



**Bethany Lutheran Outlook**  
**October 2016**

**Serving God, Community, and Individuals**



**“All night, all day, angels watching over me, my Lord.  
In the morning, when I rise, angels watching over me.”**



## PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

What does it mean when the majority of TV I watch these days tends to be reruns of shows like *Andy Griffith*, *Seinfeld*, *Everybody Loves Raymond*, and the *Big Bang* even though with all of them I've seen every episode multiple times? Part of what it means is that I'm getting old and am not part of the demographic that new shows are aimed at so I'm left with the old ones. It's also because, in my TV watching, I avoid the news these days because so much of it is just too depressing plus way too much of it is not news at all but the opinions of people whose opinions I can do without. I also watch much less sports than I once did. The games themselves are hard to watch broken up as they are by incessant commercials. Much of what passes for sports reporting has become an extension of the news, a police blotter telling us about the latest athlete to be in trouble with the law or more opinion on pressing issues like who is or isn't standing for the National Anthem and frankly, I don't care.

Thanks for letting me share *my opinion*.

Still, despite my cynicism about the state of television, every fall I hold out hope that there will be a new show I can get into and enjoy. One such show that sounded like it held promise this fall was *The Good Place* starring, among others, Ted Danson who starred in good old shows like *Cheers* and *Becker*. The show is about a young woman who has died and due to some mix up has arrived in the "good place" when in reality she should be in the "bad place."



I watched the first couple of episodes and didn't like it that much but I'll give it a chance. It seems like a show that a clergy person should at least be aware of. I'm sure that those who produce the show would tell you it's just meant to be funny and entertaining, it's not supposed to make any theological statements, but such a show can't help but raise some theological issues. The trouble is that so far it just perpetuates bad theology, in particular the view of God as the great scorekeeper in the sky, weighing the balance of the good you've done in your life vs. the bad you've done. For Lutherans though, and many other Christians as well, we would say that the cross of Jesus has turned off the scoreboard. That doesn't mean that what we do doesn't make a difference, it's just not what determines our ultimate destiny.

Despite my early disappointment, I haven't given up on *The Good Place* yet. Even with bad theology it could still wind up being a decent show, a pleasant diversion from all the bad news that's out there. I'm hoping though, that somehow it gets around to themes like grace and forgiveness. Without question, the scorekeeper theology presented so far is what many people believe, but it's grace and forgiveness they need to hear about and know about. A show like *The Good Place* has an opportunity to get those themes out there in an accessible way; let's see what they do with it.

Pastor Geier

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**Bethany Celebrates 146<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on** **Reformation Sun-**  
**day**



**ANNIVERSARY DINNER  
OCTOBER 30  
AFTER 10:30 WORSHIP SERVICE**

**Invite family and friends to celebrate with us.**

**Community and guests are welcome.**

**Proceeds from meal's goodwill offering will go to the  
Fortune Lake Scholarship Fund. Please be generous.**

**Anyone who is to find Christ must first find the church.  
How could anyone know where Christ is and what faith is in him  
unless he knew where his believers are?**

Martin Luther

## DAILY LECTIONARY



*The foundational premise of this set of daily readings is their relationship to the Sunday lectionary. The readings are chosen so that the days leading up to Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) prepare for the Sunday readings. The days flowing out from Sunday (Monday through Wednesday) reflect upon the Sunday readings.*

“The Bible is the cradle wherein Christ is laid.”  
—Martin Luther

### October 2016

1 Psalm 37:1-9                      Isaiah 7:1-9                      Matthew 20:29-34

#### 2 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4    Psalm 37:1-9    2 Timothy 1:1-14    Luke 17:5-10

3 Psalm 3	Habakkuk 1:5-17	James 1:2-11
4 Psalm 3	Habakkuk 2:5-11	1 John 5:1-5, 13-21
5 Psalm 3	Habakkuk 2:12-20	Mark 11:12-14, 20-24
6 Psalm 111	Leviticus 14:33-53	2 Timothy 1:13-18
7 Psalm 111	Numbers 4:34 - 5:4 2	Timothy 2:1-7
8 Psalm 111	Numbers 12:1-15	Luke 5:12-16

#### 9 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c    Psalm 111    2 Timothy 2:8-15    Luke 17:11-19

10 Psalm 61	2 Kings 5:15-19a	Acts 26:24-29
11 Psalm 61	2 Kings 5:19b-27	Ephesians 6:10-20
12 Psalm 61	2 Kings 15:1-7	Matthew 10:5-15
13 Psalm 121	Isaiah 54:11-17	Acts 17:22-34
14 Psalm 121	Genesis 31:43 - 32:2	2 Timothy 2:14-26
15 Psalm 121	Genesis 32:3-21	Mark 10:46-52

**16 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 121 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5 Luke 18:1-8

17 Psalm 57	1 Samuel 25:2-22	1 Corinthians 6:1-11
18 Psalm 57	1 Samuel 25:23-35	James 5:7-12
19 Psalm 57	1 Samuel 25:36-42	Luke 22:39-46
20 Psalm 84:1-7	Jeremiah 9:1-16	2 Timothy 3:1-9
21 Psalm 84:1-7	Jeremiah 9:17-26	2 Timothy 3:10-15
22 Psalm 84:1-7	Jeremiah 14:1-6	Luke 1:46-55

**23 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 Psalm 84:1-7 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

24 Psalm 84:8-12	1 Samuel 2:1-10	1 Peter 4:12-19
25 Psalm 84:8-12	Daniel 5:1-12	1 Peter 5:1-11
26 Psalm 84:8-12	Daniel 5:13-31	Matthew 21:28-32
27 Psalm 32:1-7	Proverbs 15:8-11, 24-33	2 Corinthians 1:1-11
28 Psalm 32:1-7	Job 22:21 - 23:17	2 Peter 1:1-11
29 Psalm 32:1-7	Isaiah 1:1-9	John 8:39-47

**30 Reformation Sunday (Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost)**

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 46 Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36

**31 Reformation Day**

The same readings used for Reformation Sunday

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 46 Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36



**Angels Among Us**

“When God wants to speak and deal with us,” said Martin Luther, “he does not avail himself of an angel but of parents, or the pastor, or of our neighbor.” Never underestimate how powerfully God can use you in the life of a child, a church member, a friend or a stranger.



The Hebrew word for *angel* also means “messenger.” *You* may be specially chosen to deliver to someone the message of God’s love or guidance. Listen intently for what God would have you share with others, then do so faithfully and caringly.

# Enjoy the Poetry of Hymns

## Safe in the Arms of Jesus

Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on His gentle breast,  
There by His love o'er shaded, sweetly my soul shall rest.  
Hark! 'tis the voice of angels, borne in a song to me,  
Over the fields of glory, over the jasper sea.

Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe from corroding care,  
Safe from the world's temptations, sin cannot harm me there.  
Free from the blight of sorrow, free from my doubts and fears;  
Only a few more trials, only a few more tears!

Jesus, my heart's dear Refuge, Jesus has died for me;  
Firm on the Rock of Ages, ever my trust will be.  
Here let me wait with patience, wait till the night is o'er;  
Wait till I see the morning break on the golden shore.

By Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915



### **Safe in the Arms of Jesus: The Story Behind the Hymn**

On March 5, 1858, Fanny Crosby, the blind hymnist and America's "Queen of Gospel songs," quietly married Alexander Van Alsteine. A year later, the couple suffered a tragedy that shook the deepest regions of Fanny's heart.

She gave birth of a child—no one knows if it was a boy or a girl. In later years, she never spoke about the child except to say in her oral biography, "God gave us a tender babe," and "soon the angels came down and took our infant up to God and His throne."

One of Fanny's relatives, Florence Paine, lived with the poet for six years and could never get her to talk about this. The child's death seemed to have devastated her, and she privately bore the sadness all her life.

Years later on April 30, 1868, musician Howard Doane knocked on the door of Fanny's apartment in Manhattan. "I have exactly forty minutes," he said, "before I must meet a train for Cincinnati. I have a tune for you. See if it says anything to you. Perhaps you can commit it to memory and then compose a poem to match it." He then hummed the tune.

Fanny clapped her hands and said, "Why, that says, 'Safe in the arms of Jesus!' " she retreated to the other room of her tiny apartment, knelt on the floor, and asked God to give her the words quickly. Within half an hour, she had composed the poem in her mind and dictated it to Doane, who dashed off to catch his train.

During her lifetime, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" was among the most widely sung of Fanny's hymns, and she considered it in a class by itself. She claimed it was written for the bereaved, especially for mothers who had lost children. Often when comforting a grief-stricken mother, she would say, "Remember, my dear, your darling cherub is safe in the arms of Jesus." Rev. John Hall of New York's Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church told Fanny that her hymn had given more "peace and satisfaction to mothers who have lost their children than any other hymn I have ever known."

It isn't hard to understand why.

From *Then Sings My soul: 150 of the World's Greatest Hymn Stories*  
by Robert J. Morgan



## *Worship and Music*



### A NEW ENCOUNTER WITH GOD

2016 marks the tenth anniversary year of the publication of “Evangelical Lutheran Worship” or as we call it, the “Cranberry” Hymnal. It hardly seems possible that we have been using it in our worship for that long. Our congregation has experienced the richness of its contents through new liturgies and hymns.

For Lutherans, worship stands at the center of our faith life. Through God’s word, water, bread and prayer we are nurtured in faith and sent out into the world every week. Bethany worships well! We understand that worship is about what God is doing and our response to God’s action. It is an encounter with God, who saves us through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We again are looking at a new liturgy to enhance our worship experience. We have chosen Setting 6 in the ELW hymnal. In the weeks ahead, look forward to hearing and learning this new setting. It is very singable and the choir will give you a lot of support learning it. As it becomes more familiar we encourage you to join the choir in singing. Through this new liturgy we will encounter a new experience with God each Sunday morning.

Bob Bucan



### **The Wonder of Worship**

How sweet the hour of praise and prayer,  
When our devotions blend,  
And on the wings of faith divine  
Our songs of joy ascend!  
—Fanny Crosby





### **Dear Members of Bethany Lutheran Church**

Thank you...Thank you...Thank you.

I want to say thank you for the wonderful send off I was given before heading back to Luther's campus in St. Paul. Your gift of one of Tim Johnston's communion kits was such a great surprise, and as I said, each time I am able to use it, I will think of you.

Your kind words, the cake, the food, the hugs and cards and gifts, have all been so appreciated! What a loving and caring congregation you are...

Thank you for an amazing year. I will keep you posted in the months ahead. Blessings to you all!

Love,  
Vicar Terry

### **Internship Postscript**

After I wrote what was to be my wrap-up Outlook article for the September issue, a couple more things happened during my internship that deserve thanks.

There are six people I want to thank for helping put together the Worship Tool Bags that are now available in the sanctuary. Our artists: **Abbi Bruhnke, Abby Koski, Morgan Rhoades, and Delaney Rhoades**. They did a fantastic job painting Christian symbols on to pieces of muslin that now colorfully decorate the outside of the bags. And a big thank you to **Gwen Bruhnke** who assisted with the fabric painting. We really needed two people to keep our artists supplied with clean brushes, clean water, and paper towels for spills! And finally, I want to give a special shout-out to **Barb Kinnunen** who donated the trimmed muslin pieces and stitched them on to the bags. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

I also want to thank **Kay Ryan and Mackenzie Ryan** for your willingness to work on the Bethany Calling Card suggested by **Bruce and Debbie Bussone**. I think this is a wonderful idea and look forward to seeing and hearing how it turns out!

It was a great internship year thanks to the help of so many people!



### **Dedication of New Stained Glass Window October 2, 2016**

Dan Argall and his newest stained glass creation of St. Michael were the subject of the front page story of the September 25th issue of The Mining Journal. The article, written by Lisa Bowers is reprinted with permission of The Mining Journal.

#### **Re-creating Tradition; Ishpeming Artisan Creates Window**

The invention of colored glass is thought to go back to the ancient Egyptians. Stained glass windows have been admired for their utility and beauty since ancient Rome, reaching their peak in Europe between 1150 and 1500 when windows were created for great cathedrals.

This art form, which has told stories for centuries all over the world, has been recognized and brought back to life by local artisan Dan Argall.

Argall recently designed, constructed and helped to install a larger-than-life depiction of the angel St. Michael at Bethany Lutheran Church in Ishpeming. Argall said he has been making and restoring stained glass windows for less than 10 years, but has either created or restored roughly a dozen of the stained glass windows at Bethany Lutheran, the St. Michael window being one of the largest.

"I'm fairly new at it," Argall said. "But I like it."

Argall said he learned his craft from the late Wolfgang Andel who taught courses at Wolfgang's Haus of Glass in Marquette.

"I was convinced to go to the classes by a couple of buddies of mine, and I think I was the only one who finished the class," Argall said.

Argall has been working on the latest piece since December 2014. The design for the window is unique from start to finish, with the horizon in the background taken from a picture of an Upper Peninsula sunrise. Argall said the design idea was a collaborative effort between Argall and Bethany Lutheran Church members.

"It was the combination of several different ideas," Argall said. "I think the lady that originally came up with the angel idea thought it would be a more feminine type of angel, but I think that will come later. There will be several more."

Argall said the window took him a little more than 2,500 hours to complete, and he was involved in every aspect of creating the piece except one.

"I am not a very good painter, so my daughter volunteered to paint the face for me," Argall said. "It's heat treated right onto the glass."

The new window, and a window of the same size created by Argall last year depicting the risen Jesus Christ were both paid for by donations from church members.

"Many generous donors made the projects possible," Argall said. "It would not have happened without them."

Ishpeming Historical Society President Sue Boback said she followed and photographed the window as Argall was working on it and was impressed with the final result.

"Last time I saw it, it was laying on his work space there. What a difference it is - seeing it standing up and life-size," Boback said.

The new window at Bethany Lutheran Church will be dedicated during worship on Oct. 2, Boback said.

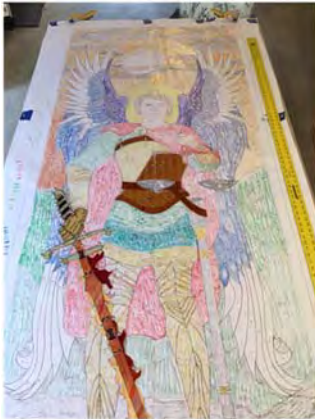
Boback, who has developed an interest in the history of the art form locally, said she has photographed the stained glass windows in the United Presbyterian Church, Bethany Lutheran Church, the Grace Episcopal Church, Ishpeming High School's Pearl Street entrance, and three or more private residences in Ishpeming.

Boback said the private residences have between one and eight stained glass windows, but their function is a bit of a mystery.

"People have shared since I started posting them that they wonder if having stained glass windows in the early days was a decoration or did it mean social status? I like that people are wondering, and looking for the windows," Boback said.

Pictures have been posted on the IAHS Facebook page, Boback said.

"If anyone wants to share their own photos, or allow us to photograph them, they should contact us through our (Facebook) page or [atishphistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:atishphistoricalsociety@gmail.com)," Boback said.



The St. Michael window was made of hundreds of pieces of stained glass. This window and the window of the resurrected Christ were in large part a gift from Ken Lawson in memory of his wife and son.



**"People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within."**

Elisabeth Kübler-Ross

## Who is St. Michael?

- Michael is called “Saint Michael the Archangel” or simply “Archangel Michael”.
- Archangel Michael is mentioned three times in the Book of Daniel, once as a “Great prince who stand up for the children of you people”.
- In Christian art, Archangel Michael may be depicted alone or with other angels such as Gabriel.
- In many artistic depictions, Archangel Michael is represented as an angelic warrior, fully armed with helmet, sword, and shield. The shield may bear the Latin inscription *Quis ut Deus* (Who is like God?). He may be standing over a serpent, dragon, or the defeated figure of Satan, whom he sometimes pierced with a lance.
- Archangel Michael is the patron saint of the sick and suffering.
- Archangel Michael is also the patron saint of police officers, paramedics, fire-fighters, and the military.



10th-century gold and enamel Byzantine icon of St Michael, in the treasury of the St Mark's Basilica



A 13th-century Byzantine icon from Saint Catherine's Monastery



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## Books for October 2016

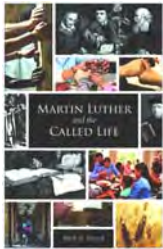
By Keenan Tunnell

### **Bethany is hosting a Reformation 500 Bookstore; pt. 2**

As the Church approaches the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation in 2017, we'll be offering a selection of titles at 50% off their list price and free delivery with our library being gifted with these same titles for hosting the Reformation 500 Bookstore. There are books at various reading levels and they will be available for your examination between Oct 12<sup>th</sup> and Oct 30<sup>th</sup>. You'll get more info as those dates get closer. Just to whet your appetite, here's a short introduction to a few of those titles, especially those relating to Lutheranism and contemporary concerns.

#### **Martine Luther and the Called Life. Tranvik, Mark D.**

One of the hallmarks of Luther's theology was its concern for daily life. In the midst of debates about justification and salvation, church authority, and the Lord's Supper, he bore a deep concern for daily Christian life.



Vocation, the called life, is a way of understanding that all of life is under the care and interest of God. All of our activities as a spouse, parent, child, worker, citizen, and church member are a part of a called life.

In this refreshing book, Mark D. Tranvik looks at the importance of vocation in Luther's own life and in doing so discovers renewed insights into this important doctrine.

#### **Together by Grace. Kleinhans, Kathryn A., ed.**

Courageous. Trailblazing. Diverse. Action-oriented. When people think of the various Christian churches, those words might not be ones they attach to the Lutherans—but they should be! Yes, they have roots in northern Europe, but the people called Lutherans offer liberating insights into Christian faith, encompass a worldwide reach, and tell a story that goes back 500 years while pointing to the future.



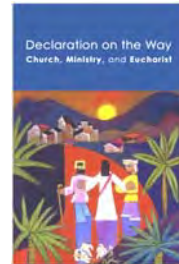
This volume takes us on a journey across the broad landscape of faith and time. Over two dozen gifted writers...paint a colorful map for this journey.

Newcomers will find intriguing entry points, and lifelong Lutherans will discover new dimensions. Whether it's a passion for a grace-filled theology, worship and music that lift spirits, or a deep concern for wholeness and justice, Lutherans are engaged in the world, alongside other Christians and those of various faiths.

**Declaration on the Way; Church, Ministry, and Eucharist. ELCA**

*Declaration on the Way* celebrates fifty years of international and regional Lutheran-Catholic dialogues and harvests the results of those efforts into Statements of Agreement on church, ministry, and eucharist. It invites both communions to affirm the unity achieved through these agreements and establish church practices that reflect this growth.

At the same time, this is a declaration “on the way.” Not all differences on church, ministry, and eucharist have been reconciled at this time. The *Declaration on the Way* task force offers some possible ways forward and encourages Catholics and Lutherans to continue their journey together toward unity.



**Bethany is having a**

**Bookstore!**

**Reformation 500**

The 500th anniversary of the Reformation is fast approaching! Do you want to learn more about Martin Luther, his writings, and their impact on Christianity? Do you want to reflect on the ongoing impact of the Reformation today? Stop by our Reformation 500 Bookstore to shop for engaging books on the Reformation for readers of all ages and interests! Save up to 50% plus receive free shipping on all Bookstore titles.

The Bookstore will be set up in the Fellowship Hall between Oct 12<sup>th</sup> and Oct 30<sup>th</sup>. It will be staffed before and after 10:30 worship each Sunday between those dates.

*Our Bookstore is sponsored by Augsburg Fortress,  
the publishing ministry of the ELCA.*



## Luther's Seal

*While a professor at Wittenberg, Luther devised this seal which he declared was meant to be "expressive of his theology." This explanation is the gist of a letter to his friend, Herr Spengler, town clerk of Nuremberg.*



"The first thing expressed in my seal is a cross, black, within the heart, to put me in mind that faith in Christ crucified saved us. 'For with the heart man believes unto righteousness.' Now, although the cross is black, mortified, and intended to cause pain, yet it does not change the color of the heart, does not destroy nature -- i.e., does not kill, but keeps alive. 'For the just shall live by faith,' -- by faith in the Savior.

But this heart is fixed upon the center of a white rose, to show that faith causes joy, consolation and peace. The rose is white, not red, because white is the ideal color of all angels and blessed spirits. This rose, moreover, is fixed in a sky-colored ground, to denote that such joy of faith in the spirit is but an earnest and beginning of heavenly joy to come, as anticipated and held by hope, though not yet revealed.

And around this ground base is a golden ring, to signify that such bliss in heaven is endless, and more precious than all joys and treasures, since gold is the best and most precious metal. Christ, our dear Lord, He will give grace unto eternal life.

Amen."

**"Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times."**

Martin Luther



## Living Lutheran — September 2016

### Cover Story:

- Report from the 2016 ELCA Churchwide Assembly in New Orleans; Voting members elect a new vice president; Grace gathering prepares for Reformation anniversary



### Features:

- 15 years later: 9/11 remembered
- The comfort of Hope
- Gathered at the garden
- The future is here: Examining the ELCA's widening clergy gap
- Sunday school shuffle: New materials to lift up Lutheranism, literacy in CAR and Cameroon

### Highly recommended:

- Sparkhouse Family

### Film Review:

- The BFG

### Media in Ministry:

- Go Social - evaluation of a variety of Bible apps.

### From Bishop Elizabeth A. Eaton



- How will people know?

Fellowship Hall Floor original 1962 Will patch asbestos floor and put down carpet squares which are replaceable if ruined.

Sanctuary original 1970 Carpet

Church Pews and Choir Chairs 1970 reupholster both



### **CROP Hunger Walk**

## **Annual Crop Walk—October 2**

Marquette County's annual Crop Walk for world hunger relief will take place on **Sunday, October 2, 2016**, rain or shine, beginning and ending at First Presbyterian Church, 120 North Front Street, Marquette. Registration for the walk begins at 1:30 P.M., and the walk itself starts at 2 P.M. The 5 kilometer route follows Front Street to Fair Ave, then turns towards the Lake and proceeds down Lake Shore Drive to Spring Street and back again to Front Street, ending at the church, where refreshments will be available.

Barb Lucas is the Crop Walk coordinator for Bethany, and any person or group who took an envelope to collect pledges should return them to her before the Walk. Pledges can also be made online. More information may be found at a [crophungerwal.org/marquettemi](http://crophungerwal.org/marquettemi).

FYI, here's some information about Crop Walks from the website. St. Vincent de Paul's and Salvation Army are the local groups that will benefit from funds collected.

### **About the CROP Hunger Walk and CWS**

CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by [Church World Service](http://ChurchWorldService) and organized by local congregations or groups to raise funds to end hunger at home and around the world.

### **Background**

With its inception in 1969, CROP Hunger Walks are "viewed by many as the granddaddy of charity walks," notes the [Los Angeles Times](http://LosAngelesTimes) (Oct. 26, 2009).

On October 17, 1969, a thousand people in Bismarck, ND, walked in what may have been the start of the hunger walks related to CROP – and raised \$25,000 to help stop hunger. As far as we know, York County, Penn., was the first walk officially called the CROP Walk for the Hungry – and that event has been continuous since 1970. Several other CROP Hunger Walks occurred soon thereafter, and before long there were hundreds of Walks each year in communities nationwide.

Currently, well over 2,000 communities across the U.S. join in more than 1,000 CROP Hunger Walks each year. More than five million CROP Hunger Walkers have participated in more than 36,000 CROP Hunger Walks in the last two decades alone.

### **What does CROP stand for?**

When CROP began in 1947 (under the wing of Church World Service, which was founded in 1946), CROP was an acronym for the Christian Rural Overseas Program. Its primary mission was to help Midwest farm families to share their grain with hungry neighbors in post-World War II Europe and Asia. Today, we've outgrown the acronym but we retain it as the historic name of the program.



### **Where do CROP Hunger Walk funds go?**

CROP Hunger Walks help to support the overall ministry of Church World Service, especially grassroots development efforts around the world. In addition, each local CROP Hunger Walk can choose to return up to 25 percent of the funds it raises to hunger-fighting programs in its own community.

CROP Hunger Walks help to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs. From seeds and tools to wells and water systems, the key is people working together to identify their own development priorities, their strengths and their needs - something CWS has learned through 70 years of working in partnership around the world.

**Feeding the**



**Hungry**

To allow the hungry to remain hungry would be blasphemy against God and one's neighbor, for what is nearest to God is precisely the need of one's neighbor. It is for the love of Christ, which belongs as much to the hungry as to myself, that I share my bread with them and that I share my dwelling with the homeless. If the hungry do not attain to faith, then the guilt falls on those who refused them bread. To provide the hungry with bread is to prepare the way for the coming of grace.

—Dietrich Bonhoeffer



**Come join us on October 1st for our  
20th Annual Fortune Lake Fall Fest!**



**Quilt & Fine Arts Auction**

**Viewing** begins at 9:00 am

**Tree House Dedication** is at 9:30 am

**Brunch** is from 10:00-11:00 am

**Auction** is at 11:00 am

**Other Highlights:**

**Country Market:** Selling homemade breads and pies

**Country Store:** Featuring smaller handcrafted items

**Kids activities**

Check out our Fortune Lake Fall Fest 2016! Facebook album for our auction items.

If you can't make it physically to our event, we will have proxy bidders available! We are still working on which items to include in our auction, so please stay tuned for when that's finalized. Shipping will be an additional cost if you do decide to proxy bid.

We look forward to seeing you here at Fortune Lake!



**Also coming up at Fortune Lake**



**REF FEST! JR HIGH RETREAT**

October 14 - 15, 2016

Journey through time as we explore Martin Luther, the Reformation, and what it means for us today



**UNFINISHED OBJECT (UFO) CRAFT  
RETREAT**

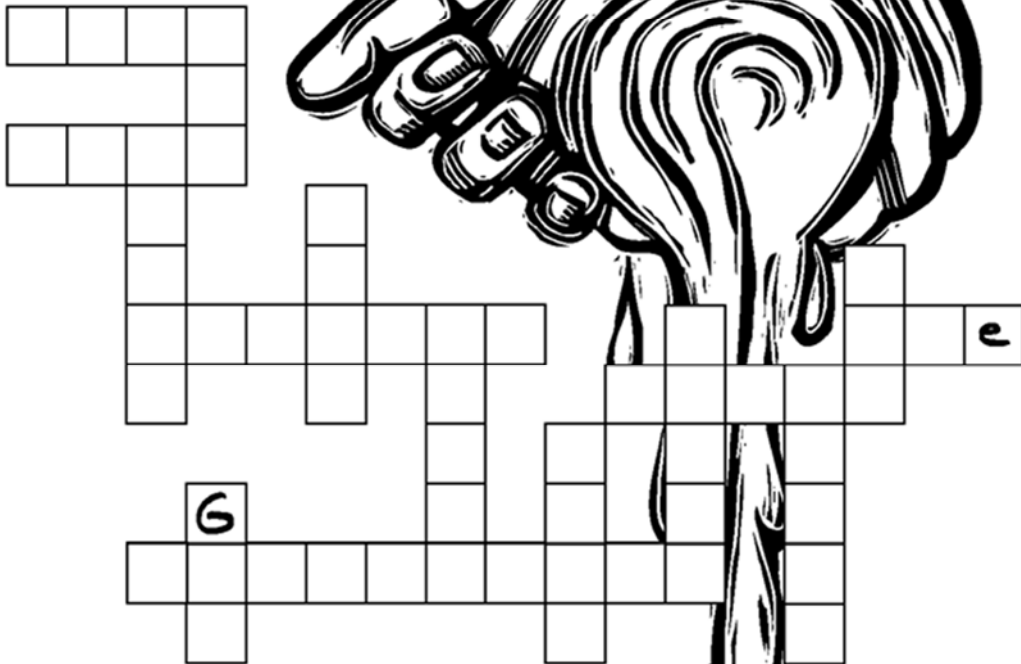
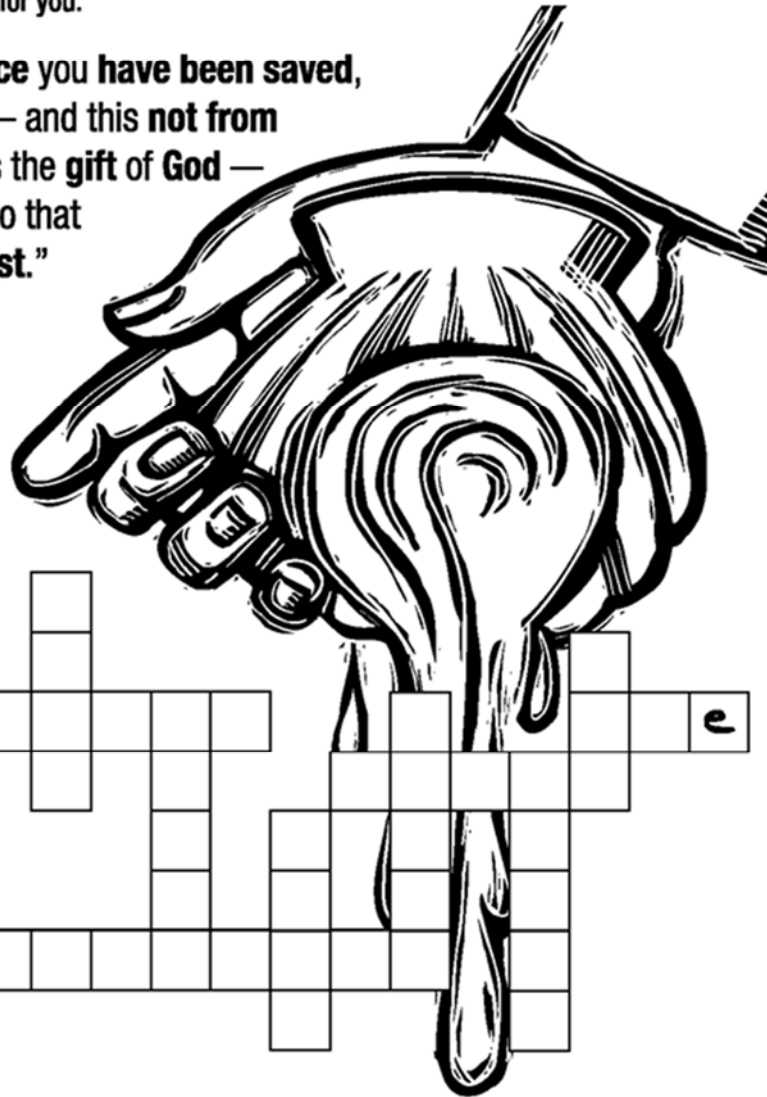
November 4 - 6, 2016

# THE GIFT

God has given us a gift that we can't work for or buy.  
Discover what this gift is by reading Ephesians 2:8-9, NIV.

Fit the words in bold into the word puzzle below. We've provided two letters for you.

"For it is by **grace** you **have been saved**,  
**through faith** — and this **not from**  
**yourselves**, it is the **gift of God** —  
**not by works**, so that  
no **one** can **boast**."





### **Benefit for Baby Grayson Johnson**

Please help with Baby Grayson's Heart Journey. Baby Grayson Johnson was born six weeks prematurely and diagnosed with critical Aortic Stenosis and Hyperplastic Left Heart Syndrome. Mom, Katelin Johnson, was diagnosed with HELLP Syndrome (a very serious illness with high blood pressure, low platelet counts, and elevated liver enzymes) and needed to have an emergency C-section, which most likely saved both of their lives.

Baby Grayson, born May 27, 2016, has been placed on a heart transplant list and continues his stay in intensive care at Mott's Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor. While Katelin has full time employment as an emergency medical dispatcher, personal and sick days have been expended.

Our mission is to raise funds to help support medical expenses for Grayson and Katelin, travel expenses so Katelin can spend as much time with Grayson as possible, and for monthly housing expenses.

A benefit will be held on **Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 4—7 pm at Wesley United Methodist Church in Ishpeming.** This benefit includes a meal, bake sale, bucket raffles, and a silent auction.

If you can donate something for the auction, contact Nicole Stille at 906-486-8136. Monetary donations can be sent to Grayson's Heart Journey, c/o Jenifer Rajala, 130 CO RD POJ, Ishpeming, MI 49849.



**The Memorial Committee would like to thank all those who gave memorials in the name of...**

**Donald Doney  
Ralph Goethe**



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Lutheran World  
Relief**



**Messengers of God**

In *Half Broke Horses*, Jeannette Walls tells how her grandmother Lily, at age 10, and Lily's younger siblings were bringing cows in for milking when the animals suddenly ran for high ground. Lily realized a flash flood was coming.

She directed her brother and sister to climb a tree, where they clung all night as water and wind slammed against them. Lily helped her siblings stay awake and hopeful. As dawn broke, the water subsided and the children waded home. Their mother prayed gratefully, telling them to thank their guardian angel. Young Lily protested that *she* had saved them all. But her father answered wisely, "Maybe the angel was you."

The Hebrew word for *angel* literally means messenger. Through words and deeds, we all can be God's angels for one another.



## Council Highlights— September



- Discussed replacement of the church sign
- Discussed the installation of automatic doors
- Discussed putting in water cooler in Fellowship Hall
- Getting estimates for roof replacement of the Sunday School roof (to be done in 2017)
- Dedication of new stained glass window is October 2.
- Insurance policies reviewed
- Pastor will be teaching Lay School class American Church History at Messiah during October.
- Book Fairs are coming up.
- Pastoral Acts: funeral for Don Doney (August 29) and funeral for Ralph Goethe (September 12)



"We never talk during halftime anymore!"



OUR CHURCH'S  
  
**FINANCES**

**YTD Income: \$128,831.11**

**YTD Expenses: \$131,195.84**

**(Jan.—Aug.)**





### **A Special Prayer for the Chartré Family**



Dear God, we pray for the Chartré family as they continue to deal with tragedy and questions regarding Steven and Ethan.. We know that complete answers may not be possible, but we pray that there might be some way to better understand what has happened. We ask that you surround this family with your love and help them to know and to feel the love and support of the church and the wider community. Provide them with strength to face the days ahead. Help them to know that you are the God who heals the brokenhearted, the God who brings new life out of death. Lord in your mercy.

Amen

### **Thank You from the Doney Family**

We would like to give a big thank you to Pastor Geier and Vicar Terry Frankenstein for their visits to our dad Don Doney both at home and at the nursing home. They did an awesome job with the funeral service.

We also appreciate everyone who sent a card or a memorial to the church for our dad.

A special thank you also goes to the kitchen crew, organist, secretary, janitor, Bob, and Gary.

Thank you Gary for the solo—you have a great voice.

Finally we would also like to give a special thanks to John Hansen who would take our dad to church and visit him on a regular basis.

Thank you,  
The Donald Doney Family



### Contact Information for Vicar Terry

If you would like to contact Terry or send words of encouragement during her last months of study, you can contact her...



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**The October Noisy Offering will be given to the  
Upper Peninsula Food Bank.**

**Thanks to everyone for your generosity!**



**Bethany's Website**

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## Keep In Your Prayers

Remember our home-bound and nursing home residents:

**Valente:** Doreen Brown, Marjorie Rosten, Jean Anderson, Jean Sandstrom

**Jacobetti:** Allen Maki, Bob Waters, Ned Johns, Pastor Bob Sutherland

**Mill Creek:** Joyce Lehto

**Teal Lake Senior Living Community:** Betty Geier, Jim Sodergren, Sr.

- The Chartre family as they face the loss of their son Steven and grandson Ethan
- Family and friends of Ralph Goethe who mourn his loss
- Cindy Warner
- Carol Holmgren
- Karen Mattson
- Barb Yunkari
- Kaye Frederickson
- Bob Kaukola
- Ted Swanson
- Loreth Johnson
- Judy Hogan
- Karmen Slown
- Brown family
- Mark
- Lois Goethe
- Ruthie Solberg
- Mark Ulrickson
- Doris Pellonpaa
- Carl Pellonpaa
- Robert Maki
- Zander Atkins
- Jim Bjorne
- Pastor Marcia Solberg
- Angie Kempainen
- June Forsberg
- Carol and Juan Papaleo and family
- Those in the military that they may remain safe



Contact **Linda Dahl** by phone, e-mail, or by dropping a note in the newsletter mailbox at church.

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## October Worship Assistants

### October 2

Assisting Minister - Tom Ryan  
Acolytes - Morgan Rhoades & Abbi Koski  
Altar - Carrie Goldsworthy  
Coffee Hosts - Quilters  
Flowers -  
Bread - Terra Frustaglio  
Nursery - Mackenzie Ryan

### October 9

Assisting Minister - Jackson Cardoni  
Acolytes - Abby Bruhnke & Garrett Frustaglio  
Altar - Debbie Cain  
Coffee Hosts - Social Ministry  
Flowers -  
Bread - Bob Bucan  
Nursery - Kayla Koski

### October 16

Assisting Minister - Gwen Bruhnke  
Acolytes - Ian Bivins & D. J. Bivins  
Altar - Sue Holmgren  
Coffee Hosts - Barb Lucas & Friends  
Flowers - In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Anderson,  
Norman and Arnold by Lorraine Haack  
Bread - Dan & Sharon Argall  
Nursery - Jackson Cardoni

### October 23

Assisting Minister - Tom Ryan  
Acolytes - Matthew Skewis & Kyra Holmgren  
Altar - Sue Holmgren's team  
Coffee Hosts - Property  
Flowers -  
Bread - Tonya Perry  
Nursery - Sabrina Brown

### October 30 Reformation Day

Assisting Minister - Brent Clark  
Acolytes - Blake Forbes & Jarin  
Johnson  
Altar - Sue Holmgren's team  
Coffee Hosts - Anniversary Dinner/  
Christian Ed  
Flowers - In memory of Dad by  
Colleen Sunblad  
Bread - Cheryl Frederickson  
Nursery - Hope Kaukola

### October Ushers:

Jaak Liivoja  
Mike Richards  
Tom Ryan  
Ted Swanson  
John Waters  
Tim Grant  
John Hansen



### November Ushers:

Bruce Bussone  
Tom Perry  
Jim Kinnunen  
Craig Kitchen  
Jerry Plaisier  
Knut Strom  
Roy Koski

*Thank You!*

*Happy Birthday!*

- 3 Kris Hough
- 3 Paul Sundberg
- 6 Kay Frederickson
- 6 Tori Nault
- 6 Patricia Suiste
- 6 Michael Toivonen
- 10 Ryan Lusardi
- 11 Bruce Bussone
- 12 Donald Meyer
- 14 LaVerne Koski
- 14 Paul Sandstrom
- 15 Griffin Argall
- 15 Penny Kipling
- 15 Wendy Koski
- 16 Jennifer Johnson
- 18 Greg Meyer
- 18 David Niemela
- 18 Matthew Waters
- 19 Bren Balzarini
- 19 Ryan Anderson
- 22 Kristen Rasmussen
- 22 Jean Sandstrom
- 23 Courtney Allen
- 24 Jessica Dobson
- 26 Robert Bucan
- 27 Michael Harrington
- 28 Jan Swanson
- 30 Sarah Velaria



*Happy Anniversary!*

**Marvin & Jan Swanson**  
10/7/1972 44 years

**Ken & Carol Carlson**  
10/8/1971 45 years

**Duane & Marlene King**  
10/13/1962 54 years

**Bob & Cindy Warner**  
10/13/1984 32 years

**Robbie & Susan Dobson**  
10/15/1988 28 years

**James & Wendy Penhale**  
10/15/1994 22 years

**Michael & Donna DuBord**  
10/24/1981 35 years

