



The Messenger

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**Pastor's
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Love In The Sky

I have a feeling you had a tough summer. That's what I gather after observing many of the people around me. I have a hunch that your last several months have been more hectic than you had bargained for. If not, just play along with me here. It hurts to have an opportunity but blow it. To have a chance for a breather, but to come out feeling more ragged. But that's the neat thing about the Christian life. None of our screw-ups and disappointments accumulate. We may tally our own follies. Peers, schools, employers, creditors, banks, insurance companies, and courts may keep track. But God doesn't. In Jesus we always have a clean slate. The prophet Jeremiah was looking ahead to this only begotten Error Eraser. One happy day, Jeremiah must have woken up to a fresh whiff of dew-covered grass, gazed upwards, shaken his head in wonderment, and felt goosebumps, as he said,

“Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness” (Lam. 3:22-23).

The Son rose on a morning, to prove that our sins were down for the count and out. And now we have that early day sight to drive the point home. The sun in the morning is like a friend giving us a warm reprimand. It extends its rays to tap us on the retina – like a hand on the shoulder – as if to say. *“Stop looking back, you. Look ahead to what’s coming.”* Every time that golden yolk cracks open on the horizon to sizzle forth a new day, we remember. The darkness of our past has been extinguished by a bright-lit future of renewal and fulfillment in Jesus. And there's no escaping it. At night the moon too glows with comforting analogy. Next time you look out at that reflective rock, beaming constant among all the flickering stars, just think.

“Even when everything around me seems dark and bleak, small and shaky, the Lord’s crescent eye is watching over me and caring for me, with a steady diligence that never blinks.” Yes, that means he sees us when we sin. But he doesn't see our sin. Instead, as we repent, he sees a soft silhouette of a cross, followed by a Son rising. May that vision always lift us, too, as we vault into a brand new school year.

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Announcements

Sunday School Registration & Meeting

Sunday School Registration sheets (yellow) are in the narthex. We have started a new curriculum called Growing In Christ, which we are very excited about. We encourage all children of our congregation to sign up for Sunday School. The new curriculum will give the children who attend Christian Day School different lessons weekly than the ones they receive in school. We will be changing the start of Sunday School this year to 8:15 a.m. to give the teachers time to finish their lessons & projects. There will be a brief meeting with the Sunday School parents down in the Family Center on September 10th, the first day of Sunday School at 8:15 a.m.

Bible Class – Study of Revelation

On Sunday September 10th Bible Class will begin a study into the book of Revelation, making use of an interesting synod produced DVD packed with illustrations. Class will begin this year at 8:15 a.m. Please join us so we can shatter misconceptions and get to the heart of truth in this exciting book!

New Member Welcome Reception

The Trinity Fellowship Committee announces our New Member Welcome for September 24th. After the 9:30 service, the congregation is invited to attend an After Church Social. We will be serving Kringle, muffins, doughnuts, cookies, coffee, milk & orange juice. Come and join us in fellowship as we welcome our newest members. We hope to see you all there!!

Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale

The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale will be starting on September 10th at MLHS. This is a large group choir, including several area WELS churches from the surrounding area. It is a lot of fun & good Christian fellowship. If you are interested in joining please let call Alan Ross at 684-5833 or let Pastor know. Their practice schedule:

Sunday, September 10th & 17th at 7:00 P.M.

Sunday, October 8th & 22nd at 7:00 P.M.

Sunday, November 12th & 26th at 7:00 P.M.

Concerts are Sat Dec. 2 at 7:30 at St. Johns, Maribel,
and Sunday Dec 3rd at 4 & 7 at Bethany.

Family & Friends In The Military

We are gathering addresses again this year for our family members and friends who are in the military so we can send them Christmas Cards & Packages. Please also list where they are stationed, as different kinds of things would go into the packages of troops overseas vs. stateside! Thanks! Please e-mail, stick it in her mailbox, or call Anna Knutson with the address so she can update the list. Even if you gave names & addresses last year please resubmit them as this will allow us to know if the addresses have changed. Thanks!

*****Raise money for MLHS just by searching the Internet with GoodSearch -
www.goodsearch.com - powered by Yahoo!**

2006 Christian Life Resources National Convention

The 2006 Christian Life Resources National Convention will be held on Thursday – Saturday, October 26-28, 2006, at the Blue Harbor Resort, Sheboygan, WI. Here's a great family event that's informative, affordable, and fun! This unique event combines the powerful impact of great workshops on life and family issues, with special programs just for teens & children. Enjoy quality time together with our "Family Day" activities and experience the excitement of Blue Harbor's 43,000 Sq. Ft. indoor water park! Convention registration is only \$30.00 per person or \$60.00 per family for all 3 days! A special room rate of just \$119.00 per night (plus tax) is offered at the Blue Harbor Resort for this event which includes FREE water park passes for each hotel guest! For more information go to our website at www.ChristianLifeResources.com or call 1-800-729-9535

End-Of-Life Medical Ethics Conference

"Decisions at the End of Life" – A Medical Ethics Conference presented by Christian Life Resources will be held on Friday, October 27th, 2006, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at the Blue Harbor Resort, Sheboygan, WI. What is possible, what is legal, and what is ethical can have three different answers. Technology is able to take us to new levels and it promises wonderful breakthroughs. Yet, it also creates serious questions and holds the potential for moral and ethical dilemmas. This one-day conference will provide a Christian perspective on some of today's most challenging end-of-life issues, presented by nationally-recognized speakers. Registration fee is \$75.00 per person and includes lunch! *CME Credits pending.* For more information go to our website at www.ChristianLifeResources.com or call 1-800-729-9535.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ➤ Former Students & Parents: If you have any "old" MLHS choir or band music you've found at home or during a move, please return the pieces to MLHS as soon as possible as we are updating our cataloging system.
- ➤ The **MLHS Fifth Quarter** is back! Friday, Sept. 22nd, 9:00 p.m. (following the Lancers' Homecoming Football game. Alumni, Parents and Friends of MLHS are invited for the annual post-game Homecoming celebration at Time Out Sports Bar & Grill. Tickets available at MLHS.
- ➤ The 8th Annual MLHS Flag Football tournament is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23rd. \$12 per person. Anyone over age 18 is welcome to play. Sign-In at 7:30 a.m., draft for teams at 7:45, games start at 8:00 a.m. Call Paul Klunker at 682-9111 for more info.

UPCOMING EVENTS **PLEASE COME AND SEE THE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM YOUR CONGREGATION USING THEIR TALENTS!**

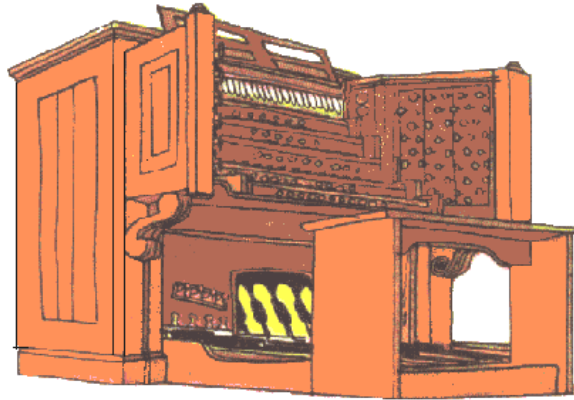
Thur 8/31 Cross Country vs Kiel (A) – 4:00 pm
Football vs. Hilbert (H) – Frosh @ 4:30 pm
Fri 9/1 Football vs. Hilbert (A) – Varsity @ 7:00 pm
Tue 9/5 Football vs. Brillion (H) – JV @ 4:30 pm
Volleyball vs. Howards Grove (A) – 6:00 pm
MLHS Board of Control Mtg – 6:30 pm
Thur 9/7 Football vs. Chilton (A) – Frosh @ 4:30 pm
Fri 9/8 Football vs. Chilton (H) – Varsity @ 7:00 pm
Sat 9/9 Cross Country @ Roncalli – 10:00 am
Volleyball: Varsity @ Algoma – 9:00 am;
JV @ West DePere – 9:30 am

Mon 9/11 Football vs. Reedsville (H) – JV @ 4:30 pm
Volleyball: JV @ Chilton – 5:30 pm
Frosh @ Reedsville – 5:30 pm
Tue 9/12 Cross Country @ Sheboygan – 4:15 pm
Wed 9/13 MLHS College Info Night – 7:00 pm
Thur 9/14 Football vs. Reedsville (H) – Frosh 4:30 pm
Fri 9/15 Football vs. Reedsville (A) – Varsity 7:00 pm
Sat 9/16 Cross Country @ St. Lawrence – 9:00 am
Volleyball @ Kettle Moraine Luth. – JV 9:00 am
Grade School Soccer Tournament @ MLHS

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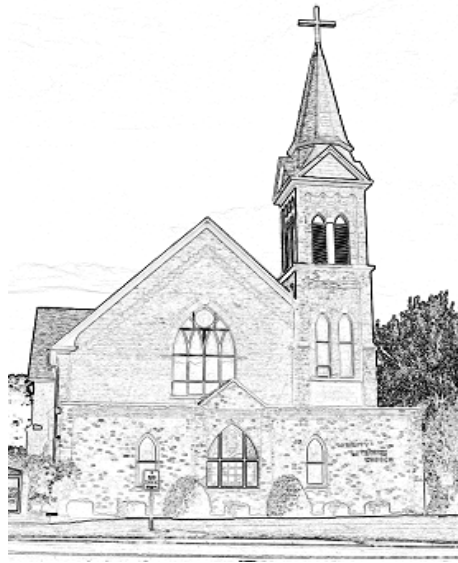
Visit our website at www.mlhslancers.com!

Organ Fund Update



The Worship Committee is working on a couple of ways to keep the members of Trinity informed on the progress of the organ renovation. In July, the voters decided to go with Chris Feiereisen's bid of \$34,000 to upgrade our organ. We must raise the entire amount of money to do so. Currently we have over \$22,000 and we have pledges of \$2,000. To raise the remaining money, we will have a fundraiser poster in the narthex to show where the congregation is at in reaching our goal of \$34,000. We will also be handing out organ fund envelopes for anyone who wishes to contribute to this worthy project.

Church Attendance for August



Saturday/Sunday = Total

<u>August</u> <u>2004</u>	<u>August</u> <u>2005</u>	<u>August</u> <u>2006</u>
Week 1: 57/86 = 143	Week 1: 33/94 = 127	Week 1: 32/140 = 172 <small>*VBS Kids sang</small>
Week 2: 28/105 = 133	Week 2: 28/116 = 144	Week 2: 28 / 121 = 149
Week 3: 34/101 = 135	Week 3: 34/83 = 117	Week 3: 54 / 90 = 144
Week 4: 37/139 = 176	Week 4: 42/102 = 144	Week 4: 31 / 101 = 131
Week 5: 24/105 = 129		
Monthly Total= 716	Monthly Total = 532	Monthly Total = 597
Monthly Average: 143	Monthly Average: 133	Monthly Average: 149

"God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."

John 4:24

***Monthly operating expenses needed \$15,405.00. Our August offerings total for these items were \$14,844.24; a \$561.00 shortfall.



A Happy Birthday and God's Blessings to...

*****9/1 Ralph Schultz**

9/2 Lynsay Smith

9/3 Matthew Fitzgerald

9/5 Myron Schreiber

9/6 Virginia Ratsch

9/7 Susan Krey

9/9 Donna Halverson

9/9 Bob Lietzau

9/13 Florence Bratz

9/13 Matthew Kaufmann

9/13 Andrew Krey

***** 9/13 Agnes Lawrence**

9/13 Harold Luebke

9/14 Grace Ott

9/16 Eileen Pleuss

*****9/17 Alice Schnell**

9/18 Gary Luckow

9/19 Justine Bushman

9/20 Fred Wehausen

9/21 Marilee Slater

9/24 Jane Bushman

9/25 Warren Lutze

9/27 Christopher Arnold

9/27 Rick Bratz

9/28 Jackie Kiesow

9/28 Steve Propson

9/30 Lois Glaeser

9/30 Wayne Otto

*****Our Members 80 Years Young or over...**

9/1 Ralph Schultz -87 Years Young!!

9/13 Agnes Lawrence – 88 Years Young!!

9/17 Alice Schnell – 85 Years Young!!



Happy Anniversary To...

9/1 Harold & Alice Schnell – 61 Years!

9/2 Damian & Jane Bushman – 28 Years!

9/3 Todd & Lisa Petersen – 12 Years!

9/4 Edward & Janet Matthias – 58 years!

9/5 Steve & Kim Fischer - 8 years!

9/5 Jay & Debbie Fitzgerald – 26 Years!

9/7 Eli & Betsy Kenneke – 15 Years!

9/9 Audrey & Rick Bratz – 11 Years!

9/10 Mike & Kim Mancheski – 18 Years!

9/20 John & Diane Smith – 31 Years!

9/23 Juel & Marie Knutson – 39 Years!

9/24 Vernon & Joan Jaeger – 40 Years!

9/24 Terry & Marilee Slater - 7 Years!

9/29 Paul & Tammie Nagel – 16 Years!

*If you have an August birthday or anniversary and it is not listed or is listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update your information. Thanks!



Date: _____ Ushers on Schedule: _____

- September 2nd Len Arnold, Peter Liermann
- September 3rd Al Bonfigt, Brian Glaeser, Earl Glaeser, Fritz Wehausen, Elwood Free
- September 9th Warren Lutze (Server), Mark Knutson (Server), Dean Luebke, Alex Kasten, Derrick Krey
- September 10th Gary Vetter (Server), David Schultz (Server), James Ott, Wayne Otto, Keith Petersen
- September 16th Harold Bratz, Juel Knutson
- September 17th John Smith, Dan Knutson, Bob Lietzau, Jesse Lietzau, Jeff Knutson
- September 23rd Len Arnold (Server), David Schultz (Server), Wayne Otto
- September 24th James Glaeser (Server), Brian Glaeser (Server), Larry Hochkammer, A.J. Kenneke, Eli Kenneke
- September 30th Warren Lutze, August Teesch
- October 1st Al Bonfigt, Earl Glaeser, Elwood Free, Dean Luebke, Alex Kasten

If you are unable to make your scheduled service, please call Brian Glaeser @ 775-3941.

Communion Liturgy: Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for you for the remission of your sins.

May this strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto life everlasting. Depart in peace; your sins are forgiven. Amen.

Altar Guild Schedule

Group 4: Marie Knutson, Darlene Kiesow, Marilyn Kaufmann, Grace Ott

Our Greeters For September



- September 3rd** Dan & Anna Knutson Family
- September 10th** Dean & Charlotte Luebke Family
- September 17th** Len & Sharon Arnold
- September 24th** Marty & Lisa Kiesow Family

Kids Corner



Bible Quiz – “IN THE BEGINNING”

1. This man killed his brother:
 - a. Jacob
 - b. David
 - c. Shem
 - d. Cain

2. This man lived 969 years:
 - a. Adam
 - b. Methuselah
 - c. Noah
 - d. Judah

3. These were the three sons of Noah:
 - a. Korah, Dathan, Abiram
 - b. Peter, James, John
 - c. Shem, Ham, Japheth
 - d. Joseph, Benjamin, Judah

4. The son born to Sarah when she was old:
 - a. Ishmael
 - b. Jacob
 - c. Haggai
 - d. Isaac

5. Jacob's favorite son:
 - a. Joseph
 - b. Judah
 - c. Levi
 - d. Reuben



Word Search



In The Beginning...

S	D	R	I	B	H	R	E	L	T
A	G	N	I	N	E	V	E	I	A
S	E	N	U	N	A	M	I	G	S
G	A	S	I	C	V	A	N	H	K
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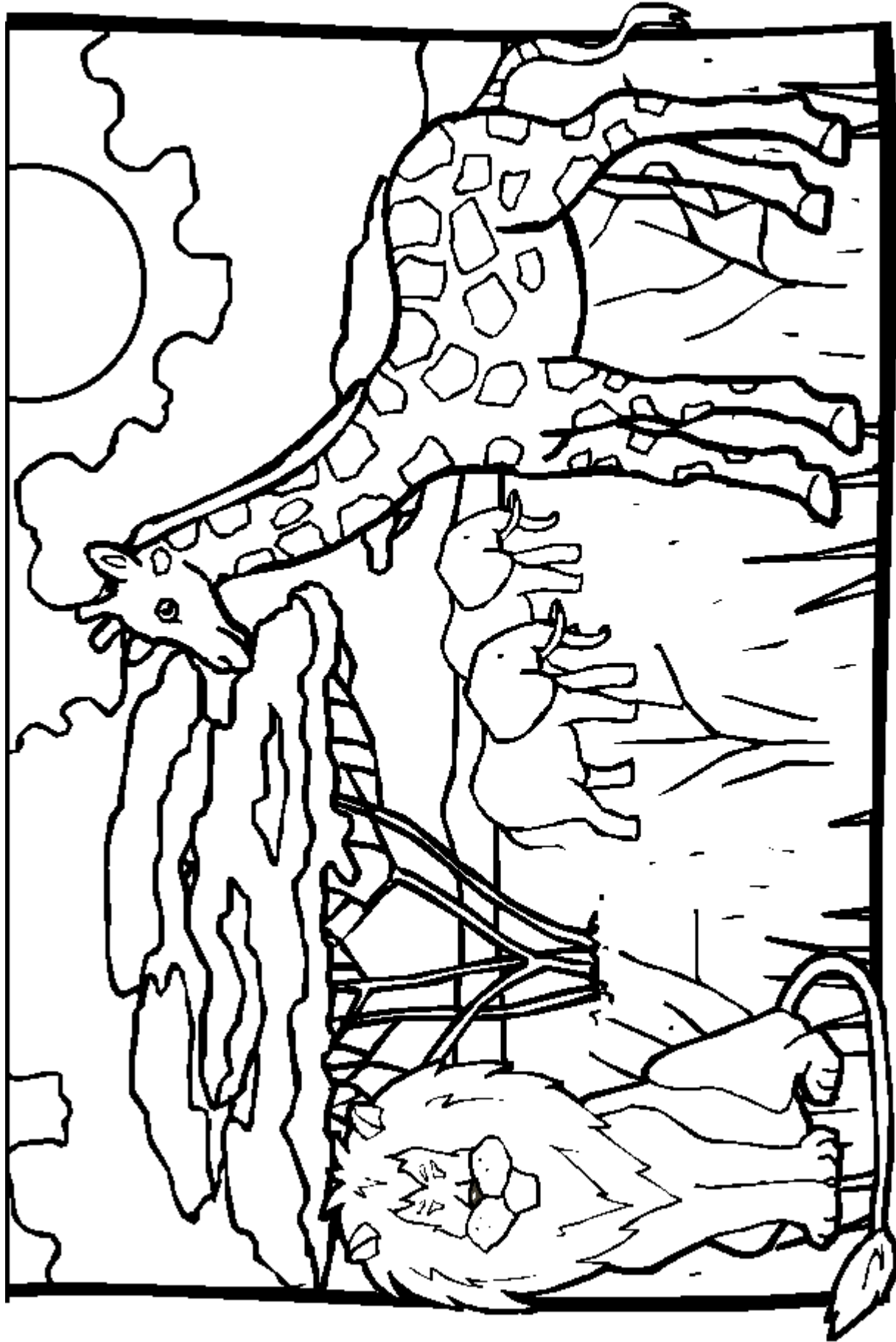
(UP / DOWN/ DIAGONAL / BACKWARDS)

1. Beginning
2. God
3. Created
4. Heavens

5. Earth
6. Light
7. Darkness
8. Sky

9. Evening
10. Morning
11. Plants
12. Stars

13. Seas
14. Birds
15. Man
16. Rest



Genesis 1:24-31 And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.