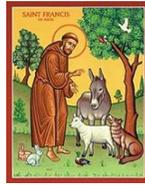


OUR MISSION:
In Christ we love & serve God and our community.

LOOKING AHEAD: BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Join us on **Sunday, October 6 at 10:30 a.m.** as we celebrate and bless the pets and animals in our life. Bring your pet on a leash, in a travel carrier or other appropriate method, considering it will be indoors around other animals. The blessing will happen at the very end of worship outside under the awning. If you are not able to bring your pet you can bring a **photograph** of them instead. We also bless stuffed animals. All, both animals and people, are welcome!



WALDORF ANNOUNCEMENT

After several months of research, discussion, and paperwork, Waldorf will not be using our Fireside Room for the expansion of their Kindergarten program. Based on the feedback they received from the city, they decided further investment of time and energy was not appropriate. Both Waldorf and Maple Leaf are open to future opportunities to work together. Many thanks to Susan, Steve, and Don for coordinating efforts with Waldorf and everyone else who contributed their time to evaluate the impact and possibilities within our Church.

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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2019

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY: COMING THIS FALL On a Sunday later this Fall (*on a date that works well for you*), we will be receiving new members during "New Member Sunday." If you like our mission and vision and would like to be a part of it, we'd love to have you join. If you are currently a member of another church you can join by transferring your membership to Maple Leaf. If you are not a member anywhere else, there are two ways to join. If you are not baptized, one way to join is to be baptized. If you have already been baptized, great! Any Christian baptism is sufficient. If you are already baptized you may join by "Affirmation of Faith." This simply means that you affirm your Christian faith publicly through the act of joining a church. If you are new to being a Christian or would just like additional instruction, please contact Pastor Julie. **Please let Pastor Julie know if you'd like to join.** If you have further questions please do not hesitate to ask. 524-2448 and mapleleafelcapastor@comcast.net

PASTOR JULIE IS BACK FROM SABBATICAL

Pastor Julie will return from her sabbatical on Tuesday, September 3rd, the day after Labor Day. We want to thank the three guest pastors we had over the summer, Pastor Martha Myers, Pastor Jan Nesse & Pastor Paul Hoffman, for being with us and leading us in worship. And Pastor Julie wants to once again thank the congregation for the time away to refresh and renew. You are a blessing to her!

PARENTS! SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK

Starting **September 15!** We'd love to see your kids each Sunday downstairs in the Sunday school room. We start at 9:30 am. Lessons and art will again be our focus with music coming, too. The Christmas pageant is right around the corner, you know!

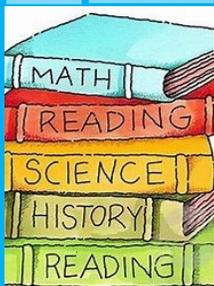


ADULT FORUM RESUMES - SEPT 15!

We are excited to begin a Survey of Church History beginning at AD 100 which is simply a video-lecture on important events that helped develop Christianity over the years. Please join us! Check our Facebook page for the latest updates and activities. Look for us at: [Facebook.com/groups/MLLCAdultForum](https://www.facebook.com/groups/MLLCAdultForum).

WORSHIP TIME: 10:30

During the summer we had worship at 9:30 AM. On Sunday, Sept. 8th we will move back to our regular worship time of 10:30 am, which we will keep for the whole school year. See you then.



ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

“BACK TO SCHOOL” BACKPACK BLESSING FOR KIDS

Mark your calendars now for Sunday, **September 8** for our annual Backpack Blessing for kids. That day there will be a special blessing of all school-aged children and their parents as part of our regular **10:30 am worship service**. Children are invited to bring along their school backpack for a special Backpack Blessing Event. During the service, children and parents will receive a special moment of prayer and blessing. Let's send our congregation's kids into the new school year assured of God's promises and our loving support! Be sure to join us and to include all of our young people in your prayers as they plan to go back to school.



CHILDREN'S SERMONS: RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

Are you interested and would you be willing to present a children's sermon to our kids during worship from time to time? We have many resources to help you plan and present including the assistance of Pastor Julie. If so, please let Dorothy at welsharcher@Live.com know and she will put you on a list to be contacted when the “Kids Time” schedule is being created.



CHOIR PRACTICE STARTS SEPTEMBER 5

Choir practices starts again on Thursdays beginning at 7:30 pm on September 5. **We welcome new members . Please join us!**



SCRIP SUNDAY SEPT 8 – SUPPORT MAPLE LEAF!

As summer winds down, life returns to schedules of work and school. Consider using Scrip for school supplies, clothing, home furnishings, books and groceries. Why not pick up a few scrip gift cards? Surprise friends and family with 'free' coffee cards! Stop by the Scrip table after service Sept 8 (usually the first Sunday of each month but Labor Day changes things!) It takes a bit of practice to make it a part of your monthly budgeting but it is worth it! MLLC receives between 2-16% of your purchase—at no cost to you! Using Scrip can make a big difference to MLLC. **If you want help or have any questions**, please talk to Susan T at the Scrip table after service. To see all the participating retailers, go to the MLLC website at www.reachoutchurch.org.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

SEPTEMBER	1	8	15	22	29
READER	Dody	Trayton	Bill W	Gloria	Steph O
COMM ASSTS	Paularose R & Lynne S	Paularose R & Sandy G	Lynne S & Catherine J	Catherine J& Sandy G	Terry V & Karen V
GREETER	Paularose R	Sandy G	Randy & Marijayne	Sandy G	Paularose R
USHERS	David & Sue L	TBD	Stephanie & Alex	TBD	TBD
ASST. MINISTER	Dorothy J	Emmeline	Paularose	Mike R	Randy G
ACOLYTES	TBD	TBD	Emmett O & Ally K	Nate O & TBD	Nate O & Ally K
ALTAR	Dorothy	Emeline	Susan	Randy	Kathy C
KIDS TIME	NA	NA	TBD	TBD	Karen V
DRIVER	Rob	Aaron	Bill	Trayton	Jim
ACCOMPANIST	Beiwen	Beiwen	Beiwen	Beiwen	Beiwen
MINISTER	Pr. Paul Hoffman	Pr. Julie Blum	Pr. Julie Blum	Pr. Julie Blum	Pr. Julie Blum
LITURGY	Setting 10	Setting 3	Setting 10	Heartland	Now the Feast

ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2019-2020

This year's Confirmation Class will begin in September (date yet to be determined.) We will continue with the students from Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, meeting one Sunday afternoon a month, alternating locations, sharing lunch and then having several hours of learning. We are also planning some service event for this year, one being helping with the Lake City Holiday Project. Please keep our eight Confirmation students in your prayers as they prepare to be confirmed in the Spring: ate, Emmett, Soren, Britt, Ally, Alex, Tessa & Coal.



MAPLE LEAF QUILTERS RESUME

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9!

Want to add some fun to your Monday morning? Join us from 9am-12am each Monday when we create beautiful quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Sewing skills are not necessary! There are plenty of non-sewing stations! Fabric needs to be cut; quilt tops need to be designed and sewn; finished tops need to be put together with fluffy batting and backing; the pinned quilts need to be sewn and then the quilt is tied with yarn to keep it together. And, at 11:30 we EAT! These Mission Quilts reach out to people and places that need them – God's Work Our Hands happens every Monday morning in our Community Hall. Please join us! Contact Mari-jayne Gossard for more information.



AMAZON SHOPPERS

Shopping Amazon by connecting to it through the website link, means MLLC receives additional rebates. The **AmazonSmile** Foundation donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of our choice. Or sign up at **AmazonSmile** and designate MLLC as your charitable organization. If you need help getting started, please call Susan T. Every little bit helps!

RALLY SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 8

Celebrate the start of fall and the new Sunday school year! Family Ministry and September Sharing Group will provide all the food. Come and enjoy games, face painting, water balloons and more! The celebration takes place right after 10:30 am worship. Sunday school begins September 15. Contact Darrick M if you have questions.



WORSHIP BULLETIN ON YOUR TABLET OR SMARTPHONE

Did you know you can bring your tablet or smartphone to worship, download the bulletin and use that instead of a hardcopy? Here I what you need to know: WIFI is MLLC-guest, Password is "lutherans". Go to our website ReachOutChurch.org, scroll down and click on Worship Bulletins. Click on the date you'd like. You will need to re- enter the password "lutherans". Once the file downloads to your device, simply open it and you're all set. Give it a try!

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (September 10) from 1:00-2:30 pm for unpaid family caregivers, their family and friends to: exchange practical information on caregiving problems and possible solutions; talk through challenges and ways of coping; share feelings, needs and concerns; and learn about resources available in the community. Contact the group facilitator, Maggie Pheasant, at 2016-841-8537 for more information.

The Origins of Labor Day*

The first observance of Labor Day is believed to have been a parade of 10,000 workers on Sept. 5, 1882, in New York City, organized by Peter J. McGuire, a Carpenters and Joiners Union secretary. By 1893, more than half the states were observing "Labor Day" on one day or another, and Congress passed a bill to establish a federal holiday in 1894. President Grover Cleveland signed the bill soon afterward, designating the first Monday in September as Labor Day.

Litany of Labor

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord of all creation, from who come life, work and purpose.

Almighty God, when you lovingly formed us out of the dust of the earth, you breathed into us the breath of life and gave us work and purpose for living.

C. You placed Adam in the garden of Eden to till and keep it.

L: Through our work, you make us co-creators with you, shaping the world in which we live.

C. You gave dignity to our labor by sending your Son to labor with us.

L. By our labor, the world is enriched.

C. By our labor, we enjoy the fruits of creation.

L. For providing varieties of work and for blessing us by our labor:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who plow the field; for farmers and farm workers, for those who work with their hands and those who move the earth, for all who provide food for others:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who tend the sick and those who seek new cures; for doctors and nurses, for scientists and technicians; for all who work to care for the sick:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who design and create; for inventors and explorers, for artists and musicians; for those who write books and those who entertain; for all who open windows on their world through art and music:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who work in offices and those who work in warehouses; for secretaries and receptionists, for stockers and bookkeepers; for those who market products and for those who move them; for all who serve others through administration:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who inspire our minds and those who motivate us; for teachers and preachers, for public servants and religious servants; those who help the poor and those who work with our children; for all who encourage us to learn:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those whose labor is tidiness and cleanliness; for janitors and sanitary workers, for drycleaners and maids; for those who produce cleaning products and those who use them; for all those who add beauty and cleanliness to your world:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who sail the waves and those who fly the skies; for captains and attendants, for astronauts and deep sea divers; for those who chart and those who navigate:

C. We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. For those who serve in the armed forces; for soldiers and airmen; sailors and marines; for all those who put themselves in harms way to protect others:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L. You bless us all with skills and gifts for labor.

C. You provide us opportunities to use them, for the benefit of others as well as ourselves and the growth of your Kingdom on earth.

L. Guard and protect those who labor in the world.

C. Bless the work of our hands, O Lord.

L. Send your special favor on the unemployed, the under-employed and the disabled, that they may find work that enriches their lives and provides for their families.

C. Give health to the sick, hope to the bereaved.

L. Keep us from laboring for ourselves alone.

C. Make us loving and responsible in all that we do. Amen.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Scrip Sunday 9:00 PM Nightly Shelter all month	2	3 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo	4 3:45 PM Pacifica	5 7:30 AM Grateful Bread Bible Study 11:00 AM Cler- gy Text Study 7:30 PM Choir Practice	6 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo 6:45 PM Se- attle Record- er Society	7 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo
8 9:00 AM Adult Forum 9:20 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	9 9:00 AM Quilters 5:15 PM Pacifica	10 1:00 PM Alz- heimer's As- soc. Caregiv- er Support Group 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo	11 3:45 PM Pacifica	12 7:30 AM Grateful Bread Bible Study 11:00 AM Cler- gy Text Study 7:30 PM Choir Practice	13 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo	14 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo
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SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:30 AM
 9 AM Adult Forum
 9:20 AM Sunday School

~FREE childcare is available~

Weekly Education
 7:30 AM Thursday Bible Study
Grateful Bread Bakery
 NE 70th St & 35th Ave NE



At Maple Leaf Lutheran Church, we rejoice in the diversity that enriches, nurtures and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. We welcome visitors and members of all backgrounds, races, gender identities and sexual orientations. We share Word, Baptism and Communion with all people. We believe that the Gospel is God's unconditional gift. To all — especially those who have ever felt excluded, alienated or left behind — we extend a heartfelt embrace. In the spirit of love and goodwill, we treasure one another's similarities and accept our differences as we strive to discover what it means to be reconciling in Christ. Come walk with us as we are transformed by God's path of grace and peace, truth and love. **To those who see what we say, come and see what we do.** — "For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another" — Romans 12:5

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