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FAITH-LILAC WAY

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Freed & RENEWED in Christ

500 YEARS OF GOD'S GRACE IN ACTION

In celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, Faith-Lilac Way will focus on three Reformation themes:

October 15: Grace Alone. Faith Alone. Word Alone.

October 22: Law & Gospel

October 29 Freed & Renewed in Christ. Grace in Action.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! CELEBRATE WITH US
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29**

Celebrate the promise of gifts planned for 2018,
our 75th Anniversary year. (See page 9.)

8:15am Celebrate Reformation Worship at 8:15am

9:15am Celebrate & Enjoy a Reformation Blessing Brunch

10:30am Celebrate Reformation worship with the
Brooklyn Big Band (See page 7.)



Brooklyn Big Band

FROM THE PASTOR



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Martin Luther did not want to start a new church. In fact, he was dedicated – as a monk and as a professor of faith and doctrine – to preserving and teaching the faith. But on his pilgrimage to Rome he saw that the sale of indulgences (coupons authorizing the forgiveness of sins) to the poor by priests and their salespeople were impoverishing the peasants and enriching the priests. Seeing this injustice, and believing that it was contrary to God’s will, Luther felt bound – by his faith in God rather than in human authority - to seek to reform his church to change this problem. He wrote 99 theses – or arguments – all urging reform on the sale of indulgences. But while it started with this one issue, Luther’s conscience-bound protest sparked a revolution and a re-formation of the church we call “the Reformation.”

This month we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. But the Reformation and the

need for re-forming hasn’t ended. The church – and the world around us – continues to change. In the process, we may yearn for “the good old days.” But, truth be told, there has never been a time in which the church – or any person or group -- has perfectly reflected God’s will and God’s way. Instead, we need to continually reflect on how we can best love God and love our neighbor as Jesus first loved us. After all – that is what Jesus commands us to do.

In what ways do we need to re-form today? How can we share the love of God in our ever-changing world? How can we love the neighbor/other/ out-cast? We will be pondering these questions this month as we seek to be ever re-forming and always being made new in Christ.



FROM THE INTERN PASTOR

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.
2 Corinthians 5:17

Fall is in the air. Can you feel it? And while January 1 is technically the “New Year,”

Fall always feels more like a new year to me. And what a Fall this will be!

During October, the spirit of Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation will be in the air as we celebrate its 500th Anniversary. On October 31, 1517, Luther famously nailed his 95 Theses onto the door of the Catholic Church. As a result, there are now countless Christian denominations around the world, each one with its own uniqueness and newness.

As we reminisce, an important question abounds: How is God leading us to reform today?

As a church, how are we innovating? How are we doing in terms of outreach? What is God calling you to do this year?

As a community, how are we serving our neighbors? Is there anything that we could be doing to better serve them? Do they know we’re here? Do they know they’re loved?

As an individual, what is the Holy Spirit doing inside you? What are you passionate about? What causes make you excited? How are you using your God-given gifts to glorify our Savior? Our God is in the business of creating and renewing. The Bible is the library of stories where people just like us, full of flaws and also full of grace and love, are used by God to do amazing things. Some were considered “good people” while others were “bad people.” The Bible shows us that, no matter what, we are loved, that we are a part of God’s plan, and that we are meant to be co-authors in God’s renewal.

So this Fall, YOU are invited to partake in the newness, in the renewal, in the Reformation. May this be a time where you are actively participating in it—here at Faith Lilac Way, in our surrounding neighborhoods and communities, and in your own daily lives.

Grace and Peace,
Intern Pastor Joe

YOUTH CORNER

WE ARE THE CHURCH

Youth are not only the future of the church, they're its present too. And it's a great time to be a young person at Faith-Lilac Way! With Confirmation starting up again and our Wednesday night Fun and Service Nights for both high school and middle school students finally here, be sure to get in on all the action this Fall. We'll see you Wednesday nights at 6:30. To parents, grandparents, and other adults: YOU ARE NEEDED TOO! Research shows that students who have at least five adults in their

lives who support them in their faith are much more likely to continue being involved in a church and in ministry once they are confirmed and after they graduate from high school. PLEASE continue to support, encourage, and invest in our students! For the latest updates, follow Faith-Lilac Way on Facebook and on Instagram (@faithlilacway). For students, Joe will also be running a messaging group through the GroupMe app. Contact Joe (intern@faithlilacway.org) for more info!



CONFIRMATION CLASSES AND YOUTH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNINGS

- Oct. 1:** ALL YOUTH LEAD Faith Formation @9:30; Worship @8:15/10:30
- Oct. 8:** Confirmation @9:30, AFFIRMATION of BAPTISM (10th Graders) @10:30
- Oct. 15:** Confirmation @9:30, Worship @8:15/10:30
- Oct. 22:** Confirmation @ 9:30, Worship @8:15/10:30
- Oct. 29:** Reformation Brunch! @9:30 Reformation Worship @8:15/10:30

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

- Oct. 4 (confirmands):** WILDFIRE Kickoff! Gather at Holy Nativity at 6:30 for Reformation Confirmation. Play Reformation games; Eat Reformation-era foods; Take your picture with Martin Luther! (And more!)
- Oct. 11 (confirmands):** meet for Class.
- Oct. 18 (all youth):** FUN Event. Details to come.
- Oct. 25 (all youth):** Service Event. Details to come.



**FAITH-LILAC WAY
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Sundays, 8:15am & 10:30am.
Holy Communion services
monthly on the first & third
Sundays.

Come join us!

EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES

Sundays at 9:15am



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**NOVEMBER BANNER
DEADLINE
OCTOBER 16**
office@faithlilacway.org

Faith-Lilac Way Lutheran Church is a community called to make disciples of Christ through
WORSHIP + SERVING + GIVING + PRAYING + LEARNING + ENCOURAGING + INVITING

LEARNING

SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION: 9:15AM IN THE LIBRARY

October 1: Reformation & Stewardship.

Explore historical questions such as: What was stewardship like before, during and after the Reformation? What happens to giving when people stopped buying indulgences? How does the church continue to reform in terms of how it looks at giving?

October 8: Reformation & Music. With Music Director Anne Ng and Pastor Pam explore Reformation music from Martin Luther's time to today. We will discuss and explore the changes that Martin Luther began and how church music has continued to reform and be made new.

October 15: Reformation Key Figures. Martin Luther wasn't the only one who had new ideas for what the Church should be. Come and join Intern Pastor Joe as we discuss the most important people of the Reformation and their effects on religion today.

October 22: Reformation Sites – Yesterday and Today. Is the church dead in Europe or is it Reforming? Explore the churches of Germany and Norway. What lessons (if any) do these churches have for ours?

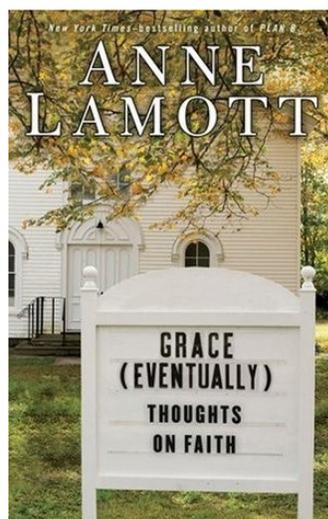
October 29 (Fellowship Hall): Reformation Blessing Brunch



OCTOBER SUGGESTIONS FROM FLW'S LIBRARY

Did you know that our FLW library has several DVDs? Here are just a few: **Bonhoeffer: Agent of Grace**, **Life of Pi**, **Bill Moyers: Amazing Grace**, and **42: The Jackie Robinson Story**. You will find them on the standing rack in our library. Borrow one and enjoy!

Featured books of the month on the rack just outside the office this month are: **The Poisonwood Bible** by Barbara Kingsolver. A family lead by a fierce evangelical preacher, along with his wife and four daughters, goes on a mission to the Belgian Congo in 1956. Everything he does is a disaster as his family suffers along with his ideas of "saving" the natives. Our Book Club highly recommends this novel.



Anne Lamott, unorthodox to many of us, has eye-opening ideas of faith and love we can learn from. Her book **Grace (Eventually): Thoughts on Faith** is full of truth and laughter.

Amazing Grace for Those Who Suffer by Jeff Cavins and Matthew Pinto is a book of ten life-changing stories of hope and healing. You'll be glad you read it!



SERVING

OUR LOCAL MISSION FOCUS FOR 2017: KIDPACK

Throughout 2017, FLW is partnering with other Wildfire congregations (First Lutheran, House of Hope, Holy Nativity and St. James) to support KidPack.

For the 2017-2018 school year, KidPack will partner with Sheridan Story, providing weekend food (i.e., a family meal) every week to kids who opt-in for 35 weeks at a cost of \$130 per child. This new partnership will provide more healthy food for the families who want it, hopefully reducing waste and



providing needed resources such as forms prepared in six languages. The Wildfire KidPack team will continue to work to provide funding for Kidpack in our local schools.

Service Opportunities Remain

Hands-on service at the Food Group (8501 54th Ave N, New Hope) will take place on **Tuesdays (4pm—6pm) on October 10, November 14 and December 12**. In addition, volunteers are needed to distribute the packs in the schools. Contact Deacon Kirsten Kessel at First Lutheran (763-537-4576 or deaconkkflcc@gmail.com) or talk to Dave or Linda Fernelius.



October 2017

Calendar is current as of **September 26**. Visit faithlilacway.org for up-to-date information.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 8:15am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15am Education Hour 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion 11:30 Internship Comm. (L) 12pm GSJ (110/CR) 12:30pm GSJ (S/L)	2 630pm GSJ (CR/110) 7pm Ladies Ensemble (S) 7pm BSA Troop 67 (FH)	3 10am contemplative prayer (S) 10:30am Book Club (L) 11:30am Free Produce Distribution (@Elim) 2pm Bible Study (@RW) 7pm W/ELCA Meeting (L) 7pm Gospel Rehearsal (S) 7pm Diggers Board (FH) 7pm GSJ Choir (CR)	4 6:00pm GSJ (CR/110) 6:15pm LifeGroups (L) 6:30pm WILDFIRE Confirmation (@HN) 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal (S)	5 10am worship (@North Ridge/St. Therese) 11:30am Staff Meeting (L) 6:30pm GSJ (CR/110)	6 10:30am Dinner At Your Door (@CCC)	7 9am - 2pm Used Craft Sale Event (FH)
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INVITING

STAMPING & SCRAPBOOKING INDOOR GARAGE SALE

FLW member Autumn Wiste is hosting a sale on **Saturday, October 7 (9am to 2pm)** here in FLW's Fellowship Hall. Sale items will include scrapbooks, paper, stickers, punches, ink, stamps, ribbon, accessories, storage. Contact Autumn with questions (612-280-1811). 

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Celebrate with **Joe Bahneman, Meredith Foster and Jessica Swanson** as they affirm their Baptism on **Sunday, October 8 at 10:30** Worship. 

JOIN JOE & THE LUNCH BUNCH

You're invited to join Intern Pastor Joe and the lunch bunch on **Wednesday, October 11** for lunch at the 50s Grill in Brooklyn Center. Sign up in the narthex. 



FIX-IT CLINICS HAVE KEPT 28,000 POUNDS OUT OF TRASH

Faith-Lilac Way will host a Hennepin County Fix-It Clinic on **Saturday, October 14 (noon to 4pm)**. Volunteers will provide free, guided assistance to help disassemble, troubleshoot and fix stuff; items will be accepted until 3:30pm. To date, Hennepin County has hosted 55 free clinics, teaching valuable repair skills, building community connections and reducing the number of repairable objects thrown in the trash. Since 2012, Fix-it Clinic volunteers have helped Hennepin County residents fix 3,901 items. For more information, visit hennepin.us/fixitclinic online. 



Discovering Peace Transforming Our Lives Through Stories

PEACE CONFERENCE

Registration is open for "Discovering Peace: Transforming Our Lives Through Stories" taking place **October 13 and 14** hosted by Zion Lutheran Church (1601 4th Avenue South, Anoka). This conference aims to provide opportunities to listen in-person to the stories of a wide variety of individuals about how they and their families have been affected by situations including: domestic violence, addiction, homeless youth, race, class and cultural boundaries, Alzheimer's Disease and dementia. Learn about using prayer as a tool for peace and working within diverse groups of people on common goals. For conference schedule, speaker bios or to register (\$30), find information in the FLW narthex, email discoveringpeaceconference@gmail.com or visit zionanoka.org. 

METRO-WIDE REFORMATION CELEBRATION

ELCA Churchwide Bishop Elizabeth Eaton brings a new word of Reformation on Saturday afternoon, **October 28** at Central Lutheran (downtown Minneapolis). Watch for a carpool sign-up sheet in the narthex. 

MN6000 6K WALK/RUN FOR HOMELESS YOUTH

Every night in Minnesota, 6000 youth experience homelessness. All ages are welcome to run or walk the Minnesota 6000 6K to support Avenues for Homeless Youth, a local nonprofit that helps youth move from surviving the streets to thriving young adults. For every three who register, Avenues is able to support one youth for a night. Registrants can walk or run the 6K, which will take place **Saturday, November 4 at 9:30am** at Elm Creek Park Reserve. Register before October 28: Individuals: \$35; Families of three or more: \$90. After October 28: Individuals: \$45 Families of three or more: \$105. Find more information and register online at tinyurl.com/FLW-MN6k17 or contact Avenues at 612-844-2005. 

INVITING



LIFEGROUPS@FLW

What are LifeGroups? A LifeGroup is a small group of people - you and other adults - who watch a short video on a faith/life topic; have meaningful conversation and build community. (Videos pre-selected)

When: Wednesday Nights at 6:15pm or... (see below)

Why: To Grow in Faith - People need community. This is an opportunity for Christian community - safe, honest, non-judgmental and supportive.

Interested in participating? in hosting (starting the movie!)? Interested but would like a different time or day?

Questions? Please see Pastor Pam for more information. 

WORSHIP WITH THE BROOKLYN BIG BAND!

Join us in welcoming the Brooklyn Big Band (BBB) to Faith-Lilac Way for Reformation **Sunday, October 29.** The band will play for the 10:30 worship service plus an encore "set" following worship. The 18-piece BBB was founded in 2006 by Brooklyn United Methodist Church music director Michael Anderson and North Hennepin Community College Jazz Ensemble Director David Mantini. Originally formed to play big band jazz arrangements of Christian hymn tunes for services, the BBB has expanded to classic, standard and modern jazz music. Find a sample Christmas performance on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=szJ4UmMzgVM) (youtube.com/watch?v=szJ4UmMzgVM)! 



FLW'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
OCTOBER 13-14, 2018!

HELP WANTED

SUNDAY MORNING PAID NURSERY ATTENDANT POSITION AVAILABLE

For the past few years we have had a paid nursery attendant to manage our nursery aided by a volunteer. The position is now open (Janeen Burow has decided not to return). Please see Pastor Pam for more information or if you know of a person that you would like to recommend. 

SEEKING VINTAGE PHOTOS

The 75th Anniversary Committee is looking for "old" church photos. Send digital images to Heather in the church office (office@faithlilacway.org). We can scan and return them if hard copy. Mark photos with your name and for 75th use. 

Thank you!

THANK YOU

THANK YOU FROM NORTH-SUBURBAN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RESPONSE (NEAR)

For one week prior to the start of the 2017-18 school year, NEAR distributed School Supplies to 288 students, grades K to 12. Each student received a backpack and items on their grade-level supply list. Over the summer, 493 school boxes of additional food (16,075 pounds) were given to families with school age children to help with lunches during the day. 

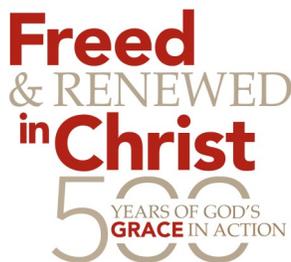
PRAYING

COME HOLY SPIRIT

... and put your healing hand upon those in need of your care. Comfort those who are suffering from on-going illnesses or are hospitalized including **Al Anderson, Beverly Evans, Brad Hesslund, Marilyn Stalheim, Ruth Kuder, Margaret Pendzimas, Louise Kranz, Jacqueline Butkowski, Betty Greenly, Elizabeth Maxon, Liz Vierzba, Valerie Wietzke** and for those who are at a care facility or assisted living: **Bob Borg, George Bork, Bob Fernelius, Beverly Halbrooks, Bee Loechler, Herb Scheelk**. Let your Holy Spirit be present with these and all for whom we pray. In Jesus' name. Amen. 

A REFORMATION PRAYER

Jesus Christ, Lord of the church, send your Holy Spirit! Illuminate our hearts and heal our memories. O Holy Spirit: help us to rejoice in the gifts that have come to the Church through the Reformation, prepare us to repent for the dividing walls that we, and our forebears, have built, and equip us for common witness and service in the world. Amen. 



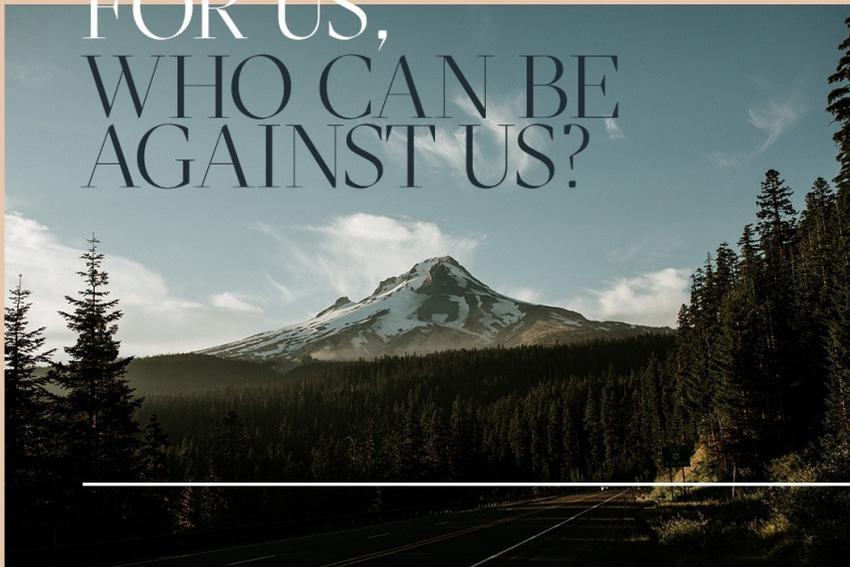
Prayer: *From Conflict to Communion: Lutheran-Catholic Common Commemoration of the Reformation in 2017*

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Pray for, call, email, send a note to these members as they celebrate their birthdays this month. Call the office (763.537.4523) with additions or corrections to our list. Thank you.

- 2nd Donna Helder, Marjorie Lane, Grace Stobbs
- 4th Linda St. John
- 5th Joseph Bahneman
- 7th Preston Stevens
- 8th Evan Shallcross
- 9th Daniel Shaw
- 10th Tim Brausen
- 12th Lynn Hillestad
- 13th Lindsay Sillman
- 19th David Bjorkquist, Eric Olson
- 22nd Lauren Lynum
- 23rd Jacob Edstrom
- 24th Jonathan Lindgren
- 25th Everett Love
- 26th Brielle Anderson, Robert Fernelius, Lorraine Halter
- 27th Lauren Helder
- 28th Cyndi Lettau, Joseph Luoma
- 29th Lucille Nelson 

IF GOD IS FOR US,
WHO CAN BE AGAINST US?



ROMANS 8:31

FLW'S CAMERA



The 75th Anniversary Committee encourages you to use it! Snap pictures of your FLW special events, classes or church happenings. Help us capture our church life through photos.

BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.”

2 CORINTHIANS 9:11-12

Blessings. Can you count them?

From our first breath - we begin receiving blessings. And God never stops giving us blessings. As we celebrate 500 years of Reformation, of Grace in Action, start counting the blessings that you have received from God. Include the little things too - the smile from a child, a sunny day, a cup of coffee made just right. The list goes on.

The Reformation is a gift, a blessing - and has been for 500 years as we celebrate and are reminded of the gift of God's grace. Just as the gifts of God's grace are never done, we too are never done in giving thanks and praise to God and responding in love and faithful service to our neighbor. This includes sharing our time, talents and financial treasures - all gifts that we have first received. Indeed, "Let us be a blessing to others by sharing what we have first received."

On or before **Sunday, October 29**, you are invited to return your Financial Stewardship Estimate of Giving cards to FLW. We will give thanks for the generosity of you and people like you. As we look forward to our 75th Anniversary, we remember, with joy, the past. We also look forward to the future as we continue to explore how we can be a congregation that is always reforming and always being made new. Thank you for doing your part to make this an exciting future, a future in which we are always reforming and being made new. 



DID YOU KNOW?

LED LIGHTING PROJECT MOVES FORWARD

During a brief congregational meeting last Sunday, September 10, the congregation voted to finance the LED lighting upgrade project through a 0% loan. Once the application is approved, installation will be scheduled.

RAKING LEAVES IS ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Raking up fall leaf litter can reduce pollution by 80% according to a U.S. Geological Survey study. To keep water clean, help keep the street in front of your property leaf-free. The best place for fall leaves is the compost. Visit hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/yard-tree-waste-disposal for yard waste drop-off sites.

Special Materials Drop-off Day



**SATURDAY
OCTOBER
14
8 a.m.-3 p.m.**

Your one stop drop for hard to recycle items

- Appliances
- Batteries
- Carpet/carpet pad
- Electronics
- Mattress/boxspring
- Paper/shredded paper
- Scrap metal
- Tires

Not accepted

- Exercise equipment
- Furniture
- Light bulbs
- Paint
- Rugs
- Trash
- Toasters
- Vacuum cleaners

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OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: KIDPACK

KidPack feeds hungry kids in our neighborhood by sending healthy food home with kids after school every weekend. Educators learned long ago that you can't learn on an empty stomach. That's why schools offer breakfast and free and reduced school lunch. But what happens on the weekends? Hunger is a real problem for kids in Robbinsdale Area Schools.

Some statistics for our Robbinsdale schools: "One in five children live in households which are food insecure. This means families often have to choose between paying the mortgage or rent, health insurance or prescriptions and feeding their family. Children who are hungry are more likely to miss school, visit the school nurse's office and exhibit behavior concerns. Federal school child nutrition programs provide food for qualifying students during the school day. Food shelves cannot address the need alone." (Source: tinyurl.com/281KidPack.)



Faith-Lilac Way has joined Wildfire partner churches (St. James, First Lutheran, House of Hope and Holy Nativity) to help provide funds for KidPacks for the children in our area schools. We will collect donations of any size and combine them to help send KidPacks home with as many kids as we can! **Write checks to Faith-Lilac Way and indicate "KidPack" on the memo line, or donate cash using the pew offering envelopes. Thank you!**

Hands-On Service Opportunities

Fall service dates are on **Tuesdays (4:00pm to 6:00pm) October 10, November 14 and December 12** at The Food Group (8501 54th Avenue North, New Hope). For more information before you go, contact Linda Fernelius.

Read more information about KidPack on page 4 of this issue of The Banner.

