



Pentecost 16 • September 6, 8-9, 2018

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Welcome to Martin Luther!

We extend a warm welcome to everyone here today, especially our guests. We pray that the message you hear today would be a blessing for you. Please sign the Friendship Register and be sure to include whatever information might help us serve you better!

If this is your first time with us...

- Please be advised that the congregation stands for the last verse of each hymn we sing.
- Large print hymnals are available in the narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- Hearing assistance is provided by telecoil. Switch your hearing aid to the T setting.
- If you need to quiet your child during the service, please make use of the parents’ room attached to the narthex, the extended narthex and school hall, or the church basement.
- If you have questions or need assistance with anything, please ask an usher.
- Understand that our offerings are part of how we at Martin Luther Church and School express our thankfulness to God and return part of the blessings he has given us.
- When we celebrate Lord’s Supper we do so as a unified body of believers having one confession and practice of Christian faith (1 Cor. 10:17). All visitors who wish to join us in receiving the Lord’s Supper are asked to talk to a pastor before the service begins.

Assisting in worship today

	Saturday 5:30	Sunday 8:00	Sunday 10:30
Organist	Austin Wenker	Johanna Yenter	Johanna Yenter
Greeters	The Potters	The Ehlkes	The Brichs
Ushers	Gordy Korthals, Erich Busse	Russ Moss, Rebecca Moss, Jerry Braasch, Peter Krahn	Steve Nimmer, Joe King, Brian Brown, Joe Pahlow, Will Pahlow, Caleb Hanneman

This Week at Martin Luther

Sunday	8:00 & 10:30 Worship with Communion 9:10 Faith Explorers (formerly Sunday School) (families meet in church) 9:15 Family Bible Class—"Christian Fellowship" (meet in Commons)
Monday	9:00 Clean Church 3:05 Faculty Meeting 6:30 Finance Committee
Tuesday	10:00 Bible Study—Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 Parable of the Weeds 12:30 Pastors' Circuit Meeting at Immanuel
Wednesday	2:50-4:00 Chimes & Jr. Choir Practice 4:30 Catechism Class 6:30 Day School Team 7:00 Senior Choir
Thursday	6:00 Worship at Rising Son Chapel, 634 Wisconsin Street
Friday	8:00 Moms' Group 8:00 Pastor's Day at FVL 9:20 Reading Buddies
Saturday	5:30 Worship (Usher:4; Greet: volunteer)
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30 Worship (Usher: 2,7; Greet: Wendland) 9:10 Faith Explorers (formerly Sunday School) (families meet in church) 9:15 Family Bible Class

FLOWERS on the altar are given by Sue Radtke in memory of Chuck Radtke.

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS We will continue the study of Christian Fellowship on September 2.

WORSHIP NOTES A "Worship Notes" sheet with one side for children and another side for adults and teens is available each week on the wooden stand in the narthex.

TUESDAY AM BIBLE CLASS We will begin a new Bible study this coming week looking at the "*Parables in Matthew.*" You are invited to come at 10:00 AM to the Commons and join us as we review these parables and learn what truth Jesus is teaching using earthly situations.

JESUS CARES is a Bible class for people with Special Needs, all ages welcome! The next class is Tuesday, September 11 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 913 Nebraska St. There will be a Bible story, craft project and music. Call Grace with any questions at 920-231-8957.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICES began Thursday, September 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Rising Son Chapel, 634 Wisconsin Street. All members and guests are invited to attend along with the college students who worship at the chapel. Chapel services continue through December 6.

FAITH EXPLORERS (Formerly our Sunday School Program) begins today Sunday, September 9, for children age 4 through Grade 8. Today we will be installing our Faith Explorer Teachers. It begins in church each week at 9:10 and dismisses in the school hallway at 10:20. We will begin

this year with an open house and would like to invite all parents to join us to learn about our new activities and format this year.

YOUTH GROUP September 9th kicks off a new year of Martin Luther Youth Group! Any and every high school age member is invited to attend. We will start the day with Faith Builders, a teen Bible Study, at 9:15am in the youth room (located beside the kitchen in the basement). Join us for some time in God's word, time with Christian peers, and time to enjoy a breakfast treat. Additional youth activities will be planned throughout the year as well.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY FOR PARENTS Parenting is a full time calling in a constantly shifting world with kids who grow and change every single day. You have an incredible job as a mom or dad and you're raising great kids! To help you prepare your children for not just this life, but for eternal life, we're offering continuing education for Christian Parents. Dare to Discipline is a study written by renowned parenting author/speaker Dr. James Dobson. Classes will be held for just four weeks on Tuesdays, October 2, 9, 16, & 23 @ 6:30pm. Babysitting provided. Information and a sign up are posted in the extended narthex. Please sign up so material can be ordered for you. Please contact Nate or Jenny Smith @ natosmith79@gmail.com or jennylusmith@gmail.com with questions.

BAPTISM Barret Lee Oesterreich, son of Terri and Justin Oesterreich who was born June 19, 2018 is baptized after our second Sunday service. He is brought to baptism by his parents and Randy and Maisee Miller. We rejoice with the family that Barret receives the grace of our Lord through baptism and pray that the Lord keeps him in this grace through long life.

Attendance at Worship		Attendance at Bible Study		Offerings and Receipts/Expenses
Wednesday 6:30	23	Family Bible Hour	11	Offerings/Tuition/Other Income
Saturday 5:30	45	Tuesday 10:00	7	\$7363/\$445/\$311
Sunday 9:00	118	Tuesday 6:00	n/a	Year-to-date Receipts/Expenses
Total	262			\$222,485/\$138,427

Anniversary offering to date for stained glass window repair: \$24,566

LAWN MOWING HELP NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER 30 AND BEYOND Many thanks to all those members who have already cut the church lawn and/or signed up for future dates. If you haven't taken a turn yet, we could use your help. Please consider organizing a team (2-3 individuals, family or friends) to lend a hand and sign up for an open week. The sign-up sheet is at the Information Center desk. Contact Steve Nimmer with any questions.

SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG! Senior choir is starting up again and all high school age and adult members are invited to join us! We meet in the balcony on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. Our first rehearsal will be on Wed, September 12. For more info contact Joanna Ericson.

HIS HANDS NEWSLETTER Pastor Ericson will attend the annual meeting of the Commission on Special Ministries at WELS headquarters in Waukesha, Wisconsin this week. He serves as the Special Ministries coordinator for our Northern Wisconsin District. Special Ministries covers eight areas, including Ministry to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (note today's Gospel about the healing of a deaf man). The various ministries are highlighted in His Hands, an electronic

newsletter. The next issue will feature an article about a WELS family in Alaska with five kids, three of whom have hearing loss. To sign up for His Hands, go to wels.net/subscribe. To learn more about WELS Special Ministries, ask Pastor Ericson or go to wels.net/special-ministries.

INTERNAL JOB OPENING Martin Luther is looking for an **After School Care Aide** for the 2018-2019 school year. We will need someone from approximately 2:45 to 5:30 p.m. Responsibilities include feeding the children a snack, supervising play (both inside and outside), and monitoring child pick-up. A **Custodian** is also needed and the hours are flexible, afternoons or evenings. If this is something you are interested in or know someone who might be, contact Principal Hennig at 235-1612 or stevehennig@martinlutheroshkosh.com.

OUTSIDE JOB OPENING Faith of a Child Daycare in Oshkosh is looking to hire for various teaching and assistant positions. Full-time, part-time, and subbing positions are available. If interested in hearing more about our daycare and the available positions, please visit our website at faithofachilddaycare.com or contact faithofachilddirector@yahoo.com.

NEW VIDEO ORDERED WELS Evangelism. This is the last video of four which features the Apostle Paul and is entitled "*To the Ends of the Earth.*" We have ordered 200 copies and will offer them to you for purchase when they are shipped to us. The cost to purchase will be \$2.00. The video is a great gift to give to help another learn about our Lord and invite them to attend church with you. Or invite others to view the video with you. In worship the week of October 20-21 we will celebrate a Synod-wide Mission & Ministry special worship. The new video may be shown at that time and will be ready for you to purchase.

WLA NEWS—The August 28 **Plenary Board** meeting is rescheduled to Tuesday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. **Preliminary Budget Meeting** for the 2019-20 school year will be held on Monday, September 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the WLA Media Center. **Parent Orientation Night** is September 12. **8th Grade Visitation Day** is September 21. **Parent Teacher Conferences** are September 24. **Homecoming Skit Night** is October 5. **Homecoming Football Game** is October 6.

FVL NEWS—A **Special Dedication Service** for the Let the Children Come expansion is set for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 14. Our guest speaker will be WELS Northern Wisconsin District President Rev. Joel Zank. An open house is planned following the service. **Game locations:** Due to field repairs, all FVL home soccer and football games will be held off campus this fall. Soccer games will be at USA Sports Complex. Varsity football games will be at Kaukauna on 9/21 and 9/28. All JV1 and JV2 football games will be at Xavier Middle School. **Strategies and Resources to help children read** is offered by FVL Schools on 10/10 at 6:30 PM. Open to all parents of grade school age children by presenter Dr. Mark Murphy from Wisconsin Lutheran College. Free child care is available for children 4 & up. Free tickets are available at Martin Luther Office or at FVL Office. More info at fvlschools.org.

UW OSHKOSH CAMPUS MINISTRY begins this week! Campus ministry night is a Bible study every other Monday, starting September 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Rising Son, 634 Wisconsin Street. We will also have a Friday food and fun night about every other Friday, beginning September 14. Check out the campus ministry website, risingsonoshkosh.org, for details.

AUCTION The school year has started and plans for the auction are in full swing. Tickets for the March 2 auction will go on sale in November. We are currently collecting donations. We are looking for sports tickets, vacation rentals, donations of time, and any handmade items. We are also looking for someone to donate a “Year of Pies,” 1 pie/month for a year and a “Year of Cookies,” 1 dozen cookies/month for a year. The last auction was a great success because of all our wonderful donations and support. We can’t wait to see your creative ideas for this upcoming auction. All donations must be received by February 8 at 2:50 p.m. to be in the program. Donations may be dropped off at the office or given to Sara Smith. Please contact Sara Smith with any questions at saraleighsmith1@yahoo.com or 920-216-2342.