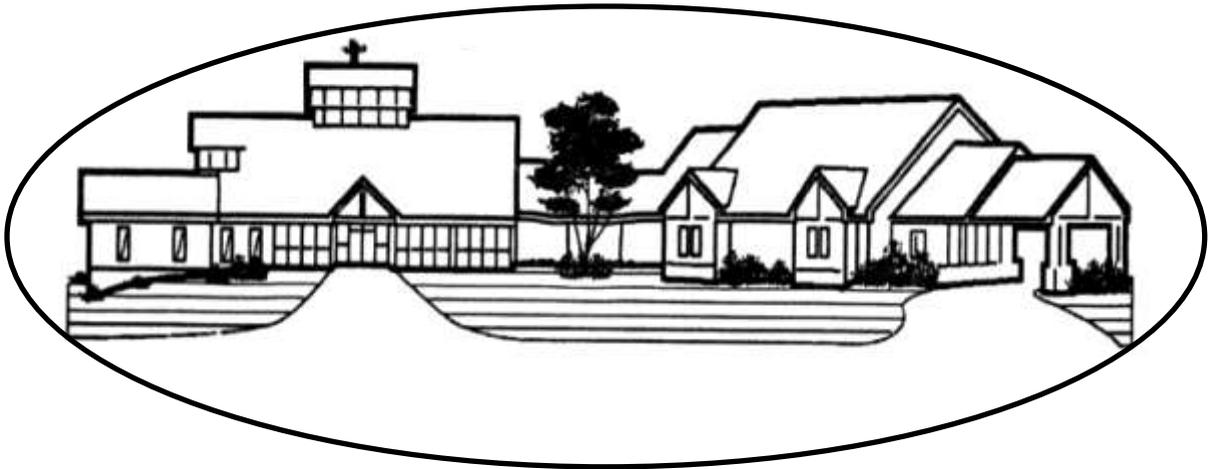

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Thankful for Answered Prayers

"Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever." Psalm 106:1 EHV

There is much to be thankful for in all of the Lord's daily provision and ever-new mercies that he pours out upon us. Personally, I'm thankful for 15 years of ministry as a pastor. Add on 4 years of seminary training and about a year of preparation from the time this new direction was chosen and suddenly it's been 20 years since the Lord led me to pursue this calling. From that earliest time in the process, one of my prayers was that the Lord would put me in a place where I could serve his people and share his word effectively.

And that is exactly what the Lord has done first in New Port Richey, Florida and more recently here in Seneca, placing me in congregations that have been a good fit for my gifts and talents where I have been able to serve and teach in an effective way. This in and of itself is a great gift from God.

However, it's worth noting that God has answered another prayer at the same time. Jesus himself said to his disciples, *"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest"* (Mt.9:37-38). God's people have been praying this prayer for nearly two millennia and the Lord has answered! He has provided people **to** serve in each of my calls, but much more significantly, he has provided people **who do** serve & love. Eternal Shepherd is such a great place to serve the Lord because he has filled it with people who are such willing servants.

Even more than my thankfulness for ESLC as a place to serve is my thankfulness for all the kingdom work that is carried out here by the Lord's dedicated servants. The work and the willingness never seems to stop, with the most recent examples being another phenomenally run Vacation Bible School week and a thoughtful recognizing of my own ministry benchmark with a celebration (and the generous gift of a new visitation communion set!!). Thanks to all of you for your efforts to share the good news of forgiveness in Christ Jesus with others, to support children in their need, and so much more; additionally, while not nearly as important, but still important to me, thank you for the kindness and support you show your pastor!

"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philippians 1:3 EHV

Pastor David

Identity Theft, Cyber Crime

Over the past year a number of our members have fallen victims to identity theft and cyber crime. As one of those victims I thought that with some research I might be able to offer some suggestions to help protect other members from falling victim as I did.

Unfortunately it is an ever-increasing risk for all of us as electronic become more and more of our lives. In 2016 over 16 Billion dollars was stolen from 15.4 million consumers in the US. A few additional facts from my research:

In 2014, more than 1 billion records containing personally identifiable information were leaked.

Medical identity theft is on the rise, 500,000 victims in 2014 alone.¹

In 2014, \$5.8 billion was given to identity thieves from the IRS due to fraudulent returns. Identity thieves use random social security numbers to file tax forms and by chance, it could be yours.

The number one consumer complaint to the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in 2014 was identity theft. It has ranked 1st place for 15 years running.

Children are susceptible to identity theft. Since most people under 18 are not actively applying for credit or monitoring it, minors can become easy prey.

19 people become victims of identity theft every minute.

The average victim can expect to spend \$500 dollars and 30 hours on average resolving each identity theft crime.

What to do?HOW CAN I PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING TO ME?

Do not carry your Social Security card or any document with you that contains your social security number.

Do not give a business or anyone else your social security number unless you know the reason and are sure of the source. It is best to give this information only when you initiate the phone call, the email or the application.

Check your credit report annually. This can be done for free once each year with each of the credit reporting agencies.

Secure your personal information in your home and when you are in public.

Protect your personal computer by using firewalls, anti-spam/virus software, update security patches, and change passwords for Internet accounts on a regular basis. Some say to change your password every 30 days.

Use passwords that are not easy to crack – those that contain alpha and numeric characters as well as symbols.

Do not use personal information as part of your password.

Secure your list of passwords

Change your password after using a public computer to protect the integrity of the data.

Passwords protect all personal data on your computer and all data you transmit via the Internet.

Only provide personal information on the Internet when you initiate the contact and be sure the site is protected before inputting the information.

Monitor your credit cards, bank loans, bank accounts, investment and retirement accounts on a regular basis. Report any suspicious activity immediately.

Keep track of your credit cards, bank, and investment records. Keep a list of phone numbers to call in case you are a victim of identity theft.

Report any lost or stolen driver's license or credit cards immediately.

If you believe you are at risk for identity theft due to a theft, contact the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1-800-908-4490 extension 245. They are available Mon – Fri 7 am to 7ap local time and Pacific time in Alaska and Hawaii.

Take immediate action to follow-up on any risk of identity theft or fraudulent use on personal data. Do not wait until you are a victim of multiple transactions and your reputation has been damaged.

Have your credit report monitored by a identity theft agency. This will not guarantee that you will not be victimized.

EXTRA HELP In recent years, the three main credit agencies — and other companies as well — began offering credit monitoring and identity fraud services for monthly or annual subscriptions.

For the first time, identity theft victims can now go online and get a free, personalized identity theft recovery plan as a result of significant enhancements to the Federal Trade Commission's IdentityTheft.gov website.



Deaconess Musings

Summertime Servin'

Summertime, and the livin' is easy.

While I love Gershwin, I'm not so sure his opening lyrics to "Summertime" always ring true, at least it feels like that looking at my own calendar. Often, the Summer season feels just as full of activity as the other three seasons of the year. From family vacations to VBS to summer conferences to camps, it seems like the easy livin' Summertime is few and far between.

In the Church year, we now find ourselves not even halfway into the green "summertime" of the Church, the Season after Pentecost. We practically just finished up the Easter Season, with its 50 days of celebration that clothed the church in glorious whites and festive reds. And before then it was Lent, full of its somber and heavy reflections. And before then, it was Epiphany...and before then, Christmas/Advent! Each season and color taking on a different tone and timber of its own.

So even in the Church year, during our green colored summertime after Pentecost, we don't slow down. The year progresses and brings us back around to the accounts of Jesus' life and His miracles, as we study how the God-Man broke into lives of fallen and desperate humanity. We see how Christ healed the sick and broken; how He called the first disciples; His reprimands and consolations; His parables and teachings; His mercy and compassion in the feeding of the various multitudes... We see how our Savior served His own creation and lived the perfect life we could never dream of fulfilling even one iota.

We see how He prepared His disciples for the coming reality that would be His crucifixion at the hands of those whom He came to save, and, of ultimately, His resurrection that would forever right what was broken... The total of Man's sin, the very wrath of God, was placed upon Jesus Christ. He died, taking your and my place, rose from the dead on the third day and accomplished that thing most needful: the forgiveness of the world's... of **your** sins.

Christ, the God-made-flesh, is what/whom it's all about; even amid a busy summertime or wintertime or springtime or autumn. Each season of the Church year continually points to Christ, and so too should we.

So, while the "green time" of the Church year will last for a little while longer, take joy in knowing that it means we still seek the opportunity to serve those around us. For we are called by the Gospel, and in that calling, we are called to work and serve those around us. From the words we speak, the acts of mercy we provide, may the brilliant light of Christ shine through us, now and always.

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ~Galatians 5:13

~Deaconess Holly

REFORMATION CELEBRATION "PAUL MAIER SEMINAR"

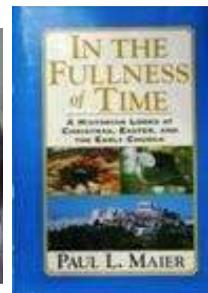
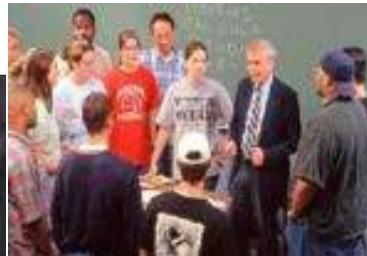
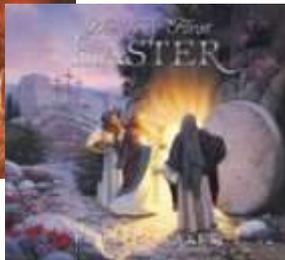
We are pleased to announce that on **September 16th**, Dr. Paul Maier will be coming to Eternal Shepherd Lutheran Church to present an all-day seminar on Martin Luther and the Reformation. **Tickets for the event are now for sale, at \$20 per person (which will include lunch.)** If you would like to reserve your seats at this seminar, please see Kate Wells. **Checks should be made payable to Eternal Shepherd, please put "Seminar" in the memo line.**



Dr. Paul L. Maier is Professor of Ancient History (emeritus) at Western Michigan University, a four-term Vice President of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, and a much-published author of both scholarly and popular works. His novels include two historical documentaries: *Pontius Pilate* and *The Flames of Rome*, as well as a theological thriller that became # 1 national bestseller in religious fiction, *A Skeleton in God's Closet*. The sequels, *More Than a Skeleton* and *The Constantine Codex* completed the trilogy.

His non-fiction works include *In the Fullness of Time*, a book that correlates sacred with secular evidence from the ancient world impinging on Jesus and early Christianity; *Josephus -- The Essential Works*, a new translation/commentary on writings of the first-century Jewish historian; and *Eusebius -- The Church History*, a similar book on the first Christian historian. Maier's most recent work is a fresh edition of *Foxe's Book of Martyrs*, the famous record of Christian martyrdom from Nero to the Reformation era. More than five million Maier books are now in print in twenty languages, as well as over 300 scholarly articles and reviews in professional journals.

Dr. Maier lectures widely, appears frequently in national radio, television, and newspaper interviews, and has received numerous awards. He has also penned seven children's books, and hosted six video series dealing with Jesus, St. Paul, the early church, the Bible, and current Christianity. Dr. Maier married his wife Joan in 1967, and they have four daughters.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am writing this on the afternoon of July 23 after a productive Congregational Meeting. As I reflect on the enjoyment and fellowship of a good meal as well as accomplishing church business, I am most enjoying the memories of surprising Pastor Hammer with a celebration of the 15th Anniversary of his Ordination. It was amazing we were able to keep this as a surprise and I thank you all for keeping the “secret”! Wasn't it wonderful to see Pastor's Mom, Dad, brother and family there to celebrate with us? It was also nice to see them all enjoy a meal together as a family. We also presented Pastor with a traveling Communion kit as a gift from the congregation along with a cake depicting the sacraments, a shepherd's staff and cross (see pictures below).

After the celebration, the business part of the meeting began. Rich Hesemann, our Treasurer, gave us an update on the financial status of the church. Grover Stewart also gave us an update on the capital campaign pledge appeal. If all our pledged amounts are satisfied we will be about \$2000 short of reaching our \$400,000 goal, thanks be to God. Roberta Port then submitted the LLPS budget for approval and it was passed by a unanimous vote. Lastly, the Comfort Dog Ministry was discussed and it was approved to move forward with the first steps of obtaining our own Comfort Dog. Lots to do in a relatively short time, but successful all the same.

As always, many thanks to Elaine Grotheer and her Hospitality helpers who did a fantastic job in setting up the potluck and cleaning up afterwards. Thank you to all who brought delicious food to share. I feel truly blessed to be a part of such a loving church.

Lastly, thank you all for coming to support Pastor and to thank him in serving our Lord for the last 15 years and we pray for many more years to come!

*In His service,
Rudy Carbone
Council President*



Blessed by Obedience

by Kerry Blount

Since the first deception in the Garden, we have struggled to view obedience with anything but disdain.” Why obey what He has told you? Make up your own mind about what you should do,” says the father of lies and the master of deceit in ten thousand subtle ways. And so, ignoring the counsel of the One who created us, we do choose for ourselves, with disastrous results for our relationships, our planet, and even our own bodies.

One of our strange fears is that our obedience will negate God’s saving grace, even though the One who died for us says, “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” Jesus lovingly calls us to obey, not fearing that it will hinder His grace, but recognizing that obedience is the most genuine response to the transcendent love that motivates that very grace. He calls us to recognize that while obedience does not save (only HE can do that), loving obedience appropriately acknowledges the authority of the Savior, deliberately places the one who obeys in submission to that authority, and expresses in visible ways the gratitude and devotion of a redeemed soul to its Redeemer.

When we obey, we acknowledge the Christ as Lord, the One to whom we have pledged our submission.

When we obey, we demonstrate that we are His servants (and not servants of the deceiver).

When we obey, we demonstrate our love for others, who are also objects of His grace.

When we obey, we avoid Satan’s best-laid traps and the destruction that follows.

When we obey, we align ourselves with God’s best counsel for our lives.

When we obey, we emulate our Master, who always obeyed His Father.

When we obey, we demonstrate our love for our Redeemer.

When we obey, we honor the source of our salvation. (*John 14:1 – 15:17*)

What, then, shall we obey? Jesus says that we are “to obey everything [He] has commanded [us].” But His emphasis is clearly not obedience to the law of Moses, which so crushingly points out our disobedience and slavery to sin. No, our obedience is to the “perfect law of liberty” of which James speaks, which points out our freedom in Christ to be the loving, obedient people He calls us and empowers us by the Holy Spirit to be. We “remain in His love” through our obedience when we submit ourselves to obey the royal law—loving God with all our heart, soul and mind, and our neighbors as ourselves (*Matthew 22:37-38*). Thanks be to God for the blessings He bestows through our obedience.

*“Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice,
and to heed is better than the fat of rams.”
1 Samuel 15:22*

LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

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Sorelle



SAVE THE DATE for fun and entertainment on **Thursday, August 24, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.** The trio *Sorelle* (sisters, in Italian) will be here at Cafe Eternal to sing a variety of songs that will be familiar to all ages. **Tickets are \$7.00 and all proceeds will go to LLPS to cover costs of repairing or replacing the playground equipment for our littlest lambs.** For tickets see Gina Cote or Roberta Port. See you there! ~*Little Lambs Board & Director*

Finance Board Report Bob Massa, Chairman

We are through six months of our church year and financially we are in a solid position. Each board has done a fantastic job of staying within their budgeted guidelines with all below projected spending and giving is slightly ahead of projections. Let's continue this trend going forward.

We are starting the process of preparing 2018's budget by board and activity group. The process will be the same as last year and again we are asking the board chairs to be fiscally conservative and if not absolutely necessary avoid increases in spending.

Finally, we are surveying the congregation to gauge the level of interest in making on-line giving available via all electronic devices. Everyone should have received a survey in their mail box and once you complete them please place them in the box on the table to the right of the mail boxes. **The surveys are due not later than August 6th.**

MISSION NEWS

Christ Central Ministries

Christ Central Ministries Oconee currently offers an accelerated GED program designed to help those who require a skill refresher or limited study. As we test to establish current high school level, we are finding the need in our community to be much greater. If you are a teacher willing to volunteer a few hours each week, please contact CCM at ged.ccm@gmail.com. For more information on CCM and what we do in our community, visit our website at <https://christcentralministries.org/oconee-county-cc-mission-station/>

DISASTER RELIEF TEAM NEWS: Serving Lumberton NC residents on our last disaster relief mission, Richard Grotheer and I had just finished breakfast, and we stopped in a gas station to put gas in the generator. A young women approached us and handed me some cash, and then she thanked us for our work in her community. The big grin on her face, made our day! If you would like to help in this important ministry in any capacity please see any of its members.

HONDURAS MISSION – Once again a group from Eternal Shepherd and friends plans to return to Tegucigalpa, Honduras to minister and bring the Word of God to the people of Honduras. If you are interested in being part of such a mission and would like some more information please come to the Fellowship Hall and meet with Pastor Ray and other team members after the late service on Sunday September 10th. We will have handouts and will answer any questions you may have. **This year's mission will be from Feb. 24 to Mar. 3, 2018.** Planning has begun; we have already requested seats; twelve people have expressed the desire to be part of the team and there is room for more. Join us—remember, Christ is counting on you.

Toys for God's Kids – Smilemakers had another good day of assembling cars in July and at present we have over 700 ready for delivery and another 700 plus in various stages of assembly. We have delivered 1300 cars already this year. Requests are in for slightly over 2000 cars with new additions on a regular basis. So, we have to stay busy to keep up with the demand. We plan to assemble cars again the second week in August. We will firm up the date and time before that week. If you are interested in being part of the **TFGK Team** please contact Pastor Ray or Mike Hauser. Thank you to all of the folks who have donated wood so that we can build our cars. Our last delivery was to our VBS kids as they wrapped up their "A Mighty Fortress" week. We have fun—come join us and be a "Smilemaker".

If you think it's 'just' a shoebox....think again!

**In 2016, Samaritan's Purse shipped 11.5 MILLION shoeboxes to 104 countries.
1.6 MILLION of those boys and girls made decisions for Christ.**



Radically Redeemed



One of seven children, Jesus practically grew up on the streets. His mother was an alcoholic, and his father was away from home a lot. At a young age, he fell in with the wrong crowd and began selling drugs and stealing. Eventually, he landed in prison. There he heard the Gospel from Cesar as he discipled a group of 10 prisoners. "He used to sit by himself, but he was listening," Cesar said. "One day he came and told me he wanted to receive God."

Cesar also had become a believer in prison. "God gave me a new heart and a different way of thinking," said Cesar, who had been imprisoned several times for gang activity, including kidnapping. "My hope comes from the Lord and His promises, by reading the Bible." After being released from prison, Cesar led his wife, Dominga, to faith in Christ. They joined the Amistad Familiar de Sinaloa Church, and Pastor Carlos Marinelarena asked them to operate one of the church's feeding centers for children.

Why did Pastor Carlos put so much faith in these redeemed souls? Because God took a self-proclaimed atheist whose wife prayed for him for 10 years and radically changed his life. Now he is living for God, and is serving as national coordinator for Operation Christmas Child in Mexico.

The church's volunteer feeding ministry began more than 20 years ago. It quickly became evident how many children in neighborhoods like this were hungry – for food and for someone to show them the love of Christ in tangible ways. With the help of a local restaurant that donates food, the church now has 10 feeding centers – all of which held Operation Christmas Child outreach events! They also offered "The Greatest Journey" classes to those who received gifts.

Dayane, now 12, received a shoebox gift four years ago at one of the feeding centers managed by Jesus and his wife, Margarita. "It was a really full box!" Dayane said, holding up her hands to indicate the size of the box that held a brush, hair accessories, colored pencils, and a Spanish-language Bible, she still uses. "I liked my shoebox because it had things in it that I had never had before," she said. Her favorite verse is Psalm 23:1, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." She loved attending "The Greatest Journey" classes and it greatly increased her knowledge of Scripture. "The best thing about coming to the center is because here I learn about the Word of God, and I go home and tell my parents what I learn every day."

Jesus tells the children, "I wish someone had told me about Jesus at your age."

"I tell them a little bit about my life to try to prevent them from going down the same path," he said.

1 Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation."

Shoeboxes are changing the world by changing lives, one heart at a time!

Shoeboxes are a mission outreach to the world, and it's not too late for you to join that effort here at Eternal Shepherd. Please visit the Christmas tree in the Narthex and sponsor some boxes for \$20.00 each. And even after the tree comes down, feel free to donate anytime to the Operation Christmas Child designated fund. We will use every penny to pack and ship as many boxes as God blesses us to send!

Watch for Packing Party details in the September Agapegram, and thank you for your support!

~Terri Baumann for The Crossing Youth

The Crossing Youth News for August 2017



*Please join us Sunday's in room 213 at 9:45am/Class resumes Sept. 3rd.
Friends are always welcome!*

- **Teen Sunday School is on break for the summer**, so we are not meeting during Sunday School hour at this time. We will resume [likely] on the first Sunday in September.

- **Youth Group on Sunday afternoons has started up!** We meet at 2:00 every Sunday afternoon at MoeJoe Coffee House in Clemson. This will be going on a trial basis up until school starts back late August. If it is successful, we will continue through the school year as well.

***Our new study is called "Love & Lawttes - A Look at Hipster Christianity"**

Schedule for youth group:

*2:00 - 2:30 is hang out time

*2:30 - 3:30 is Bible Study

We will be making an attempt to always use the upstairs space at the coffee house, unless it is already occupied.

Friends are always welcome!!! And, carpooling is available if kids need a ride to the coffee shop.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BABYREAD

*BabyRead is an early literacy program dedicated to low-income families in Oconee County. Volunteers are needed to read to moms and their babies or toddlers at public or school libraries twice a month for one hour each time. We are, also, looking for volunteers in management, leadership, and administrative positions. **Become a BabyRead volunteer by emailing Caren at babyread@charter.net.***



To learn more about BabyRead, go to www.babyread.org.



SPECIAL THANK YOU'S:

Dear Anonymous, Thank you for your gift. Your kindness and generosity moved me to tears. With your help we can now complete one of the worst phases in our renovation. *Thank you so much.* ~Billy & Celeste Entrekin v

Thank you so very much for all of your prayers and kind inquiries while our son, Andrew, was deployed. After a nine-month assignment in Africa, he has returned to the States. Let us continue to pray and support all of the military and mission men and women around the world, and their families who often remain behind.

~Bob and Teri Massa



Greeting Card Ministry

In need of a card for a special occasion or friend. Need to send a birthday note or words of encouragement. Look no farther than the ESLC card cart located in the main fellowship hall. Plenty of cards to choose from at a very affordable price. *As always we thank you for your support!*

FOOD BANK NEWS:

Please help us in collecting preferred needed canned, or boxed grocery items each month. These items will help restock the Golden Corner Food Pantry's shelves. Each month we will have a different preferred product featured. **August's** preferred product is **"Canned Meat"** Please help us overload the collection box (the **big blue trash can marked Food Bank** down by the main Fellowship Hall).
~Thank you for your generosity and support.



SPECIAL GIFTS/MEMORIALS



In June the following gifts were given:

In loving memory of *Dr. Vil Griffin*
the Building Fund received a gift of \$25.00,
the General Fund received gifts of \$50.00,
the Memorial Fund received a gift of \$600.00,
and the Missions Fund received gifts of \$210.00

In loving memory of *Dave Schultz*
the Building Fund received a gift of \$25.00,
the Debt Reduction Fund received a gift of \$50.00,
the General Fund received gifts of \$135.00,
the LWML Mites Fund received a gift of \$126.00,
the Memorial Fund received gifts of \$70.00,
the Missions Fund received gifts of \$135.00

Other Gifts:

The Alaska Missions Fund received gifts of \$650.00

The Capital Campaign Building Fund received gifts of \$2,095.00

The Debt Reduction Fund received a gift of \$50.00

The Elders Fund received gifts of \$1,075.00

The Food Bank Fund received a gift of \$20.00

The Little Lambs Preschool Fund received a gift of \$1,000.00
and a gift of \$220.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars

The Lutheran Bible Translators Fund received a gift of \$58.00

The Mt. Pisgah—Haiti Missions Fund received gifts of \$362.50

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund received gifts of \$3,220.00,
and the Bible reimbursement Fund received gifts of \$26.00

The Youth Fund received a gift of \$25.00
and the Youth Museum Trip Fund received a gift of \$140.00

Little Lambs Tales

*“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.”
Proverbs 22:6*

As we enter into our 16th school year at Little Lambs Preschool, we are reminded of this verse that has been the foundation of the preschool ministry of Eternal Lutheran Church. Our main objective at the preschool is to instill in these little children the love of Jesus and share with them the story of our salvation in Christ. We are hopeful that this foundation in our Christian faith will carry them throughout their lives; in the good times and the bad.

Well, I don't know what you've been doing all summer, but we at Little Lambs Preschool have gone to the beach, become Super Heroes, and are getting ready to have our very own Circus! We will finish out our summer fun camp with our last two weeks in August becoming Pirates and Princesses and enjoying outdoor adventures with water! Boy have we had FUN!

We have seen only smiles and laughter during our weeks in the summer and we have been happy to share the love of Jesus each and every week through our lessons during Chapel time!

Below are some important dates to be aware of as we start this new school year.

August 30th, 31st, and September 1st: Teacher Work Days

September 5th: Open House 6:30pm-8:00pm

September 6th: First day of school

I would like to remind you that our program changes a bit from the summer. We have school Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 11:30am. Please remember to drive slowly through the parking lot as our little children are often outdoors playing.

All of us have our gifts and talents that God has given us to share! If you feel that you have a gift or a talent that you would like to share with the preschool, please let us know! We love our volunteers and feel so blessed to be in a church community that offers up their time and talent to this most important ministry.

*Blessings in Christ,
Gina*

GLOW- IN-THE- DARK BOWLING



Make this fun summer game to play at the beach, a park or in your yard.

What you need:

- 10 empty plastic bottles (same size)
- 10 or more glow sticks
- Water (optional)
- Star stickers (optional)
- Hamster ball (or regular ball)
- Tape

What you do:

1. Place one or two activated glow sticks in each bottle. Fill bottles with water and decorate with star stickers, if desired. Screw on lids.
2. Put some glow sticks inside the hamster ball. Screw the halves together, and secure sides and lid with tape.
3. Challenge someone to a game of bowling. For the best glowing effect, play after dark.



PUZZLE

Summer's gifts

Summer brings longer days, warmer nights and – for many people – time spent near water. Complete this puzzle to find out who's behind all those summertime joys.



Directions: Read Jeremiah 31:35 (NIV) below. Draw a □ around words describing God's actions. Draw an ○ around words that describe day. Underline words that describe evening. Draw ~~~ under words that describe the ocean.

He who appoints the sun to shine by day,
who decrees the moon and stars to shine by night,
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar ...



Directions: Circle the capital letters. Then write them from left to right on the lines below to reveal God's name in this Bible verse.

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Answer: The LORD Almighty

SERVICE TIMES

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
& Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays)



THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor: David Hammer

Deaconess: Holly Lustila

Secretary: Celeste Entrekin

Preschool Director: Gina Cote

Choir Director: Rick Schmidt

Choir Accompanist: Michelle Rowland

Organist: David Phillips

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