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The Epistle

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Pastor's Letter for September, 2018

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
Peace be with you!

It is an interesting phenomenon that the **9th month of the calendar year** brings with it a sense of *beginning*. One thinks of the end of November or the first of December as the beginning of the Church year and of course, January brings us the start of a whole New Year. But September by itself *awakens us to new things*: school starts, sporting events take a new hold on us, the change of season beckons us to new thoughts of fall and changing leaves, cooler days and nights, and the promise of harvest.

So, it is that we also *begin thinking about things that change* in our family of faith. *Pre school* begins and this year with a record number of children enrolled. It is a good time to stop and thank God for this arm of our ministry as the very young gather each day to learn about life, getting along, and hear the Biblical truths that will help them throughout their lives. I encourage you to pray for these young people and for our *Director Amber Woolsey* as she begins a new year and a journey that will bring its rewards and challenges.

September also brings us together for our annual *Beer and Brats Festival* which we will hold on September 29, 2018. Once again a strong group of leaders from our faith family have met and planned and will execute a great time of fellowship for our community. I encourage you to attend and support our 3rd annual *Beer and Brats Festival*.

We also look forward to the ushering in of another *Annual Meeting* in October which will mold and shape the ministry for the coming year. Your Congregation Council has already begun to think about the budget and how it is we fund the ministry we have begun., which brings me to this *stewardship thought*:

In recent months, we have seen and are now feeling a *decline in giving and attendance at worship*. Sometimes, when things are moving along well and there is a certain comfortable feeling about a congregation's ministry, we tend to sit back and think "All is well." We fail to do our part. There

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5 Servants Schedule



2-Cody Nielsen
 4-Austin Huntoon
 5-Anne Sheets
 6-Janik Buranosky
 Nancy Chintala
 RoxAnne Krute
 Kathrine Tressler
 7-Kevin Peterson
 10-Kelly Fowler
 11-Andrea Phipps
 Braiden Teeters
 12-Dustin Drew
 15-Andrea Fowler
 19-Nikola Tressler
 21-Emily Heikkila
 22-Jetlyn Thiessen
 25-Charles Uhler
 27-Jaiden Monger
 29-Chad Jolly



5-Christal / JJ Monger
 7-Glenda / Kevin Peterson
 12-Bobbie / Max Welton
 18-April / Dustin Drew
 22-Joan / Gary Mitchell
 Delia / Jim Ozburn
 31-Wendy / Jay Walp



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 birthday or anniversary has
 been missed.
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 Thank you.

is always a sense of urgency when a pastoral change is in the near future. But *now is not the time to relax and ponder the past, but to look forward to the days to come when new life and new ideas will once again ignite interest and commitment.* Therefore, I am asking that you set some time aside to pray about your stewardship of time, talent, and treasure. Think again about your attendance at worship. We are a family and family needs to join together in worship and praise. We are God's people and must respond in thanksgiving for all God has done for us in Christ Jesus.

I invite you to come and feast and be fed by the most nourishing Meal of all - - Christ's very own body and blood - - and listen to God's Holy and Life-giving Word.

As we look forward to the new beginnings that September brings, I am blessed to remain your shepherd and servant,

+Pastor Tim



Welcome to
 Preschool

Preschool is excited to begin the new school year with only one opening on Wednesday and Friday. We wish to thank everyone for all the support and donations given towards the preschool. Director Amber Woolsey will be posting a list of supplies needed for next month if you would like to make any donations.

August Baptismal Anniversaries

2-Barbara Armer
 12-Audrey Stoltzfus
 16-Clint Jolly
 17-Toby Monger
 19-Kelsey Jolly
 26-Darcy DrewWallace
 30-Andrea Fowler

September Baptismal Anniversaries

2-Everett Nastro
 12-Della Mussey



4-Julian Drew
 10-Bryce Johnson
 16-Kyle Bartling
 17-Deb Drew
 19-Ray Tukua
 22-Ciara Monger
 Gail Bagenstos
 24-Amy Larvie
 27-Troy Richter
 28-David Slothower
 29-Craig Nielsen
 30-Gregg Doan



3-Sheila / Alan Stahl
 4-Patty / Calvin Jolly
 18-Diana / Carl Strobel



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♪ In the summertime when the weather is hot
 Come to Calhan for a beer & a brat
 September Twenty Nine is fine
 So get bratwurst, So get bratwurst on your mind ♪

Saturday, September 29, 2018
 1:00 - 8:00 P.M.
 Brat & beer - \$10 (under 21 - \$8)

Pikes Peak Hospice Foundation

On behalf of Pikes Peak Hospice & Palliative Care, thank you for your recent donation in the amount of \$2,661.77. Please know we appreciate being a part of your Lenten series. Your level of support qualifies you for membership in the *Flo Carris & Susan Langstaff Founders' Society*.

Pikes Peak Hospice & Palliative Care is the only nonprofit, community-based hospice organization in El Paso County. Providing relief, comfort and control to more that 1,600 patients and families each year, we offer comprehensive hospice and palliative care in a variety of settings. Specialized services also include our own comprehensive grief counseling services for adults and children. Pikes Peak Hospice & Palliative Care has the only dedicated hospice acute care inpatient unit in El Paso County.

As Pikes Peak Hospice & Palliative Care begins its fourth decade of service, we reflect on the generous community support that has sustained us. And we look to the future with renewed commitment. On behalf of the patients and families we serve, thank you for caring.

SEPTEMBER

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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2 10am – Worship 15 th Sunday after Pentecost	3	4	5	6	7 7pm - Choir	8
9 10am – Worship 16 th Sunday after Pentecost	10 1pm - Bible Study	11	12 7pm - Choir	13	14	15
16 10am – Worship 17 th Sunday after Pentecost *Potluck	17 7pm-Adult Forum	18	19	20	21 7pm - Choir	22
23 10am – Worship 18 th Sunday after Pentecost 11:30am-Council Mtg.	24 1pm - Bible Study 7pm-Adult Forum	25	26 7pm - Choir	27	28	29 3 rd Annual Beer & Brats 1-pm
30 19 th Sunday after Pentecost 12pm-Quilting						

Tasks	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	Sept.16	Sept. 23	Sept. 30
Acolytes	Hunter Burch	Dale Drew	Dara Larvie	Ciara Monger	Hunter Burch
Altar Guild	Nancy Chintala Shirley Tukua	Nancy Chintala Shirley Tukua	Nancy Chintala Shirley Tukua	Pastor Tim Andrea Fowler	Pastor Tim Andrea Fowler
Asst. Minister	Nancy Rowles	David Slothower	Della Mussey	Gregg Doan	Jeanette Bartling
Cantors	Kelly Fowler	Carl & Diana Strobel	Stacie McCrary Darcy Wallace	Nancy Rowles Deb Drew	
Communion	Ginger Flynn	Deb Drew	Ginger Flynn		Anna May Hoffman
Council Member	Diana Strobel		Laurie White	Jeanette Bartling	Ginger Flynn
Hospitality	Ginger Flynn	Ginger Flynn Diana Strobel	Potluck	Bobbie Nastro	Anna May Hoffman
Lector	Della Mussey	Craig Bagenstos	Nancy Rowles	Gail Bagenstos	Jeanette Bartling
Offering Counter	Deb Drew Andrea Fowler	Kristi Heikkila Tammy Podpora	Della Mussey Elaine Walberg	Jeanette Bartling Sally Fosha	Council
Ushers	The Strobels	Gregg Doan Austin Strobel	Parker Burch Hunter Burch	The Bartlings	The Foshas

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St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church Mission Statement



We at St. Paul Lutheran welcome everyone, equip for discipleship, and send everyone out into the world to make a difference in Jesus' name.