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2023

125th Anniversary Celebration Worship and Banquet

We truly give thanks to God for the vast and various ways God's light has shined throughout the people here...past, present and for the ways in those to come! Please join us as we gather together on Sunday, September 10th for a glorious day of singing praises and worshipping our amazing and grace-filled God! We'll be especially blessed by having with us that day, Presiding Bishop Paul Erickson of Greater Milwaukee Synod who will share the message, along with some former pastors (including Pastor Linda Budzien McEwen who will share some of her experiences of being the first female pastor called) and sons and daughters of the congregation. It shall be a beautiful and blessed day to spend together!

On that same day beginning at 5:00PM, we will gather together for our banquet at Preservation Hall in downtown Racine, 740 Lake Avenue. It is sure to be a joyous and celebratory event filled with wonderful conversation, delicious food and dancing. Hopefully you received an invite, but in case you didn't, here are some of the details:

Appetizers - 5:00

Dinner and Short Program – 6:00

Dancing until 9:00

Food catered by Olde Madrid –

Beef Brisket with Cognac and Mushroom Reduction or Roast Chicken,
Asparagus, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, and Assorted Desserts.

Wine, Beer and Soda Included.

Live Music by Party of Ten

Tickets are \$40 per person and are available in the church office and after worship in the lounge. Please purchase tickets by Sunday, September 3rd.

We hope you're able to join us for Anniversary Worship and Banquet as we celebrate 125 years of Shining God's Light!



On July 9th we welcomed new members to the Holy Communion family. Last month we introduced Justin Riekens, Toni Rence and daughters Kylie and Reagan. This month we would like you to meet Kristi and Randy Barfield, Lee Holm, and Marianne Lawson and Jamie McFarland.

Randy and Kristi Barfield

Randy and Kristi are blessed with 8 grown children and 6 grandchildren living in 4 different states! When not traveling to see the kids or seeking other adventures they enjoy cooking together. Randy is known for his Texas smoked brisket while Kristi takes inspiration from the British Baking Show and prefers baking bread and desserts. During the day, Randy keeps himself busy working for Concordia University, Chicago and Kristi is a member of the Aurora Hospice Team. When he isn't smoking meat, Randy enjoys playing bridge, singing with Racine Choral Arts Society and brewing beer in the basement. During the summer months you'll find Kristi in her gardens and preserving the bounty, in winter months she transitions to sewing and quilting. Their current project is restoring a 1984 Airstream camper in hopes of expanded travel adventures!

Lee Holm

Lee was born in Dubuque, Iowa. He grew up in the Burlington area and graduated from Burlington High School. Then he went to college at University of Wisconsin, transferred to Platteville where he received my BS Degree. In 1963 Lee was hired by Racine Unified School District as a teacher at Mitchell Jr High. In 1965 he got married to Lynne and transferred to Park High School teaching electricity, electronics and machine shop. They have two adult daughters. Lynne passed in 2004. The last couple of years before his retirement in 2000, he was a sub-school principal. Lee's hobbies include golf, sailing and traveling.

Marianne Lawson and Jamie McFarland

Marianne and Jamie enjoy camping, boating, the outdoors, and family time. Jamie enjoys restoring old boats. They have a three year old cockapoo named Bernie.

Welcome Kristi, Randy, Lee, Marianne, and Jamie!



The Children's Chalice



Holy Communion Lutheran Church September, 2023



**Happy Baptism Birthday to the following children
who were baptized during the month of September:**

**Bennett Hermanns
Kylie Riekema**

Please join us on SEPTEMBER 10th for the



**Blessing of the
Backpacks**

**Please bring your b a c k p a c k!
You'll receive a backpack tag to attach to it.**

CHOIR AND SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL START ON SEPTEMBER 17TH!

For September the pantry is asking for donations of bar soap, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, and saltines.

We have been serving a large number of families including many first time clients who have never been to a food pantry before. Due to the high number of clients being served, smaller deliveries from the government and Racine County Food Bank and difficulty buying many of the things we need because of limited supplies at some of the grocery stores, we are running very low on many foods. This makes the donations we receive from you more important than ever so that we can continue to provide healthy, balanced meal items for those in need in our community. We are incredibly grateful to all who add a few items for the pantry to their shopping carts. We know budgets are tight for many people and we give thanks for your generous gifts to our ministry.

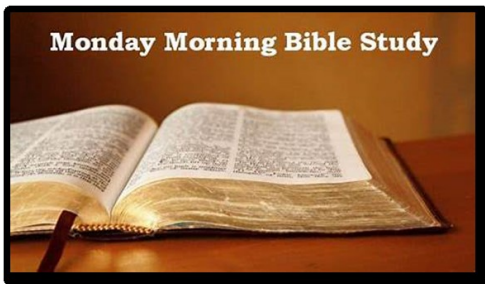
We always need brown paper grocery bags and clean, lightly used, plastic shopping bags. If you have 2024 calendars, greeting cards or pens and pencils you will not use, please bring them to the pantry. We have also had requests for Bibles and children's Bible storybooks. If you have any you no longer use you can donate them to the pantry.

As always we are so very grateful to all who contribute money and food and those who volunteer their time. We could not continue this ministry without your help!



SHINING GOD'S LIGHT
FOR 125 YEARS

Monday Morning Bible Study



Monday Morning Bible Study

Following summer break, our study begins once again on Monday, September 18th, at 10:00AM. ☺

We meet together in the lounge and begin with a time of conversation and prayer. This fall, our study will focus on the upcoming gospel reading for each Sunday. Hope you're able to join us and if you have any questions, please contact Pastor Laura (pastorlaura.hcl@gmail.com)

Third Tuesday Bible Study

September 19th will be the next gathering for the monthly Bible study of the Gospel of Mark. We will discuss Mark 7:31 to Mark 8:26 on pages 207 to 221. William Barclay describes this section as Jesus preparing his disciples for their role in spreading the gospel after he is gone. "Doing All Things Well" (page 207) is when Jesus and his disciples take a long eight month journey through a primarily Gentile region when Jesus is teaching his disciples that he is the Christ. The miracle of the deaf man being cured becomes well-known and a crowd of 4,000 seek him out. The miracle of feeding this large crowd vividly demonstrates that Jesus is reaching out beyond the Jewish community and has come to the Gentiles as well.

Then Barclay speaks to us and not just discusses the scripture. Are we those who "The Failure To Learn From Experience?" (page 216). That gives us something to think about which is continued in Mark 8:22-26 (pages 219-221). After describing healing a blind man, Barclay reminds us that being a Christian is a learning process, that our faith must be continually fed for continuous growth.

This is a section of miracles, but also an awareness that Jesus wants his disciples to be prepared for his absence. Do they realize that he is the Christ? Do they understand the message that reaches out to the Gentiles? Soon he will be crucified. Will they carry on Christ's ministry?

The message is also for us to continue growing in our faith. Participating in a Bible study enables us to grow and appreciate our faith. September 19th, from 10:00-10:30, our study of the Gospel of Mark continues. We meet at Julie Burton's house, 136 Steeplechase Drive. Phone 262:639-5914.



Our beloved, Lyle, is turning 100 on September 18th! Let us show him our love by sending cards or even stopping in for a short visit. He lives at St. Monica's and his address is:

**Lyle Tennis
c/o St. Monica's Senior Living
3920 North Green Bay Road
Room 30
Racine, WI 53402**



The second Tuesday of each month, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. we invite all who are celebrating a birthday in that month (this time August) to join us for coffee, fun conversation, and a birthday donut while we celebrate you! We hope to see all of you who have September birthdays on Tuesday, September 12th in the lounge!





Ketchup Club

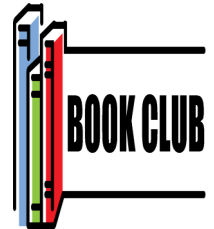
Our Ketchup Club outings have been so much fun! It is a wonderful to be able to socialize and “catch-up” with one another. It is a friendly, welcoming group and we would love to have more of you come join the lively conversations and share a few laughs, to catch up with some old friends or meet some new ones! In September we will meet for lunch at 11:30 at the Red Onion Café, 555 Main Street in downtown Racine on Tuesday, Sept. 26th. To help us know how many seats to save, please let Pastor Laura (pastorlaura.hclc@gmail.com), or Heidi (office.hclc@gmail.com) know by Sunday September 24th, if you’re able to join us. But if you should unexpectedly find yourself free that day, please come join us! Hope to see you there ☺

Men’s Group Meeting Friday, September 8th

The new Men’s Group meets on the second Friday of every month at 9:00 a.m. Their next meeting is Friday, September 8th. All men are invited to join us for a time of conversation, fellowship, and spiritual growth. The group has only been meeting a couple of months but they have had some great conversations and they would love to have you join them!



Book Club News: For our Wednesday, September 13th meeting, we will be discussing Heritage of Darkness by Kathleen Ernst. Chloe Ellefson is on her way to a family bonding trip to the Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in Decorah, Iowa. Chloe and her mother will be taking a rosemaling class. Everyone is shaken when the instructor is murdered. Chloe is put in the hot seat. As she investigates, Chloe uncovers dark family secrets that could be deadly for her mom and even herself.



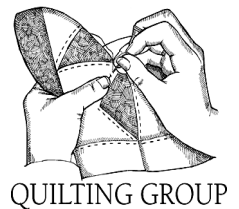
Kathleen Ernst has worked as an interpreter at Old World Wisconsin in Eagle, WI and written several mysteries. Kathleen lives in Middleton, WI and visits the historic sites whenever she can.

We will be meeting at Julie Burton's home. If you would like to join us, you can reach Julie at 262-639-5914 for directions. We meet at 10:00 until 11:30.

Our next two reads are The Girl Behind the Wall by Mandy Robotham set in East Berlin and West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge set in 1938, Woodrow transports two giraffes from the east coast to the San Diego Zoo.

Quilting Group

The Quilting Group meets at 1:00 pm on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month to work on quilts for Lutheran World Relief. All are welcome to join them, even if you have no prior quilting experience, and they would love to have more help. If you have gently used full, queen or king size flat sheets that you no longer need, the quilters can use them for quilt backs. You can drop them off in the back of the church on Sunday morning or in the church office. Call Linda Holmquist, 633-0032, or Evelyn Lajiness, 634-0527, if you have any questions.



Finance Update

July Finance Numbers

Revenue: \$55,461.64
Expense: \$41,181.35
Net Income: \$14,280.29

Year to Date Finance Numbers

Revenue: \$311,433.07
Expense: \$310,403.82
Net Income: \$1,029.25

Prayer Requests

Our prayer team wants to pray for you and all those you lift up in prayer. Do you ever think or say, “God please help me!” (Or help my mom, my child, a friend or the world.) Perhaps someone is weighing heavy on your mind, is ill or having surgery. Are you thankful or joyful for an occurrence in your life? Please share these thoughts using the wooden prayer box placed at the back of the church. You can also call or email the church office with prayer requests or email them to Amy Larsen amylarsen2406@yahoo.com. If you would like to become part of the prayer team and receive the prayer request emails once or twice a week, please contact the office or Amy Larsen. And of course, you can always call or email the office to have a name added to the prayers on Sunday morning. **Prayer changes things!**



Scrip Cards

Look for the Scrip table on Sunday mornings. There you can buy or order gift cards for grocery stores, gas stations, department stores, restaurants, online retailers, and even hotels and other travel related businesses. Scrip is an easy way for you to support the church as you do your day to day shopping. You pay the face value of the card and get to spend the full value of the card. Because HCLC purchases the cards at a slightly discounted rate, we earn a percentage for each gift card we sell. There are lists of the participating retailers in the Welcome Center and on the tables at the back of the sanctuary. Scrip cards make great gifts and are easy to tuck into greeting cards for any occasion! Visit the Scrip table if you have any questions about how the program works or how to order. You can also contact Kylee Albright at kygregg@me.com or 262-989-6433.



Fruit or false



Spotting true fruits can be tricky. Thankfully, it's much easier to spot the fruit of the Spirit.



Directions: Determine whether each item is a fruit or vegetable and circle the correct letter. Then insert the letters in order below to complete the verses.

Fruit Vegetable			Fruit Vegetable		
Apple	V	P	Pepper	O	U
Carrot	E	O	Spinach	R	S
Tomato	Y	R	Watermelon	H	P
Grape	C	F	Broccoli	G	N
Eggplant	T	D	Pumpkin	T	Y
Celery	I	N	Pear	F	C
Banana	K	M	Asparagus	L	R
Cucumber	N	W			

But the fruit of the Spirit is lo__e, j__ __, pea__e,
 pa__ie__ce, __ind__ess, go__dne__s,
 fait__ful__ess, gen__leness, sel__-cont__ol.

GALATIANS 5:22-23, ESV

Answer: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control

September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 1:00 Food Pantry	2
3 <i>Setting 4</i> 9:30 Worship	4 <i>Labor Day</i> Office Closed	5	6	7	8 9:00 Men's Group 1:00 Food Pantry	9
10 <i>We Are Called</i> 9:30 Worship & Backpack Blessing 10:30 Discussion with Pastor Linda Budzien McEwen 5:00 125th Anniversary Banquet at Preservation Hall	11 1:00 Food Pantry	12 10:00 Birthday Club 1:00 Quilters	13 10:00 Book Club	14	15 1:00 Food Pantry	16
17 <i>O the Joy</i> 9:30 Worship & Sunday School	18 10:00 Bible Study 1:00 Food Pantry	19 10:00 Third Tuesday Bible Study	20 10:30 Funeral - Walter & Carol Kroll	21	22 1:00 Food Pantry	23
24 <i>Setting 10</i> 9:30 Worship & Sunday School	25 10:00 Bible Study 1:00 Food Pantry	26 11:30 Ketchup Club at Red Onion 1:00 Quilters	27	28	29 1:00 Food Pantry	30

September Volunteers

Thank you to the volunteers who help keep worship services running smoothly! If you would like to volunteer, please call the office, 262-632-8802, or talk to one of the pastors.

	September 3 9:30 am	September 10 9:30 am	September 17 9:30 am	September 24 9:30 am
Greeter	Susan Anderson	Wayne & Linda Holmquist	Joni Reske	Jo Nissen
Lector	Karen Pirk	Lynn Sinclair	Sheri Krenzke	Jim Black
Communion Assistants	Karen & Al Pirk	John Lehman Jim Black	Val Conner Sheri Krenzke	Gary Wee Julie Burton
AV Technicians	Lynn Helmke	Barb Salvo	Kylee Albright	Todd Jansen
Coffee Fellowship	Rose Adamski	Linda Godson	Joni Reske Susan Anderson	
Councilperson In Charge		Joleen Carlson	David Knudson	Jim Black
Ushers	Dave Krueger, Steve Barootian, Gary Lequia, Ed Wosilait			
Altar Guild	Sandy Ivanoski, Kay Krause, Joni Reske			

September Altar Flowers

Sept. 3 - In memory of her parents, Leslie and Joan Anderson given with love by Susan Anderson and in honor of Jace Lequia's baptism given by the Lequia and Buchholz families.

Sept. 10 - In memory of her mom, Marjorie Scherer, loved and missed by Susan Barbee and in loving memory of her mother, Thelma Floyd, given by Barb Maier.

Sept. 17 - In memory of her beloved sister Cherlynn Mikkelsen given by Shelley Lussmyer.

Sept. 24 - In loving memory of Joe Cuccio and Anne Cuccio and in honor of Courtney Carlson on her birthday given with love by Jim & Joleen Carlson.

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Join us at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays for in-person or live-streamed worship services. Our live-stream can be found on the HCLC Facebook page and the videos remain online to view later. Please call or email the office if you, or someone you know, would like to be added to our email list to receive the weekly bulletin and hymns.

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