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Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

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Service Schedule

8:30 a.m. Fellowship

8:45 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

10 a.m. Communion Worship Service

Special COME AS YOU ARE Drive In Worship Services for Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day

Sunday Communion Worship Services (Ind. Cup)

Communion 5th Sunday (Common Cup only)

August 2016

FROM OUR PASTOR



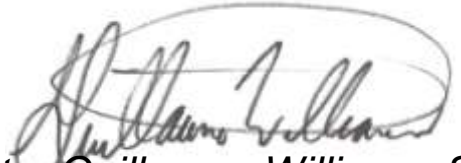
So it's July and early in the month we may be thinking about our freedom as American citizens and the freedoms won for us by the founders of our country. We may hear about our God-given freedoms enshrined in the Declaration of Independence and codified by the Bill of Rights. Many in our country seek to turn our liberties and freedom in to license to sin. But in reality none of these compare to the freedom won for us by Christ Jesus, our King, on the Cross.

In Revelation 1:5 we are told, "To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood" It is this freedom that matters in our daily lives and our life to come. Jesus has told us in the gospel of John 8:32 "and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." and 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." Now the Jews were thinking only about freedom from the Romans. Indeed, many times we are only thinking of worldly, fleshly freedom. But such freedoms are rather fragile. We have gained a freedom that cannot be taken away from us.

In Romans Paul reminds us of the importance the freedom Christ won for us. Romans 6:7 "For one who has died has been set free from sin." Romans 6:20 "For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness." Romans 6:22 "But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life." You see our freedom in Christ is not to fulfill our lust, our covetousness or our evil desires. We have been freed to become slaves of righteousness and of God. But slavery to God is true freedom. You see, Romans 8:2 "For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death." We no longer have to obey sin and its desires. We have the Holy Spirit who moves us to choose the freedom we have in Christ. We don't have to live in slavery to the fear of death. (Hebrews 2:15) We have eternal life in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 5:1 "For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. So we are called out to be free people in Christ. Let us not submit ourselves to the sins which kept us

captive to their desires. Instead let us see how we may serve one another with the freedom Christ Jesus won for us. To turn to licentiousness is to return to slavery, not freedom. Peter also reminds us, 1 Peter 2:16 “Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.” As servants of God we seek how we may honor others more than ourselves. We look into the interest of others to see how we may help them. To the world, this seems like slavery and bondage but in reality, that is in Christ it is the ultimate freedom for which our Savior Jesus Christ died.



Pastor Guillaume Williams, Sr.

ELDERS REPORT

Time is flying by, again this summer. One nice thing is that we had rain in July. I actually have cucumbers and tomatoes in my garden this year. August looks to be slower for me....hope for you also.

Pastor is looking at doing a different kind of Bible study, at least for a few months in the Fall. Look for further details next month. If you have any suggestions for bible studies you would like to be involved in, please contact Pastor or one of your Elders.

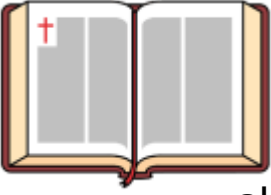
A great proposal to show off our facilities and Missions in Christ to the community on the Labor Day weekend was made at the July voters meeting. Look for details further in this newsletter.

Make sure you take time to call or visit some of our homebound members. They all need encouragement and support.

Continue to stay safe and don't forget to keep Christ first as you travel and visit the rest of the Summer.

Yours in Christ
Gary Staerkel (Chairman),
Chuck Kiel, and Charles Lashley

BIBLE STUDIES



Our Fall Monday Bible Study will be by the Ambassadors of Reconciliation called “Go and Be Reconciled: What does this mean” This new resource is great for group Bible study and also for coaching people through conflict! Application questions may be used for reflection on the included case studies or personal conflicts.

The finished book is 130 pages (95 pages of main teaching material with 35 pages of answers in Leader's Notes). Each lesson features Bible study content, a major case study for discussion, and application questions for personal reflection. If you would like more information you can check them out at <http://www.hisaor.org/> .

Cost is: \$14.00 each or \$11.95 for quantities 10+ or \$9.95 for quantities 25+. A sign up sheet is on the credenza to determine how many books we need to order.

CONGREGATION PRESIDENT

It has been gratifying to see our weekly attendance holding up or even increasing on some Sundays during the summer. Following are a couple of items of interest presented at the July Church Council and Voters meetings. The Voters acted on the recommendation of the Property Committee, based on their survey of the congregation, to table indefinitely the request from two of our neighbors to purchase portions of our real estate. Also, The Voters approved a recommendation to have a 50th Anniversary Celebration on the Saturday of Labor Day Week-end (September 3rd) to which we are encouraged to invite non-churched friends and relatives to attend. Several members are needed to serve on the committee, so if you can serve, please contact Jerol Laughlin

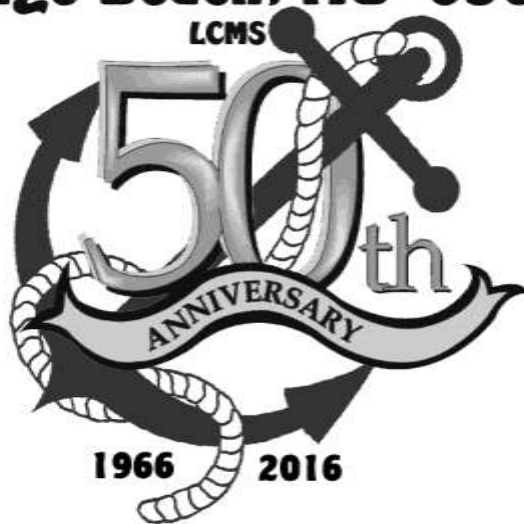
God's blessings,
Gene Scheiter
Congregation President

50TH ANNIVERSARY WITH OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to join your fellow members and others from the surrounding communities to an Open House to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the start of Hope Chapel as a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. At noon on Saturday, September 3rd. The celebration will begin with a free fried chicken dinner for all who come, followed by a tour of the campus of Hope Chapel for visitors as well as members. The tour will include seven stations with information regarding the ministry of Hope Lutheran Chapel at each station. While plans are just underway, some form of door prizes will be given. You may be asked to help with the tour or the planning, but you will not be asked to bring anything to the dinner but your appetite and the joy of gathering with your friends and neighbors. Thrivent Choice Dollars and Thrivent Action Team money will cover all the expenses. More information will be forthcoming in bulletins and news releases, so mark your calendars and plan to participate in an enjoyable and educational event.

Jerol Laughlin

HOPE LUTHERAN CHAPEL
Osage Beach, MO 65065



THANK YOU!

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone for helping host the Lake Area Community Orchestra on July 12th. It is very much appreciated.



MUSICAL NOTES



Choir practice starts again on Wednesday, August 24th at 6 pm. All voices (male and female) are needed.

You do not have to read music to lift a joyful noise to the Lord! All are invited to join us, all you need is a desire to sing unto the Lord!

Questions???

Call Debbie Thompson at 317-0126



LWML NEWS



Summer is here! We are taking August off and will see you in September!

GIFT/CARD SHOP



We have new cross necklaces on display and for sale. Also we have Books of the Bible tabs. There are two styles. More can be ordered.

There are birthday cards for all ages, anniversary, graduation, get well and encouragement. These are quality cards at low prices. Send cards with a Christian message to your family and friends. If you have a special request, let me know as August is a special "no shipping charge" month for ordering cards.

Proceeds benefit our library or a special need at Hope. Alter flowers for Mother's Day were from Card Shop funds. Thanks for stopping by and thanks for noting your purchase. We are self service.

God's blessings to all,
Doris Meyer, 346-7681
Hope Lutheran Ladies Guild

ADOPT A STUDENT

July 19, 2016

Greetings from St. Louis:

Rather, greetings from Austin, Texas. It has been too long since my last letter. As the spring quarter classes were drawing to a close, I learned that my father (88 years) had been hospitalized due to pulmonary fibrosis and pneumonia. Several trips to Oklahoma City have followed. Just this past week he was discharged and is now in home hospice care. As I slowly accept the idea that his time here with us will soon be over, I am comforted and encouraged by the words of Paul when he says, "if we have died with Christ, we believe that we should also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is a master over Him." (Romans 6:8-9) We know that we have in fact "died with Christ" at baptism and have been "sealed till the Day of Redemption." We have this hope because the tomb is empty!

These events serve to remind me that this world is not our home. I should never get too comfortable here. And I should always remember that there are more people around me who live without the hope of Christ than with it. Which brings me to the reason why I am in Austin, Texas this month. You might recall, in my January letter, that I mentioned attending a church planter seminar/assessment. The long and short of that was that I tested very well for this type of ministry, but obviously lack any field experience. So we were able to connect with the ACTS Church Network in Austin. They graciously agreed to host me for the month of July; one week at each of their current churches. It has been a great experience so far. Austin is the fastest growing large city in the country. And the vast majority of Austin residents are unchurched. The ACTS Network is responding to this need with the goal of planting 25 churches in the Austin area by the year 2025.

I believe that we, the LCMS, need that kind of vision; that kind of solid action in every major city in the country. This is the reason I'm in seminary; to be a part of the re-birth of a person, to see faith come to life in them. What an incredible privilege. But more than that, I hope to train and equip the people of God to join in on the fun; sharing the Gospel and discipling new believers so they too can share this hope with everyone they know. That's exciting

stuff. I'm learning a lot during my visit so far and am excited about the future that God is calling us to.

In Christ,



W Jeff & Fadia Jenkins
Concordia Seminary Student

HELP WANTED!! *Still! STILL! And STILL!!*

Sunday Morning Help:



Sunday School Team Teachers & Subs – Contact Mary Ellen Staerkel

Counters – See Betty Merli or contact the church office

Greeters – Sign up on the credenza

Fellowship Host(s) – Signup sheet is on the credenza

Candle Fillers – Call church office or speak to Jean Hunkeler

Communion / Altar setup – Call church office or speak to Jean Hunkeler

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our August collection will benefit Orphan Grain Train. Please place your offerings in the jar or basket during Sunday School.



June offerings collected \$89.26 for Heifer International.
Thank you!

Date	Lesson
7	The Temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4:1–11)
14	Three Men in a Fiery Furnace (Daniel 3)
21	The Saints in Heaven (Revelation 19:1–10)
28	The Twelve Spies in Canaan (Numbers 13–14)

Rally Day is August 14th at 8:45 in the large fellowship hall.



You don't want to miss it! We will be passing out prizes and awards. And our children will receive their class assignments. So please try to have your children there. Thank you from Miss Mary.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THANK YOU! A heartfelt THANK YOU to all who assisted with this year's VBS. It was all greatly appreciated.



NEW PRAYER CHAIN LEADER

Thank you Doris Meyer for leading the prayer chain for us!

To place a Prayer Request on the Prayer Chain, call the Prayer Chain Coordinator, Doris Meyer at 346-7681. If you CAN NOT reach Doris, call the church office, 348-2108.

OSAGE BEACH SENIOR CENTER NEWS



OSAGE BEACH SENIOR CENTER, Inc

OBSC is looking for a couple of volunteers to help the staff better serve the older members of our community. See Lisa at the center or call her at 348-2909. Looking for help in:

Kitchen ~ (*mornings – food prep*)

Delivery Person ~ (*take homebound meals to seniors 1x weekly*)

Dining Room ~ (*10 am – 1:30 pm to assist people to tables and wipe up tables*)

Serving Area ~ (*10 am – 1:30 pm to make drinks and keep area stocked and clean*)

Group Leader ~ (*Have a skill or hobby you would like to share? Help others figure out things like cell phones and tablets? Or even a group to play cards, games, or domino's*)

THRIVENT

It is pleasing to notice that we as a congregation are beginning to discover a variety of new uses for Thrivent Action Teams. One of the coming up activities will be financial support for a free meal



during the 50th Anniversary Celebration on September 3rd. Some of our Congregational Coordinators have heard comments from Thrivent members of other lake area churches who are disappointed that we no longer get together like we did when the Thrivent Chapter program was in effect. It may be possible that some may try to initiate a meeting to renew old friendships. There will also be a "Thrivent Celebrates" event on September 15th in Kansas City sponsored by the Kansas & Missouri Region of Thrivent. If you have any questions concerning Thrivent, please don't hesitate to contact Congregational Coordinators Jerol & Sandy Laughlin (873-3986) or Gene & Margaret Scheiter (346-2442).

FROM THE CHURCH SECRETARY

WANTED: CANDLE FILLERS ~ We are looking for volunteers (male or female) to help keep the candles filled with oil. It only takes about 15 - 20 minutes a week and the more we have volunteer,



the less often you would be asked to do it. If interested, please contact the church secretary.

WANTED: ALTAR SETUP/TAKEDOWN ~ Would you volunteer as a member of the altar guild to prepare the altar for communion? Contact the church office if you wish to volunteer.

ATTN COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS! Many colleges and universities have campus ministries associated with LCMS. Check out www.lcms.org or email office@campuslutheran.org for more information.

Coupon Exchange – We have baskets in the bookshelves across from the secretary's office ready to help. It works like the pennies at the cash register. Have a coupon? Leave a coupon - Need a coupon? Take a coupon or two or three



Recycling – I have a paper box sitting to the left of the copier in the office for bad copies and old bulletins.

Empty Ink jet cartridges are still accepted. A few are used at Staples to offset office supplies and the rest go to Habitat for Humanity. Next time you have an empty cartridge, **PLEASE DON'T THROW IT AWAY!** Just put it in a Ziploc bag or the original cartridge box, bring it to the church office. All proceeds go towards office supplies and to build more homes in the spirit of humanity.

Collections requested:

"infant items" – for Swaddling Clothes mission

"Cancelled stamps, no liberty bell or flag forever stamps" – for missions (LWML)

"Money-off coupons – no expiration date" - for Concordia Seminary Food Bank (LWML)

"Portals of Prayer" – Prison Ministries (LWML)

"Empty Inkjet Cartridges" – Offset office supplies & Habitat for Humanity



Office Secretary Hours for August

Monday thru Friday - 8 am to 12 pm.

New Article/Bulletin Deadlines:

Newsletter Articles – 2nd to last Sunday of the Month

Bulletin Notes – Wednesdays at 9 am

WARNING: *Articles not received by their deadline will not be included.*
Articles for the church newsletter, "The Anchor", or notices for the bulletins,
may be put in the in-box on the church secretary's desk or sent by e-mail to:
HopeChapelLCMS@att.net

Mary Mother of Our Lord

*But when the right time came,
God sent His Son, born of a
woman, born under the Law, to
free those under the Law and
make us His sons.*

Galatians 4:4-5



WORSHIP SERVICE
WITH HOLY COMMUNION
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH
9 am

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