

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TIM

"It's Luther Time!"

As we begin the month of October, we anticipate the coming of Reformation Sunday (the last Sunday of the month) when we celebrate our Lutheran heritage as a church. For it was on Halloween (All Saint's Eve) on Oct. 31st, 1517 when Martin Luther posted the Ninety-Five Theses on the door of the Church in Wittenberg, Germany that sparked the Protestant Reformation and the beginning of the Lutheran tradition.

Leading up to Reformation Sunday, we have other significant events happening.

On Saturday, Oct. 5th, at 11 am, we are having our annual Pet Blessing Service in the Memorial Garden. We always have this service on the Saturday closest to the Festival of St. Francis of Assisi. Even though Protestants don't glorify the Saints of the Roman Catholic Church, we still recognize that they were important people of faith and role models for all Christians. Francis of Assisi was a very radical Christian in the late 1100's and very early 1200's AD. He insisted that God's love is unconditional for all. He challenged the common perception that the nobility and upper class were more blessed and loved by God than mere peasants and the poorest of the poor. In fact, Francis took a vow of poverty even though he was born into a wealthy noble family in order to identify with God's love for the poor. And he wrote about God's love for all of creation, including the animals, the plants, the rocks, and the sun, moon, and stars. And we as Lutherans agree that God certainly loves all and has created all there is out of God's love.

In fact, Francis would have shared in Luther's faith that we are saved only by God's loving grace.

On Saturday, Oct. 12th, at 11 am, we will be giving thanks for the life of Mac Boone and committing him to God's eternal loving care.

And on Monday through Wednesday, Oct. 21st – 23rd, I will be attending the Bishop's Fall Gathering for all rostered leaders in the Grand Canyon Synod at Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center in Carefree, AZ. I will again be touching bases with the ministry of the larger church body that we are a part of.

Hopefully as you can see, the entire month of October is a celebration of our Lutheran heritage of our salvation by God's grace through faith in Christ Jesus because God loves us so much. And I pray that this celebration will reform, transform, and deepen your faith in Christ Jesus.

In Christ's loving peace,

Pastor Tim



Did you ever find yourself driving across the desert toward Bullhead on I 40 watching the gas gauge falling faster than expected? And you're starting to second guess the decision not to buy gas in Barstow. Then you crest the last hill and see Needles ahead. You have made it! That's like summertime in Bullhead. But now we have crested the last of the 100 degree days and see cooler days ahead.

That's the way the council watches the church finances during the summer months when attendance is lower and offerings are less. Last year we ran out of money, but this year it looks like we will make it through. The council thanks all who supported us during this slow season.

Finally, we thank Chad Lelm who has taken over the landscaping duties.



Grace Lutheran Church Kingman

They are celebrating their 60th anniversary on October 13 at their 9:00 am service. You are invited to share in the celebration. Includes church history, fellowship & food. For more information check the kiosk or call the office.



Food Pantry DESPERATELY Items Needed

Anything you can donate will be appreciated, especially cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, mac & cheese, ramen noodles, soup, and chili-type items and bottles of water. Please insure that the items have not passed their expiration date. We are not allowed to give out expired food.

As always, please place the items in the <u>food pantry room</u> not in the red wagon.

Stewardship of our work life

Celebrate the miracle of harvest

October is the traditional harvest month for the Northern Hemisphere. We delight that summer produce is still available even as the fall crops are arriving fresh from the farms. It's truly a miracle – one that we too often take for granted, just as we take our food supply for granted.

This fall, spend some time pondering and celebrating the wonder of the harvest and the creative forces that God put in place to make our abundant food supply possible. While celebrating harvest, learn about threats and concerns facing farmers in our age of climate change. Celebrating and learning are appropriate tasks we take on as stewards of our earth and humanity's food supply.

We rightly honor the farmers who diligently plant, cultivate and harvest our fruits and vegetables, but we remember that they don't create the plant life that bears produce. No, it's God who creates all life. Farmers do the important work of optimizing their growth by ensuring the good soil, water and nutrients that plants need, but God is the miracle maker.

We can also think of the miracle of seasons that provide the rhythm for spring's seedtime, summer's flourishing, fall's harvest and winter's rest. Seasons, of course, were created by God, who tilted the earth 23.5 degrees in its orbit around the sun.

This fall, as you enjoy fresh produce from your local farm stand or supermarket, meditate on the miracle of plants, seasons, harvest, and abundant food. Work to help ensure the supply of delicious, nutritious food for generations to come.

--Robert Blezard

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CHURCH CHOIR Notes

The Choir is off for the summer. At this time we are without a choir director for at least another year when Shawn may be available again. So, if you know someone who might be interested in being our director, let pastor or someone on the council know.





New Church Service Hours for Summer

The summer hours for church services is one service at 10:00 am until November 3rd when we will go back to 9 and 11 am services. Be sure to make a note of this.



Pastor's birthday potluck celebration

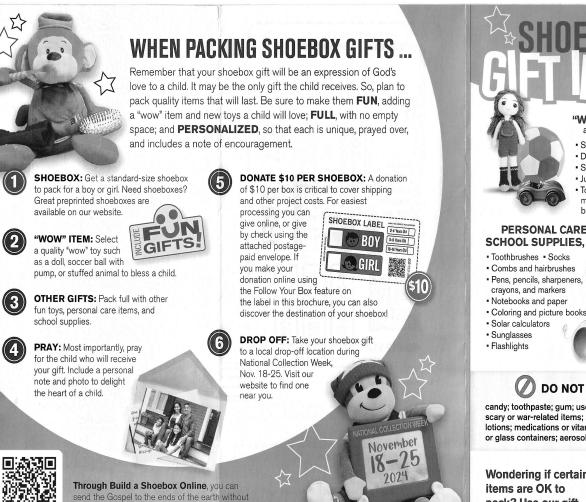




For more info on shoebox gifts, check the kiosk or the office.

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samaritanspurse.org/buildonline to get started.



"WOW" ITEM and TOYS

- Soccer ball with pump Dolls and stuffed animals
- · Shoes · Toy cars Jump ropes and yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES, and MORE!

- Toothbrushes
 Socks
- · Pens, pencils, sharpeners,
- crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper

DO NOT INCLUDE

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions: medications or vitamins: breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans

Wondering if certain items are OK to pack? Use our gift suggestions tool:





In Honor of

MACK EUGENE BOONE October 11, 1929 - April 21, 2023

"Beloved Husband, Father and Friend"

Memorial Service and Inurnment of Ashes

Saturday, 11 A.M. October 12, 2024 Community Lutheran Church 2275 Ricca Road Bullhead City, Arizona

A luncheon will follow at the church.

For RSVPs and details, contact Peggy: 928-727-4171, boone192939@gmail.com

"Lord, who shall stand in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart." Psaim 15

October

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 2 pm bible study	4	5 11:00 am Pet Blessing
6 10am Worship With communion	7 Office closed	8 9:30 Women's Bible study	9	10 2 pm bible study 6 pm Council meeting	11	12 11:00 am Mack Boone's Memorial
13 10am Worship With communion	14 Office closed	15	16	17 2 pm bible study	18	19
20 10am Worship With communion	21 Office closed Bishops fall gathering	22 Bishops fall gathering	23 Bishops fall gathering	24 2 pm bible study	25	26
27 10am Worship With communion Noisy offering Potluck	28 Office closed	29	30	31 2 pm bible study Halloween		

November

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion <i>All Saints</i>	4 Office closed	5	6	7 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study	8	9
10 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion	11 Office closed	12 9:30 Women's Group bible study		14 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study 6:00 pm council meeting	15	16
17 9:00 & 11:00 am worship service with communion	18 Office closed	19	20 Barons	21 2:00 pm Pastor's bible study	22	23
24 10:00 am worship service with communion <i>Noisy Offering</i> <i>Potluck</i>	25 Office closed	26		28 No Pastor's bible study Office Closed <i>Thanksgiving</i>	29	30

<u>Birthdays & Anniversaries</u>

October Birthdays

- 3—Alice Grondahl
- 4-Lois Meyer
- 4-Dick Olson
- 8-Murl Shaver
- 10—Pete Wold
- 17—Lynne Swiston
- 18—Ron Parrott
- 22—Carole Leuterdt
- 22—Ed Wiebe
- 23—Gary Cochran
- 23—Heatherlynn Trubey
- 25—Doug Dyrdahl
- 25—James Smock
- 28—Elfine Lemke





October Anniversaries

6—David & Susan Brusby (23) 17—Larry & Shirley Cutler (15)

20—Dick & Debbie Olson (51)

22—Lou & Bea Padilla (30)

<u>Mark your Calendars!</u>

<u>Next Women's Bible Study:</u> Next meeting will be October 8th at 9:30 am.

<u>Choir</u> No Choir Practice until further notice.

<u>Pastor's Bible Study</u> Thursdays at 2:00 pm

Worship Committee

<u>Pet Blessing</u> October 5th at 11:00 am.

Mack Boone Worship Service 11:00 am October 12th Followed by a luncheon

Bishop's Fall Gathering October 21st thru the 23rd

October 31st Halloween.



PRAYER REQUESTS We are here to pray for you!

Please continue to pray for all the persons whose names have been offered up by members and friends of the congregation. We pray for healing, comfort, guidance, strength, recovery, safe travel, and unrevealed needs, as well as for those with thankful hearts and for those who grieve.

Let us remember the ones God called home out of our midst, and keep their families and friends in our prayers.





If you know someone who would like to be included in the ongoing monthly prayer list, be it for prayer or thanksgiving, please let the office know!



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