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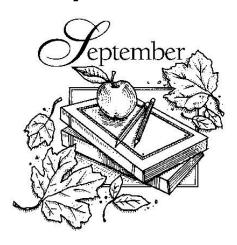
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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE! Monday

Monday September 22nd







The Prayer Line

Psalm 136:26

26 Give thanks to the God of heaven,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

There is a word in that Psalm that is all too familiar to us. I won't write out the Hebrew word here, but it is one of the most common words to describe the nature of God's Love. What



does 'steadfast' actually mean? A simple reference word lookup will probably give you definitions such as 'firm' 'unwavering,' resolute in one's purpose.' The word is all too commonplace throughout the Old Testament, but it is worth noting that it is most commonly used to describe the nature of God's love. However, the word steadfastness could easily be used to describe God himself His nature and His ways. And why is this so important to cling too today. Some people will often hear me say that we are living in an "age of acceleration." "Age of acceleration" was a catch phrase I heard from the author Thomas Friedman. it's a phrase he commonly refers to in the American age we are in. Technology, advancement in medicine, the changing demographics in the west, are all part of what he calls the "Age of acceleration." In other words, it is a time of fast and unprecedented change in such a short time. The world is changing, probably faster than most of us can keep up with. I have to say that even in my young days I feel overwhelmed by the change going in around me. Just keeping up with the latest conversational trends is a daunting task for me. However, one of the things God reveals about himself throughout scripture and history is that He does not change. It is 'firm' 'unwavering.' Of course, God ultimately demonstrates His steadfastness Love in Jesus. Cont. on pg. 3

Cards, calls and prayers are much appreciated by our Military and Homebound members:



Marion Bogle Marlene Cawelti Linda Crookes Diana Danforth Brian Henderson Doris Martell



Brenton Campbell Peter Stewart

LCoP Prayer Chain

When you have any prayer concerns, please let our prayer chain pray for you by contacting prayer_request@lcop.org

Online Calendar!

Did you know that our event calendar is online so you can access it anytime, anywhere, from the internet? Check it out at www.lcop.org, click on resources under the church name. This will also be updated during the month as events change or are added! To update, please email info@lcop.org.

Join Our Email List!

Are you on our email list to have the newsletter and event reminders delivered to your inbox? Subscribe by sending an email to info@lcop.org.





God's blessings to everyone on your special occasion. If you don't see your name, please call the office to make corrections or additions. We want to include everyone!

▼ ANNIVERSARIES

* BIRTHDAYS *

Bob Kuster

Heidi Frye

Marlene Cawelti

Carolyn Griggs

Megan Arnold

Trevor Blankenship

We honor birthdays and anniversaries on the second Sunday of every month. If you would like to help with refreshments for those who are celebrating, bring your treat to church that morning.

Treasurer

Profit and loss from July of 2024 to June of 2025

LCOP income \$361,804.61 and expenses \$386,246.46

WW income \$454,827.95 and expenses \$438,335.97

Combined income \$815,632.56 and expenses \$824,582.43

Thank you,

Terry Vergon, Treasurer

Wonder Window

August 13 started our new school year. Our Coffee Kiosk Crew and Pastor were there to meet and greet our students and parents.

Thank you to everyone who have already donated items off our donation board. Every item donated is appreciated so much by our teachers.

Our chapel theme for this school year is "God is Good all the Time" Psalms:100.5

Chapel will be every Tues or Wednesday each week starting September.

Please pray we can fill our classrooms up with students. Spread the word to friends and family that we have openings in our classroom for a few more students. As always please pray for Mrs. Vanessa, our teachers, Kathy, Pastor, our students and their families.

Blessings,

Jann

Continued from Pastor,

From feeding the hungry, curing the sick and raising the dead and ultimately going to the cross. The ultimate demonstration of God's steadfast love towards us was demonstrated on Calvary. So, in our 'Age of acceleration' in our ever-changing world, we have at least one constant to grab hold of. The steadfastness of our God and His 'unwavering' love.

Pastor Hendricks

Properties Board

The next meeting will be held on Monday Sept 15, 2025 at 6:30 pm and the next work day will be Saturday Sept 20, at 8am.

WE can relax a little because we are done taking out trees. We removed 3 trees, two were causing problems and one was part dead.

We installed a privacy screen for the small school kids yard and did general maintenance around the church. We have been spraying around the church to try and get rid of the squirrels. We've had limited success. We're open to your suggestions.

Thank you once again for those who help at our meetings and on the work days.

Continued prayers for our pastor, our church and Wonder Window preschool.

Properties Board Donald Votaw

SAM

SAM has not held meetings in July and August 2025 due to vacation time and heat.

We are having our 2nd Ice Cream Social at Rosemarys Creamery on Sunday August 24, 2025 at 11:30a.m. So far we have 38 signed up to attend. It is suppose to be 104 that day and it's perfect for ice cream.

We are starting back up in September on Saturday 9/6/25 at 9:00 am and welcome anyone who is interested in learning what we have coming up for the rest of our year.

Sheila

LCoP Missionaries' Info

If you would like to pray for and learn more about them, and perhaps also support them through correspondence and/or finances, here is their infor-

Jonathan & Carrie Federwitz

Wycliffe Bible Translators/Lutheran Bible Translators Instructor position with JAARS, (Jungle Aviation and Radio Service). In Waxhaw, NC.

Contact:j-c.federwitz@gmail.com

Support: www.LBT.org

Nathan & Sarah Federwitz

nandsfederwitz@gmail.com

Campbell's

support & contact info available at church.

Rev. Dr. Ross & Kris Shaver

Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod P.O. Box 66861

St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

You may also mail a check to:

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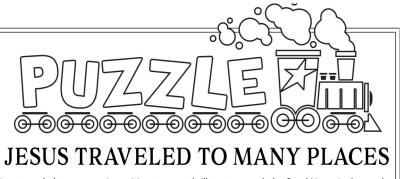
"Shaver - Dominican Republic" on the

memo line.]

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Jesus traveled to many regions, cities, towns and villages to preach the Good News. In the puzzle below, find and circle the names of some of the places. Can you find the names on the list?

Words can go left to right, up, down or diagonal—so look carefully in all directions!

EPHRAIM MOUNT OF OLIVES **BETHANY BETHLEHEM** GALILEE **BETHSAIDA JERICHO** CAESAREA PHILIPPI **JERUSALEM** JORDAN RIVER CANA CAPERNAUM JUDEA DECAPOLIS MAGDALA

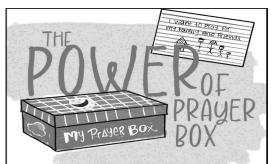
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Church Golfers! Come and join us!

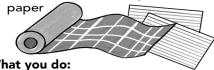
Do you like to golf? We golf every Friday morning! For more information, please call or text Roy Eynaud at 661/340-4521



Create a simple and meaningful prayer box your family can use to share requests and pray together all week long.

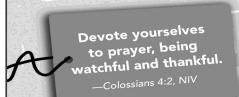
What you need:

- Shoebox with lid
- Wrapping paper or decorative paper
- Scissors & tape
- Markers or crayons
- Stickers and other craft material (optional)
- Pens or pencils
- Index cards or small pieces of



What you do:

- 1. Wrap the shoebox like a gift, wrapping the lid separately so it can be opened.
- 2. As a family, decorate the box with drawings, favorite Bible verses, photos, or stickers.
- 3. Place the box somewhere central, like the kitchen or living room.
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Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

-Colossians 4:2, NIV

From Knowing to Becoming

Get to know Jesus well because the more you know him, the more you'll love him. And the more you love him, the more you'll want to follow him. And the more you follow him, the more you'll become like him. And the more you become like him, the more you become yourself.

-Ned Erickson