

# ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

## October, 2021

***“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,[a] and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of[b] the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:1-2, NRSV)***

The end of September and the beginning of October always reminds me of my dad’s side of the family, my cousin Cheryl, and the important celebration of Oktoberfest. Actually, I think about it quite often, not only in October but especially this time of year.

Cheryl played the accordion. She was that person who was quite talented musically and never had to work at it. She simply could hear the tune and would be able to play from what she heard. The reason that Cheryl was so much different from my other cousins is that she played the accordion. She was a part of a band. The band would travel around to nursing homes and senior citizen centers to play their music. We had a family friend named Roger who had a polka band. The band also traveled and played at all of the Rosin family weddings. The music was amazing--at least for this kid.

When I was a little kid, I loved to hear my cousin Cheryl and Roger and their friends play. Mostly they would play polkas which filled my heart with joy. But they would add a few songs into the mix, and I would sing. I could not wait for the next family wedding. I was ALWAYS asked to dance with my aunts and female cousins. Now, as a little kid, I was sometimes reluctant to dance with these people who seemed so old to me. I was usually talked into it by my mother. Once I entered the floor, I ended up being there the rest of the night. I also was met with the approval of not only my aunts but especially my Oma (Grandma). Never mind that I probably stepped on their feet more than I didn’t. But little did I know that I was dancing with the cloud of witnesses that would surround and support me throughout life. Little did I know that I was bringing smiles to faces that maybe hadn’t smiled much in recent memory. Little did I know that I was carrying out God’s work in the world by sharing love and compassion with others.

I tell you all of that to say that the more important part, is that we are gathered as a community in joyful celebration in worship. We gather together to be reminded of how much we are loved and how we are surrounded by God’s never-ending compassion, grace and forgiveness. That cloud of witnesses of my childhood understood the importance of being together in community.

No matter what, know that you are loved, and you are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses who are always there to support and encourage you.

Servants together, Pastor Paul <><

***p.s. Did you know??*** I have often been asked questions about Liturgy and why Lutherans follow a Liturgical, even more important the Historical Liturgy form of worship. So here now is reason #2.

### **The liturgy is bigger and older than us.**

As I reflected on my family gathering of witnesses, something hit me – when my family was together in church, we were completely unified. Even though I was much younger, we were completely united through the liturgy. We were inserted into something bigger and much older. Indeed, every time that all of us participate in the liturgy, we are implanted into the songs, melodies, singing, and theology of the historic church from the past, as well as the present. We all attend the same church, while simultaneously joining together with the voices of millions across the world on every continent and in every language. Why do we love the historic liturgy? The liturgy is bigger and older than we are. It is truly multicultural and multigenerational.

***p.s.s. - Did you know that Luther said. . . ???*** “God writes His Gospel not in the Bible alone but in trees and flowers and clouds and stars.”— Martin Luther

**Please pray for those from our congregation and our friends**

**From Our Congregation:**

Sonja Anders      Christine Garner  
Joyce Jensen      Ardis Kelly  
Karen McFarland      Bev McKinney  
Bob McKinney      John Oien  
Samantha Prosser      Rosalee Ring  
Pastor Paul      John Realph

**Our Family and Friends:**

J M Grebenc and family  
(Lee Martinson's son-in-law)  
Heather Dach (Peydon's aunt)  
Dottie Carr (Conlon's friend)  
Joey Pacheco (Gigi's friend)  
Samual Joens (Gigi's friend)  
Martin Stafford (Gigi's friend)  
Sheila Parks (Sharill's friend)  
Gene Wright (Marsha's brother-in-law)  
Rea Coleman (friend of All Saints)  
Carlee Jo Bronkowski (McMillan's friend)  
Jessica Rodriquez (McMillan's daughter)  
Tricia Dickinson (Carolyn's friend)  
Becky Riese (Riese's sister-in-law)  
Denise Burton (Del's daughter)  
Eric Rosin (Jesse's dad, Pastor's brother)

Marie Missell (Joyce's sister-in-law)  
Larry Shriver (Patzner's friend)  
Mike Hally (Kathy Conlin's brother)  
Debbie Slater (McKinney's friend)  
Cindy Gonzales (Claudia's niece)  
June Huff (friend of All Saints)  
Kim Quijano (Sharill Beach's friend)  
Darien Bushy (Shannon's friend)  
Dora Mueller (Shannon's friend)  
Diana Brown (Gigi's friend)  
Hatsuko West (Shannon's mother)  
Craig Tutura (McMillan's friend)  
Mandy Colbaugh (McMillan's friend)  
Adam Kamerzell (Pastor's cousin)  
Lyle Moldrem (Sharill's brother)  
Susan Martin (Mindy's mother)  
Lee Ann Brewer (Gigi's friend)  
Dallas Jensen (Joyce's husband)

**Our Service Men and Women:**

Austin Applekamp (Scott and Gail's son)  
David Boyd (Don & Gigi McMillan's nephew)  
Amber Ellison (Jenifer Oien's cousin)  
Jeremiah and Joshua Specht (Specht's sons)

***Bonhoeffer Agent of Grace***

Thursday, October 21, 6:30 p.m.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer didn't want to get involved as the Nazis rose to power in Germany. The regime demanded absolute submission from all institutions, including churches. After taking time away in America, he sensed God calling him back to his homeland. His twin sister and her Jewish husband had to escape Germany for fear of Nazi nationalism. When a close friend invited him to get involved in the underground working against Nazi power, Bonhoeffer felt he had to do something to stand against tyranny. Nonetheless, he never anticipated how far he would have to go and what he would experience as a result.



**Miriam Circle  
October 6 10:00 a.m.**

Our business meeting will include organizing for the craft fair as well as other items. Join in for the meeting and Bible study.



**Craft and Bake Sale  
November 5, 8:00 until 3 p.m.  
November 6, 9:00 until 1:00 p.m.**

Handcrafted items are needed for the annual craft sale. Baked goodies are also needed. The monies raised from this sale are donated to local non-profits. Plan now to volunteer to setup, organize, price and bake goodies for this event. Questions can be directed to Janell Riese.

**Ezekiel Bible Study  
October 19, 2:00 p.m.**

A study of Ezekiel will give us hope for what seems like a world that is out of control. Carolyn will lead us in discussion.



## Looking For a Way to Deepen Your Worship Experience?

For many people, looking at the Bible readings before Sunday helps put the message in the context of their lives. As you read the lessons, ask yourself: Is there anything in the readings that relate to your life right now? Is there anything that surprises you in the readings? Disturbs you? Try doing this and see if following this on a weekly basis strengthens your personal faith life, and deepens your worship experience.

### The Lessons for Worship in October

These are the Bible readings that we will hear during our worship services this month. They are provided that you might use them for personal devotion and meditation.

October 3, 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalms 8

Hebrews 1:1-4, 5-12

Mark 10: 2-16

October 10, 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalms 90: 12-17

Hebrews 4:45-16

Mark 10: 17-31

October 17, 21<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 53:4-12

Psalms 91:9-16

Hebrews 5:1-10

Mark 10:35-45

October 24, 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalms 126

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52

October 31, Reformation Day

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 46

Romans 3:19-21

John 8:31-36

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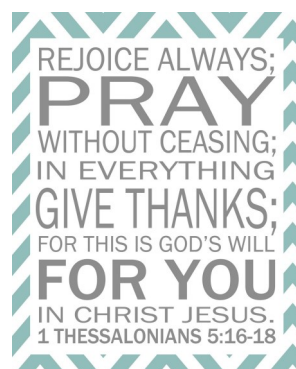
October 31, 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Psalms 119:19-28

Hebrews 9:11-14

Mark 12:28-34



## Council Meeting Highlights September 12, 2021

Members Present: Marilyn Liebetrau, Don McMillan, Don Ranta, Janell Riese, Niles Riese, Pastor Paul, Marj Seely, and Michelle Specht. Absent: Shannon Fritchman and Wyatt Smith. Guests: Tom Conlon and Bret Specht.

The meeting was called to order by Don Ranta

Silent individual prayers were offered followed by devotions from Pastor Paul.

The agenda was approved. The August minutes were approved.

### Committee Reports:

Education Committee:

- No report. Pastor is seeking robes for the confirmands from Our Savior in Greeley.

Building and Property:

- Niles will buy weed spray.
- Members of the council volunteered to clean the church: September 18, Bret and Michelle; September 25, Don and Gigi; October 2, ?; October 9, Don and Linda. Someone is needed for October 2.

Stewardship:

- Consecration Sunday is September 26. Testimonials will be given the last two Sundays in September.

Worship Committee:

- The written worship committee report was submitted. Setting Four will start on Reformation Sunday.
- Marj asked the Outreach committee to include Portals of Prayers and Christ in Our Home in the gift bags given to guests.

Outreach Committee:

- The Outreach Committee is providing refreshments for Birthday Sunday (second Sunday of each month).
- Marilyn is resigning as chair of the Outreach Committee. No replacement has been identified.

Pastor's Report:

- Pastor submitted a written report.
- Beginning November 1, his rent is being increased to \$850 per month. A new rental agreement is needed.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

- Karen McFarland and Rick Saxton audited the 2020 financials. A written audit was submitted to council.
- The Council approved Gold Plus for Pastor's health care.

### January 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021:

Total Income:	\$65,114.00
Total Expenses:	\$58,880.00
	+\$6,234.00

### Month of August:

Total Income:	\$7,244.00
Total Expenses:	\$7,230.00
	\$14.00

### Old Business:

- The congregation will participate in the evaluation of Pastor. Don Ranta will put the evaluations in mailboxes and mail those not picked up to be returned by October 10.

### New Business:

- Budget items were discussed from committees. The preliminary budget will be discussed at the October meeting.
- Shannon Fritchman respectfully resigned from council.

Prayers and praises were shared. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting is October 12 at 6:00 p.m. Yours in Christ, Don McMillan, Council President

## Pastor Evaluations

**Please return your evaluation of Pastor Paul in the locked box in the Narthex by October 10. Your input is Important.**

# OCTOBER SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	<b>3</b> Communion	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b> Communion	<b>24</b>	<b>31</b> Reformation Confirmation Communion
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul
<b>Liturgy Assistant</b>	Marj Seely	Diane Haupt	Joel Magnuson	Veronica Schroeder	Don Ranta
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Marj Seely		Joel Magnuson		Don Ranta
<b>Communion Bread</b>	Elinor/Marj		Elinor/Marj		Elinor/Marj
<b>Organist</b>	Don	Don	Don	Don	Don
<b>Pianist</b>	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Alice		Sharon		Sharon
<b>Readers</b>	Brandy Wood	Claudia Kellogg	Jesse Rosin	Wilma or Steve	Jordyn Amber Robert
<b>Acolytes</b>	Jordyn	Amber	Robert	Jordyn	Jordyn Amber Robert
<b>Ushers</b>	Bret	Marilyn	Niles	Don	
<b>Greeters</b>	Michelle	Marilyn	Janell	Linda	
<b>Stewards</b>	Michelle/ Erich	Don R/Don M	Rick /Erich	Sharon/ Michelle	Erich/Thad
<b>Fellowship</b>		Outreach			Potluck

This newsletter was made possible by contributions from: Sharon Blanchard, Carolyn Goller, Marilyn Liebetau, Carol Martinson, Don McMillan, Olinda Patzer, Janell Riese, Cristi Rivero, Pastor Paul, Marj Seely, and Bret Specht.

## All Saints Special Occasions for October

**Birthdays:** 10/7 Bret Specht 10/11 Brandy Wood 10/14 Brecken Huff

10/21 Carol Martinson 10/22 Gordon Thomas 10/27 Erich Patzer

**Baptismal Days:** 10/4 Marian Thomas

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**Council Officers & Committee Chairs:**

Don McMillan, President

Don Ranta, Vice President and Stewardship Chair

Michelle Specht, Secretary

Janell Riese, Treasurer

Shannon Fritchman

Marilyn Liebetrau, Outreach Chair

Niles Riese, Building and Property

Wyatt Smith, Education Chair

Marj Seely, Worship Chair and Financial Secretary

Memorial Fund: Executive Committee

Finance Committee: Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and Executive Committee

**Non-Council Committee Chairs:**

Fellowship, Janell Riese

Readers, Olinda Patzer

Ushers and Greeters: Niles Riese and Bret Specht

Altar Guild: Alice Spika and Shannon Fritchman

Prayer Chain: Claudia Kellogg

**Weekly Bulletin:**

Carolyn Goller

Joel Magnuson

Janell Riese

**Newsletter:**

Janell Riese, Carolyn Goller, Sharon Blanchard

**Marquee:**

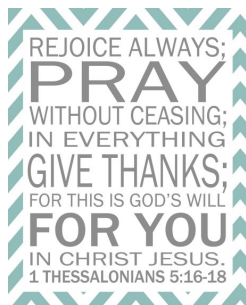
Joel Magnuson

Jesse Rosin

**Please notify Pastor Paul if you or someone  
in your family is entering the hospital or needs pastoral care.**

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