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GREETINGS FROM PASTOR WRIGHT

Dear Saints of God.

As you are reading this, we are settling, Lord willing, into our new home and life in Topeka. A lot has been happening and I thought I would briefly introduce myself and my family. I am originally from Ohio and my wife, Rebekah, is originally from Michigan. We met at Concordia University in Ann Arbor,



Michigan and were married before I started vicarage. All our children were born in Iowa, and we thank God for them. Our oldest is Magdalena. She is named after Mary Magdalene and Martin Luther's daughter, Magdalena. Her middle name is Lynn which is Rebekah's middle name along with her mother's. Anastasia is the next oldest and her name comes from the Greek word for the resurrection. Her middle name is Hope so her full name means the resurrection hope. Our middle child is Evangeline from the word for the gospel in Greek and her middle name is Grace so together her names mean the gospel of grace. Our fourth child, and daughter, is name Petra with a middle name of

Ecclesia. Her name comes from Matthew 16 when Jesus says to Peter "you are Peter (Petros- a masculine noun), and on this rock (Petra- a feminine noun) I will build my church (ecclesia), and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18) This is also one of the reasons given for a rejection of the papacy in the Lutheran Confessions.

Our son, who is the youngest, is named Boyd with a middle name of Chemnitz. My great grandfather was Boyd Vaughn Wright. My grandfather was Boyd Edward Wright. My dad is Boyd Mitchell Wright. I am named Boyd Andrew Wright. Boyd, our son, is the fifth Boyd in the family with all of us having a different middle name. His middle name, Chemnitz, is from Martin Chemnitz a Lutheran pastor, superintendent/bishop and theologian who was instrumental in the Formula of Concord and the Book of Concord, our Lutheran Confessions. Martin Chemnitz also happens to be one of my favorite theologians in the history of church.

This past month has been something of a whirlwind. Everything, though, has fallen into place as the Lord has seen us through this time preparing us for our move to Topeka. Leaving Keystone, Iowa has been incredibly hard, but we are looking forward to being in Topeka and getting to know all of you at St. John's. I've personally found great comfort in the doctrine of the church as I leave one flock to serve another.

Together we are the body of Christ and no matter the location, the Lord is the same and the faith handed down to us is the same. There is great joy in knowing the Lord is at work in our midst through his word and sacraments and gathers us together here on this earth pointing us to that future glory to come.

I know the time will still be moving quickly in the months ahead as we get settled in and into a new routine. Add to that, the end of the church year and a new one beginning and things get even more busy. But one thing is for certain, no matter how hectic and busy things may become God provides the rest even as he provides the strength and endurance to endure all that a transition to a new location and congregation entails. Our family, St. John-Keystone, and St. John's here in Topeka are all in his care and there's no better place to be as his people.

In Christ,
Pastor Wright

HYMN OF THE MONTH **“LORD JESUS CHRIST, WITH US ABIDE” (LSB 585)**

What a blessing to be here at St. John's where God's Word is rightly preached, taught, and learned, and where the Sacraments are rightly administered. As of October 2, we have a new senior pastor to continue God's work through His Word and for His people, the sheep of His pasture. One of the hymns chosen for Pastor Wright's installation was “Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide,” and it serves well to articulate the power of God's Word, the work of the Holy Spirit to create and sustain faith, and the prayer of the Church to remain pure, faithful, and unified in all we say and do.

Throughout the years the text of this hymn has had different translations. The original text is attributed to Nicolaus Selnecker, a German musician and theologian who was one of the principal authors of the Formula of Concord. Selnecker certainly endured the trials that accompanied the theological controversies of his day as God's Word was not kept in its truth and purity. He wrote this hymn to accompany Psalm 122 in thanksgiving for God's grace that His Word is proclaimed and taught within the “house of the Lord” and that God's peace is found within the walls of His Church.

The opening line of the hymn “Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide” is derived from the prayer of the disciples on the road to Emmaus when they urged Jesus to “stay with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent” (Luke 24:29). The “eventide” or “night” in this hymn is not particularly a specific time of day but more so “these last days of great distress” (stanza 2). During these last days before Christ's return, we are tempted by the devil to turn away from God's Word, which would lead us to fall away from the faith. This “hope grown dim” and “hearts turned cold” reflects the sinful nature and “human pride that seeks to thrust Your truth aside” and also seeks to replace God's Word with “some man-made thoughts or things.”

Therefore, our prayer in this hymn is that God's Word would continue to shine forth into the darkness of our hearts, during the night of sin and death, and amidst the evils of this world that seek to dim this saving truth. In this hymn God's Word is described as both a light and a sword that is used to spurn Satan and thus strengthen the Church in all boldness to be unified in act and song. These “words the Spirit sings” should be ours to sing as well with all confidence that Jesus abides with us in Word and Sacrament and continues to deliver His gifts to us through the called ministers of His Word. The “tongues of fire” from stanza 3 can be likened to the Holy Spirit's work at Pentecost through the disciples.

As God's sheep, we listen to our Good Shepherd through the faithful shepherds (pastors) that God has given to us here at St. John's. May we always continue to hear His Word faithfully and live according to it. In “these last days of great distress” our constant prayer is that God would preserve our faith until our life's end. His Word alone is our “heart's defense” and the “Church's glorious confidence.”

Bethany M Johnson

Thank you for your support for St. John's Music Academy

Check us out on Facebook!

Interested in private lessons for piano, organ, trumpet, violin or flute? Contact Bethany Johnson
(bjohnson@stjlcms.org)

ST. JOHN'S MUSIC ACADEMY "MEDITATIO" IN MUSIC

Among the other pieces of method instruction for their instruments, students at St. John's Music Academy also learn from some of the greatest treasures of church music. Here is a snippet of the "meditatio" (a theologian's meditation on God's Word) that takes place during the lesson and while playing music:

"Jerusalem the Golden" (LSB 672) is a hymn that one of the organist students is working on, and he is really enjoying it. It's so special not only to hear or sing a hymn but also to play it on an instrument and have a deep connection with it in that way. This hymn points to the promise salvation fulfilled in our "sweet and blessed country": heaven, where we will join with all the saints and angels to be with Christ. The melody rises and falls in such a way to create a climax (highest sound) towards the end as we are always yearning for that day when we will reach our true home at last. The melody falls at the end of the hymn as we can rest in Christ, knowing that He promises us this "place of peace and rest" that He won for us on the cross.

We encourage all children of God to delight in His gift of music for us! For more information on SJMA, please contact Bethany Johnson (bjohnson@stjlcms.org) or visit our website: <https://stjohnlcmstopeka.org/sjma/>

MONTHLY BREAKFAST IN OCTOBER

Our next monthly breakfast will be provided by our LWML on Sunday, October 9. Enjoy fellowship and biscuits and gravy with brothers and sisters in Christ. Sunday school will be held for the youth. We welcome everyone to attend and enjoy food and fellowship after the early service in Luther Hall.

ST. JOHN'S OKTOBERFEST

ONE DIVINE SERVICE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 AT 10:00 A.M.

Join us Sunday October 23, for an Oktoberfest meal. Please note that we will only be having one Divine Service at 10:00 a.m. Menu includes bratwurst, hamburger, tossed salad, German potato salad, regular potato salad, homemade dessert, and drinks. Oktoberfest tickets are available for purchase in the Courtyard between services for \$9 now through Sunday, October 2. Proceeds support our missionaries.



OKTOBERFEST
Sunday, October 23
after the 10 a.m. Divine Service

Tickets can be purchased Sundays in the Courtyard between Divine Services now through October 2.

\$9 Single Meal
\$11 Single Meal with an extra brat or burger

Menu includes:
Brats
Burgers
German potato salad
regular potato salad
tossed salad
cobbler
and drinks

Questions? Contact Pam in the church office
785-354-7132

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS DIVINE SERVICE AND COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, 7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

On the evening of Tuesday, November 1, at 7:00 p.m. we will gather in the courtyard to celebrate the Feast of All Saints and for our annual Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. The Commemoration will take place at the start of the Divine Service and the names of those from our parish will be read whom the good Lord in His mercy has called from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven since last All

Saints' Day. We want everyone to know that this is the only time that we will be celebrating the Feast of All Saints and commemorating the faithful departed. We encourage everyone in the congregation attend, especially those who have lost loved ones in the last year.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



2022 BUDGET HEARING, NOVEMBER 13 AT 9:45 A.M.

A budget hearing will take place Sunday, November 13 between services at 9:45 a.m. in the nave. The purpose of this meeting is to hear what is being proposed to bring before the Voters for final approval on Sunday, November 20. Questions and comments are encouraged, but no formal action will be taken at the hearing. The Board of Stewardship requests you return your 2023 pledge cards by October 4. This is very helpful so they can formulate the 2023 budget being presented on November 13.

VOTER'S MEETING

Our next scheduled voter's meeting is set for Sunday, November 20. Our constitution defines "voting member" as a communicant member who has reached the age of 18 years and been received as a voting member upon application for such privilege and approval of the voters of the assembly. **We encourage all eligible St. John's members to join the voters assembly.** If you would like to become a voting member of our congregation, you can contact the office, pastor, or your elders to get instructions on how you can become a voter.

BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP: BUDGET AND RECEIPTS REPORT

In an effort to keep our congregation informed about our financial situation, the Board of Stewardship has agreed to publish monthly budget reports. These reports are designed to give you a snapshot of our congregational support of the budget adopted by the voter's assembly for 2022. We hope that you will find this information useful.

YTD Projected Budget Receipts through August 2022	\$495,416.00
Actual Receipts through August 2022	\$458,089.94
Year to Date Receipts Over (Under) Budget	\$(37,326.06)

SEEKING VOTING MEMBERS TO SERVE ON BOARDS

Anyone interested in becoming a board member for 2023-2024, please reach out to Chris Graversen or Dee Ellis by October 15. Your service to St. John’s is greatly appreciated.

YOUNG ADULTS MONTHLY GROUP BOOK DISCUSSION

Young adults (20s and 30s) are welcome to join a monthly book discussion on “Provoking Proverbs” Interested? Contact Bethany Johnson for more information (bjohnson@stjlcms.org).

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

Many hands make light work! Have you considered giving your time and abilities to volunteer with some of our church upkeeping? Volunteers are needed to assist in cleaning the Nave, bathrooms, and Sunday School rooms (wiping tables and chalk boards, etc.). The work would only be needed 1-2 times a month. Consider contacting the church office if you are willing to volunteer.

2021 FLOWER CALENDAR

There are available dates remaining to provide flowers for the altar. Please check the Flower Calendar on the bulletin board outside of the church offices. If you would like to provide flowers for a particular service, sign your name and phone number by the date of your choice. Upcoming available dates include: November 13, 24 (Thanksgiving), December 11 and 18.

ST. JOHN’S WOMEN’S LEAGUE

LWML Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, October 9. We invite you to breakfast of biscuits and gravy, pastries, fruit cups, juice, milk and coffee. We will have a display of the Health and School kits and our quilts available to view.

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Sarah circle meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. for bible study, a short meeting and fellowship.

Dorcas circle meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. for bible study, a short meeting and fellowship.
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The Caring Mission Committee completed their health and school kits. With the items and money donated, we were able to assemble 44 health kits and 94 school kits. We want to thank everyone who contributed to make this a very successful year. We will also be including quilts made by our group.

This year, we are giving all our mission projects to Orphan Grain Train, as LWR is no longer an RSO of the LCMS. The mission of Orphan Grain Train is uniquely dependent upon dedicated volunteers, many of whom have given numerous years of service for the sake of others. Since 1992, more than 4 million hours have been volunteered! Orphan Grain Train is a recognized service organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS). If you would like more information, go to www.ogt.org/our-story.
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From the profits of the Annual Bargain and Bake sale we were able to give \$600 to each of our chosen projects: St. John’s Welfare Fund, the International Missions of St. John’s, The Lutheran Hour, and Topeka Lutheran School Operating Fund. We want to thank everyone who helped in any way to make this a success. Without the donations and help we could not have made this happen.
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The Fall LWML Topeka Zone Rally will be held October 15, 2022, at Messiah LCMS, Emporia Kansas. Contact Nancy Taylor by October 11 if you are interested in attending. Registration and Servant Event will begin at 9 a.m. with the meeting following at 10:00 a.m.

Mites ??? What are mites???? The widow’s mites in Luke 21:1-4 inspire us to combine our contributions with others to do important mission tasks. Dorcas and Sarah Circles, along with congregational mite donations, have totaled \$1,871.62 this year. Our mites have helped support mission projects of the Kansas District and of the National LWML. We will be sharing information about those projects in the future.

Donations for quilt projects continue to be accepted. Items needed at this time are bed sheets of any size or color. Thank you in advance to anyone who donates. If you enjoy working with your hands and like to do quilts, the group is meeting the first and third Thursdays of the month in the undercroft of church beginning at 9:00 a.m. Come join and enjoy sister fellowship.

Mission Statement *Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Lutheran Women’s, Missionary League Kansas District will nurture, motivate, and prepare The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod women to serve the Lord with gladness.*

FROM OUR MISSIONS

Dear friends at St. John’s, thank you for your recent contribution to the teaching and training of church workers at Matongo. We are a few weeks into the fall semester and things are going well. Your support is greatly appreciated and is making us able to focus on our work and the benefit of the students. It was wonderful to see so many of you this summer and to be welcomed so nicely. I keep your pastoral call process in my prayers. May God also richly bless you and all you do for him.
 – Rev. Vance Becker *Theological Educator, Neema Lutheran College, Matongo, Kenya*



ST. JOHN'S GOLF SCRAMBLE

Registration for the St. John's Scramble Golf Tournament ends on October 9. The tournament will feature a **1:00 PM shotgun start on Saturday, October 15 at Village Greens Golf Course** just north of Meriden (on-site registration desk opens at 11:30AM). Register by returning a registration form to the church office or by contacting Ryan Weir at (785) 806-4118 or: ryan.weir@rocketmail.com.

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH

St. John's youth are encouraged to volunteer at the St. John's golf scramble. This is the youth's only fundraiser of the year and helps reduce the cost of our activities all year long. The volunteer shift sign up is located on the youth bulletin board in the breezeway.

St. John's youth of all ages are invited to Gary's Berries Pumpkin Patch Trip on Sunday, October 16! Tickets are available for \$5 per person between services on October 2. You can also get them from the Kathmans or Vicar Kastner. Come and go all day; we will have campfire devotions with s'mores available at 3 p.m. and hot dogs available at 5 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE! Below are the dates scheduled for our youth events this year. These events will be a great opportunity for the children to get to know other St. John's members, creating friendships and growing in faith together. We look forward to fun and fellowship!

Junior Youth Events (Kindergarten through 5th grade)

Date	Event
August 28	Splash Pad Fun
September 25	VBS Day
October 16	Gary's Berries Pumpkin Patch
November 27	VBS Day
December 4	Christmas Party
January 29	VBS Day
February 26	Games in the Gym
March 26	VBS Day
April 23	Nerf War
May 28	VBS Day



Senior Youth Events (6th - 12th grade)

Friends and family are always welcome!

Date	Event
September 11	Outdoor Day at Lake Shawnee
October 15	Youth Golf Tournament (fundraiser)
October 16	Gary's Berries Pumpkin Patch
November 6	Yard Clean-up
December 4	Christmas Party
January 8	Monthly Breakfast Help
January 22	Ski Trip
February 24	Lock-in
March 25	Canvassing
April 23	Fun Day
June 11	Lake Shawnee





St. John's Scramble

ATTENTION GOLFERS! Now is the time to register for the... *St. John's Scramble* golf tournament! You'll find that this event is a great opportunity for a day of fun and fellowship on the golf course, followed by lunch and an awards ceremony. Skills contests will also be offered throughout the day.

...AND SPONSORS... We gladly accept sponsorships to make the tournament a rewarding experience for our golfers, **100% of your cash donations go directly to the youth account at St. John's.** Your in-kind donations are used for skills contest prizes, goodie bags, etc. and really enhance the tournament experience for all the participants.

Date: 10/15/2022
Time: 1:30PM Shotgun
(Registration opens at 11:30AM)

Course: Village Greens
5615 Highway K-20 Meriden, KS 66512

Cost: \$65 per person / \$250 per team

Tournament Registration:

TEAM NAME / (INDIVIDUAL ENTRY) _____ TEAM MEMBERS: _____

TEAM CAPTAIN _____

CONTACT PHONE/EMAIL _____

SPONSOR CONTACT:

Company Name _____

Contact Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Yes - I'm interested in being a sponsor! Please use my donation of \$_____ to benefit the youth group at St. John's.

Please Submit Form & Payment to:
 St. John's Lutheran Church
 Attn: Golf Committee
 901 SW Fillmore Street
 Topeka, KS 66606

QUESTIONS? Contact Ryan Weir at (785) 806-4118 -or- ryan.weir@rocketmail.com

DOORSTEP NEWS

The work has begun on Doorstep's new HVAC system. Thank you to everyone who donated toward Doorstep's 55th Anniversary Fund to make the upgrade possible. The staff and volunteers have begun working on its annual Christmas adoption project. They plan to adopt 260 households with more than 800 individuals from the Christmas Bureau again this year.

What is needed right now? School supplies, especially as they go on clearance. Also, full-size hygiene items to make the health kits. Doorstep would like to have all these items assembled and ready to hand out by Thanksgiving.

School Supplies – backpacks, spiral notebooks, folders, notebook paper (150-200 sheets), pens, pencils, crayons 24 ct., 12-inch rulers, scissors, erasers, highlighters, markers, pencil sharpeners, and glue sticks. Last year Doorstep provided school supplies for the second half of the year for 273 children.

Hygiene Items for the Health Kits – They have lots of towels! Full sized items only please. Doorstep will make 260 kits to provide for 800+ individuals. We need shampoo, conditioner (2+1 are ok), bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, brushes, and deodorant.

Bring donations to: Doorstep, Inc., 1119 SW 10th Ave, Topeka, Ks 66604. Office hours: Monday – Friday, 8am – 3pm, south door. Please let us know your donations are for Christmas!

TLS NEWS



Topeka Lutheran is looking for a bus driver to help with field trips and transporting students back and forth from chapel on Wednesdays. If you have a bus license and are interested in helping, contact the school office at 785-357-0382 or email johnson@topekalutheran.org.

Topeka Lutheran School PTL carnival was a huge success! We thank the many volunteers who worked the concessions and games, those who provided sweet treats, the PTL officers who organized the event, and the many TLS and CYC families who came out and enjoyed the afternoon! Thank you all for your support of TLS PTL!

TLS Matching Gift Opportunity! Two generous donors have come forward to bless the ministry of TLS and are willing to match gifts up to \$20,000! We are excited for this opportunity and what it could provide for our school. Donations can be made either mail or online. If by check, make payable to Topeka Lutheran School, 701 SW Roosevelt St., Topeka KS, 66606; or go to the TLS website to make on-line gift. Every gift is appreciated and important! Thank you for your support!



Growing God's Children
for generations to come
Topeka Lutheran School

PRAYER

Oh Lord, how majestic is your Name in all the earth. You are the Creator and Perfector of our faith and we worship You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We pray Your blessings on Topeka Lutheran School, our Principal, all the teachers and support staff as they work to instruct the children You have entrusted to them for their education. We also ask that you continue to bless our Capital Campaign as we move to a new phase of improving the facilities at TLS. Guide and direct the committee working on this project so that all they do will be to Your Will. All this we ask in Jesus's Name, Amen.

SUPPORT TOPEKA LUTHERAN TODAY! CLICK TO DONATE.

<https://www.topek Lutheran.org/pledge-tracker>

TOTAL COMMITMENTS

Total Amount Committed: \$846,943

Total Pledged Gifts Received: \$839,880

Total # of Pledges Received: 125

Thank you to those donors and friends who have extended their capital campaign gifts through the end of this year!

TLS GGC BUILDING UPGRADE COMMITTEE

The committee met on October 17 to review estimates for additional lighting, security cameras, fencing, signage, and west entrance/office redesign. These improvements were recommended by the KS Dept of Education following an on-site campus safety/security assessment made late June. The additions and upgrades will be prioritized, a timeline established for the work to be completed, and recommendations for next steps will be presented by the campaign Co-Directors to the LSAT Board Members. The LSAT Board will then make a recommendation for the Foundation Board's approval and disbursement of GGC funds. Completion of these upgrades will address the Facility Goal of the capital campaign's purpose, and related costs will be covered by the balance of gifts received for the GGC capital campaign.

TLS MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITY!

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TLS UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 7, 10, 11:** Fall Break, Lutheran Teacher Conferences - No School
- **October 21:** Parent/Teacher Conferences - No School
- **October 23:** TLS Sunday at Christ Lutheran Church
- **Save-the-Dates!**
 - **November 13:** TLS Sunday at Faith Lutheran
 - **December 13:** K-8 Christmas Concert
 - **December 15:** K-8 Caroling at Topeka Public Library

THANK YOU!

- To the thoughtful and generous friend of TLS who has offered to collect aluminum pop cans for recycling and will donate any cash received to TLS. The Drop Off site (look for the recycling house!) is east of 18th and Gage, across the street, south of Faith Lutheran Church. Slide open the top of the roof and drop in your cans for recycling! Thank you all for your support!
- PTL, volunteers, and families for hosting and helping with the school carnival held in September.

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL JOHNSON

TLS celebrated Grandparents and Special Persons Day on September 9. Thank you to everyone who joined us and for all of the staff and volunteers who made this such a special day. We thank Pastor Dan Galchutt from the Kansas District Office who led a special chapel service on September 14 commemorating Holy Cross Day; and for the gift of crucifixes for our classrooms, we thank Pastor Jon Bruss, former Sr. Pastor at St. John's, and his wife Kris. Our first TLS Sunday was held September 18 at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church. Thank you to the members at St. John's for welcoming TLS students and families to sing during each service and allowing them to share their favorite experiences at school.

October 2022

St. John's Lutheran Church - Topeka, Kansas

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>25</p> <p>8am MATINS 9:20am COFFEE & DONUTS 9:45am BIBLE CLASS/SS 11am MATINS</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:30am MATINS 6:30pm COUNCIL</p>	<p>27</p> <p>2:45pm TLS CHAPEL 5:15pm SOUND WORDS 7pm EVENING PRAYER</p>	<p>28</p> <p>ST. MICHAELS & ALL ANGELS 6:15pm ECCLESIA BELLS 7:15pm KANTOREI</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:15pm ECCLESIA BELLS 7pm TLS BOARD 7:15pm KANTOREI</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>2</p> <p>8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:20am COFFEE & DONUTS 9:45am BIBLE CLASS/SS 11am DIVINE SERVICE 12:30pm WELCOME LUNCHEON & CARD SHOWER 2pm INSTALLATION SERVICE PASTOR WRIGHT</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1pm LWML EXEC</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>2:45pm TLS CHAPEL 5:15pm SOUND WORDS 7pm EVENING PRAYER</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9</p> <p>8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:15am MONTHLY BREAKFAST 9:45am SUNDAY SCHOOL 11am DIVINE SERVICE</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6pm SARAH CIRCLE</p>	<p>11</p> <p>1pm DORCAS CIRCLE</p>	<p>12</p> <p>2:45pm TLS CHAPEL 5:15pm SOUND WORDS 7pm EVENING PRAYER</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:15pm ECCLESIA BELLS 6:30pm ELDER CALLING 7pm ELDERS 7:15pm KANTOREI</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>1pm GOLF SCRAMBLE</p>
<p>16</p> <p>8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:20am COFFEE & DONUTS 9:45am BIBLE CLASS/SS 11am DIVINE SERVICE 12pm YOUTH at GARY'S BERRIES</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>4:00pm PARISH ED 4:30pm TRUSTEES 5:30pm STEWARDSHIP 6:15pm MISSIONS/EVANG</p>	<p>19</p> <p>2:45pm TLS CHAPEL 5:15pm SOUND WORDS 7pm EVENING PRAYER</p>	<p>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 20 6:15pm ECCLESIA BELLS 7:15pm KANTOREI</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23</p> <p>10am DIVINE SERVICE 12pm OKTOBERFEST</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:30pm COUNCIL</p>	<p>26</p> <p>2:45pm TLS CHAPEL 5:15pm SOUND WORDS 7pm EVENING PRAYER</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:15pm ECCLESIA BELLS 7:15pm KANTOREI</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
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THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” (Matthew 28:19–20a)
 So that we may obtain faith in Christ, God instituted the ministry of teaching the gospel and administering the sacraments. Through the gospel and sacraments, as through means, God gives the Holy Spirit who produces faith, where and when He wills, in those who hear the gospel. (*Augsburg Confession*, Article 5)