

Newsletter of College Hill Lutheran Church and Brammer Student Center

“Abiding in the Enduring Word”

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Dear Family in Christ,



Beginning on Wednesday, September 7th at 6 p.m. we will be providing an opportunity for *everyone* to study the Holy Scriptures at the same time!

-Children of all ages will be taught stories from the Bible, the church year, the catechism, and much more.

-Middle School Children will study Bible stories and the Small Catechism in detail.

-High School Youth will study Christian apologetics.

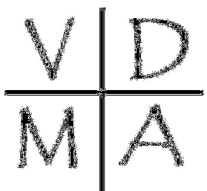
-Parents and other adults will study various topics of the day in light of the Holy Scriptures, the Small Catechism, and the Divine Service.

Why Study God’s Word Together?

The Bible passages that speak of the importance of studying (hearing and learning) God’s Word are seemingly countless. Let it suffice to listen to St. John when he says, **These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing, you may have life in his name** (John 20:31). For in the Holy Scriptures we learn of Jesus who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6). Apart from Christ, who is the Word made flesh, we have no life (John 15). God gives life through His Word. The hearing of God’s Word in preaching and teaching gives faith and sustains it unto eternal life (Romans 10:17). The hearing of God’s Word is, in this regard, the most important thing in the life of a Christian. The Word is Christ who is our life!

I encourage you to spend time in God’s Word with your family in Christ by attending the Divine Service, Sunday morning Bible study, and Wednesday evening Parish Education.

What Does This Symbol Mean?



Perhaps you have noticed this symbol on the wall downstairs, on our newsletters, on our t-shirts, water bottles, and other places. What does this symbol mean? It is a symbol that reminds us that the Word of the Lord Remains Forever in the midst of a world full of change. The letters VDMA are for the Latin *Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum* which is translated as The Word of the Lord Remains Forever. This phrase was the motto of the Lutheran Reformation, a confident expression of the enduring power and authority of God’s Word. The motto is based on 1 Peter 1 :24-25. It first appeared in the court of Frederick the Wise in 1522. He had it sewn onto the right sleeve of the court’s official clothing, which was worn by prince

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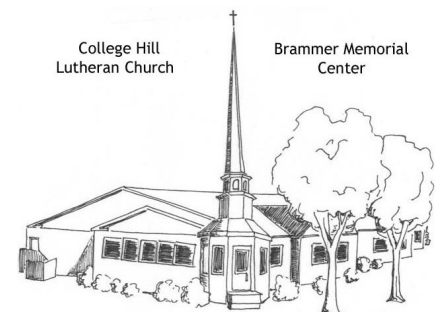
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CALLING ALL LADIES

Your presence is requested, desired and needed on Thursday, September 1 at 7 pm at the fellowship hall for the first meeting of the year of the Evening Guild, LWML.

There will be three major emphasis of the meeting.

First, we will spend time getting better acquainted. Penni Lilleskov will provide some activities for us to get to know one another. This will also be the time we secure our prayer partners for the year.

Secondly, we will plan the potluck for September 11 as we are hosting that Sunday. Consideration will be given to purchasing the entrée. So

your input will be helpful.

Thirdly, we will plan the LWML Zone Rally to be held at College Hill on Saturday, October 1. We will serve a brunch type meal at 8:30 and the rally will begin at 9:15. We do have some responsibilities for other minor tasks but not the devotions or the program. There will be lots to do, however, and we need help from all.

Do come to our meeting on the 1st. Start the month off right. Nellie Peterman is our hostess for the evening and Brandi Sharkey will share devotions. We will be glad to see any and all who are able to join us.

OPPORTUNITY

On September 11 we will be holding Friendship Sunday. This is an opportunity for you to invite friends, family or any others to come to worship with you.

It is the first meeting of Sunday School classes for the fall. So, a perfect opportunity for our children and youth to bring a friend.

To assist you in contacting potential guest, post cards have been ordered for you and you are

strongly encouraged to use them. The evangelism committee proposes you present in person, use the mail services or carrier pigeon. Whatever works for you!

Do take the opportunity to have a guest at College Hill on September 11. If an incentive helps—the divine service will be followed by a potluck.

See you there with a friend!

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Sunday School will formally begin September 11. If anyone knows of any children that should be contacted please let Penni Lilleskov know. We want a great year with lots of faces. Anyone interested in teaching or substituting please contact Penni or let the office know.

Does anyone have a hidden talent with music? We could really use someone to lead singing. Ask around and let us know. Teaching does not have to be a year commitment. Volunteer for a specified time.

FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY/RALLY DAY POTLUCK

Our Friendship Sunday/Rally Day Potluck is Sunday, September 11. At the potluck the entrée, drinks and table service will be provided. College

Hill family members are asked to bring two dishes to share. Single members are asked to bring one dish. Students are invited to be our guests

EVANGELISM NOTE

It's that time of the year . . . school starts . . . new faces and new opportunities to make someone feel welcome to College Hill. Take the time to introduce yourself to students and new potential mem-

bers. Treat them as you would expect to be treated if you were a new face. Let them be a stranger only once.

A MESSAGE TO ALL LHM MEMBER/DONORS

Twelve good men formed the Lutheran Laymen's League in 1917. Would you help us thrive with a purpose for the next 100 years also? If you

are a member / donor tell your best friends why you care about the League's future won't you give it a try?

THRIVENT CHOICE UPDATE

During the period April 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011 there were twenty-two Thrivent members (congregation members, alumni, and friends) who donated a total of \$942.00 Choice Dollars to College Hill Lutheran Church and/or Brammer Stu-

dent Center.

This brings the yearly total to \$1419.00.

We want to thank you for choosing us, College Hill Lutheran Church and Brammer Student Center, to receive your Choice Dollar funds.

TURKEY DINNER

Valley Lutheran Middle & High School invites you to attend their Turkey Dinner Sunday, September 25. The meal will be served from 4:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m. Tickets must be purchased

in advance by September 20. The cost is \$8.00 each. Call the school (266-4565) for more information And ticket reservations.

SAVE! SAVE! SAVE!

We are still collecting! Save Box Tops for Education from General Mills products. They are found on cereals but also on other products such as Cottonelle toilet paper. Be on the lookout for the box tops and bring them to the church.

Only BAR CODES are now needed from Campbell's products. Labels are welcome but be

careful not to tear the barcodes!

Used postage stamps, especially foreign and commemorative, are wanted.

We are also collecting HyVee grocery receipts for our Lutheran schools and Janesville school.

Labeled boxes for receiving these items are found on the counter in the kitchen.

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"Abiding in the Enduring Word"

and servant alike. It was used by Frederick's successors, his brother John the Steadfast, and his nephew John Frederick the Magnanimous. It became the official motto of the Smalcaldic League and was used on flags, banners, swords, and uniforms as a symbol of the unity of the Lutheran laity who struggled to defend their beliefs, communities, families, and lives against those who were intent on destroying them.

Because this symbol expresses an eternal truth that is constantly under attack by the world, we have adopted it to ever remind us where eternal, unchanging truth is found: The Word of the Lord.

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you. - 1 Peter 1:24-25

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Wegener



Catechesis Corner

TEN COMMANDMENTS + **CREED** + LORD'S PRAYER + BAPTISM + CONFESSION + LORD'S SUPPER

As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to his household.

THE CREED: The Third Article

Sanctification

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

* NOTE: This is a continuation of the Third Article due to the length and the number of terms.

Learn the Terms related to the Third Article of the Creed

pastors and teachers Two names or titles often given to the called and ordained ministers of the Word that describe the *one* Office of the Ministry and how it functions in the Church—"to shepherd" the people of God by "teaching" the word of God (Ephesians 4:11).

minister The title means "servant" and is a common title for all those who have been called and ordained to preach the Gospel and administer the sacraments of Christ in the Church.

missionary A minister who is sent out to other lands to preach the Gospel to people who do not believe in Jesus Christ.

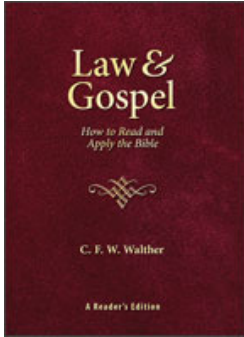
deacons The New Testament name given to those servants of the Church who were appointed to tend to the temporal needs of the congregation, so that the ministers of the Word could give themselves fully to the duties of their office—preaching and teaching the Gospel, judging doctrine, remitting and retaining sins, and administering sacraments.

the inspiration of Scripture That God breathed His Holy Spirit into the apostles and prophets who wrote the Holy Scriptures, so that their writing is God's Word—the authoritative and inerrant revelation of God to man.

Pentecost The day the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the apostles in order that the Gospel might be proclaimed in all the earth. The signs and wonders associated with this day continued to accompany the ministry of the apostles, just as they accompanied the ministry of Jesus and bore witness to His authority from the Father. This event took place fifty days after the resurrection of our Lord.

THE LIBRARY BROWSER

“No effort or expense should be spared to provide good libraries or book repositories... For if the Gospel and the arts are to be preserved, they must be set down in books and writings (as was done by the prophets and apostles themselves...)”– Martin Luther (*Luther's Works*, Vol. 45:373)



The MUST Read Book of the Month

Law and Gospel: How to Read and Apply the Bible

Senior Editor, Scot A. Kinnaman Concordia Publishing House, 2010 592 pages. Hardback.

This edition of the classic work of *The Proper Distinction Between Law and Gospel* will make this powerful resource available in a format for all readers of the Bible. Offering a fresh look of the older translation, it will provide comprehensive notes and annotations to aid reader's understanding bringing to life the power and excitement of the original German lectures. This new unabridged edition restores Walther's witty, staccato fire, including text omitted in prior English versions. Read Walther's lectures like no one has since he originally spoke them.

- Foreign-language terms are in footnotes
- Encounter information on Lutheran history and theology that identifies concepts, events, and people
- Maps, timelines and rare photos
- References to Scripture, Lutheran Confessions, Luther and other sources appear in the margins
- References to English sources have been added when possible

Transcription errors from the original lecture notes have been corrected

The book is currently on display on the table below the bulletin board in the narthex and will be available to check out on October 1. Thanks! Enjoy!

About Our Library

- * *Location:* Lower level of the Brammer Student Center in the middle classroom on south side of building.
- * *Check-out and return policy:* You will find simple directions on a blue plastic box on the “library cart” located upstairs in the narthex or on a tan plastic box on a shelf in the library.
- * *Browsing System:* Over 400 books from our selection have been entered into our library browsing system. Simply turn on the computer in the library and double click the internet icon to pull up the library home page to begin your search.
- * *Hours:* The library is open for browsing whenever the Brammer Student Center is open. Usual hours are 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day.
- * *Questions:* If you have any questions about the library or are interested in volunteering please speak with Karmyn VanLengen, Paula Coulthard, or Pastor Wegener.

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the holy Christian Church “The assembly of all believers [in Christ] among whom the Gospel is preached in its purity and the holy sacraments are administered according to the Gospel” (*The Augsburg Confession*, Tappert, VII, 32:1).

the communion of saints The “holy fellowship in the forgiveness of sins” in which all believers in Christ participate.

the resurrection of the dead That the bodies of all the dead will rise on the Last Day and be reunited with their souls—unbelievers to condemnation and the torment of hell, believers to incorruption and immortality with Christ.

the life everlasting The immortal, incorruptible, eternal life with Christ in which there will be no more sin, curse, sorrow, suffering, or death.

(Peter Bender, *Lutheran Catechism: Catechumen Edition, Second Edition*; 314-15)

■ The Preparation

- Invocation
- Confession
- Absolution

■ The Service of the Word

- Introit
- Kyrie
- Hymn of Praise
- Salutation and
- Collect of Day
- Readings
- Hymn of the Day
- Sermon
- Creed
- Prayer of Church
- Offertory

■ The Service of the Sacrament

- Preface
- Sanctus
- Prayer of Thanksgiving
- The Word of Our Lord
- Proclamation of Christ
- Lord's Prayer
- Pax Domini
- Agnus Dei
- Distribution
- Post-Communion Canticle
- Post- Commun. Collect
- Benediction

Learning the Liturgy

Sanctus

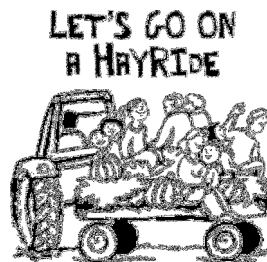
As a Hymn of Praise was sung at the beginning of the Service of the Word, so now a song of praise is sung before the Sacrament. The **Sanctus** is the angelic hymn described in the heavenly vision of Isaiah 6. In this vision the seraphim are gathered around the throne of God, proclaiming His holiness and glory.

SANCTUS: Latin for "holy."

By singing this hymn in the Divine Service, the congregation participates in the heavenly chorus. For a time, the division between heaven and earth is gone. Heaven has come down to earth, and all stand together around the throne of almighty God. The confidence that this unseen reality is true comes from faith in Jesus Christ's presence in the Sacrament. In the hosannas of the second half of the Sanctus, we worship Jesus who comes in His Holy Supper (Matthew 21:9).

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

*(Scot A. Kinnaman, *Worshiping with Angels and Archangels: An Introduction to the Divine Service*; 31)*



Sunday school kids and families join us on Sept. 11 at 4:00 p.m. out at the DeVries' place. We will do a service project, and enjoy a hayride and bonfire. Look for more details in the Sunday bulletin.

BLIND MISSION OUTREACH CENTER AT FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Come join us for lunch! Once a month, we offer a FREE meal and transportation for folks who are blind/vision impaired. Our first gathering will be Saturday, September 24th, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. We plan on having guest speakers, various training opportunities, and more as we grow. Come join us for a great meal, fun and fellowship!

Anyone is welcome to attend/assist. We are having a training session on September 17 at 11:30 for people that are interested in helping.

For more information, please call Kie Maas at Faith Lutheran Church, 236-1771

We hope to serve you soon.

September 2011 Volunteers

GREETERS

4 Miriam Krallman & Bev Bolte
 11 LSF Members
 18 LSF Members
 25 LSF Members

FINANCIAL RECORDERS

4 Suzanne Riehl & Nellie Peterman
 11 Keith Macomber & Nellie Peterman
 18 Tammy Nicholson & Virgil Mauer
 25 Johanna Baedke & Nancy Neessen

USHERS

4 Douglas Lilleskov & Bob Bolte
 11 Tim Gamble & LSF Member
 18 Dennis Adolphs & LSF Member
 25 Zach Rowley & LSF Member

SOCIAL TIME HOSTS

4 TBA
 11 Potluck—Evening Guild
 18 TBA
 25 TBA

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

4 & 18 Dustin Lilleskov

ACOLYTES

4 CJ Ackles & Brian Coulthard
 18 Sam Shepard & CJ Ackles

ALTAR GUILD



4—11 Janet Fort & Nancy Neessen
 18—25 Penni & Danielle Lilleskov

Thank you for your help in serving the Lord and College Hill Lutheran Church

September Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

1 Winny Neessen	20 Beth Christensen	23 Clint Orth
12 Tom Neessen	20 Heidi Wegener	26 Daniel Coulthard Jr.
17 Brent Gernant	22 Pastor John Wegener	29 Penni Lilleskov

11 Lori & Don Dove	29 years
14 Nancy & Tom Neessen	37 years
15 Pastor Tom & Ruby Wegener	49 years
17 Tani & Jason Van Clark	6 years
26 Danielle & Dustin Mason	2 year
27 Brandi & Jeff Sharkey	8 years

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>SEPTEMBER 2011</h1>						
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 9:00 a.m. Bible Study 9:00 a.m. LYF Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion 11:15 a.m. Refreshments	 LABOR DAY Office Closed	9:00 a.m. Matins 10:00 a.m. Hebrew & Greek 11:00 a.m. German Study	7 9:00 a.m. Matins 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice/Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. LSF Bible Study	8 9:00 a.m. Matins 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Noon LSF Table Talk	9 9:00 a.m. Matins	10
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 9:00 a.m. Bible Study & Sunday School 9:00 a.m. LYF Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:00 a.m. Potluck 4:00 p.m. Family event  Friendship Sunday and Rally Day	12 Newsletter Deadline 9:00 a.m. Matins 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Windsor 5:30 p.m. Board of Lay Ministry TBA LSF Volleyball	13 9:00 a.m. Matins 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice/Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. LSF Bible Study	14 9:00 a.m. Matins 6:00 p.m. Parish Ed 7:00 p.m. Vespers 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice/Halfy Hour 8:00 p.m. LSF Bible Study	15 9:00 a.m. Matins 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Noon LSF Table Talk	16 9:00 a.m. Matins	17
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