

# October 2017 Newsletter

## Bethlehem Lutheran Church and Bethlehem Family Childcare

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### Back!

*Thanks again for the sabbatical!*

- We will be back this week to prepare for October 1.
- Thanks to all who served in many special ways while we were away!
- Monday Divine Services at 7 PM will resume on 10/2.

### Rev. Dr. Martin Luther The 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation!

This year marks the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dr. Luther nailing his 95 theses (theological statements) to the door of the Wittenberg Castle Church! His intention was to spark a debate among theologians, but the recent invention of the printing press resulted in widespread circulation, much debate, and radical change. So **October 31, 1517** is considered the birthday of the Reformation, making **10/31/2017 the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary!**

As one way of focusing on the Bible, Luther, and important truth, we will be studying “A Man Named Martin, Part 3: The Movement” – a video-based study produced by Lutheran Hour Ministries, during our Sunday Bible Classes, beginning on October 1 at 9:30; YOU are invited!

These are some of the contents of the course to whet your appetite; join us each week to learn and grow and be blessed:

#### Session One:

- Opposition from Within and Without
- Making Use of Time
- Matthew 25:14-30

#### Session Two:

- Under Attack
- Hebrews 13:1-5
- The threat of Islam (Yes, even in Luther’s time)
- Psalm 46
- Obedience – Vice or Virtue?

### Session Three:

- Faith or Presumption
- Deuteronomy 1:19b-28a, 34-36, 40-45
- Religious Freedom for Individuals
- Outside Opinions

### Session Four:

- An Unsavory Beginning
- Calvinism – Where Are You Going?
- Calvinism – How Do You Know?
- John 9:1-13, 17, 24-41
- Pleasure in Life?

### Session Five:

- Questioning Authority
- Daily Life and Work Matter to God
- The Growth of the Christian Church Worldwide
- Matthew 13:31-32

The contents of this course will include must-know history for everyone, but also God's powerful truth and much that is relevant to our daily Christian lives! See you in class!

*Pastor*

### Gather and Be Blessed

*October Service and Sunday Class Schedule*

**S, 10/1:** Service 8:00; Classes 9:30; Service 10:45

**M, 10/2:** Service 7 PM

**S, 10/8:** Service 8:00; Classes 9:30; Service 10:45

**M, 10/9:** Service 7 PM

**S, 10/15:** Service 8:00; Classes 9:30; Service 10:45

**M, 10/16:** Service 7 PM

**S, 10/22:** Service 8:00; Classes 9:30; Service 10:45

**M, 10/23:** Service 7 PM

### Reformation Day Observed

**S, 10/29:** Service 8:00; Classes 9:30; Service 10:45

**M, 10/30:** Service 7 PM



### Living the Lutheran Lectionary Bible Class

**Thursdays: 10 AM** – Study the upcoming assigned readings; the class meets in our Christian Life Room.



## God's Word on the Go / at Home

**The Lutheran Hour** - Sundays 8:00 a.m.; The Word 1220 AM

**Issues, Etc.** – You can listen to what you want when you want at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

### **Worship – For the Homebound:**

Sundays 11:30 AM; WRLM-TV 47 [TCT]

- ♦ Time Warner: 12, 67, 194
- ♦ Direct TV: 67, 377
- ♦ Dish: 47
- ♦ Cox: 12



## Our Mission Work in Africa

*Thanks for praying and giving!*

### **Lutherans in Africa-**

**USA:** We support the work of LIA-Africa to teach African Christians to be teachers of the faith!



Pray for the continued construction of the Lutheran School of Theology!

- ⇒ Website: [www.lutheransinafrica.com](http://www.lutheransinafrica.com)
- ⇒ Rev. James May: [ProLiturgy@me.com](mailto:ProLiturgy@me.com)

**Team Jesus for Africa:** Dr. Giessler will be going to Africa on a teaching trip later in October; watch for details and keep him in your prayers for safe travels, good health, and attentive students!

- ⇒ Dr. Giessler: [pbgfbnt@gmail.com](mailto:pbgfbnt@gmail.com)

## October *Physical* Birthdays

- 2 Tiina May
- 3 Maggie May
- 4 Mike Martinez
- 6 Lilli Riechert
- 13 Gertrude Hancko-Stephen
- 15 James May
- 16 Hannah Hlavacek
- 19 Sarai May
- 23 Jeanette De Simone  
Dee Kaderbek
- 24 Kathy Green
- 25 Paul Martens
- 26 Steven Pysz
- 29 Nick Ventura



## October *Baptismal/Spiritual* Birthdays

- 1 Janet Chilton
- 2 Lynne Sala
- 7 Christl Kissinger
- 8 Tricia Wise
- 9 Olive Jasulevich
- 11 Chris Sala
- 12 Sherrie Dennison
- 14 Helga Haller, Rhoda Werner
- 17 Tracy Liddy
- 31 Tiina May



## October *Wedding* Anniversaries

- 7 Brian & Angie Zeleznikar (12<sup>th</sup>)
- 8 Dave & Angie Rohman (13<sup>th</sup>)
- 17 Rand & Debbie Stender (47<sup>th</sup>)
- 22 Mark & Sherrie Dennison (34<sup>th</sup>)
- 28 John & Kristyn Prochaska (17<sup>th</sup>)
- 30 Greg & Klara Seefeld (25<sup>th</sup>)

## Those Serving in October

Altar Guild: Kathy Green  
Angie Rohman  
Candles: Lynda Tomasch  
Financial Team: Natalia Ford, Paul  
Martens (10-2, 30); Dee  
Kaderbek (10-9); Jerry  
Huttner (10-16) Janet  
Chilton (10-23)

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### 8:00 Service

Ushers: Matt Kussmaul, Mel  
Bucholtz, Bonnie Moyer  
Lord's Supper: Alan Carlson  
Prayer Partner: Millie Sluka (10-1, 22);  
Dee Kaderbek (10-8, 29)  
Alan Carlson (10-15)

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### 9:10 Refreshments

Miriam Engleman, Doris Chmielewski

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### 10:45 Service

Ushers: Jerry Huttner, Ray  
Dmytriw, Bart Pendley,  
Lilli Riechert  
Nursery: Sara Green (10-1);  
Lindsey Cheatham (10-  
8); Angie Zeleznikar (10-  
15); Self-service (10-22,  
29)  
Lord's Supper: Jerry Huttner  
Prayer Partner: Matt Hlavacek (10-1,  
29); Ray Dmytriw (10-8);  
Jerry Huttner (10-15);  
Brian Zeleznikar (10-22).

## Upcoming Newsletter Deadlines

- ⇒ **Sunday, October 15:** *For November*
- ⇒ **Sunday, November 19:** *For December*

Note: We hope to have the latest childcare info in our next newsletter; please pray for our center, workers, parents, and children!