be the Glory! Amen.



Lutheran Women's
Missionary League



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Mighty Mites at Work

Mites (coins, dollars, and checks) collected in LWML Mite Boxes fund mission grants. At the Washington – Alaska District LWML Convention in June 2016, delegates selected mission grant recipients for the 2016 – 2018 biennium totaling \$90,000. At the national level the 2015 – 2017 biennium mission goal is \$2,000,000.

With God, ALL things are possible! With God, we WILL reach and exceed our mite goals!

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

Our homebound members:

Barbara; Jan; Glen; Wilma;
Millie; Gertrud; Alex; Bea

Folks with Health Concerns:

Wayne; Wilma; Millie; Emma; Liese; Bea;
Gail; Gabe; Glendale

Those with Birthdays:

August 13 - Charlie Stewart
September 14 - Alex Webster
17 - Heather Gorsuch
24 - Lisa Anderberg
29 - Jason Gosuch

Those with a Wedding Anniversary:

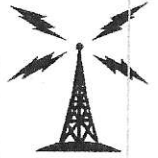
August -- none listed
September 11 - Charlie & Mary Stewart
19 - Jason & Jennifer Gorsuch

Please inform Pastor Flath if any birthdays and wedding anniversaries have been overlooked.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

Listen to:

THE LUTHERAN HOUR Sundays



6:00 a.m. – 1320 AM KXRO

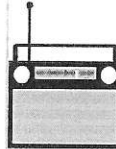
6:30 a.m. – 880 AM KIXI

7:00 a.m. – 1380 AM KRKO

7:00 a.m. – 107.3 FM KAWZ

7:00 a.m. – 105.3 FM KCMS

9:30 a.m. – 1180 AM KLAY



• CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS

Please save the UPC bar codes on Campbell products for Bethesda Lutheran Homes. Carefully cut the labels so barcode and points are intact, for they will not accept damaged labels. Place all UPCs in the box on the counter in the Narthex.

NOTE: Carol Hauge informs us that soon Campbell's will be stopping this program. Until then keep on saving!!
www.labelsforeducation.com

OUR CHURCH NEWSLETTER IS ONLINE

The St. Timothy monthly newsletter and calendar is available online! To catch up on current news, events, and see what we have scheduled in this month's calendar, please visit:

www.sainttimothylutheran.net

Let us know if you prefer to read your St. Timothy news online, and we will print one less copy – email us at:
stlc_office@frontier.com

October / November NEWSLETTER

Newsletter Articles and Calendar information need to be submitted by

Tuesday, September 20, 2016!

Please have all information printed or handwritten and place in the NEWSLETTER mailbox, OR hand it to Pastor Flath, OR send it via e-mail to stlc.office@frontier.net.

Please let us know if we have missed your birthday or anniversary. Thanks! 😊