

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2017

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From the Pastor...

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION

The official date for the beginning of the Protestant Reformation is October 31, 1517. This year will mark the 500th anniversary of that historic event that changed the world. The significance of this remarkable transformation of the Christian faith can't be overstated. It literally changed the manner in which people came to understand the gift of salvation through faith in Jesus. God offers to us the means of salvation through the death and resurrection of Jesus. We are not saved by our works; rather our faith in the grace of God leads us to heaven. Our good works are a reflection of that relationship with God.

Martin Luther in his initial protests against the Roman Catholic Church stood as the lone voice in opposition to the powerful influence of the Pope. Beyond theological issues, Luther made an impact on a cultural level as well. He had a passionate interest in music and composed many hymns for worship. In addition, Luther advocated "secularized" approached to marriage law and viewed it as an affair for the state. It may be blessed by the church, but the state "regulates" it. His vision of God's "two kingdoms," one an "earthly realm" and the other dealing with eternal life, had an influence on many aspects of life in the spiritual and secular worlds.

This year Reformation Sunday is October 29. We will celebrate the occasion with Pastor David Luecke, who will deliver the message at both services that day. Pastor Luecke is the author of several books on the Holy Spirit. I hope that you will join us for this special occasion. Later that day, we are invited to join Emmanuel Lutheran Church in New Philadelphia at 3:00 pm to worship the Lord followed by an Oktoberfest Cookout. The menu will include: brats, sauerkraut, German potato salad and more. There will be games and fun for adults and kids alike.

In closing, I hope that you will appreciate the struggle that Luther endured to proclaim the message that justification by grace through faith in Jesus leads us to eternal life. We do not deserve the grace and favor of God but are truly grateful for the benevolence that the heavenly Father bestows upon us due to the suffering and death of Jesus.

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August Worship Ministers:

DATE	TIME	ASSISTANTS	DATE	TIME	LECTORS
10/1	8:00 A.M.	Charlann Young	10/1	8:00 A.M.	Pam Ward
	10:30 A.M.	Dee Garrison		10:30 A.M.	Byron Lautenschleger
10/8	8:00 A.M.	Pam Ward	10/8	8:00 A.M.	Jen Ward
	10:30 A.M.	Marcia Howenstine		10:30 A.M.	Sue Bahr
10/15	8:00 A.M.	No service	10/15	8:00 A.M.	No service
	10:30 A.M.	Carol Hoskinson		10:30 A.M.	Steve Maurer
10/22	8:00 A.M.	Jim Ward	10/22	8:00 A.M.	Pam Ward
	10:30 A.M.	Terry Tegtmeier		10:30 A.M.	Donna Dudash
10/29	8:00 A.M.	Charlann Young	10/29	8:00 A.M.	Jen Ward
	10:30 A.M.	Steve Maurer			Cheryl Simers
USHERS			ACOLYTES		
10/1	8:00 A.M.	Jim & Jen Ward	10/1	8:00 A.M.	Shawntel Hafer
	10:30 A.M.	Rick & Lori Caughey		10:30 A.M.	Lizzie Kienzle
10/8	8:00 A.M.	Dave & Charlann Young	10/8	8:00 A.M.	Carson Majors
	10:30 A.M.	Skip & Jeanie Steward		10:30 A.M.	Michael Eberly
10/15	8:00 A.M.	No service	10/15	8:00 A.M.	No service
	10:30 A.M.	Byron & Marianne Lautenschleger		10:30 A.M.	Bailey Keane
10/22	8:00 A.M.	Jim & Jen Ward	10/22	8:00 A.M.	Kayla Majors
	10:30 A.M.	Lisa & Bailey Keane		10:30 A.M.	Lizzie Kienzle
10/29	8:00 A.M.	Greg & Julie Majors	10/29	8:00 A.M.	Whitney Ward
	10:30 A.M.	Dee Garrison	10:30 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	Michael Eberly
		<u>Altar Guild</u> Brenda Tegtmeier, Marcia Howenstine	<u>Fellowship</u>	<u>Community Meal</u>	
Screen Monitor					
10/1	8:00 A.M.	Whitney Ward			
	10:30 A.M.	Doug Dix			
10/8	8:00 A.M.	Austin Ward			
	10:30 A.M.	Josh Dix			
10/15	8:00 A.M.	No service			
	10:30 A.M.	Lisa Keane			
10/22	8:00 A.M.	Cameron Majors			
	10:30 A.M.	Jerry Hoskinson			
10/29	8:00 A.M.	Austin Ward			
	10:30 A.M.	Rick Caughey			

Offering and Attendance

Date	9/3	9/10	9/17	9/24
Offering	\$2,971.00	\$2,205.00	\$3,367.00	\$ 2,616.00
Attendance	59	82	80	67

Readings:

<u>Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost</u>	<u>Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost</u>	<u>Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost</u>	<u>Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost</u>	<u>Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost</u>
10/1	10/8	10/15	10/22	10/29
<u>Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32</u>	<u>Isaiah 5:1-7</u>	<u>Isaiah 25:1-9</u>	<u>Isaiah 45:1-7</u>	<u>Jeremiah 31:31-34</u>
<u>Psalm 25:1-9</u>	<u>Psalm 80:7-15</u>	<u>Psalm 23</u>	<u>Psalm 96:1-13</u>	<u>Psalm 46</u>
<u>Philippians 2:1-13</u>	<u>Philippians 3:4b-14</u>	<u>Philippians 4:1-9</u>	<u>1 Thessalonians 1:1-10</u>	<u>Romans 3:19-28</u>
<u>Matthew 21:23-32</u>	<u>Matthew 21:33-46</u>	<u>Matthew 22:1-14</u>	<u>Matthew 22:15-22</u>	<u>John 8:31-36</u>

Prayer Chain - Prayer Chain - This week remember in your prayers: Patty Sundheimer, John Seng, Randy Simers, Butch App, Tim Robb, Bruce & Barb Younkin, Jennifer Smith, Kelly McDaniel, Don Schlack, Gus Cerpides, Gene Keck, Jenny Filicky, Harold Allison, Lovie Hudson, Sal De Ruggiero, Kitty McBeth, Floyd McBeth, Dan Levesseur, Mindi Lieser-Baum, Jackson Kinsey, Keith Hay, Beau Sherrets, Jean Baker, Imogene McClellan, Bill Tait, Amelia Hartong, Marlene Jisa, Ret Kendrick, Jack Garrison, Melinda Caldwell, Chuck Slaybaugh, Lauren Seifert, **Servicemen & Women-** Andrea Gibson, Andy Jones, David Ward, Jordan Ritter, Adam Pohovey, Tony Lehmler, William Robshaw, Calvin Farmer, Kirk Habrun, Paul Roley, Kyle Greiving

Operation Christmas Child: St. Paul will once again participate in this program later this year. All shoe boxes will be collected by Sunday, **November 12**. A dinner will be held that day to benefit the effort. The cost to ship each box has increased from \$7 to \$9. The proceeds from the dinner will pay for the shipping of the boxes.



October Food Pantry: The following items are needed to supply the local food bank.

Week One – Breakfast Food

Week Two – Canned Food

Week Three – Quick foods (i.e. Cake mixes, Macaroni and Cheese, etc.)

Week Four – Paper products, Laundry Products, Hand Soap, Dish Soap, etc.

Youth News: **Youth:** HS Youth Group (8-12) will hold their first meeting on **Friday, October 6th** - Kid's Club (K-7) first meeting will be **Friday, October 27th**.



Birthright of New Philadelphia: In the month of October we will be collecting items for Birthright of New Philadelphia. Items Needed – Diapers, baby wipes, baby wash, baby lotions, hooded towels, wash cloth, bibs, burp cloth, sleepers, onesies, outfits, socks receiving blankets, crib sheets, small infant toys, home afghan and quilts.



Book Club: We discussed the book *Russell Fink* on Tuesday, September 26th, 2017. After a short discussion, we decided to read *Same Kind of Different as Me*, by Ron Hall and Denver Moore for November. It has been made into a full-length movie, which is scheduled for release on October 20th, 2017. Renee Zellweger, Jon Voight, and Greg Kinnear star in this

movie, amongst others. We would like to know how many people would like to see the movie (along with reading the book). We have narrowed the choice to either Sunday, **November 5th** or Saturday, **November 11th**, for an afternoon matinee. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex to designate who would be interested in going, which date would be preferable for the largest amount of people, and if you'd like a separate date to discuss the movie/book as well. If we have sufficient interest, everyone will have to purchase tickets ahead of time (preferably 2 weeks or more) to insure that seats are reserved. If you have questions, see Terry Tegtmeier or Pastor Mike.

Evangelism Suggestion: Several people continue to inform me that not only did they enjoy *The Story of Reality*, but that they had selected people to receive the book. We pray that you would continue to share the message of this book with others throughout the coming months and years. The Book Club is also tentatively planning to re-read the book, *Same Kind of Different as Me*, and then watch the movie scheduled for release end of October. Please let us know by the end of October.

BIRTHDAYS				ANNIVERSARIES	
Mariah Huggins	10/1	Beth Pirillo	10/23	Greg & Julie Majors	10/12
Debbie App	10/3	Peggy Dix	10/24	Aaron & Meghan Woods	10/12
Dee Garber	10/3	Rebecca Dix	10/25	Rick & Lori Caughey	10/19
Josh Hafer	10/8	Jean Steward	10/25	Jim & Jane Davis	10/26
Mary Simmons	10/8	Kory Inskeep	10/25		
Dee Garrison	10/10	Richard Dudash	10/27		
Kathy Pozzuto	10/10	Laura Fortner	10/31		
Jean Baker	10/12	Betty Haueter	10/31		
Jennifer Smith	10/13	Greg Majors	10/31		
Karen Oswald	10/14				



OKTOBERFEST

Celebrating 500 Years of Reformation – Sunday, October 29, 2017

202 East High Ave. New Philadelphia 330-364-7571 emmanuelnp.com

3:00 p.m. Worship Service with combined Lutheran congregations

4:00 p.m. Oktoberfest Cookout with brats, sauerkraut, German potato salad and more.

Games and fun for adults and kids alike

Join us for this special historic day!

Council News: Council News: A decision was made to cancel the purchase of carpeting for the parlor. In addition, the council accepted the transfers of Karen Oswald, John Seng, Russell Sayner, Sara Sayner, William Sayner, Ben Sayner and Alexander Sayner to other churches. Approval was given for a stewardship letter to be sent to the members of St. Paul in the next few weeks.

Property News: Recently 3 large maple trees were removed from the back of the church by Dakota Tree Service at a cost of \$3,000. In addition, concrete work was done at the entrance to the fellowship hall as well as the Poplar Street entrance. Floors were cleaned, waxed and buffed in fellowship hall and narthex by Finishing Touch.

PRAYER FOCUS FOR OCTOBER, 2017

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Be joyful always; pray continually

Give thanks in all circumstances,

For this is God's will for you in

Christ Jesus.

Lord, You are my God –

And it is my joy to give You my inner heart.

Cleanse me, fill me, heal me and help me

Live with a joyful, thankful heart.

I want to be a person of prayer!

I want to make a difference in my world.

For all You are and all You do,

I am grateful.

I give You praise for the blessings in my life.





Reformation:

The Reformation, also referred to as the Protestant Reformation, was a schism from the Roman Catholic Church initiated by Martin Luther and continued by John Calvin, Huldrych Zwingli, and other early Protestant Reformers in 16th-century Europe. It is usually considered to have started with the publication of the Ninety-five Theses by Luther in 1517 and lasting until the end of the Thirty Years' War with the Peace of Westphalia in 1648.

New Program at St. Paul: The council approved this Play Date for young families. The Pre-school Play Date begins Thursday, October 12th at 11:00 a.m. until noon. Music, Games and Bible stories will be provided for the children. Linda Clugston has agreed to help with the first date. Volunteers will be needed in the future.



Month of OCTOBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
10/1	10/2	10/3	10/4	10/5	10/6	10/7
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.		Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.			
10/8	10/9	10/10	10/11	10/12	10/13	10/14
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.		Sonshine Meeting 10:00 a.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	Worship Meeting 6:30 p.m. Play Date 11- 12:00 p.m.		Property 9:00 a.m.
10/15	10/16	10/17	10/18	10/19	10/20	10/21
Worship 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Fellowship LUNCHEON AT BWMC	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m. Council 7:00 p.m.		Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	Community Meal 5-6:30 p.m.		
10/22	10/23	10/24	10/25	10/26	10/27	10/28
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m. – CHANCEL PLAYERS AT 10:30 A.M.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline 	Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. Prayer Chain update	Play Date 11- 12:00 p.m.		
10/29	10/30	10/31				
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m. REFORMATION SUNDAY – 3:00 p.m. Emmanuel New Phila.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.	 HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!				