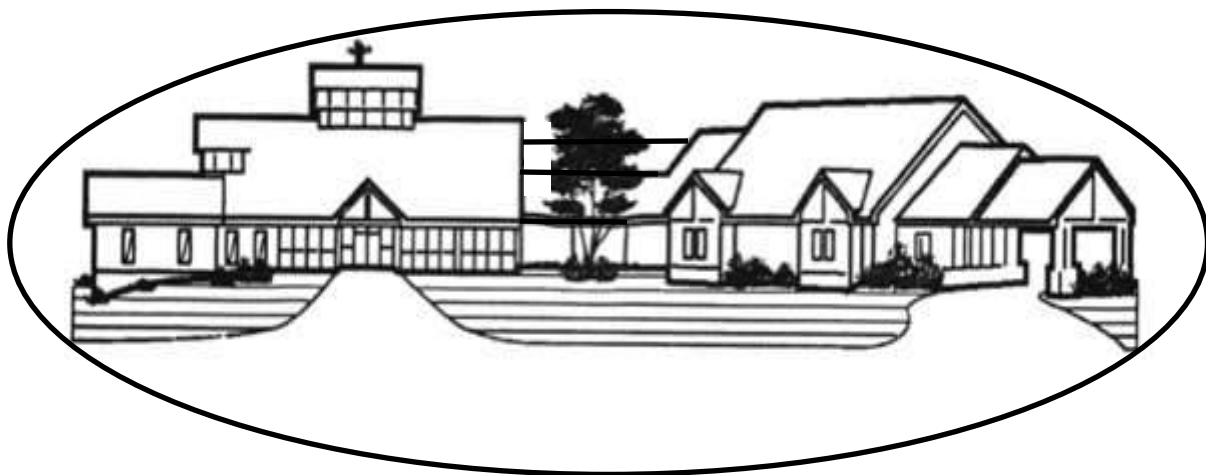

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Reformation Law & Gospel

...through the law comes knowledge of sin. Rom. 3:20 EHV

As Reformation draws near, we are wise to remember the value, authority, and power of God's Word. Also recalling our Lutheran emphasis on rightly dividing God's communication with us into His words of command ("law") and His words of promise ("gospel"), each with their own purpose. In the following article, Lutheran author and teacher Gene E. Veith warns and reminds both preachers and hearers:

We have lost the connection between Law and Gospel. We think we can make Christians into better people without the Gospel, and we think we can make unbelievers into believers without mentioning the Law.

I often hear sermons-even intentionally evangelistic sermons-where people are urged to "accept Jesus as your Lord and personal Savior." But they haven't been told why they need him, and they haven't been told what he's done for them actively (in his righteous life) or passively (in his atoning death). There isn't any Gospel here in many of these sermons, and there isn't any compelling Law either.

The Reformation talked about three uses of the Law. The first is the civil use: God gives us moral law to have a society so we can have a culture where we don't just tear each other apart. The third use (skipping the second one for a moment) is as a guide to show Christians how we should live, to help us see what is a God-pleasing lifestyle. The first use and the third use of the Law are worthy of study. I would suggest, though, that for a sermon what you need to be doing primarily is to apply the second, or evangelical, use of the Law. Preach the Law so that it creates repentance, so that people wake up to their need of Christ.

People tend to be self-righteous, and that's the big obstacle to the Gospel. "I'm OK, I don't need anyone, I haven't done anything wrong anyway." That's the attitude that needs to be crushed and slain, and it is slain when people hear the rigor of the Law and how desperate their condition is as they stand before a holy God. Once they realize that, then they can hear the message of free forgiveness in Christ, of his atonement, of how he paid the penalty and grants us his perfection.

Only then does that become good news that people seize on with life-changing faith.

Our tendency a lot of times is to soften the Law, to make it something that we can fulfill. Preachers mustn't make the Law sound easy to fulfill. They need to make people realize that they are not fulfilling the Law. If a sermon just extracts principles from the Bible that people are already doing, or that they can do with a few little adjustments, you're not really preaching the Law in this sense. What you're doing is preaching moralism, and a lot of sermons and Sunday school materials are just moralism. They imply that you can live a good life, and that if you just do the right things, then God will be happy with you, and you'll have a happy middle-class lifestyle, and everything will go fine and you're really a good person. The irony is that if people are left in moralism, you're leaving them in their sins; you're creating complacency, and worse, you're creating self-righteousness. Yet it's self-righteousness that is the obstacle to the Gospel, the obstacle to justification, and it's the obstacle to sanctification. Only the Law can awaken us to our need of the Gospel. And only the Gospel can ever give us the genuine desire to grow in holiness.

— Gene Veith, modernreformation.org, 06.12.2007

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes... Rom. 1:16 EHV

Pastor David

Dear Eternal Shepherd Family,

I am retiring this month and moving into a new chapter of my life. I have enjoyed being a part of this family which has some of the most wonderful people I have met and I am so grateful for all of the love and encouragement I have received these past seventeen years. Thank you! I look forward to seeing you all in our Lord's house one day. I am leaving you in the very capable hands of Terri Baumann who will be the new office manager. There is a lot to learn so be sure to practice your kindness and patience with her as you had to with me. 😊

~Love and blessings to you all through our Lord Jesus Christ, Celeste Entrekin



Deaconess' Musings

The End of Brokenness

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

~Psalm 34:16

While many contemporary authors and speakers prefer to proclaim that the Christian's life should be one of victory and hardship-free triumph, daily life quite frequently decimates that claim. Completely eradicates it. You know all too well how life is full of twists and turns, and ones that are not always wanted or appreciated. Daily are we reminded of just how broken we are, how broken the world is, and just how very little we can do to stop this brokenness.

Sin entered the world and broke the back of Creation. It broke the perfect, pure relationship with our Creator God, the world, and each other. No longer perfect, the world became a dirty, dangerous place filled with death and sadness. Once perfect humankind now murdered and lied. Stole and cheated. Placed others and themselves above the Almighty God. Pride now ruled in our hearts. So entrenched are we in sin, we do not see just how utterly despondent and powerless we are to stop ourselves from continuing to fail and break God's Will. Brokenhearted and crushed are we. Who will save us from us?

But here shines the realized and revealed Savior, the Christ Jesus, first promised so long ago in the garden. The longed for Savior that was spoken of throughout the desert wanderings of the Israelites and the promise of a greater David that would establish a kingdom for all nations. The Savior that would bind up the brokenhearted and wipe away every tear caused by humanity's sin-soaked brokenness. Christ Jesus, our LORD, stooped down, entered our world, and died to break the back of sin, death, and the devil for you. He rose again to bring salvation and the forgiveness of sins to you. He will come again to finally restore Creation back to its perfect intentions. It is there that we will finally be at total peace and joy, as we stand face-to-face with our Lord, Savior, and Creator.

Perhaps this truth sometimes feels "too blasé" or "too comfortable." But as situations and times arise that causes us to come face-to-face with our own utter sinfulness, this seemingly simple truth shines brighter than ever before. The Gospel message continues to surprise. That the God of the Universe truly cares for your brokenness and crushed spirit, weighted down by sin's overwhelming burden. So much so that He came to save you from that burden and to exchange it for His easy and light one.

Until Christ's Second Advent, this world will continue to be one of sadness and hardship, but take heart brothers and sisters; our Jesus has redeemed us and will return to right all wrongs and wipe every tear from our longing eyes. Until that Great Day, may we never spurn this simple, yet all-powerful Gospel message and may we cling to it forever.

~Deaconess Holly

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD NEWS



The Project leader Workshop held on Friday, September 12th was a big success. Dinner was great and lots of helpful information was communicated to those present. Seventy five people attended representing 34 churches and one college in our area.

IT'S SHOEBOX PACKING TIME!

Our 10th Annual Shoebox Packing Party will take place on Saturday, 10/4 from 2-4pm in the Fellowship Hall. Snacks will be provided. Please come and help us fill 400 shoeboxes with gifts and toys for children around the world who will also hear the Gospel. Come experience the joy of this ministry!



COMING IN NOVEMBER:

National Collection Week will take place every day between 11/17 and 11/24.

All those who indicated their interest in volunteering by signing up back in July to help during National Collection Week will be contacted by email PRIOR to the Packing Party.
Please add my email: craig.baumann@att.net to your contacts so you receive it.

My email will contain the hours that our drop-off location will be open, and you will need to tell me which days you are available to help. You will also receive information on the four positions that need to be filled each day and asked which jobs you prefer to do. The training video will also be included in the email. Please watch it. Once you receive this initial email, please respond to the questions I ask **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.

I will need to create a schedule to allow as many helpers as possible to volunteer, so I need your responses in order to accommodate everyone's schedules. **If you have *not* received my email by 10/4, please let me know.**

Watch the bulletin for announcements and reminders, and call me if you have any questions!

Terri Baumann, Project Leader (864)482-1243

THANK YOU & GODSPEED LUNCHEON FOR CELESTE ENTREKIN

Join us after the late service on Sunday, October 5th for a “Thank You & Godspeed” luncheon/celebration for our retiring Church Office Secretary of 17 years, Celeste Entrekin. She has been a faithful servant to us all these many years, and we will miss her dearly!



HONDURAS NEWS

We are beginning to ramp up for another mission trip to Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras. The Serve Team is beginning to form and we had our first meeting on Sept. 21st but not to worry, if you are interested there is still time to get on board. For those not familiar with this mission, it is a Medical Mission with an Evangelistic outcome. We need Doctors and Nurses but there is something for everyone to do regardless of your expertise. We have Medical, Dental, Optical, Children’s Ministry, Water Filters, a Pharmacy and most importantly Evangelism. See John Cochell or Pastor Ray Ramsburg or any former team member if you have any questions. The dates of our trip are Feb. 21 to 28, 2026.

There will be a fundraiser, **“Helping Hands for Honduras”** beginning October 19th through November 16th to raise funds for the Bibles and supplies needed for the various ministries we participate in during the week there. We will be handing out gardening gloves for folks to fill with cash, coin, or checks to support this ministry. We also ask that you pray for the team, our host, World Gospel Outreach, and for the people of Honduras as we go about serving Christ in this Central American country.

Thank you for being part of our serving. ~*Your Honduras Mission Team*





2025 BABY BOTTLE DRIVE FOR THE FOOTHILLS CARE CENTER

Thank you to all who supported the 2025 Baby Bottle Drive to benefit the Foothills Care Center (FCC) this year. Ann and I presented the Eternal Shepard check to FCC for \$8315. Foothills asked me to give the congregation a heartfelt thanks for your generosity, faithfulness, and commitment to their ministry. This check will help Foothills fulfill their mission *"To glorify God the Creator, by protecting and promoting the value of all human life"*. What a blessing to be part of this God pleasing ministry!

Many thanks to Celeste, Pastor, Grover Stewart, Bill Smith and Jim Zwahlen for their help throughout this campaign to support FCC. On behalf of FCC, thank you and God bless! *Tracy Cochell*



Eternal Shepherd J.O.B. Board

Joyous Opportunities for Believers

“You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophets’ hands” is a line from the mission hymn **Hark! the voice of Jesus crying**. The line refers to a battle the Israelites had with the Amalekites (Exodus 17). As long as Moses had his hands raised the Israelites would be winning, when he got tired and lowered his hands they would start losing. Aaron and Hur supported Moses’s hands. The Israelites triumphed.

Like Moses, Eternal Shepard needs support from its members. While we continue to be blessed financially, there are many opportunities to support the operations and missions of our church with your time and abilities.

October’s Mission of the Month is focused on making you aware of the many Joyous Opportunities for Believers (JOBs) that need to be filled. Please give these JOBs your prayerful consideration. If you have questions, please reach out to the individual listed. ***“You can be like faithful Aaron...”***

Finance Board Chair

The Finance Board Chair leads the Finance Board and sits on the ESLC Church Council. The main duties include overseeing the actual receipt and depositing all monies received into the church accounts with help of the Finance Secretary, making recommendations on financial matters to church council (i.e., insurance. leases, etc.) and annually develop a proposed budget for presentation to the Church Council and congregation. Busiest time for the Finance Chair is during budgeting season August-November of each year. Experience with business software (Quick Books is easy to learn) and Excel is required. See Article VI section F. of ESLC Constitution & By-Laws for a more detailed description of this role.

Please contact Jim Zwahlen at 281 543-4354.

Hospitality Board Chair

The Hospitality Board Chair leads the Hospitality and Fellowship Board and sits on the ESLC Church Council. The main duties include organization of funeral, celebratory and congregational meals; maintain supplies and organization of the kitchen; ensure kitchen is clean and equipment is operational; submit annual budget; and coordinate activities of hospitality team and volunteers. See Article VI section G. of ESLC Constitution & By-Laws for a more detailed description. In addition, Colleen has recently developed detailed procedures for this role.

Please contact Colleen Hesemann at 864 784-0421.

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Stewardship Board Member

Serve as vice chair with expectation to become chair next year. The main duties include developing good stewardship of congregation's time, talent, and finances to support the operation and missions of ESLC; encouraging the growth and advancement of the congregation's spiritual well being and working to assimilate new members.

Please contact Sue Hauser at 864 643-9245.

Little Lambs Preschool Financial Secretary

The LLP Financial Secretary is a member of the preschool board. The main duties include oversight of tuition billing and receipts in concert with our bookkeeper at H&R Block using Quick Books accounting software; depositing receipts at Bank of America, Seneca; tracking gifts/contributions & sending thank you notes; and supporting annual auction. Experience with business software (Quick Books is easy to learn), Word and Excel are required.

Please contact Jon Tyner at 513 600-1329.

Altar Care Board Members

Serve as a member of the Altar Care Board. For an assigned service, main duties include preparing the altar before the service; provide all elements required for communion and baptism; maintain all sacramental utensils and set up the appropriate parament, banners and seasonal decorations. You will work with experienced members. See Article VI section B. of ESLC Constitution & By-Laws for a more detailed description of this board.

Please contact Tracy Keefer at 864 247-9606.

Nursery Volunteers

On assigned Sunday provide care for small children while parents attend church service and/or bible class.

Please contact Nicole Beattie at 864 710 1574 or Cyra Phelan at 843 302-1167.

Substitute Sunday School Teachers

Work with lead teacher as an aide and assume teaching responsibilities when lead teacher is not available.

Please contact Cyra Phelan at 843 302-1167.

Christian Outreach Volunteers

Volunteer to support the Christian Outreach Board with evangelism and charitable activities in the local community. See Article VI section D. of ESLC Constitution & By-Laws for a more detailed description of this board.

Please contact Ann Miller at 864 637-8353.

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Elder

Serve as one of seven lay leaders who assist the pastor in the spiritual care and oversight of the congregation. Assist pastor with communion and baptisms. Direct the activities of ushers, music, acolytes, and readers. See Article VI section E. of ESLC Constitution & By-Laws for a more detailed description of this role.

Please contact Jim Bluhm at 440 725-1160.

Ushers

Welcome people as they arrive for church service, hand out bulletins, assist with seating, answer questions, assist with communion (it's really not hard), baptisms and assure sanctuary is clean and orderly after service. You can request your preferred service (early or late).

Please contact Vendo Toming 512 466-4010

Property Management Volunteers

Assist the Property Management Board with special projects on an as needed basis.

Please contact Paul Sherman at 864 602-3262.

Toys for Gods Kids Volunteers

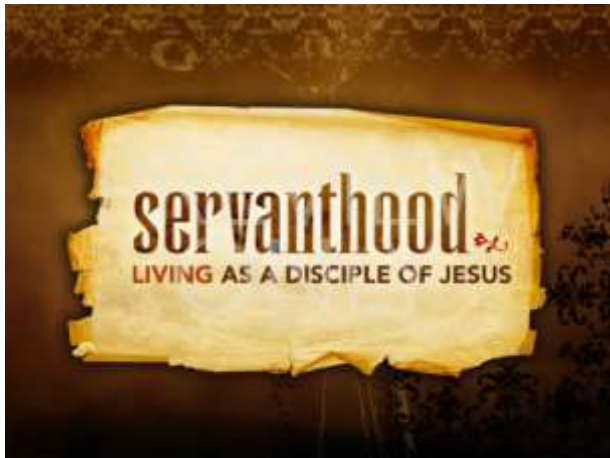
Assist in making wooden toys. Cut the car bodies using a scroll saw or band saw. Over 3,000 cars are made each year!

Please contact Pastor Ray Ramsburg at 904 583-1214 or Mike Hauser at 864 643-8646.

Prayer Shawls Volunteers

Need people who have the skill to crochet or knit prayer shawls. This can be done at their home at their convenience.

Please contact Sue Hauser at 864 643-9245.



Comfort Dog News

The Seth Team is excited to return to Midtown Atlanta this November for our **4th annual Lutheran Towers visit on Friday, November 21**. Lutheran Towers is a HUD facility and home to 200+ very low-income residents. Since opening its doors in 1972, Lutheran Towers has always had the same core passion for providing for Atlanta's most vulnerable population. Today, it continues to carry out the mission of providing safe, quality, and affordable independent living within a caring community.

As low-income seniors, many residents struggle with some of their most basic needs. Seth's Team will be assembling 100 bags of laundry products for the residents which will include laundry pods, dryer sheets and Lysol disinfectant spray. On Friday, November 21st, Seth's Team will load the ESLC bus and head to Lutheran Towers in Atlanta for an afternoon of fun and fellowship with the residents and to hand out individual bags of laundry products.

Here's how you can help! Each bag costs approximately \$20.00 so if you are willing to help, would you consider donating \$ to buy one, two or more bags? We want to keep all the bags the same so we are asking for monetary donations only so we can buy the products for each bag.

Your generosity is sure to help ensure this vulnerable population has something to smile about during the upcoming holiday season. **If you want to donate, please write a check to Eternal Shepherd with Lutheran Towers in the memo line and place in the offering plate at church on October 5 and/or October 12.** This will give us time to purchase the needed items and assemble them into individual bags before our visit.

The residents look forward to spending time with Seth and our team as we share in the love of Christ with them. Our visits bring a little joy to their lives, and it does the same for us.

“Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed.”
Proverbs 19:17

Kyra Carbone
Top Dog

Sue McCart
Lutheran Towers Board Chair



**Lutheran Towers visit November 22, 2024
Hope and Seth Comfort Dogs with “Purple Betty”
one of the residents.**

OUR MISSION IN HAITI – PAS BONBON

We at Eternal Shepherd LCMS started the school in Pas Bonbon in 2018 in conjunction with the Lutheran Church built by the seminarian student Samuel. Samuel is now the ordained Pastor of the church he built on his property. The Lutheran Church of Haiti is in fellowship with the LCMS. We provide the lunch for each student through Trinity HOPE Nashville, and pay the Staff Salaries. The school today is 320 students, and they use the books we provided in both French and Creole – the Bible and Luther's Small Catechism.

Children receive a nutritious bowl of rice (or corn) and beans, with a high-protein mix of tomato paste, dried herring, oil, maggi (seasoning) and water. The special mix was developed by a Vanderbilt University nutritionist as the most nutritious meal a child can get in a single serving. "An empty stomach has no ears" is a well-known phrase in Haiti. Trinity HOPE understands that when children are SO hungry they cannot concentrate, their education suffers. Trinity HOPE provides over 60,000 daily meals in 265 schools throughout Haiti. Our sponsorship of Pas Bonbon is 320 daily meals, which is 59,520 meals through the 2025-2026 school year. At \$0.38 per meal that is \$22,618,00.

Approximately 60% of the Haitian population practices Voodoo. 95% of the children fed through Trinity HOPE come to believe in Jesus Christ.

It is no secret that the civil unrest in Haiti is very serious. Pas Bonbon is in the Central Plateau, which is far from the riots in the capitol city of Port au Prince. Between the church and school at Pas Bonbon, a new generation of leaders is being created.



MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS



Toys for God's Kids: Our TFGK group is still busy making toy cars to send to children throughout the world. We initially did this through mission teams but since the pandemic it has been mostly through the Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes. The end result is the same, we get toy cars to children everywhere. We are supplying the toy cars to 24 churches in the area for their shoeboxes. At present we have delivered 2000 cars and are in the process of getting another 1000 ready for this years shoeboxes.

We are in need of people to help prepare the cars. This begins with cutting, sanding, routing and stamping the cars to prepare them for assembly. We then have a group come together to assemble them and then they are dipped in mineral oil to seal the cars. We are always looking for more folks to help with this, especially the cutting part. For more information on this please contact Mike Hauser or Pastor Ray Ramsburg to get plugged in. We call those who are involved in this 'Smilemakers' as they bring many smiles to the faces of little children. Come join us and be a Smilemaker!



Hospitality continues as an important ministry in our church since our church believes that fellowship with other Christians is vital. We always remain committed to our church and are always looking for new members. We are increasingly utilizing this ministry more and more with each passing day. We would love to have more people involved: This requires as **LITTLE** or as **MUCH** as you would like to help with: providing food, set-up, serving and clean-up at certain functions. All these are helpful and needed. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Colleen Hesemann



On Sundays, we are involved with treats for Bible study between 1st. and 2nd. services. This again can be as **MUCH** or as **LITTLE** as you want, having the coffee made and any treats that can be homemade, store bought or packaged: Emphasis being put on amount...it need not be large quantities...working with other families is often helpful. If you sign up and are not sure how to proceed, just let Colleen Hesemann know and she will help you learn the ropes (which is not difficult). It will allow you to get to know more people and is great fun. The pumper pots are now color coated...matching color to color and they will work.

Hospitality has worked to "organize" the kitchen. Items have been removed and they are currently in the basement. If you feel that any of these items be returned, please let hospitality know. Many of these items have taken up shelving space and have not been used for the last two years. Included in this is now the "Melamine Dishes".

Thanks to all who do so much to further our "hospitality" ministry. Blessings, Colleen

ON-LINE GIVING Remember you can give on-line. Just go to our church website at www.eternalshepherd.org and click on the On-line Giving bar in the top right corner on the homepage. ~Thank you for your faithful support.



Scrip Cards are available and make great gifts as well as earn money for Eternal Shepherd at the same time.

Please note we have Publix, Ingles, Walmart and Food Lion gift cards available. For orders pick up an order form from the Scrip Box or please contact **Beckie Rau** at (864) 944-6096. After the order is received one of the Scrip ladies will contact you to make arrangements for delivery. Scrip Card Team: **Beckie Rau, Libby Dunlap, Elisabeth Baker & Sue Hauser**. ~Thank you for your support.





Needs Mentors!

Our mission is to empower children to reach their full God-given potential and to break generational poverty.

Mentors are needed for 3rd-12th graders. Come and share life changing skills with our children! For more information see the contact info listed below.

Visit our website at www.rippleofone.org
For more information, email Ria Dawkins at: ripple.terria@gmail.com



Volunteers Needed for BabyRead

BabyRead desperately needs volunteers to read one-on-one to moms and their babies or toddlers at public venues twice a month for one hour each time. We currently have 10 new families who are waiting for a volunteer reader. All of our current readers are assigned to other families. To become a BabyRead volunteer, visit www.babyread.org. Please consider serving in this ministry.



FOOD BANK NEWS: Please help us in collecting preferred needed canned, or boxed grocery items each month to help restock the Golden Corner Food Pantry's shelves. **October's** preferred product is ***"Peanut Butter"*** (Please place your items in the containers marked Food Bank down by the Fellowship Hall). ~*Thank you for your generosity and support.*



ESLC CARD CART

Come check out our new assortment of cards.

If you have a chance, stop by the **Card Cart Ministry Display in the Fellowship Hall**. You might find a card that is just perfect for someone you know! There is a wide variety for all kinds of occasions and the price is perfect!!! \$.50 for all cards and \$5.00 for a box of 12 found on the bottom of the cart.



Hospitality Happenings for October

- 10/5 — Retirement Luncheon after Late Service
10/12 — ??
10/19 — Mike & Sue Hauser & The Smiths
10/26 — ??



Hospitality is going full speed. We provide for Memorial Services and Sunday Bible Study. We always remain committed to our church and are always looking for new members. This requires as little or as much as you would like to help with: providing food, set-up, serving and clean-up. All these are helpful and needed.

If you are interested in any of these, please contact me at 864-784-0421 and I will gladly help. ~Colleen Hesemann

October Birthdays

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| 1 – Jim Fireovid | 12 - Tyler Beck |
| 2 – Noah Gemkow | 13 - Amy Rebholz |
| David Stupke | 14 - Elaine Grotheer |
| 3 – Elisabeth Baker | Tristan Phelan |
| Cathy Daly | 15 - Rev. Ray |
| Rodrick Eslinger | Ramsburg |
| William Harth | Elijah Wolber |
| Lindsay McKay | 18 –Ken Schneider |
| 4 – Jason Fireovid | 19 – Juanita Dettman |
| 5 – Dave Compton | Norman Dukes |
| Tina Hundsdorfer | 20 – Cas Marszal |
| 6 – LuWanna Johnson | Craig Wells |
| 7 – John Hermann | 22 – Ann Bonagura |
| Ethan McKay | 23 – Mark Kunkel |
| Lisa Wagner | 24 – Helga Johnston |
| Sue Wennermark | Kim Wennermark |
| 9 – Jeep Feldt | 25 – Bob Morriss |
| John Presley | 29 - Bon Kruse |
| Sue Schneider | |



October Anniversaries

- 5—Joshua & Isabella Kirchner
8 – Larry & Jan Snyder
9 – Shannon & Des. Holly Cox
Joshua & Katrina Madden
12 – Jim & Carole Bluhm
19 – Jason & Mary Fireovid
20 – Milo & Marlene Bell
22 – Kerry & Sue Blount



SPECIAL GIFTS/MEMORIALS

In August the following gifts were given:

**In loving memory of *Al Johnson*
the Food Bank received a gift of \$100.00**

In honor of Deaconess Holly Cox, a \$150.00 gift was received.

Other Gifts:

The Comfort Dog Ministry Fund received gifts of \$250.95

The Disaster Response Team Fund received a gift of \$100.00

The Elders Fund received a gift of \$100.00

The Food Bank Fund received gifts of \$663.00

The Foothills Care Center Baby Bottle Drive received gifts of \$3,940.60

**The General Fund received a gift of \$44.00 from Thrivent Choice,
and a gift of \$800.00 from Blessings Shared Grant**

The Haiti Missions Fund received gifts of \$1,331.19

The Honduras Mission Fund received gifts of \$1,150.00

**The Little Lambs Preschool Fund received a gift of \$116.71,
and gifts of \$3,900.00 for the LLP C.A.R.E. Scholarship Fund**

The LWML Fund received a gift of \$500.00

The Operation Christmas Child Fund received gifts of \$1,242.67

The Safety Committee Fund received a gift of \$48.13

The Youth Fund received a gift of \$18.98



Little Lambs Tales

"The earth has yielded its harvest; God, our God, blesses us" Psalm 67:7

As we head into the month of October, we are thankful for the cool mornings and the wonders that God reveals to us in the season of autumn.

It is hard to believe that we have already finished our first few months of our new school year. The children have settled in and we are all enjoying are new school routines. We currently have 48 students enrolled at Little Lambs Pre-school and we are so blessed to be able to share in this most important ministry of Eternal Shepherd Lutheran Church.

On September 11th, the "Farm" came to Little Lambs Preschool! Mrs. Sara Foster, a former parent from our school, brought some of her farm animals to meet all of us. We met 2 lambs, 3 bunnies, a few chickens and of course the beloved farm dog. We always appreciate Sara and her willingness to share her animals with our students. The students also spent the day milking a "cow", washing the play animals and much more! What a fun day we all had!

In the month of October, we will be taking our annual trip to the Little Cane Creek Pumpkin Farm. This farm is a perfect field trip for our school. The children get to go on a hayride, see the corn fields and get an "up close" visit with the cows. Always a memory to be treasured!

We will also be holding our Donuts with Dudes where our students bring a special "dude" (dad, grandpa, uncle, etc) with them to school to share a donut and a special time with their guest in the classroom. They will do a craft together and their guest will get a glimpse into the life of a preschooler!

We continue to ask for your prayers as we go through our autumn season! The sniffles have begun so we ask for prayers of health and wellness for all our children as well as our teachers. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Blessings,
Gina

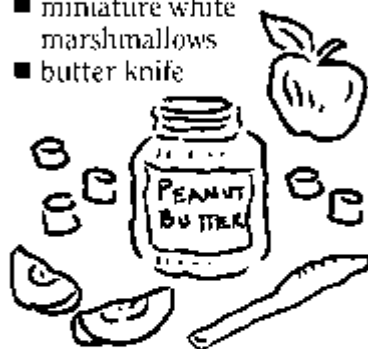


Apple Smiles

This recipe is easy to make and is sure to put a smile on anyone's face.

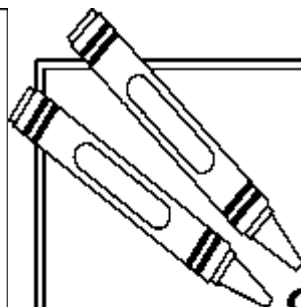
Here is what you need:

- apple (red if possible)
- peanut butter or cream cheese
- miniature white marshmallows
- butter knife



Here is what you do:

1. Cut the apple into wedges.
2. Spread peanut butter or cream cheese on one side of two wedges.
3. On one of the wedges, stick a few marshmallows in a row to look like teeth.
4. Put the other apple wedge on top with the creamy side down.
5. Share them with your friends and family.
6. Smile and enjoy!



Just for

KIDS

GOOD MEDICINE

During this time of year many people get a cold or the flu. Doctors can give medicine to help those people feel better. The Bible suggests something that we can give to make someone feel better anytime of the year. Proverbs 17:22 says, "A cheerful heart is good medicine" What is the best way to show our cheerfulness?

Connect the numbered dots to find out!

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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)



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Organist: David Phillips

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