



# Hope's Newsletter

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"To Know Christ And To Make Him Known"

## A Message From Pastor

"Here I stand. I can do no other. God help me." With these famous words, Martin Luther flatly refused to recant his recommendations to reform the Church.

He was taking a stand on key theological ideas and practices in the church of his day. In order to raise funds to build St Peter's Cathedral and other projects, the Church was selling indulgences, in other words, forgiveness.

Luther had been focusing on all his sins, of commission and omission. He spent hours and hours in the confessional, itemizing them. Finally, his confessor tired of spending so much time listening to Luther and his sins that he instructed him to read the Bible.

A few months of this and Luther discovered that the Church had no right to sell forgiveness, because it's a free gift from God, bought with Jesus' life and death on the cross. Forgiveness is not

for sale.

However, the Church resisted his efforts to raise awareness of this error in Church practices. They put him on trial, threatening to excommunicate him, and at one point tried to kill him.

In response, Luther stood up to the Church leaders, refusing to change his mind and his ministry. He was willing to risk all when it came to the Gospel and human salvation.

When have you believed in the Gospel so strongly, you were willing to risk your life for it? When have you believed in the Gospel so strongly you were willing to share it with someone else? Where do you stand?

In HOPE  
**Pastor Lynn**

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# Humor From the Files of Joan Layton

As a Sunday school teacher to a class of four-year-olds, we put on a skit in church about the lost sheep. After herding the "sheep" together and counting them, the shepherd put his hand to his brow looking for the last sheep. A child in the

congregation got excited and yelled, "He's behind the organ." This was not part of the skit. After the laughter, the child said he just wanted to tell the shepherd where to find the lost sheep.

## Reformation Day Luncheon

OCTOBER 27 AFTER THE 10AM WORSHIP SERVICE

donation would be appreciated. Clean up help would also be appreciated.

To celebrate the nailing of the 95 thesis on the church door in Wittenberg we will come together for a buffet of brats, sauerkraut and macaroni salad. Dessert

Contact Deacon Diane Kahler if interested in volunteering.

## Thank You From Pastor Lynn

- Mike Fonfara thanks everyone for the kind thoughts, well-wishes, prayers for good health, and many cards during his recent surgery and rehab.
- Thank you to Victor

Kahler for bringing to us the Red Cross training session for Hope as a secondary emergency shelter, one more way to serve the community.

<b>Council Officers &amp; Members</b>
President Vic Kahler <i>First Saturday Property Committee</i>
Vice President Russ Telfer <i>Memorial Committee</i>
Secretary Steve Northsea <i>Evangelism/Stewardship</i>
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Richard Regan <i>Endowment Property Committee</i>
Harold Skidmore <i>Finance</i>
Renate Wilms-Rovin <i>Acolytes Family Activities Greeters &amp; Guest Greeter Readers Ushers</i>
Financial Secretary Michel Northsea

## Members Who Are Homebound or Residing in Care Facilities

Johanna Barrett—Home  
 Ginny Cameron—Home  
 Sebastian D'Auria—Home  
 Joan Layton—Home

Dorothy Scianna—Crystal Gem Manor,  
 Crystal River  
 Karen Summers—Home

## Martha Circle

Four ladies met on September 4 and filled 50 shoeboxes towards our goal of 100.

Please join us for fun & social time in Luther Hall, classroom 3.

**Carole Warden**

We will meet again on October 2 at 1:00pm to finish our Shoebox Ministry.

## Dollars And Sense From The Treasurer's Desk

August 2013

<u>Date</u>	<u>Regular Offering</u>	<u>Communion Attendance</u>
August 4	3,363.00	52
August 11	1,311.00	48
August 18	1,107.00	53
August 25	2,082.00	58

Total Inflows: \$ 10,918.48  
 Total Outflows: \$ 13,774.20

The complete financial statement is in Luther Hall.

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## Operation Christmas Child

On September 14, Kelly Murphy and Carole Warden of Hope and Terry Lucente of Good Shepherd Lutheran churches attended the special Celebration Kickoff event sponsored by the Marion County Christmas Child shoebox ministry of Samaritan's Purse. It was held at the College Road Baptist Church Ocala.

They were entertained by a youth drama team who did a cute skit of some of the countries that received the boxes, listened to some of the incredible music by Darren Robinson of New St. John's Missionary church and by Jeff Roundtree.

Marlene Reuscher, Marion County co-coordinator, led the event.

Guest speakers were Jon and Julie Brigner of the area who had been on several missionary trips as well as delivered shoeboxes to children in Uganda. Last year most of our boxes

went to Uganda, so their talk was especially interesting because we had been a part of that ministry. We brought joy and Jesus to these hurting and need children.

The collection of our shoeboxes will be the week of November 18-25 and Carole Warden will be taking them to a drop off center in Crystal River that week.

Thanks again to all who help make this project a huge success here a Hope.



## Youth Leaders Needed

Two adults are needed to lead our youth activities. Our youth enjoy a variety of activities, service projects, trips to skating, paint ball, and whatever they plan together with their leaders. Hope has a policy of having two adults in classes and other activities when youth are present. If you are interested in working with Hope's youth, please

contact Pastor Lynn.

## Family Members in the Military

We remember & pray for those who protect our liberty by serving in the military.

Ginny Cameron's grandson:  
Tech Sergeant John Edward Werner

John & Margarita Chiappetta's son:  
Luis Jimenez

Janet Esworthy's nephew:  
Major Marc Orndorff

Joan Klotz's two grandsons:  
Brian Lucas and Kevin Lucas

Vivian Matthews' granddaughter:  
Capt. Kari Matthews

Edith Regan's daughter:  
Storekeeper Chief Phyllis Thomas

Please let the church office know of others we can add to this list.

## Piecemakers

HELP! We need new faces at our twice a month Piecemakers quilting meetings.

We have two ladies who do some sewing at home, but need more ladies who can sew.

We also need someone who can help set up the supplies and return them to the closet after the meetings. Can you tie a knot? Now these are two jobs that anyone can do...even if you think you are not handy with a needle, our ladies can show you how easy it is and there is the old fashioned fun of a "Quilting Bee" with lots of conversation. It is rewarding to know that these quilts warm others and bring our ministry around the world!

So come see what we are all about. We will be meeting in Luther Hall at 9:00am on the third and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Hope to see you OCTOBER 16 or OCTOBER 23.



## Introducing the CASE Partnership

### Introducing the CASE Partnership: Communities Against Senior Exploitation

Did you know that in 2010, fraudsters stole \$2.9 billion from individuals over the age of 65 through financial scams and exploitation? If you are retired or near retirement age, chances are you have been solicited or targeted for identity theft, telemarketing fraud, and door-to-door scams.

To combat the effects of these crimes, the Elder Consumer Protection Program at Stetson University College of Law is implementing a partnership with Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church. The Communities Against Senior Exploitation, or CASE Partnership, was developed to assist churches and faith communities in providing educational materials and resources to prevent financial crimes against the elderly.

Working closely with the leadership at Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, the program will host seminars and provide monthly fraud alerts in your newsletter and worship bulletin. By attending these seminars, you will learn about the most popular scams and consumer fraud, from Medicare fraud and identity theft, to unlicensed contractors and telemarketing scams. Plus, you will discover how to avoid these crimes and who you can contact if you become a victim.

Please plan to join us for our upcoming seminars. We are looking forward to a successful and productive partnership, and you can find more information on upcoming events through our church newsletter. In the meantime, Steve Northsea who is coordinating the program here at Hope has helpful brochures and handouts available at church, so see him after services on Sundays. Also, you can find helpful tips and news at the Elder Consumer Protection Program website by visiting [www.law.stetson.edu/elderconsumers](http://www.law.stetson.edu/elderconsumers).

## CASE Partnership: Fraud Alert for October

### **FRAUD ALERT!**

#### **Health Care Reform Scams**

Fraudsters tend to use current events in order to take advantage of their victims. The confusion surrounding the Affordable Care Act is fertile soil for scammers to sow deceit. The scams are getting worse as we move closer to October 1, 2013, the date on which Medicare open enrollment begins. Given the various reports and complaints that have been filed thus far, consumers should be aware and look out for the following signs of a health care related scam.

- ✚ **There is no card associated with health care reform.** Fraudsters tell their victims that they must sign up for a new Medicare card in order to qualify for benefits under the new health care program. The fraudster asks for the victim's social security number to verify their benefit record. Don't fall for this ploy. The new law will not disrupt your Medicare benefits, and you should never give your personal information to someone who has called you on the phone and out of the blue.
  
- ✚ **Beware scare tactics.** Anyone telling you that you need to buy insurance now or risk heavy penalties is lying. Fraudsters are threatening their victims with jail time if they do not purchase insurance right away. However, you will not be thrown in jail if you fail to purchase insurance. One other quick tip: anyone using the term "Obamacare" should raise red flags. The name of the law is the Affordable Care Act, and should not be referred to as Obamacare by a legitimate business or entity.
  
- ✚ **If you are unsure, hang up and call the authorities.** If you are unsure whether the all is legitimate, you should end the conversation and verify the information. Visit [Healthcare.gov](http://Healthcare.gov) for specific information on the new law and individual health plans.



**For more information or assistance, contact the Elder Consumer Protection Program:**

## New Early Worship Service

Beginning October 6, we will have worship at 8am and at 10am. The 9:30am service has simply moved 30 minutes later, and will be the familiar service with sung liturgy.

During the new early service we will speak the liturgy instead of singing it, and omit the hymns. The service should last 40-45 minutes, and work well for those with sports events, tee-off times, brunch plans, and so forth.

Over the next few weeks, we will work together to give a unique and special shape to the service, making it not second-rate, but simply different from the later service. For example:

Holy Communion will be served by intinction using the divided chalice, with wine and juice, and pita or wafers. We can make it more intimate by passing the bread and wine from person to person, each of us sharing Jesus' words: "this is my body, this is my blood."

We can worship outside occasionally on a beautiful morning, or around a table in Luther Hall so we can see each other's faces as we worship.

We will sit in the first few pews, to have a greater sense of community.

Because we are sitting close together, we can hold hands as we pray the Lord's Prayer together.

Deacons John and Diane will assist Pastor Lynn at first, though we welcome volunteers to be readers, assisting ministers, altar care givers, usher/greeters, and so forth. Sign up in the church office.

If we have a technical volunteer, we can add some music, perhaps gathering and sending songs, using videos from YouTube. This volunteer would set up a computer, video projector, screen, and speakers, or some other system, so we can sing along. A technical volunteer would also remove the equipment at the end of the service.

Some days, a soloist may show up to provide some special music, or we can play a cut from a CD.

Please come and see what we are doing at the early service. We will work together to make sure it is worshipful and a blessing for the week ahead.

## Round Robin

What's a ROUND ROBIN? It's a gathering for fun and fellowship in our homes. What a wonderful way to meet new people and visit with old friends! This round will begin in October and end in January. We meet in each other's homes and share the cooking. Each couple provides a salad, vegetable or dessert. The host couple for the dinner will provide the main course. We alternate homes and side dishes and have a good time.

Peggy Schade is the coordinator for the Round Robin dinners. If you have any questions or need information look

for her at church or call her at 897-4208.

**YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A COUPLE TO JOIN. SINGLES ARE ALSO WELCOME.**

A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex if interested in joining.

## Deacons Corner

It was with joy and anticipation that Deacon John and Deacon Diane along with Victor Kahler attended the installation of Rev. Robert Schaefer as the 4<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Florida-Bahamas Synod on August 31. The ceremony was held in St. Timothy Catholic Church in Lutz, Fl. The edifice was beautiful and large. The narthex was larger than our sanctuary at Hope. It was estimated that St. Timothy would hold 1200 worshipers at a time.

250 clergy and deacons processed into the Sanctuary wearing the color of day-red stoles. The presiding minister was Bishop Mark Hansen who also gave

the keynote address. Bishop Schafer also gave an address. Ah the music...a bell choir, a voice choir, violin, trumpet and even a rock band with drums. The music was glorious and joyful.

Although there were guest visitors from other dominations such as the Episcopal, Methodist, Catholic, Anglican, Baptist, United Church of Christ and Presbyterian we were one as we gathered around the communion table partaking the Holy meal. The bulletin regarding the installation is available on the secretary's desk.

## English Hand Bells

CAN YOU COUNT TO 4? YES-ONE TWO THREE FOUR. That's how easy it is to play English hand bells. Don't know how to read music? Not a problem! All notes are colored coded. DO YOU LIKE TO GIGGLE AND LAUGH? If you do you are a CANDIDATE for playing hand bells. WHY? Because not only is it fun it's also praise to God. Currently the group

is meeting on Tuesday at 2:30pm. Contact Deacon Diane at 465-4182.

## Did You ever Wonder....?

Did you ever wonder about the history of the song "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"? The words and music was written by Martin Luther, 1483-1546. The English translation was by Frederick H. Hedge, 1805-1890. It is based on Psalm 46:1, *God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.*

October 31, 1517 is perhaps the most important day in Protestant history. This was the day when Martin Luther, an Augustinian monk and a professor of theology, posted on the doors of the Cathedral of Wittenberg, German, his 95 theses (complaints) against the teachings and practices of the medieval Roman Church. With this event, the 16<sup>th</sup>

century Protestant Reformation was formally born.

The Protestant Reformation movement was built on three main tenets:

1. The re-establishment of the Scriptures
2. Clarifying the means of salvation.
3. The restoration of congregational singing.

While "A Mighty Fortress" was written and composed by Martin Luther, the date of the hymn cannot be fixed with any exact certainty. It is generally believed to have been written for the Diet of Speyer in 1529 when the term "protestant" was first used. The hymn became the great rallying cry of the Reformation.

## Martyr Moment

MARTIN LUTHER,  
Leader of the Reformation

- ♦ Was born in 1483-9 years before Columbus discovered America
- ♦ Studied LAW at age 21
- ♦ Became a PREIST at 23 and Doctor of Theology at 28
- ♦ Took a stand for REFORM at age 33
- ♦ Was EXCOMMUNICATED and became a fugitive at 38
- ♦ Translated the BIBLE into German at age 40
- ♦ Married Katharina von Bora, a former nun at 42. Had 6 children of their own and gave a home to 11 orphans.
- ♦ DIED at age 63-an internationally-admired leader.
- ♦ The basis of Luther's religious thought was the doctrine of JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH. SALVATION is not "earned" by works-it is a DEVINE GIFT OF GOD received through FAITH by the divine gift of the life, death and resurrection of JESUS CHRIST.

## Puppet Ministry

DO YOU HAVE IMAGINATION? IS THERE A BIT OF WHIMSY IN YOU? Puppets allow you to use that imagination and whimsy without being on stage (no stage fright). Jesus used stories to teach and we can use stories

to teach also. Prepared skits are available. Remember you are hidden but your talent is on stage. Need more information or are already able to volunteer? See Deacon John.

## Highlights From September 18 Council Meeting

A. A Luncheon will be held Reformation Sunday October 27th following the 10 AM service.

added to the Sunday Schedule. Options as to its setting are flexible and open to change.

B. A leader for the youth group is being sought.

D. A Pancake Breakfast and Elder Safety Presentation will be held at 9 AM on November 9, 2013.

C. An 8AM spoken Service will be

## Notes From The Council President's Desk

Deacon Diane Kahler, Deacon John Chiappetta, and I attended the Installation of the Reverend Robert Schaefer which was held in St, Timothy Catholic Church in Lutz, Florida. It was nice to see the Lutherans and Catholics together sharing the event. Reverend Schaefer was at our church assisting the call of Pastor Lynn and he is a wonderful person who works very hard for our church. I'm sure he will make a good Bishop.

Our grounds are being maintained OK even with all the grass cutting caused by the extra rain we have been having. Our driveway Lights were broken by

vandals and junk and garbage was put in our paper bin. I am looking for cameras for additional security at this time.

I would like to thank Renate Wilms-Rovin, Ron Cowan, Bob Adams, Jim Earl, Bill Kessel, Dick Regan, and Kelly Murphy for all their help in keeping our property maintained.

Vic Kahler  
Council President

## New Worship Schedule Beginning October 6

***NEW WORSHIP SCHEDULE*** beginning October 6:

8am Spoken Holy Communion Worship

9am Christian Education

10am Sung Holy Communion Worship

11:15am Refreshments

For those wishing for refreshments for the earlier service, the coffee pot is usually on by 8 every Sunday morning.

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## Red Cross Training

Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church has been designated as a second tier disaster accommodation by our Church Council and the Red Cross. This means if there is a local disaster such as a fire, chemical spill, hurricane or twister and a first tier accommodation is not available, victims will be housed and fed in Luther Hall.

Doug McCabe and Peg Muncie of the Red Cross in Lecanto trained Victor Kahler, Deacon Diane Kahler, Kelly Murphy, Dick Regan, Russ and Connie Telfer on September 21 with a 5 hour training session. While we hope this training is never needed it certainly makes sense to be prepared and it widens our concept of "who is my neighbor".

## Upcoming Events

DO YOU HAVE YOUR CALENDAR HANDY? I KNOW THAT OCTOBER IS JUST BARELY HERE BUT THINGS ARE GOING TO GET BUSY FOR THE LAST QUARTER OF THE YEAR!

October 27-Reformation luncheon after the 10 am worship service

November 3-All Saints Sunday

November 9-Pancake breakfast at 9am for the Elder Alert talk

November 20-Annual Surveillance Unit lunch 10-1pm

November 24-Thanksgiving Sunday

November 30-Put up the Christmas tree and decorations at 9:30am

December 1-Advent begins

December 3-Christians United at Hope 7pm

December 12-Noelle and the Greyhounds Christmas Doo Wop 7pm

December 24-Christmas Eve worship

## Critic's Corner

A place to talk about movies and books

### Movie Review

The movie "I AM" is from Hollywood comedy director Tom Shadyac (Ace Ventura: Pet Detective) who gets contemplative in this documentary after a road accident which finds him conversing with prominent philosophers and spiritual leaders about what ails our world and how we can improve it. Traveling the globe to conduct his in-depth interviews, Shadyac finds insights and inspiration from Archbishop Desmond Tutu, historian Howard Zinn, philosopher Noam Chomsky and other luminaries.

Rated NR 1 hour 17 minutes 2011

Recommended by Deacon John.  
Critiqued by Deacon Diane.

This is an interesting movie with lots of insight. Darwin found that there was cooperation within species with democracy and compassion. Because of our genes connections we are hard wired to a compassion response. We have been told that the brain regulates our emotions and thoughts but the heart gives more messages to the brain than the brain to the heart.

Want to know more? This film is available from Netflix. Well worth watching.

Deacon Diane

### Book Review

"These Stones Will Shout" by Mark Link, S.J. (220.9). A New Voice for the Old Testament. Archeologists are finding new evidence that the Bible is surprisingly accurate. Jesus said, Luke 19:40 "If my disciples keep silent, I tell you the stones themselves will shout".

Vivian Matthews

# Hope's Council Minutes from August 21, 2013

1. Call to Order by Victor Kahler, President at 7:00 PM

2. Roll Call - Steven Northsea, Secretary

President Victor Kahler (present)

Vice President Russ Telfer (present)

Secretary Steven Northsea (present)

Treasurer Deacon Diane Kahler (present)

Council Member Deacon John Chiappetta (present)

Council Member Aida Diaz (present)

Council Member Constance DeTuerk-Telfer (present)

Council Member Casey Gaylarido (present)

Council Member Vivian Matthews (present)

Council Member Dick Regan (present)

Council Member Harold Skidmore (present)

Council Member Renate Wilms-Rovin (not present)

Pastor Lynn Fonfara ((present))

3. Devotions - Due to time constraints and the length of our guest presentation, Council members will discuss their favorite Hymn or Scripture verse at the next meeting.

4. Guests - Michael Pierce, Esq., Program Administrator, Stetson University College of Law,

Elder Consumer Protection Program

The council participated in the CASE (Communities Against Senior Exploitation) Clergy and Community Leader Training. Through this program Hope will be providing services in the area of consumer fraud protection for our congregation. These services will include:

Distributing monthly Fraud Alerts.

Conducting Power Against Fraud seminars.

Providing handbooks and other materials to help older adults and their families avoid fraud and exploitation.

Providing victim assistance to help older adults with crime prevention, including support, information, and referral services.

Steve will coordinate this program here at Hope.

5. Adoption of the August 21 Agenda

A. Additions/Corrections - Removed sign update from Old Business (no new information)

B. Acceptance as amended was moved by Dick, seconded by Russ and passed unanimously.

6. Secretary Report

Report of the Secretary's July 17th Council meeting

A. Additions/Corrections - none

B. Acceptance was moved by Dick, seconded by Aida and passed unanimously.

7. Report of the Treasurer

A. Questions/Concerns - Cost of recent repairs due to lightening strike were explained. Insurance reimbursement less \$1000 deductible has been received and will appear in next month's report.

B. Acceptance was moved by Steve, seconded by Casey and passed unanimously.

8. Report of the Pastor (see attached report)

A. Questions and Concerns - Pastor Lynn reported that her husband Pastor Mike will be spending two to three weeks in rehab at Diamond Ridge following his knee surgery.

B. Any items needing Council approval - none

9. Reports of Church Committees by Council Liaisons

A. Christian Service

Evangelism/Stewardship (3rd Monday at 10:30 am) - Did not meet. Will meet in September

First Saturday - no report

Family Activities - Very successful pancake breakfast and presentation by Red Cross.

There will be a luncheon following the September 1 service to honor Jason who unfortunately has to leave us as choir director. We will be presenting more informational pancake breakfasts in future months including a seminar on consumer fraud and a presentation on preventing falls by Judy Thomason.

B. Christian Education (3rd Sunday)

Education - Confirmation classes will be on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 starting August 27th. Adult volunteers are needed to pair with Pastor on a rotational basis.

Hopefully there will be enough adult volunteers to have each serve one week per month. Pastor's Monday and Wednesday 10:00 am studies will start September 16th and 18th. Mondays are "Sunday Coming" Bible discussion and

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Wednesdays are "Wisdom Seekers" Bible studies.

Youth Ministry - See attached report

Adult Ministry - see education

### C. Christian Worship

Worship and Music (Quarterly) - see attached report

### D. Administration

Property - see attached report

Long Range Planning - no report

Finance - no report

Personnel - Jason has to resign due to his new job and we are advertising for a replacement. One interview is scheduled.

Memorial - no report

Endowment - nor report. Diane has received financial report as requested.

### 10. Old Business - None

### 11. New Business

A. Life Line Request (see attached letter) - Diane moved, Steve seconded and passed unanimously to decline this request from a for-profit organization.

B. Review Usher Training (see attached)

C. Sale of Room 5 Items (see attached) Diane moved, Casey seconded and passed unanimously to approve sale of old and unused Sunday School materials from room 5 by the Youth Group after Pastor and Deacon John cull out what they wish to retain for future use. If any congregation member would like to buy anything they will be given first choice. See Aida Diaz or Sue Hovis.

12. Consent Agenda - Russ moved, Steve seconded and the consent agenda passed unanimously.

A. Kelly Murphy requests four vacation days off for Tuesday thru Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Constance DeTuerk-Telfer has agreed to work for her.

B. Kerry Reed requests Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup> off for my personal day in the month of her birthday. Victor will cover for her.

### 13. Current Meeting Highlights for Newsletter and Bulletin

A. Hope will participate as A Communities Against Senior Exploitation partner. We will be distributing monthly fraud alerts and will hold a pancake breakfast at a too be announced date with Michael Pierce, Esq, Program Administrator of Stetson University College of Law Elder Consumer Protection Program presenting a Power Against Fraud workshop.

B. There will be a luncheon following the September 1st Service to honor Jason who due to work constraints will be leaving his position of Choir Director.

C. Confirmation classes will be on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 starting August 27th. Pastors Monday and Wednesday 10:00 am studies will start September 16th and 18th. Mondays are "Sunday Coming" Bible discussion and Wednesdays are "Wisdom Seekers" Bible studies.

D. Old and unused Sunday School materials from room 5 will be offered for sale by the Youth Group after Pastor and Deacon John cull out what they wish to retain for future use. If any congregation member would like to buy anything they will be given first choice. See Aida Diaz or Sue Hovis.

E. Victor presented an updated Usher Training Packet. The most important item for Congregation members is to know that in case the fire alarm sounds all must exit the Church through the Altar Doors. Luther Hall must also be evacuated. People are urged to not go to the parking lot as Fire Trucks will be on the front driveway and in the lot.

14. Devotions for the September 18, 2013 Meeting - Council members will discuss their favorite Hymn or Scripture verse

15. Adjournment and Prayer - Russ moved, John seconded and it passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:40

PM. Closing prayer and Lord's Prayer was led by Pastor Lynn.

## Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

Did you know that there are hundreds of options associated with your Social Security retirement benefits?

**Should you claim your benefits early?**

**Should you delay claiming for later?**

**When is the best time for your spouse to claim benefits?**

**Can you claim against your ex-spouse's work record?**

Join us on Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2013, at either 3:00 pm or 6:30 pm, at Dunnellon Public Library, 20804 W. Pennsylvania Ave, Dunnellon, FL, for a presentation to explore how to sort through the choices. Help ensure the decisions you make are ones you can live with—for the rest of your life.

Contact Shannon Adams (260-615-4018) or Peg Weston (352-586-2343) to RSVP. Open to the public. Seating is limited.

No products will be sold at this event.

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and its respective associates and employees have general knowledge of the Social Security tenets; however, they do not have the professional expertise for a complete discussion of the details of your specific situation. For additional information, contact your local Social Security Administration office.

For additional important disclosure information, please visit [Thrivent.com/disclosures](http://Thrivent.com/disclosures).

## Known Birthdays and Anniversaries in October

### Birthdays

- 1 Ron Cowan  
Jim Hovis
- 2 Steve Northsea
- 3 Ruth Moheit
- 10 Kay Schaller
- 11 Michael Penn
- 23 Jacob Penn
- 24 Helen Van Horn
- 26 Francine Richard  
Brenna Towne



- 31 Alice Doyle  
Eberhardt Rues

### Anniversaries

- 14 Luis & Aida Diaz (44)
- 18 Edith & Dick Regan (5)
- 27 Paul & Yvonne Popke (54)

# Those Assisting in Worship for October

### *Communion Assistants and Acolytes*

6—Dee Forsyth/Lynn Polack  
13—Deacon Diane Kahler/?  
20 (Casual Service)—Deacon John Chiappetta/Dee Forsyth  
27—Jackie Dean/Lynn Polack

### *Assisting Ministers*

6 - Deacon John Chiappetta  
13 - Steven Penn  
20—Anthony Diaz  
27 - Renate Wilms-Rovin

### *Altar Guild*

Margaret DeWalt  
Margarita Chiappetta  
Casey Gaylarido  
Deacon Diane Kahler

### *Guest Greeter*

Helen Van Horn

### *Nursery*

6—Janice Pitre  
13—Judy Thomason-Kasco  
20—TBA  
27—Ann Becwar

### *Greeters*

Anne & David Becwar

October 13: Pat Kessel & Janice Pitre

### *Lay Readers*

6—Jackie Dean  
13—Lee Pitre  
20—Bob Schade  
27—Deacon John Chiappetta

### *Ushers for the Month*

Manley Benmark  
Ron Cowan



# October 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30a YMCA SS (Strength) 9:30a YMCA SS (Yoga) 4:30p YMCA (Cardio Circuit) 5:15p YMCA (Pilates) 7:00p Confirmation Class	2 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 1:00p Art Group 1:00 p Martha Circle	3 8:30a YMCA SS (Strength) 9:30a YMCA SS (Yoga) 4:30p YMCA (Cardio Circuit) 5:15p YMCA (Pilates) 6:30p Cub Scouts 7:00p Choir Reh.	4	5
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