



October 2021

Good News

Mt Zion – St Luke Lutheran

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10-3 SS 10a.m.
Wendi's class 9a Zoom
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Online option
Blessing of the Animals 5p

10-5 Centering Prayer
8:30 a.m.

10-6 No Soup Kitchen
Bible Study 7 p.m.

10-10 Council Meeting at
8:45 a.m. *in-person*
SS 10 a.m.
Wendi's class 9a Zoom
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Online option

10-12 Centering Prayer
8:30 a.m.

10-13 Bible Study 7pm.

10-17 SS 10 a.m.
Wendi's class 9a Zoom
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Online option
Newsletter Deadline

10-19 Centering Prayer
8:30 a.m.

10-20 Bible Study 7pm.

10-24 SS 10 a.m.
Wendi's class 9a Zoom
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Online option

10-26 Centering Prayer
8:30a.m.

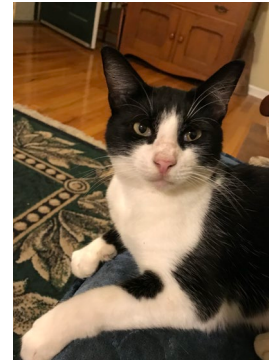
10-27 Bible Study 7pm.

10-30 Litter pick-up 9a.m.

10-31 SS 10a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Reformation/Rally Day
Covered Dish Meal after
If conditions allow

Blessing of the Animals

Yardcat has surprised us. The feral ball of fur that showed up on our doorstep demanding breakfast served outside, with *No Touching Allowed!* and a hiss if you got too close has mellowed into a lover who expects to be fed *indoors* at 6:00 a.m. sharp, with belly rubs and head bumps included! She still spends most of the day and all night outdoors, but we now belong to her, and she has trained us pretty well! Especially since the puppy took up residence in the family room! Yardcat has made it clear that there is *no way* she is going to be friends with that



mongrel! So, now, at 6:00 a.m., Duck takes the dog out the back door, ties him up and leaves him with his breakfast. Then he goes through the house to the front door and lets the cat in so she can eat undisturbed. When she has decided she is ready, out the front door she goes, and Duck goes back outside and brings the dog in the back door! Who would have thought this was going to be

our morning routine when we rescued Moses, who had been abandoned? And, yet, somehow it works. Mostly, because I get to sit at the table by the window and drink my coffee and enjoy watching Duck enjoy his furry friends. St. Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of Animals, would be proud! But, at any rate, this year, the Blessing of the Animals will take on a bit more significance for me as we will be blessing one of our own. Moses will delight in getting to be around others of his own kind. Yardcat, on the other hand, is another story. No surprise there!

See you on the lawn October 3rd at 5:00 p.m. as we lift our animal friends up to the Lord for his blessing for another year and thank God for all the furry, scaly, feathery and slippery wild things that capture our attention and our hearts.

God bless the animals! Pastor Barb <><

So, God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Genesis 1:21

Ministry Opportunities in October

1. Hurricane Ida Help: As many of you are aware, Hurricane Ida made landfall on August 29th as a category 4 storm and affected much of the SE Louisiana and Mississippi coast. Then the storm headed into the NE leaving damage in New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The ELCA.org has sent out emails for anyone wanting to donate gifts to this cause. There are 3 ways to give:

1. Online: <https://community.elca.org/hurricane-relief>; 2. By phone: 1-800-638-3522 3. Mail: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

2. October Litter Pick-up

The October Litter Pick-up is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 30th. We will meet at the Mt. Zion Cemetery grounds on Hwy. 26 at 9:00 AM. As usual, safety vests and trash bags will be supplied. If you have any questions about the litter pick up, please call David Haigler at (478-244-9727).

Thanks, *Diane Cagle, Stewardship Committee Chair*

3. ELCA World Hunger - Online Benefit - "A People of Hope: Until All Are Fed" **(follow link to register) Thursday, October 14, 2021 8:30pm ET / 7:30pm CT**

You're invited to join Bishop Eaton and Rick Steves, guidebook author and travel TV host, as we celebrate World Food Day! This online benefit for ELCA World Hunger will feature interviews hosted by Rick with people who are doing the dynamic work of fighting hunger around the world.

Rally Day/Reformation Sunday Family Day Meal October 31, 2021.

HOPEFULLY! Our Rally Day this year will be a Reformation Family Day Celebration Meal on October 31st following Worship. We will gather for worship at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary and celebrate our Lutheran Heritage by praising God for continuing to be our refuge and strength in times of trouble. After the worship, if the Covid data allows, we hope to have our Rally Day/Reformation Sunday Family Day Meal in the Lingle Room. If the numbers are still high for transmission risk in our county we may hold it outside or at a later date. We will keep you informed closer to the date, by email, texts phone calls and/or FaceBook as to whether it will be safe to share a meal together again. Please pray for the numbers to be favorable!

*Although we were unable to complete our **God's Work Our Hands Sunday** project on the actual day, which was September 12, 2021, we have been collecting the items below for over a month now, and look forward to assembling our *Give-Away bags* for the poor and homeless after our Reformation Family Day Celebration Meal on October 31st, if we are able to host that event. We each will then take several of the bags to give away to those in need we meet in our travels. These are the items that we will collect until Oct. 31st:*

Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Individual Peanut Butter, Raisins, Socks, Crackers, Wet wipes, Gum, Deodorant, Bible Verses, Chips, Vienna Sausages, Fruit Cups, Soup, Tuna and Mac-n-Cheese.

Thank you for caring!

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to send \$450 to our friend, Bonnie Woolums, to help her renovate her bathroom so she can return home after a fall. She is currently living with relatives until the necessary changes are made.

God bless you all!

Serving Our Lord in October

Altar Guild

Lectors

Sound Technicians:

Acolyte

Jon Coogle & Tommy Martin

Karen Hatten & Wendi Martin

Bobby Martin & Duck Koch

Dolice Choppala

Family Day Dinner: No Family Day Dinner

No Soup Kitchen in October

Coffee Hour: No Coffee Hour until further notice

***Rally Day/ Reformation Sunday on October 31 with a meal after church if conditions allow. We will update you closer to the date. ***

Flowers

10-03 Tommy and Gail Coogle in loving memory of their grandparents

10-10 Arthur Jackson in honor of his children, Amanda and Austin

10-17 Bobby and Sharon in memory of Betty Futrell

10-24 Tony and Renee Collier in honor of Katie, Brett, Angie, and Richard.

10-31 TBA

Sunday School: Wendi's class will meet at 9:00 a.m. by Zoom.

Youth: Upstairs – Katie Felker, Angela Hobbs, & Renee Collier teaching.

Adult: *Lingle Room* – John Coogle & David Haigler teaching.

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

10-06 Renee Collier

10-07 Daniel Coogle

10-07 Jeremy Martin

10-09 Neelima Oguri

10-10 George & Helen Smith

10-12 George Coogle

10-13 Tricia Trask

10-17 George Smith

10-18 Ava Coogle

10-18 Brenden Fitzgerald

10-25 Callie Ann Coogle

10-25 Emily Harvill

10-26 Franchelle Arnold

10-28 Karen Hatten

10-29 Billy Martin

10-31 Gail Coogle



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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thru	Fri.	Sat.
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31. Wendi's class online at 9a S.S 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Reformation/Rally Day after church						

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Shift Change Service of Healing and Prayer - [For Health Care Workers] Sunday, October 3, 2021 8pm ET / 7pm CT

This online time of healing prayer is set aside for those who work within our health care system. We invite you to come and be surrounded in healing prayer. As we gather, we ask for everyone else to pray for our health care workers, especially at this time of incredible stress and grief.

From the Foundation Fund: Just to let you know, MZSL has received a nice donation to the Foundation Fund from the estate of Frances Edwina Bryan in memory of John Thomas Bryan. Edwina passed away January 29, 2021.

Please help keep this prayer list current. Contact Tracy Choppla to add or remove names.

Pray for Members: Al Coogle, Mary Jane Ethridge, Brenden Fitzgerald, Jr, Emily Harvill, Joy McNutt, Myrtle Joiner, Zack Martin, Helen Smith, Angie and Heather Summer, Tony Webb, our college students, and for all the ministries of our church.

For Friends and Family: Dan Harvill Jr., Carol Jacobs, Cleveland Hobbs, Bob Melvin, Crystal Miller, Buddy Murph, Charlene Oliver, Don Oliver, Leigh Powel, Ann Roberts, Rob and Judy Stegall, Scott Thomas, Karen Weathersbee and family, D.C. Williams, Marina's friend Chrystal, our nation, and the world.

In Christian Sympathy for the family and friends of Ricky Haugabook and Ken Harrison.

Serving our Nation: John Edwards.