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Consider the following passage of Holy Scripture:

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the garments and the anointing oil and the bull of the sin offering and the two rams and the basket of unleavened bread. And assemble all the congregation at the entrance to the tent of meeting. And Moses did as the Lord commanded him, and the congregation was assembled at the entrance of the tent of meeting. And Moses said to the congregation, "This is the thing that the Lord has commanded to be done." And Moses brought Aaron and his sons and washed them with water. And he put the coat on him and tied the sash around his waist and clothed him with the robe and put the ephod on him and tied the skillfully woven band of the ephod around him, binding it to him with the band. And he placed the breast piece on him, and in the breast piece he put the Urim and the Thummim. And he set the turban on his head, and on the turban in front, he set the golden plate, the holy crown, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Then Moses took the anointing oil and anointed the tabernacle and all that was in it, and consecrated them. And he sprinkled some

of it on the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all its utensils and the basin and its stand, to consecrate them. And he poured some of the anointing oil on Aaron's head and anointed him to consecrate him. And Moses brought Aaron's sons and clothed them with coats and tied sashes around their waists and bound caps on them, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Then he brought the bull of the sin offering, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the bull of the sin offering. And he killed it, and Moses took the blood, and with his finger put it on the horns of the altar around it and purified the altar and poured out the blood at the base of the altar and consecrated it to make atonement for it. And he took all the fat that was on the entrails and the long lobe of the liver and the two kidneys with their fat, and Moses burned them on the altar. But the bull and its skin and its flesh and its dung he burned up with fire outside the camp, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Then he presented the ram of the burnt offering, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the ram. And he killed it, And Moses threw the blood against the sides of the altar. He cut the ram into pieces, and Moses burned the head and the pieces and the fat. He washed the entrails and the legs with water, and Moses burned the whole ram on the altar. It was a burnt offering with a pleasing aroma, a food offering for the Lord, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Then he presented the other ram, the ram of ordination, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the ram. And he killed it, and Moses took some of its blood and put it on

the lobe of Aaron's right ear and on the thumb of his right hand and on the big toe of his right foot. Then he presented Aaron's sons, and Moses put some of the blood on the lobes of their right ears and on the thumbs of their right hands and on the big toes of their right feet. And Moses threw the blood against the sides of the altar. Then he took the fat and the fat tail and all the fat that was on the entrails and the long lobe of the liver and the two kidneys with their fat and the right thigh, and out of the basket of unleavened bread that was before the Lord he took one unleavened loaf and one loaf of bread with oil and one wafer and placed them on the pieces of fat and on the right thigh. And he put all these in the hands of Aaron and in the hands of his sons and waved them as a wave offering before the Lord. Then he burned them on the altar with the burnt offering. This was an ordination offering with a pleasing aroma, a food offering to the Lord. And Moses took the breast and waved it for a wave offering before the Lord. It was Moses' portion of the ram of ordination, as the Lord commanded Moses. Then Moses took some of the anointing oils and of the blood that was on the altar and sprinkled it on Aaron and his garments, and he consecrated Aaron and his garments, and his sons and his sons' garments with him. And Moses said to Aaron and his sons, "Boil the flesh at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and there eat it and the bread that is in the basket of ordination offerings, as I commanded saying, 'Aaron and his sons shall eat it.' And what remains of the flesh and the bread you shall burn up with fire. And you shall not go outside the entrance of the tent of meeting for seven days, until the days of your ordination are completed, for it will take seven days to ordain you. As has been done today, the Lord has commanded to be done to make atonement for you. At the entrance of the tent of meeting you shall remain day and night for seven days, performing what the Lord has charged, so that you do not die, for so I have been commanded." And Aaron and his sons did all the things that the Lord commanded by Moses. -Leviticus 8

This is the account of the ordination of Aaron and his sons to be priests. There are several things that I would like you to note in the account: 1) sacrifice is made in order to ordain the priests, 2) the priests are washed, 3) the priests are anointed with oil, 4) the priests are clothed in holy garments, and 5) the priests eat the holy bread and eat of the sacrifice of ordination.

Now, first of all, sacrifice of atonement has been made for you. Consider the following passage of Holy Scripture:

He [Jesus Christ] is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. -1John 2:2

To this passage could be added Romans 3:23-25; Hebrews 9:11-10:18; Ephesians 5:2; Revelation 5:6.

You have been washed by God with water. Consider the following passage of Holy Scripture:

And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on His name. -Acts 22:16

To this could be added 1Corinthians 6:9-11; Titus 3:3-7; Revelation 7:13-14; and practically every other passage about Holy Baptism.

You have been anointed.

This one is tricky. I have anointed some of you with oil when you are sick, but that is in fulfillment of the command given to you and to me in James 5:13-14. The main anointing that all of you have received happens in Holy Baptism. Consider the following passage of Holy Scripture:

You yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. –Acts 10:37-38

Your Lord was anointed also. That is why He is called “Christ” which means “Anointed One.” “Messiah” means the same thing. Jesus, however is not anointed with oil, technically not, until late in His ministry (Mark 14:3-9 and parallel passages in Matthew and John). The main anointing that Jesus receives is when God anoints Him with the Holy Spirit. Jesus receives the Holy Spirit at His Baptism (Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22; John 1:29-34). Therefore Jesus must have been anointed with the Holy Spirit when He was baptized.

You are also baptized. You received the Holy Spirit when you were baptized (Acts 2:38-39). Therefore God has anointed you with the Holy Spirit. This is the anointing to which John in his first epistle is referring when he writes in Holy Scripture:

But the anointing that you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as His anointing teaches you about everything—and is true and is no lie, just as it has taught you—abide in Him. -1John 2:27

You have also been clothed in holy garments.

Consider the following passage of Holy Scripture:

For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. –Galatians 3:27

The words “put on” in this passage translate the Greek word that is also used of putting on your clothing. Therefore Christ Himself is your holy garment. There is none holier.

And finally, you eat of the sacrifice made for you and of the holy bread.

Consider the following passage of Holy Scripture:

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is My body.” –Matthew 26:26

Thus since God has given you all of the qualifications of priests, you are priests. You are priests of God. You may approach His presence in light and you represent Him to the rest of the unbelieving world (1Peter 2:4-10; Revelation 1:4-6; 5:9-10).

Because of Jesus,
Pastor





The Knitting Group will meet Monday, September 16 at 1:30 pm. Please join us and help make blankets.



If you have a copy of the confirmation picture, please send it to Crystal as soon as you can. You can send it through email, or leave an 8x10 copy on her desk.

Due to more changes than anticipated, there has been a delay in the new directory. If all goes well, it will be printed within the next month or two.

Special Dates:

Monday, September 2: Labor Day (office closed)

Sunday, September 8: Grandparents Day

Monday, September 23: First day of Autumn



Sunday, September 1: Scholarship Offering

Sunday, September 8: Car Fund III

This offering is to help replenish funds used for the purchase/upkeep of the church car.



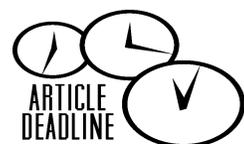
Pastor Lynn and Karla Podoll have a new address.

2401 Silverdale Ave.

Cleveland, OH 44109



Blood pressure screening this month will be September 8 and 22.



Immanuelite deadline for May is, Friday, September 20.



On August 8, 2019, Emily Ray Bushman entered the Church Triumphant. Pray for the comfort of her family.



Thank you for your generous contribution in the amount of \$130.00 to support The Lutheran Hour and other ministry programs. We couldn't do the Lord's work in the United States and around the globe without ministry family members like you.

Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
Speaker of The Lutheran Hour

Thank you for your gift to Lutheran Bible Translators through LCMS Central Illinois District in the amount of \$10.00 for *4000 Every Language Fund*. We appreciate your heart for the Bibleless of the world. Your gift helps put God's Word in their hands.

Dr. Mike Rodewald, Executive Director



BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY

The Chicken Fry & Auction will be held September 1, 2019 at Camp CILCA! Seminarian Ian Heinze will be preaching at the 10:30am worship service. Dinner is served from 11:30-2:30. The live auction begins at 1pm. Visit: cilca.org/auction-items.html to see some of the great items up for bid. Rent a cabin, CGC room, tent or camper spot and stay for a whole weekend of swimming, games, and devotions. Call 217-487-7497 or email: camp@cilca.org to reserve your spot or get more information.

District LLL Retreat: "St. Paul's Missionary Journeys", Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019 at Camp CILCA. Doors open at 8:00 AM; opening devotion at 9:00 AM. Closing at 3:30 PM. Advance registration is requested. Payment can be made at check-in. It is open to anyone that is interested and registered. The apostle Paul set out into the Mediterranean world, telling the Good News of Jesus. No setting proved too formidable for him, no place too forbidding. Paul got his resolve from his message and his Master. Facing the mission challenges of the 21st century, we will study how Paul by God's grace met mission challenges in the first century. Please read Acts, Chapters 13-20 ahead of time, and bring your Bible to the retreat! Speaker: CID Executive for Missions, Rev. Dr. Ken Schurb. Dr. Schurb was a parish pastor for 19 years and for seven years an Assistant to the President of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. He taught theology (including the "Life of Paul" course) at Concordia College, Ann Arbor and is presently an adjunct instructor for Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Registration is \$10.00 which includes lunch. For planning purposes, we request registration by Sunday, September 1, 2019. Contact Deloris Blessman for questions and to register at (309)-361-1461 or email: delorisblessman@yahoo.com. Or snail mail: 24204 County Rd. 1850 N, Topeka, IL 61567. Payment can be made at check-in or by mail to Deloris.

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Lynnae Struck
- 3 Linda Roberts
- 5 Kenton Luth
- 8 Daniel Taylor
Kevin Wienke
- 9 Sarah Andresen
Leslie Luth
- 11 Gary Luth
Kirsten Place
- 13 Willard Rothermel
John Rothermel
Murray Franzen
- 14 Blake Roberts
Jack Humphrey
- 15 Eric Andresen
Pierce Andresen
- 16 Judy Luth
Corey Struck
- 18 Donald Cress
Vicki K. Luth
- 19 Melissa Berning
- 20 Charles Benner
Donald Clem
Tara Rutledge
- 22 Randal Cress
Gerhardt Mohr
Jay Rohl
Brenda Rohl
Tinley Luth
- 23 Darryl Negangard
Austin Cuppernell
- 24 Jerry Messman
- 26 Elijah Rittman
- 27 Teresa Rahn
- 29 Vrolock Martin
Kentlee Martin
- 30 Darrell Struck
Dorothy Maher



Dear Family and Friends,
September is National Atrial Fibrillation Awareness Month. Atrial fibrillation (also called AFib or AF) is a quivering or irregular heartbeat (arrhythmia) that can lead to blood clots, stroke, heart failure, and other heart-related complications. At least 2.7 million Americans are living with AFib. Sometimes people with AFib have no symptoms and their condition is only detectable upon physical examination. Still, others may experience one or more of the following symptoms: general fatigue, rapid and irregular heartbeat, fluttering or "thumping" in the chest, dizziness, shortness of breath and anxiety, weakness, faintness or confusion, fatigue when exercising, sweating, or chest pain or pressure. A racing, pounding heartbeat that happens for no apparent reason should not be ignored. When a heart is in AFib, it may not be pumping enough oxygen-rich blood out to the body. Why is AFib associated with a five-times-greater risk for stroke? When the heart is in AFib, the blood can become static and can be left pooling inside the heart. When blood pools, a clot can form. When a clot is pumped out of the heart, it can get lodged in the arteries which may cause a stroke. Blocked arteries prevent the tissue on the other side from getting oxygen-rich blood, and without oxygen the tissue dies. Any person who has AFib needs to evaluate stroke risks and determine with a healthcare provider what must be done to lower the risks. Studies show that many people with AFib who need risk-lowering treatments are not getting them. If I don't have these symptoms, should I be concerned? There are people who have atrial fibrillation that do not experience any symptoms. These people may be diagnosed at a regular check-up or their AFib may be discovered when a healthcare provider listens to their heart for some other reason. However, people who have AFib with no

symptoms still have a five-times-greater risk of stroke. Everyone needs to receive regular medical check-ups to help keep risks low and live a long and healthy life.

Please stop by the Parish Nurse office for a handout titled "Symptom Tracker." This is a form that you can fill out on your own about symptoms of Afib. This is useful for your own awareness as well as your ability to share the results with your physician. Also, there are handouts on the bulletin board with further information about Afib.

Your Parish Nurses,
Tiffany Paul and Jody Farmer
CPR/ AED training to be held at Immanuel. With the new AED we received, we get a free CPR/AED training for anyone interested. There is a sign-up sheet in the Parish Nurse office as well as in the hallway on the bulletin board by the Flower Calendar. Please place your name, and indicate if you would prefer Saturday morning or Sunday after church class. The date and time will then be decided with the company. Thanks. Please see Tiffany Paul if you have any questions. Blood pressure screenings will be available before and after church on 9/8 and 9/22. Please bring in any expired, unused medications for safe recycling.





Minutes of 8/22/19 Council Meeting

John called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Pastor opened the meeting with devotion.

Minutes from the 7/25/19 council meeting were reviewed and corrected. Steve moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Robert seconded the motion and minutes were approved.

Board reports

Evangelism: absent

Stewardship: none

Lay Ministry:

- Authorized secretary to order a new computer program for the church. Looked into upgrading current program however it was \$700 to upgrade and additional \$500 annual fee and is only good for 5 years. Tech support would be needed as well which would be an additional cost. Other churches are using Church 360 which is a web based program. There is a \$600 annual fee that includes tech support. Lay Ministry authorized the change to Church 360.

Trustees:

- Wind damage caused large tree to fall and hit parsonage. It punctured 2 sizable holes through parsonage roof. Contacted insurance company and possible structure damage.
- Also took down some other dead trees that were discussed.

Worship: absent

Education:

- Successful Rally Day-140 pork chops, brats, and hotdogs were served and only 8 hotdogs were left.
- Still need 5th and 6th grade teacher to help Katie.
- No date set for Truck or Treat yet.

Treasurer:

- The treasurer's report was reviewed.

Steve moved to approve the board reports. Tracy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pastor: Pastor gave his report

Old Business:

- Steve turned in Sam's college tuition bill for the year.
- 2020 Budget Worksheet will go out and will be due back 9/15.
- Discussed dirt pile by children's playground. Needs reshaped and seeded to make it able to mow with the mower.

New Business: none

Keith made motion to adjourn, Robert seconded motion.

The meeting was adjourned with a blessing.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Andresen
-Secretary