

### Prince of Peace Lutheran Church



#### November 2017



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#### **LCMC**

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

**LCMC Texas District** 

#### **Sunday Schedule**

Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

1 Samuel 7:13

## Pastor's Note



Haiku.

It used to be, in Junior High English classes, in addition to grammar and diagramming sentences, we would learn poetry. Poetry is more than flowery sonatas or rhyming verses. It can be silly limericks and thoughtful haiku.

Cathi Braasch is an NALC Lutheran pastor who writes haiku as a way of expressing

what she sees and feels in the world around her. For instance:

"Fill a flood bucket For hurricane survivors Also, pray for them"

Written as a photo caption of trailer being filled for hurricane relief.

"Never failing, Fall Awakens the appetite So, I will braise lamb"

Haiku for the return of Autumn and appetite.

"Fragrance of old books In the Parish Library Unmistakable"

On touring Marktkirche Unser Lieben Frauen, a church in Halle, Saxony-Anhalt, Germany.

So, in grateful thanksgiving for my brother in Christ, Tony, who has created a marvelous way for our congregation to have music and sing hymns on Sunday mornings I offer my own bit of haiku:

Midi music lifts Lips bearing sweet Hosannas to God above too!

Thank you Tony for sharing your wonderful gift!

And thank you Pastor Cathi for your inspirational words that fill me with delight.



Blessings, Pastor Kerri



#### **Time Change**

Remember that Daylight Savings Time comes to an end Sunday, November 5th. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed Saturday night.

Worship Service will begin at 10:00 a.m.

#### **Council Notes**

The council will meet on Monday, November 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2018 Assistants Sign-up Sheets

The time is coming to make up the list of 2018 Worship Assistants. Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall for those that would like to share their time and talents as Ushers, Lectors, and Communion Assistants. Ushers will have a choice of the months they wish to serve—all others will be assigned in alphabetical order.

Please note that according to the BY-laws of our Constitution—One (1) council member and at least two (2) lay members are to serve as ushers each month.

If anyone would like to help serve on the Altar Guild, please contact Barbara Nygrin.

Deadline to sign up is November 15.

Thank-you for your willingness to serve.



#### **Memorials**



#### **Memorial Fund**

**For: Ruth Herber** Kim Wicheta & Luther Herber

For: Erwin Kuhl Wayne & Betty Hubble Dolores Hubble

Rodney & Shirley Hambright Dennis Minzenmayer
Ron & Melissa Randig & Girls Charles Wagner

Brian & Shamone Minzenmayer

**Building Fund** 

For: Erwin Kuhl Wayne & Linda Limmer Charles & Gloria Jaecks

Florence & Delwood Kruse Family

Steven & Paulette Patschke

#### **Cemetery Association**

For: Erwin Kuhl Robert & Gloria Kuhl Ernest & LaVerne Kuhl

Maxine & Bobby Schroeder



Thank-you to Douglas Stauffer for replacing the flap at the bottom of **Thank** the office door and for replacing all the foam ribs on the office roof.

Hopefully this will stop the leaks when it rains. We appreciate all your hard work

The 2017 Turkey Dinner Fundraiser has come and gone. Many hours of planning, shopping, calculating, more planning, selling tickets, advertising, tabulating ticket sales, more calculating, culminated in several days of baking, chopping, measuring and re-measuring, heavy lifting, dish washing, stirring, oven watching, laughing, slicing, serving, packaging, teasing, and good ole teamwork, resulted in another successful fundraiser. We planned for more, we sold more, we served more and we netted more than any other turkey dinner to date. We planned for 700; total tickets sold—660; Sold @ Door—52; Tickets redeemed—626; Not redeemed—34; % Redeemed—94.85; Gross Income—\$6600.00; Expenses—\$2514.75; Donations—\$380.00; Profit—\$4465.25. It takes an entire congregation and community to make an effort like this a success…and you all stepped up and made it happen!



#### **November Worship Leaders**

#### Acolytes

Nov. 5 Dallas Meiske

Nov. 12 Mallory Randig

Nov. 19 Madison Talley

Nov. 26 Dawson Meiske

#### Lectors

Nov. 5 Megan Medford

Nov. 12 Gem Naivar

Nov. 19 Brian Neidig

Nov. 26 Paulette Patschke

#### Ushers

Barbara Kuhl

Curtis Neidig

Randall Roeglin

#### **Communion Assistants**

Nov. 5 Randy Hehmann

Nov. 19 Gem Naivar

**Bread** Linda Limmer

#### Altar Guild

Nov. 5-12 B. Nygrin, D. Dietz,

P. Patschke

Nov. 19-26 G. Naivar, S. Lenz

#### **Council Members**

Eric Medford-Pres.

Gem Naivar-Vice-Pres. Paulette Patschke Deborah Roeglin-Sec. Raymond Lenz

Barbara Kuhl-Treas.

#### Memorials

Church—Barbara Kuhl (352-7957)

#### **Prayer Chains**

Barbara Nygrin (352-6617)

Paulette Patschke — ppatsch@plainscapital.com

Cell# 512-633-3057

## **December Worship Leaders**

#### Acolytes

Dec. 3 Cade Talley

Dec. 10 Dallas Meiske

Dec. 17 Mallory Randig

Dec. 24 Madison Talley

Dec. 31 Dawson Meiske

#### Lectors

Dec. 3 Maxine Schroeder

Dec. 10 Douglas Stauffer

Dec. 17 (Need Substitute)

Dec. 24 Charlotte Vrana

Dec. 31 Gerald Dietz

#### Ushers

Paulette Patschke

Steven Patschke

(Need Substitute)

#### **Communion Assistants**

Dec. 3 (Need Substitute)

Dec. 17 Barbara Neill

Dec. 24 Paulette Patschke (Candlelight)

Bread **Betty Warren** 

#### **Altar Guild**

Dec. 3-10 B. Nygrin, D. Dietz,

P. Patschke

Dec. 17 G. Naivar, S. Lenz

Dec. 24-31 B. Nygrin, D. Dietz,

P. Patschke



































Nov. 4 Barbara Nygrin

Nov. 5 Melissa Meiske

Nov. 5 Mallory Randig

Nov. 6 Jason Talley

Nov. 9 Betty Warren

Nov. 16 Vernaline Stolte

Nov. 18 Ashleigh Veit

Nov. 18 Kassidy Bradshaw

Nov. 19 Tammy Talley

Nov. 23 Ron Randig

Nov. 23 Brian Bunge

Nov. 28 Thomas Kotrla



November 9
Danny & Peggy Vanelli
21 years



#### All Saints Sunday—November 5, 2017

All Saints Day is the day Christians give thanks for all the good people God has placed in their lives, especially those who are already with God in heaven.

It is also a day when Christians give thanks for the presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives and the lives of all people.

It is not because people are special in and of themselves that we call them saints, but it is because they are ordinary, everyday people who allow the Holy Spirit to work through them, doing the mighty deeds of the Lord.

Martin Luther writes, "the Holy Scriptures call Christians saints and the people of God. To forget that we are saints is to forget Christ and forget our baptism."

All Saints is a day for remembering and giving thanks, as Christians remember the good people they have known and give thanks for the unending goodness of God.

All Saints is celebrated the first Sunday in November, during the season of Pentecost.

Those members we remember in prayer that have gone before us this past year are: Rose King † Erwin Kuhl



#### November Flower Chart

Nov. 5 Ron, Melissa & Macy Randig

Nov. 12 Curtis Neidig

Nov. 19 Paulette & Steve Patschke

Nov. 26 Deborah & Randall Roeglin



#### Flower Chart Dates Available

The **2017** Flower Chart is available in the Narthex.

If you would like to provide the flowers on a certain date or dates, please sign up as soon as possible or contact Barbara Nygrin, and let her know which dates you would prefer.

#### L.A.F. (Lutheran Adult Fellowship)

#### **Annual Thanksgiving Dinner**

The annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the congregation, sponsored by L.A.F., will be held Sunday, November 5th, 2017, at 11:45 a.m. following the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

The turkey, ham, dressing, and rolls/bread will be furnished. Members are asked to provide other side dishes. The traditional dessert of choice is <u>PIE</u> (though other desserts are also welcome) — make your favorite and bring it along to share.

Invite your family and friends to join us.

You are invited to bring along donations of canned or boxed food items to be taken to the Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry in Taylor. Let's try and fill the food basket to overflowing. Your participation is greatly appreciated.



#### **Deck the Halls**

Friday, December 1 6:30 p.m.



Please join us as we set up the Christmas tree and decorate the Sanctuary for the coming Christmas season. LAF will provide hot dogs for a lite supper before we decorate. Please bring a side dish/dessert to share.

Please come and help beautify our buildings for the Christmas season and enjoy the fellowship.

All help will be appreciated.

## Community

#### **Live Nativity**

Immanuel Lutheran Church/West Taylor is needing volunteers and choir members to participate in their Live Nativity this year on December 9th & 10th.

If you are interested, please contact Bonnie Gordon—512-924-0432; Phyllis Johnson—512-924-2328; or the church office—512-365-9494.



#### **Advent Fair**

November 11, 2017
4:00-7:30 p.m.
Turkey Dinners
Country Store
Auction
St. John Lutheran Church
30650 State Hwy 95
1 mile North of Bartlett, Texas
Ph. 254-527-3341
www.stjohnbartlett.org



#### WinGS News

(Women in God's Service)



With the successful start-up of A.C.E.S., it has been decided to participate in the Adult Christian Education Studies and have separate business meetings at various times during the year as deemed necessary. It is hoped that everyone will participate.

#### Mission Statement

WinGS is for <u>ALL</u> women at Prince of Peace. Each of us can use our spiritual gifts for the glory of God and the encouragement of one another. WinGs is a growing ministry that welcomes your participation, questions, and ideas. It is the purpose of WinGs to promote lasting friendships through fellowship and service to our church family, our community, and other meaningful outreaches.

Let us join hands and hearts in the accomplishment of this purpose.

All women of the congregation are considered members of WinGS.

#### Thankoffering Envelopes

WinGs will be distributing the Thankoffering envelopes this month. Please find it your hearts to make a small donation by Sunday, November 19th. The funds collected this year will be directed to Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry to help those in need.

Thank you in advance.

#### www.princeofpeacetaylor.org—-What is this, you ask.

That is the link to our church web site. It was set up several years ago by Beth Walker. It has sat kind of forgotten until recently when Eric Medford decided to try and update it. He has been fairly successful but still needs some input about changes that still need to be made. If you have time, take a look at it and if you have any suggestions, please let Eric know.

Thank-you, Eric, for taking on this challenge.



#### First Sunday Fellowship



Nov. 5—Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner Everyone bring something to share.



The <u>2017</u> Sign-up sheet is posted on the kitchen bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Your help is always appreciated.



## Christian Education News & Views

#### **Bible Study Classes and Confirmation Classes**

Gem Naivar is the Sunday School Director.

Pastor Kerri will be teaching the Confirmation class.

Steven Patschke will be teaching the Pre-confirmation class.

Gem Naivar & Lea Rhoades will be teaching the Beginners class.

Braeden Lenz will be leading the High School Discussion Class.

Classes will be held each second and third Sundays with Christmas Program practice scheduled for the fourth Sunday of each month.

#### A.C.E.S.

#### "Adult Christian Education Studies"

A.C.E.S. meets each first and third Wednesdays of the month and begins each night with a light supper at 6:30 p.m. with class beginning shortly thereafter.

Join us for interesting and informative classes.

November 1 November 15
Everyone is welcomed to attend.



#### **Confirmation**

Confirmation was held Sunday, October 29, 2017.

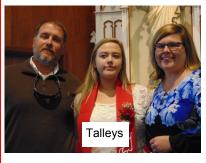
The young people participating in their Affirmation of Baptism were Dallas Meiske, son of Randy & Melissa Meiske; Mallory Randig, daughter of Ron & Melissa Randig, and Madison Talley, daughter of Jason & Tammy Talley.

Congratulations!!

The parents hosted a wonderful reception after the service.















# Prayer List



#### Please keep these listed and those you hold dear to your heart in prayer:

Lillie Krieg (Pflugerville N & Rehab) Mildred Kuhl (Home) Thomas Kotrla (SPJST)

Louis Menk (SPJST) Dorothy Walther (Pflugerville N & Rehab)

Betty Harbers Barbara Kuhl Linda Limmer

Vernaline Stolte Karyl Townsend

Marjorie Dawson Loriean Ford Tina Guzaman
Carol Houghtaling Yvonne Kemnitz Roy Meiske
Randy Milam Angie Rickel Leon Rowald
Ida Watkins Otto Werchan Glen Menzel

Donna Darrieck Victoria Filman Pat Hornsby
Darrell Mikulencak Elaine Oser Beau Pitts

Konnie Wolbrueck Marcie Zrubek



Lord, look upon us with eyes of mercy, may your healing hand rest upon us, may your life-giving powers flow into every cell of our bodies and into the depths of our souls, cleansing, purifying, restoring us to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom. Amen.

If you have anyone that you would like to have added to the prayer list, please let

#### Fellowship Hall and Church Rental

If you wish to rent the Fellowship Hall or the Church for some occasion such as birthday parties, showers, family reunions, weddings, etc., please contact Maxine Schroeder for rental information.

Phone: 512-862-3347 Cell: 512-269-8405 Email: mls@eccwireless.net

#### **December Newsletter Articles**

All articles for the December newsletter are due to Maxine by or no later than Tuesday, November 21st.

#### **Newsletter Delivery**

For everyone who has an e-mail address, the newsletter will be e-mailed to you. There will be some printed copies available at the church on each 4th Sunday of the month for the month following. The only exception will be in months with five Sundays. Copies will be mailed via USPS to the shut-ins, those without e-mail (unless you pick up a copy in church), or to those who request it to be mailed. Let us know your preference. We do not want to exclude anyone.

If you have an e-mail address, but have not been receiving any of the e-mailed notifications, and would like to be included, please send your address to: princeofpeacetaylor@eccwireless.net; princeofpeacelutheranchurch@ymail.com or to mls@eccwireless.net. Your e-mail address will be kept confidential. If you know of anyone that would like to receive the newsletter, please send that name and address as well.



#### **Reformation Spirit**

Director of Mission Growth

As we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, it is important to reflect on the faithfulness of our churches today with the same Reformation spirit that Luther and the other reformers looked upon the church of their day. We need to ask ourselves the important questions in evaluation of our life and ministry: are we, the church of today, a faithful expression of God's intention for his followers? In what ways would God smile down on us and in what ways have we fallen short of God's call as Christ's bride?

For some the answer is clear: the church in America has lost its way. Some might go so far as to say the issues that the church in America faces today are as big or bigger than the issues the reformers faced in Europe 500 years ago. As I work with congregations in renewal workshops, the question has often been raised, "How has the church in America gotten so far off course?"

In response, I like to share an illustration I first heard from a pastor I used to work with, John Bradosky, now bishop of the North American Lutheran Church. John had taken lessons to become a private pilot and he explained the importance of checking your heading. If a pilot were to have a slight error in his or her heading, the plane would be significantly off course several hours into a flight plan. This is what I believe happens to our churches when we put ministry on auto-pilot: we may start off only slightly off course, but a generation or two without checking our heading and we are a long ways off from where God would want us to be!

So in the spirit of the great reformers, I invite you and your church to check your heading. Are we where God wants us to be? Are we going where God wants us to go? What course corrections do we need to make in order to get headed in the right direction? What areas of our church life together have become false idols and taken the place of the mission and discipleship to which God calls us?

In Revelation 2, we read of the message that God has for the church in Ephesus. First he praises them for the ways they have been faithful in their hard work and protecting truth in teaching. But then in verses 4-5 God gives them this correction: "But I have this against you: You have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember then how far you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. Otherwise, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent."

As we celebrate all that God has done in and through our reformation churches that has been good and faithful, we also pause to take note of that today which is not good or perhaps even unfaithful. And I pray that we will listen to God's correction and be obedient in our response to his command to repent and return to our first love. May God bless us as he continues to reform the church still today!

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#### November 2017 Newsletter

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#### **Mission Statement**

Our mission is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, as it is revealed through our heritage and reflected in our hope for the future.