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## Rev. Chad Smith is installed as St. Paul's new assistant pastor

By Jayne Sheafer

On the warm Sunday morning of July 26, members and friends of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, 1126 S. Barr Street, gathered for the installation of their new assistant pastor, the Rev. Chad L. Smith.

"The members of St. Paul's church and school have been very eager for Pastor Smith's arrival," said the Rev. Peter C. Cage, senior pastor of St. Paul's. "This is a congregation that truly loves and cares for its pastors. While every vacancy is difficult for a congregation, it's also an opportunity for some vital reflection about the mission and essence of the church in that specific place, to keep focus on the primary work of Christ for us — pastoral care for God's people through His means, with a constant eye to the community around us that is distracted by many things, but needs Jesus and His mercy as do we."

Smith, a native of Michigan, is a 2011 graduate of Concordia University, Ann Arbor. He earned a bachelor of arts degree with majors in music and biblical languages. He received a master of divinity degree from Concordia Theological Seminary in May. At the seminary, he sang as a member of the Kantorei and Schola Cantorum. He also served as a student director for Christ Academy—High School.

Smith served his vicarage year at Memorial Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas, under the supervision of the Rev. Dr. Scott R. Murray. Murray was part of the installation service; he served as preacher. In his sermon, Murray reminded the congregation that Pastor Smith is surely God's messenger to them, "How do we expect God to speak to us? Many people are waiting for God to come with a clap of thunder



Two who participated in the installation of the Rev. Chad Smith, *center*, new assistant pastor of St. Paul's, are the Rev. Peter Cage, *left*, senior pastor, St. Paul's; and the Rev. Dr. Scott Murray, senior pastor, Memorial Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas, and fourth vice-president of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. (Photo courtesy of Joan West)

and in technicolor amazement to express His will to them. And He will do it on the last day, no fear there. In the meantime, he has sent this messenger to proclaim His word to you."

"It is both humbling and a great honor that the historically rich congregation of St. Paul's has called me to be their pastor and to serve with Pastor Cage," Smith said. "As the times around us change, I pray that St. Paul's will continue

to be a place of stability, refuge and healing for all who suffer and hurt. It is my hope that I will faithfully and compassionately proclaim Christ crucified for the forgiveness of sins to all people. I pray that God gives me to the grace and mercy not to work for my benefit or glory, but for the glory of Christ in service to the people of St. Paul's."

*Jayne Sheafer is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.*

### Emmaus commemorates 115 years with three Sunday celebrations

Giving all thanks and glory to God for 115 years of proclaiming the gospel to the Fort Wayne community, Emmaus Lutheran Church, 8626 Covington Road, will celebrate on three Sundays to highlight the past, present and future of Emmaus.

Heritage Sunday "Confessing Christ — Yesterday" will be 9:00 a.m. September 20. Emmaus looks back on the past from its beginnings, including its role in formation of what is now the Lutheran Hospital and Lutheran Social Services of Indiana. All past members, teachers and workers at Emmaus will be recognized. All former Emmaus members are invited to share memories. The Rev. Søren Urberg will give a sermon with a special message from the granddaughter of Pastor Wambsganss.

"Confessing Christ Today — Present" will be 9:00 a.m. September 27. The Rev. Roy C. Olsen III will preach as the current pastor of Emmaus; he will emphasize the many gifts of God and our response. A ministry expo afterward will

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## We should be amazed at God's amazing grace

By Bill Ihssen

The word "amazed" is used three times in the sixth chapter of Mark. According to Webster's dictionary, "amaze" means "to overwhelm with surprise." However, it has an older usage of showing "perplexity" or "consternation." In that sense, we still use the word in both a positive and negative way today. I am amazed that a

professional golfer can hit a drive at 350 yards. I am also amazed that a professional football player can demand a \$100 million contract to throw around a pigskin.

In Mark 6:2 it states that most of Jesus' neighbors in his hometown of Nazareth were amazed at Jesus' teaching in their synagogue. His message was to prepare for His coming salvation through the cross by calling for their repentance and faith. They knew His claims of being the Son of God sent by his Heavenly Father. It became clear that this claim perplexed



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*We stand as disciples in the place of Jesus and are often amazed at the lack of faith in our time.*

them. They had known His family and His questionable birth. Who did He think He was, making such a claim?

"Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?" (Mark 6:3) So they were amazed and offended by Who He claimed to be, as many are still offended that Jesus claims to be the Messiah, the One "I Am" prophesied throughout the Old Testament, coequal with the Father.

However, Jesus surprisingly overwhelmed His disciples on several occasions. In Mark 6:45-51, the disciples set out to cross the Sea of Galilee and encountered a violent storm. Jesus sent them ahead so that He could go off by Himself to pray for strength. Perhaps the disciples thought that He would walk around the lake to their destination. He did indeed walk, but, much to their surprise and consternation, they saw Him walking on the water. First, He calmed

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## NEWS & SUCH

### Worship for Shut-Ins line-up

Worship for Shut-Ins, a television ministry produced by Lutheran Ministries Media, will have these speakers for September:

**Sunday, September 6** — "He has done everything well" (Mark 7:31-37) by the Rev. Kip Smith, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Canton, Ohio;

**Sunday, September 13** — "Got faith?" (Mark 9:14-27) by the Rev. James L. Elsner, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church;

**Sunday, September 20** — "Do you want to be first?" (Mark 9:33-35) by the Rev. Dr. Walter A. Maier III, Concordia Theological Seminary; and

**Sunday, September 27** — "God's salty word" (Mark 9:42-50) by the Rev. Dr. Daniel J. Brege, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Decatur.

This television ministry is shown in Fort Wayne 6:30 a.m. Sundays on WPTA, Channel 21 (Cable Channel 7); 8:00 a.m. on FiOS Channel 9, Digital 33.2 and Comcast 252; 11:30 a.m. on WINM, Channel 12/38 (TCT via DIRECTV 377); 11:00 a.m. on WHME-TV Channel 46 (South Bend); and 4:00 p.m. Sundays and 10:00 a.m. Mondays on Comcast 55 (public access) and FiOS 25. This ministry is dependent upon the gifts of its viewers and listeners. Mail donations, memorials or bequests to Lutheran Ministries Media, 5 Martin Luther Dr., Fort Wayne, IN 46825. Call 471-5683 (LOVE).

### Dinner/auction at Woodburn

Woodburn Lutheran School is hosting its annual "Blue & White Night" dinner, auction and square dance Saturday, September 12, at Roemke Farms, 12125 State Road 101, Harlan. Dinner begins at 5:30 with a fantastic live and silent auction afterward. Square dancing will start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at Woodburn Lutheran School, 4502 State Road 101, Woodburn. Proceeds will benefit the school and its students. For more information or for sponsorship opportunities, call Sandy or Danielle at 260-632-5493.

**NEWS  
& SUCH**

**Rummage, bake sale at Peace**

Peace Lutheran Church, 4900 Fairfield Ave., will have its fall rummage and bake sale 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, September 25, and 8:00 a.m.-noon Saturday, September 26. It is hosted by WinGS (Women is God's Service) and will feature clean clothing, small appliances, household goods, bedding, books, pictures, jewelry and many miscellaneous items. Fresh-baked goods will be offered on Friday. On Saturday, a bag sale will cost \$5 for a garbage bag and \$2 for a paper grocery bag; buy two paper grocery bags and the third one is free. The sale will feature restaurant china – 200-piece place settings that include dinner and salad plates, coffee cups and saucers, fruit and soup bowls, 8- and 6-ounce glasses, and clear ice cream and relish dishes. For more information, call Joan Thompson at 747-2382.

**Christmas bazaar at Emmaus**

The Women's Guild of Emmaus Lutheran Church, 8626 Covington Road, will hold its annual Christmas bazaar and sale 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Saturday, November 14, in the gym. Crafters and vendors, including those from Tastefully Simple, Thirty-One, Mary Kay, etc., who are interested in reserving a table may call a vendor coordinator — Margie at 260-580-2427 or Darlene at 260-418-4285; email emmauschristmassale@yahoo.com. The coordinators work during the day, but they will return calls as soon as possible. The cost for an 8-foot table is \$30; a 6-foot table is \$25; and an 8-foot by 5-foot space only is \$20. Everything is rented on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline for table reservations is Friday, November 6.

**Rummage at Emmanuel**

The ladies of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 9909 Wayne Trace, will hold a rummage and bake sale 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thursday, October 15, and 8:00 a.m.-noon Friday, October 16. A sack sale will be Friday.

**Utecht is new third-grade teacher at LSUS**

Rianne Utecht joins the staff of Lutheran South Unity School, 5401 S. Calhoun St.; she is the new third-grade teacher. She hails from Riverside, Calif., and attended Concordia University, Seward, Neb.

Utecht's mother and sister began their teaching careers in third-grade classrooms, so she feels this is the right fit. She also believes that she is benefiting from their expertise in setting up and organizing her classroom.

Utecht's husband, Titus, is a freshman student at Concordia Theological Seminary in the ministerial program. The two enjoy camping, backpacking and hiking. Rianne loves to sing and play the piano.

She is excited to begin the new year and looks forward to the diversity of her classroom — from learning styles to ethnicity to religious backgrounds. Her goal is to “foster faith in Jesus Christ, to foster love for one another and for her students to know that God is with them always and will see them through every aspect of their lives.”

She was commissioned during chapel on the first day of school, a first for LSUS, and was



**Utecht**

installed at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 3705 S. Anthony Blvd., on August 16.

**The Skit Guys use comedy to teach God's word**

Concordia Lutheran Church, 4245 Lake Ave., presents the Skit Guys — Tommy Woodard and Eddie James — 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 9.

The two have been best friends since high school. Think of them as the wise guys in class who had everyone laughing and managed to make a career out of it.

They've been teaching God's word using comedy, drama and whatever category talking-action figures fit into for more than

20 years. Tickets are only \$5; discounts are available for larger groups. Buy tickets at the church office 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. weekdays, or



Tommy Woodard and Eddie James are the Skit Guys.

contact Chris Waldron at 260-438-6296. Go to the Skit Guys videos and more at skitguys.com. **FORT WAYNE LUTHERAN** www.myfwl.org

**LMM celebrates 50 years**

Worship for Shut-Ins, a television ministry produced by Lutheran Ministries Media, is celebrating 50 years of sharing Christ's love with an anniversary banquet Sunday, October 4.

Reservations are required by Friday, September 11. For more information, call 260-471-5683, 888-286-800 is www.worshipforshutins.org.



## Sharing Peace Café opens with coffee, more

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After months of planning and anticipation, the Sharing Peace Café opened its doors to the public on July 27 in a newly renovated space on the property of Peace Lutheran Church, 4900 Fairfield Ave.

Deaconess Stephanie Ayiku-Teye, café manager, is excited and relieved to see it open.

“We’ve come a long way since I started here in April,” she said.

“Now that our equipment and staff are in place, we are learning new things every day. Our staff is trained to serve a variety of delicious drinks, including lattes, cappuccinos, chais and mochas, with new drinks to be added seasonally. We look forward to sharing the gospel with our customers and invite everyone to check out the Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/sharingpeacecafe](http://www.facebook.com/sharingpeacecafe).

“The café calls our baristas ‘sharistas’ because they are making coffee and sharing the gospel. Besides the general public, we hope to reach out especially to parents of our preschool and nearby day school families,” Ayiku-Teye said.

Sharing Peace Café’s summer hours are 7:00 a.m.-noon and 4:00-7:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 9:00 a.m.-noon Saturdays and Sundays.

The café opening culminates a multi-year plan of Peace’s congregation to reach out to neighborhoods surrounding the church. Starting three years ago with a successful capital campaign and using matching grant monies generously donated by the Lutheran Foundation, the café was built in a formerly underused storage-room space.

The beautifully renovated room boasts a full complement of espresso and coffee-brewing equipment with a comfortable place to relax and visit. New entry canopies, an outdoor seating patio, new restrooms and an exercise studio for the church’s wellness programs were included in the project. The café proudly serves delicious utopian coffee, which sources its beans directly from the coffee farmers and is roasted in Fort Wayne.

According to the Rev. Paul Spira, pastor of Peace congregation, the café ministry helps the congregation connect with its neighborhood.

“We are a traditional Lutheran congregation with liturgical worship, law and gospel



The staff of Sharing Peace Café is Kris Tinsley, Autumn Lehman, Michele Blessing, Peter Meyer and deaconess Stephanie Ayiku-Teye.

preaching, and wonderful hymn singing. But we live among people who don’t understand these things or why we do them. The café provides an opportunity to form relationships with our neighbors in a comfortable and familiar setting. Once we get to know each other, inviting them to worship or a Bible study is easy and non-threatening.”

The congregation has developed a long list of communication ideas, events, activities and wellness programs to encourage interaction and use of the café and studio spaces. These will be implemented in coming months as café operations are able to accommodate them.

The café staff was recruited to have people who are comfortable speaking with people and, when appropriate, sharing their faith. Sharistas include Milwaukee native Peter Meyer, who teaches eighth grade and language arts at Lutheran South Unity School and is the athletic director. Michele Blessing teaches afternoon pre-kindergarten at Emmanuel Lutheran Church; she is a member of Peace and is working on making the perfect mocha. Lifelong Peace member and 2012 Concordia Lutheran High School graduate Autumn Lehman is a senior at Concordia University Ann Arbor, majoring in elementary education. Kris Tinsley, on the sharista team, has been a teacher at Peace’s preschool ministry since 2003 and is thrilled to be involved in this new ministry. Tinsley and her family are members of Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

Ayiku-Teye is a graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary and never thought she would manage a coffee shop. She is glad to call Fort Wayne her home with her husband, Emmanuel, and daughter Marian.

Watch for upcoming events as the Sharing Peace Café expands its programs.

## NEWS & SUCH

### Rummage at Trinity

Trinity Lutheran Church, 7819 Decatur Road, will have a rummage and bake sale 4:00-7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 24, and 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday, September 25. A \$2 bag sale is 9:00 a.m.-noon Saturday, September 26. A large selection of useful items will be for sale.

### Fish, tenderloin dinner

Bethany Lutheran Church, 2435 Engle Road, will have a fish and tenderloin dinner with coleslaw, applesauce, chips, dessert and a drink 4:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday October 3. The cost is \$9 for adults and \$6 for children 5-12; children 4 and under are free. Carryouts will be available. For more information, call 747-0713.

### Exercise, coffee at Peace

Enjoy an exercise class and/or coffee at Peace Lutheran Church, 4900 Fairfield Ave. Exercise classes are held in the Wellness room below the stairs. Enter via doorway #3 off the parking lot. Yoga is 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays. If possible, bring a yoga mat or mats will be provided. Zumba classes are 9:00-10:00 a.m. Fridays. No previous experience is necessary for either class. Everyone is welcome to participate. The cost is \$5 per class session (cash only). For more information, call 744-3869.

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- Take papers to all shut-ins or those who are in the hospital.
- For those who can't make it to church every Sunday, consider subscribing to the paper. (It's only \$15 a year.)
- Read the newspaper online. (Go to [www.myfwl.org](http://www.myfwl.org).)

## St. Michael plans fall ministry celebration, more

These are several exciting, faith-building events at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 2131 Getz Road:

• **September 8** – J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) Bible-study Tuesday luncheon continues to study the gospel of Mark.

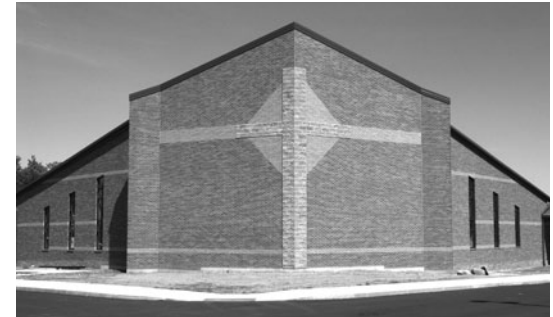
• **September 10** – A Confirmation ministry meeting with all parents and students who will enter the sixth, seventh and eighth grades will be 6:00-7:00 p.m. with pizza.

• **September 12** — Junior high youth nights will start Saturday and will meet the second and fourth Sundays of the month 6:00-8:30 p.m. with a meal, Bible study, and a game or activity. All junior high school youths and their friends are welcome.

Senior high youth nights will meet the second and fourth Sundays of the month 6:00-8:30 p.m. with a meal, Bible study, and a game or activity. The group is studying John's gospel; high school youths and their friends are welcome.

• **September 13** – Sunday Bible classes will begin as the worship time's change back to the regular schedule: Saturday worship at 5:00 p.m., Sunday worship at 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. with Bible classes at 9:30 a.m.

A fall ministry kick-off and celebration will be noon-2:00 p.m. with a pie/cake contest, a bouncy



St. Michael Lutheran Church

house, music and games, free food, a dunk tank and a classic car show. Also featured will be a sermon series, Sunday School and adult Bible class on St. Michael's strategic plan (Connecting People to Jesus).

• **September 20** – Emmanuel-St. Michael Lutheran School Day will have Paul Buuck, new third-grade teacher, installed, and Jen Clendenen (second-grade teacher) and Jon Collins (seventh-grade teacher) commissioned as LCMS rostered teachers. St. Michael's current teachers will be recommissioned, and all second-graders will receive Bibles.

• **September 23** – A new seven-week adult Confirmation class begins with the theme "God Connects."

## 'Stand Firm in the City' conference at CTS

Join Concordia Theological Seminary and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod for the "Stand Firm in the City" urban and inner-city mission conference October 12-14 on the CTS campus. The theme verse is, "And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." Luke 24:49

Topics are:

• **Mission Field USA** — Americans comprise the third-largest population of unchurched people in the world. Urbanization is accelerating this atrophy because a gloomy economy drives more of the population to live in impoverished urban areas. Compounding the problem, many re-gentrified inner cities have become antagonistic to the church, as "new urbanites" transform America's major cities into bastions of secularism. Despite these challenges, U.S. cities are some of our greatest mission fields.

• **Inner Cities Are Groaning** — Ferguson, Baltimore and Oakland could be any one of our major cities that have the same issues – fires in the street, rioting, looting and distrust stemming from decades of broken promises. Poverty,

crime, hopelessness and turmoil run rampant. A common thread includes the need for strong communities and families, quality education and health care, jobs, trust and reconciliation. But what is most needed is the gospel.

For more information, go to [www.ctsfw.edu/UrbanMinistryConference2015](http://www.ctsfw.edu/UrbanMinistryConference2015), email Leeanna.Rondot@ctsfw.edu or call 260-452-2204.

### NLSA accreditation granted

The National Lutheran School Accreditation National Commission met in St. Louis, Mo., July 29-30 to review the reports of the Lutheran schools that were candidates for accreditation. Trinity Lutheran Preschool, 1636 St. Marys Ave., was among the 177 candidate schools.

Dr. Clifford Dietrich, the Indiana District NLSA commissioner, notified Larry Hencye, director of child and family ministries at Trinity Lutheran Preschool, that Trinity's accreditation was unanimously approved by the commission. Accreditation is granted for a period of five years. It is achieved upon the completion of an extensive self-study and an evaluation by a visitation team.



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## CTS offers bilingual pastoral formation for Latinos

According to recent projections from the U.S. Census Bureau, it is estimated that by 2060 those who identify as Hispanic will be nearly 30% of the total U.S. population, numbering almost 129 million people.

In an effort to reach out and better serve that growing community, Concordia Theological Seminary is joining in partnership with Concordia College—New York, and the Atlantic, New Jersey and New England districts of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to offer bilingual pastoral formation for Latinos, a program that leads to ordination into the ministry.

The typical student will be a Latino who has a high school diploma (or equivalent) and is bilingual. Students are selected by the districts that participate in the program, and they must receive a recommendation from their parish pastor. Upon completion of the program, graduates will serve as pastors in the districts that supported them in the program.

CTS, in partnership with Seminario Concordia in Buenos Aires, Argentina, developed a program, titled Formación Pastoral para Hispanoamérica (Pastoral Formation for Hispanic-America), to form pastors in the Spanish-speaking world outside of the United States. The BPFL curriculum is based on this curriculum, with English lectures and readings. It is a four-year program of four eight-week courses per year. Courses are taught by distance learning with cohorts and mentor pastors in the districts. The first course of studies will begin August 24.

“When I was called to the seminary as a

professor in 1984 to teach homiletics,” said the Rev. Dr. Arthur A. Just Jr., CTS director of BPFL, “one of my responsibilities was to serve in the very vibrant Hispanic program at CTSFW. Back then, the need for Spanish-speaking pastoral formation was great and now, 30 years later, it is even greater.”

“Through our work in developing curriculum in cooperation with Seminario Concordia, as well as my work as the LCMS liaison to Spain, we have been moving forward to form Latino pastors who are bilingual in the United States.”

The Rev. Don C. Wiley will serve as assistant director for BPFL. His experience as a missionary for the Republic of Panama, where he learned to speak Spanish fluently and was involved in church planting, pastoral formation and leadership development, will prove invaluable. He has also been a mentor for the men from Panama who are participating in Formación Pastoral para Hispanoamérica.

“CTSFW is excited and blessed to be working with CCNY and the Atlantic, New Jersey and New England Districts to form bilingual Latino servants of Jesus Christ who teach the faithful, reach the lost and care for all,” Wiley said. “We encourage Latino LCMS members who are interested in this program to contact CTSFW, their pastor or district for more information. Que Dios te bendiga!”



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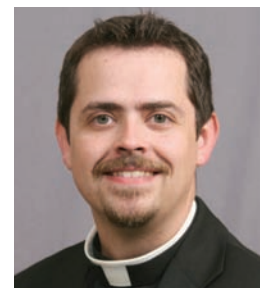
## Christ Academy confirmation retreat on ‘Solas’

Concordia Theological Seminary offers Christ Academy Confirmation, a retreat for confirmation-aged boys and girls, on October 16-18. The theme is “Understanding Lutheran Theology Through the Solas: Scripture Alone, Grace Alone, Faith Alone Through Christ Alone.” The Solas — “Scripture Alone, Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Christ Alone” — are a summary of the core of Lutheran theology. The academy will explore each of these Solas and learn that Scripture alone is the authority on Christian teaching, that we are saved by grace alone apart from works, through faith alone without any merit in us on account of Christ alone and His death and resurrection.

The Rev. Lannon Martin, CTS admission counselor, and the Rev. Roger Peters, assistant



**Martin**



**Peters**

to the director of CTS Library and Information Services, will be the leaders.

The retreat fee is \$110 per person, which includes on-campus housing and all meals. For more information or to register, email Retreats@ctsfw.edu or phone 260-452-2204.

## Lutheran Hour speaker Gregory Seltz will preach on All Saints Day

During 2015, the television ministry of Worship for Shut-Ins is celebrating 50 years of sharing Christ's love. Through God's grace, the program has grown into a worldwide ministry, reaching people with the gospel with a 30-minute weekly worship service that is broadcast on television and the Internet.

On Sunday, November 1, the Rev. Gregory Seltz, The Lutheran Hour speaker, will preach on All Saints Day. Based on Matthew 5:1-12, titled "Blessed in Hard Times," Seltz's message will encourage viewers: "You are blessed in loss and in gain, in victory and in pain because your risen Savior has your life in His hands!"

Produced by Lutheran Ministries Media Inc. and centered on the mission of "sharing Christ's love through ministry and media," Worship for Shut-Ins is uniquely designed to feel at one with the viewer. With a new program every week, it shares Scripture readings, prayers, a pastor's message and hymns sung by choirs, all focused around a particular week in the church year. This traditional worship service can be seen every Sunday in the greater Fort Wayne area at five different times.

Lutheran Ministries Media Inc. encourages people to share the program with friends, family and those who are no longer able to

attend church. Outside the Fort Wayne area, the program is viewed nationwide at 11:30 a.m. (Eastern) and 8:30 a.m. (Pacific) on Christian station TCT (DIRECTV Channel 377). Including TCT, the program is carried weekly on more than 100 local television stations in the United States. More information, including stations, times and sermon topics, can be found in this paper and online at [worshipforshutins.org](http://worshipforshutins.org) or call 888-286-8002.



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### Our most important teacher doesn't give any grades.

In the 18 schools served by The Lutheran Schools Partnership, Christ always leads the class. By serving students from grades K-12, each school provides instruction for lifelong success in an environment that fosters lifelong faith. Our region is blessed to have one of the largest Lutheran school "systems" of its kind.

We're honored to invest in it.

## LFL conference at the Creation Museum

“But now, thus says the Lord, He who created you ... ‘Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine.’” (Isaiah 43:1)

The Fort Wayne Chapter of Lutherans for Life and the life team from St. Michael Lutheran Church, 2131 Getz Road, are organizing motorcoach transportation from Fort Wayne to the annual Lutherans for Life conference that will be October 30-31 at the Creation Museum in Petersburg, Ky. The theme of the conference is “Created-Redeemed-Called.”

The conference includes:

- A tour of the museum
- Ken Ham on “The Gospel in Genesis”
- Dr. David Menton on “Fearfully and Wonderfully Made”
- Col. John Eidsmoe on “Evolution vs. the Sanctity of Human Life”
- Timothy Goeglein on “Faith in the Halls of Power”
- Buddy Davis with a “Creation Concert”
- The Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb on “Created, Redeemed, Called — The Trinitarian Value of Human Life”
- John Hawkins on estate planning
- Lori Trinche on life teams

The \$88.50 per person motor-coach cost is based on 24 minimum passengers. The price includes driver gratuities, continental breakfast enroute, and transportation between the Creation Museum and the conference hotel. Registration is first come, first served.

The deadline for the motorcoach registration is September 15; if the minimum passenger number is not fulfilled, the fee will be refunded. For more information and to register for the motorcoach, contact Dennis Brink at fw.lfl@att.net or 260-238-4046, or look under “Bus Transportation” at [www.lutheransforlife.org/conference/](http://www.lutheransforlife.org/conference/).

Attendees are responsible for registering for the conference and reserving a room at the conference hotel. See <http://www.lutheransforlife.org/conference/>.



For more information about the Creation Museum, visit <http://creationmuseum.org/>.

“Our theme focuses on the value God gives to human life,” said Dr. Jim Lamb, executive director of LFL. “You cannot find three better words to encapsulate that value. Every human being is someone created by God, someone redeemed by Jesus, and someone God either has called or desires to call into an eternal relationship with Him. When you have the very power of the Triune God giving life value, nothing else really matters.”

### Employment opportunities at Cross Connections

Cross Connections Inc., a professional, Christ-centered counseling agency, needs professional counselors with a heart to share God’s word in a clinical setting. A master’s degree and previous clinical experience are required. For more information or to request an interview, email Susan Reusser at [susanreusser@crossconnectionsounseling.com](mailto:susanreusser@crossconnectionsounseling.com).

## CLHS greets students on 1st day



Concordia Lutheran High School’s Student Council welcomed back former students and greeted new students with bubbles and high fives on the first day of school, August 12.

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### Trinity thrift store

Trinity Lutheran Church, 1636 St. Marys Ave., has a thrift store that is open year-round 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. every Friday, and 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Saturday, September 26, and Saturday, October 17. For more information, call the church office at 422-7931, Ext. 100.

### Advertise in color in The FWL

Advertisers, are you interested in having your ad in color? *The Fort Wayne Lutheran* now prints in full-color editions. The extra expense is not costly, and it would allow your ad to be seen in full, glorious color. For more information, call Donna Volmerding at 447-4998; email [fwlutheran@comcast.net](mailto:fwlutheran@comcast.net), or Mark Dolde at 749-7138; email [treasurer@myfwl.org](mailto:treasurer@myfwl.org).

### St. Michael hosts Senior Saints

The Senior Saints of St. Michael Lutheran Church, 2131 Getz Road, will present a “Seasons of Life” program on Thursday, September 10. Through song and story, the Saints will journey through their childhood, teens and dating years, and will share the songs of faith that have carried them through the joys and sorrows of life. Admission is free but an offering will be received. Dessert and coffee will be served after the performance. To pre-register, call Penny at 744-6894 or Carla at 574-528-1014 before September 4 for a more accurate count. The Senior Saints are an energetic group of senior adults from the greater Fort Wayne area who represent 33 different churches. The group is sponsored by Grabill Missionary Church.

### Worship in the Park schedule

Worship in the Park, presented by Trinity Lutheran Church, 1636 St. Marys Ave., is 8:00 a.m. Sunday, September 6, in the Foellinger Outdoor Theatre in Franke Park. The Rev. Don Sandmann will preach with music by Judy Campbell. Beginning September 13, all services will be in the sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. Saturdays and 9:30 a.m. Sundays.



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### Tour Turkey, Greece and Rome

Visit churches of the Revelation and follow the missionary journeys of St. Paul. Walk through the events and places that had a biblical impact on the spread of the Christian church. Transform your life, explore the Scriptures and connect with the gospel in an entirely new way. Join the Rev. J. Brown and many others as they embark on this incredible journey. If you missed the information meeting in August, there is still time to sign up. For more information, call the Rev. J. Brown, associate pastor of Concordia Lutheran Church, 4245 Lake Ave., at 260-460-7725; email PastorBrown@ConcordiaChurch.org.

### New-member class

Concordia Lutheran Church, 4245 Lake Ave., is offering a fall new-member class beginning 10:30 a.m. Sunday, September 13, in Centennial Hall. The class meets for six consecutive Sundays, though a transferring Lutheran may attend just the last four weeks. To join or receive an application in the mail, contact the church office at 260-422-2429, Ext. 100.

### Mission trip opportunity

All young adults are invited to join the Indiana District for a mission trip March 4-13, 2016. The destination is to serve Mount Cross Lutheran Camp and engage in a Habitat for Humanity build in California. The trip is mainly geared for college students or Christians close to college age. The dates coincide with spring break at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne. To raise funds for the mission trip, a Nelson's chicken sale will be Saturday, September 19. Concordia will pre-sell chicken dinners until September 13. For more information, call the Rev. J. Brown at 260-460-7725; email PastorBrown@ConcordiaChurch.org.

### CLHS website

The website for Concordia Lutheran High School is [www.clhscadets.com](http://www.clhscadets.com).

## Quill receives advancement on CTS faculty

The Board of Regents of Concordia Theological Seminary has advanced the Rev. Dr. Timothy C.J. Quill in rank from associate professor to professor. He serves as professor of pastoral ministry and missions and director of International Studies at CTS. Since 2011, Quill has also served as director of theological education for The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's Office of International Mission.



Quill

"No one on our faculty has logged the miles that Dr. Quill has in building international relationships, teaching and encouraging a confessional Lutheran witness to Christ and His saving work around the globe," said the Rev. Dr. Charles A. Gieschen, CTS academic dean. "His advancement in rank recognizes his many contributions, especially what he has done for this seminary and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to promote the formation of confessional Lutheran pastors across the various continents."

In addition to teaching pastoral theology, homiletics and liturgics, Quill carries out his duties as director of International Studies by overseeing the recruitment and care of international students. During the 2014-15 academic year, 33 students came to campus from Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Japan, Kenya, Madagascar, Myanmar, Nigeria, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, Tanzania and Venezuela.

Since March his teaching and administrative

### ACRL golf tourney

Allen County Right to Life is hosting its fourth annual "Links Fore Life" golf outing Monday, September 21, at Coyote Creek Golf Course. Registration is 11:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at noon. Register by Wednesday, September 9. Registration includes 18 holes of golf, a goodie bag, a cart, a bratwurst and Bloody Mary cart available for lunch, dinner, beverages and prizes. Registration is \$800 for a team or \$200 for an individual. More information is available at [www.ichooselife.org](http://www.ichooselife.org) or call Allen County Right to Life at 260-471-1849.

Allen County Right to Life is still accepting a variety of sponsorship levels for the golf outing. If you or your business is interested in learning more, email [abigail@ichooselife.org](mailto:abigail@ichooselife.org). All funds raised from the golf outing will support the life-saving mission of Allen County Right to Life.

duties have taken him to the Czech Republic, Ethiopia, Germany, Kenya, Taiwan and South Korea. The CTS community rejoices that Quill has been able to continue to serve in this manner just one year after suffering a severe brain aneurysm while he was in Australia. By God's grace, his hotel was located a mere 10 minutes from a hospital with some of the best neurological specialists in the country. Miraculously, he not only survived but experienced a full recovery.

"For almost two decades, I have enjoyed life in the classroom with seminarians who are eager to study Holy Scripture and Lutheran doctrine. It is a pleasure to watch them develop compassionate pastoral aptitudes and attitudes which are absolutely necessary in the parish," Quill said. "It is humbling to be allowed to spend one's life doing the work of the Holy Ministry. I've always loved being a pastor and teacher in our Lord's Church. The experience in Australia this past year has had a way of making one even more thankful for all of our Lord's gifts including family, friends, church and vocation. Every time one enters the classroom or pulpit or a new mission task, it could be for the last time. I love my work. Thanks be to God!"

### LWML East Zone rally

The Fort Wayne East Zone of Lutheran Women's Missionary League will hold its annual fall rally 9:00-11:30 a.m. Saturday, October 10, at St. Paul (Gar Creek) Lutheran Church, 1910 N. Berthaud Road, New Haven. The theme will be "Sing to the Lord a New Song" based on Psalm 96:1. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. A registration fee of \$6, which includes breakfast, will be collected at the door. Pre-register with an LWML congregational representative by Sunday, October 4. Ladies of all ages are welcome to join sisters in Christ at the rally.

This year's speaker will be deaconess Jennette Heller. She serves as deaconess, youth and music director at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 9909 Wayne Trace. Her presentation is titled "Sing to the Lord a New Song: What God's Gift of Music Means for Us Today." In addition, she will play the organ in St. Paul's sanctuary.

An ingathering is for the food and clothing co-op of Concordia Theological Seminary. Bring non-perishable food items, paper goods (including diapers and baby wipes), cleaning supplies, personal-care products or over the counter medicines to the rally. Make gift cards or checks payable to CTS.

## You can create your own personal pension

By Robert Saalfrank

Create your own personal pension? It's not as crazy as it sounds. As defined benefit pensions disappear, it may be up to you to create a guaranteed income stream.

First came pensions, or defined benefit plans, with their guaranteed income for life. Then came 401(k)s with their focus on growth from the stock and bond markets. The two were meant to work together but with defined benefit pensions quickly becoming a thing of the past, many people are left with only a 401(k) plan. While 401(k)s are an important piece of retirement savings, they were never intended to be a standalone retirement solution.

The 401(k) was meant to provide supplemental retirement savings in conjunction with pensions, savings, and other income vehicles to paint a fuller retirement picture. Additional resources can be used to buttress your 401(k) and pension payments in order to build out a full retirement strategy.

What could a soon- to-be retiree do about replacing that old defined benefit plan that offered guaranteed income? What if you're one of the many people who are receiving a lump

### 'End Times, Resurrection' at Luther Hostel

Concordia Theological Seminary will host Luther Hostel 2015, October 28-30, under the theme "The End Times and Resurrection: Confident Comfort in Christ." CTS faculty, including Dr. Charles Gieschen, Dr. Gifford Grobien, Dr. Cameron MacKenzie, Prof. Jeffrey Pulse and Dr. David Scaer, will give presentations. There will be time to attend classes with current students and a special Reformation service in Kramer chapel. CTS President Lawrence R. Rast Jr. will host a fireside chat. For more information, email [Retreats@ctsfw.edu](mailto:Retreats@ctsfw.edu) or call 260-452-2204.



The Rev. Dr. Cameron MacKenzie, CTS professor of history, will be one of the presenters for Luther Hostel.

sum from a retirement plan or have a windfall event in which you receive a sum of money?

One option could be a deferred-income annuity. A deferred-income annuity allows you to set up a guaranteed income stream beginning later in life. Remember that the guaranteed income is based on the strength and claims-paying ability of your financial institution. DIA's are traditionally funded with a lump-sum payment, and the contract promises to pay you a lifetime income stream starting with a date of your choice.

For example, let's say a DIA is purchased with a \$50,000 lump sum. That money will be held by your financial institution for a defined period in which it will grow with interest. After a specified amount of time has passed, you can start receiving payments. This guaranteed stream of income can be used to supplement additional retirement savings.

Many options are available when it comes to retirement strategies. With traditional pensions disappearing from the landscape, plenty of options let you design personal solutions for your own retirement. The key is knowing your options and working with a financial professional who can help guide you toward a stable retirement.

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### 'Parenting a Child with Disabilities'

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League's North Zone rally will be 8:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, October 10, at Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 6318 W. California Road. The theme is "Parenting a Child with Disabilities — Living, Laughing and Loving/A 30-year Journey." Christian writer, author, speaker and blogger Gloria Doty, member of St. Michael Lutheran Church, will give the presentation. Her recently published book, "Not Different Enough," relays the everyday experiences of life with her daughter Kalisha, and their 30-year journey with autism, Asperger's Syndrome and intellectual disabilities. She has published a book of devotions with her sister, Jeanette Dall, titled "A Bouquet of Devotions." A monetary ingathering will be for Bethesda Communities, where Kalisha Doty is a client. Registration is \$6, which includes a continental breakfast. The registration deadline is Monday, October 5. For more information, contact Reta Borchelt at 260-693-0496.

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### Peace Preschool nets accreditation

The National Lutheran School Accreditation National Commission met in St. Louis, Mo., on July 29-30 to review the reports of Lutheran schools that were candidates for accreditation. Peace Lutheran Preschool, 4900 Fairfield Ave., was among the 177 candidate schools. Dr. Clifford Dietrich, Indiana District National Lutheran School Accreditation commissioner, notified Barbara Bradtmueller, director of Peace Preschool, that the preschool's accreditation was unanimously approved by the commission. Accreditation is granted for a period of five years. It is achieved upon the completion of an extensive self-study and an evaluation by a visitation team. NLSA serves the schools operated by congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

### Pre-kindergarten openings

St. Paul Lutheran School, 1125 S. Barr St., has a limited number of openings for its 2015-16 pre-kindergarten program 8:30-11:30 a.m. Monday to Friday with a full-day option available. To apply, your child must be 4 years old by August 1. A limited number of scholarships are available to full-time students on a first-come, first-served basis. To inquire, contact Carla Kleinschmidt, admissions counselor, at 424-0049; email [ckleinschmidt@stpaulsfw.org](mailto:ckleinschmidt@stpaulsfw.org).

### Peace Preschool registration

Peace Lutheran Preschool, 4900 Fairfield Ave., is accepting registrations for the 2015-16 school year. Classes include children 3 to 5 years of age. For more information, call Barbara Bradtmueller at 260-456-6605 or the church office at 260-744-3869.

### St. Michael Preschool registers

St. Michael Preschool, 2131 Getz Road, is registering for the 2015-16 school year. Call the church office at 260-432-2033 for more information on classes for 3-, 4- and 5-year-olds. Forms also are available on the website; go to [www.stmfw.org](http://www.stmfw.org).

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**Substitute teachers wanted**

Peace Lutheran Preschool, 4900 Fairfield Ave., seeks individuals who are interested in being on the substitute teacher list for this school year. All classes are mornings only. For more information, call Barbara Bradtmueller at 260-456-6605.

**Assistant cook sought**

St. Peter's Lutheran School, 7810 Maysville Road, is looking for a part-time assistant cook position; the job will involve using a computer as a cashier, food preparation and serving. Those interested in the position may fill out an application and turn it in to the school office or contact Diana Massucci at 260-557-1446; email lunch@stpetersfw.org. Those not interested in working the whole year but would like to work short term should contact Massucci.

**Rummage sale at Emanuel**

The Ladies Society of Emanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven, will hold its fall rummage sale 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 17, and 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Friday, September 18. Proceeds will benefit the ministries of Emanuel and other charities.

**'Invisible Wounds of War' workshop**

Lutheran Military and Families Ministries Inc. is hosting a caregiving workshop that concerns basic training and post-traumatic stress syndrome. The seminar will be 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Saturday, October 10, in the Kachmann Auditorium in Lutheran Hospital. This seminar explores the relationship between traumatic-stress disorder and spiritual disorder that occurs in America's veterans and how you can make a difference. The cost includes breakfast and lunch. General admission is \$59.95; students are \$25 and veterans are free. Pastors, spouses, lay leaders, counselors and the public are invited. To reserve your seat, call 260-755-2239.

**Upcoming activities at Camp Lutherhaven**

Camp Lutherhaven offers programs all year round, including these upcoming events and activities —

- Stepping Stones of Faith retreats: Camp Lutherhaven will embark on its 14th year of Stepping Stones of Faith retreats this coming fall. Each retreat is geared toward sixth- to eighth-graders; the weekend will foster faith formation through activities that focus on spiritual habits, group building and fellowship.

Participants take an active part in creating these weekend retreats, and they are encouraged to take lessons learned back to their homes and churches. Two planned retreats will be October 2-4 and November 13-15, or call the camp office to schedule an event.

- Fall work day: A fall work day is scheduled for Saturday, October 10, with optional overnight on October 9. This day is open to families, youth groups, men's and women's groups, and other servant workers. Friday participants will start at 7:30 p.m. with an orientation, then an evening campfire devotion and sing-along.

After a hearty breakfast on Saturday, additional day helpers are welcomed, and everyone gets started with the morning work session. Following the afternoon session, workers can take off their gloves and enjoy their labors. The day ends with dinner and closing at 6:00 p.m. All meals, cabin lodging and children's programs are free to thank volunteers for their time and hard work.



The Rev. Dr. Lawrence Rast, *right*, CTS president, addresses congregants at the opening service in Kramer Chapel.

**CTS opening service**

The opening service for the 170th Concordia Theological Seminary academic year will be 3:00 p.m. Sunday, September 13, in Kramer Chapel. Welcome returning and first-year students and ask God's blessing on the coming year.

- Junior high youth rally: On September 19-20, Camp Lutherhaven will host the annual Indiana District junior high youth rally. This year's theme is "Breathe," based on the verse in Job 33:4, "The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life."



Each year, seventh- and eighth-graders in the district take a weekend in which they are challenged to live out their faith as they gather in fellowship with more than 200 youth and youth leaders. This high impact event is not to be missed. For more information or to register, go to the youth tab at [www.in.lcms.org](http://www.in.lcms.org).

- Use camp for an event: Do you have a family reunion, church retreat or large-group gathering in need of space? Camp Lutherhaven offers the opportunity to rent its facilities for such events.

For more information on all events, call camp's office at 260-636-7101 or go to [camp@lutherhaven.org](http://camp@lutherhaven.org).



**Christ Child festival float in Harlan Days parade**

The Christ Child Festival float, designed by volunteer Mike Hallien, won the non-commercial award in the Three Rivers Festival Parade in July. Recently, with just a change of theme on the banner and repurposed wood decking, the ark placed second in the Harlan Days parade using the theme "From the Ark ... to the Zoo ... to You." The ark played the song "Arky, Arky, Rise, Shine, Give God Glory" along the parade route, prompting some spectators to sing along. With another change of banners, the float will be in the Grabill County fair parade 10 a.m. September 12.

The Christ Child Festival brings the body of Christ together to share the story of Jesus. Promote the festival by going to Facebook and like the Christ Child Festival's posts.

## Campus visits for those interested in church work

Those interested in becoming a pastor or deaconess are invited to the Prayerfully Consider visit October 8-10 at Concordia Theological Seminary. Attendees will experience the daily life of the seminary and worship with the CTS community, attend classes, meet with faculty, learn about financial-aid options and get to know the Fort Wayne area.

There is no charge for this event and all on-campus housing and meals are included. For more information, go to [www.ctsfw.edu/PCV](http://www.ctsfw.edu/PCV). College students have a great option with Christ Academy/Phoebe Academy College on October



The Rev. John Dreyer, *left*, CTS director of admission, chats with prospective students during a recent Prayerfully Consider campus visit.

29-November 1. This event allows attendees to immerse themselves in the day-to-day life at CTS. They can worship with the seminary community in Kramer Chapel, ask questions of the admission staff, attend classes led by faculty and enjoy social time with fellow attendees. This event is free of charge with housing and meals provided.

More information and online registration is at [www.ctsfw.edu/CAC](http://www.ctsfw.edu/CAC).

To connect with a member of the CTS admission staff, email [Admission@ctsfw.edu](mailto:Admission@ctsfw.edu) or call the admission office at 800-481-2155.

### Seminary Guild begins academic year with tea

The Concordia Theological Seminary Guild will launch a new school year with a “getting to know you” tea 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 8, in Luther Hall. There will be special music by Jordan Strable and Friends.

Donation Day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 13, with the Rev. Dr. Robert H. Bennett, executive director of Luther Academy, as the keynote speaker.

For more information on the Seminary Guild, go to [www.ctsfw.edu/Guild](http://www.ctsfw.edu/Guild) or email Seminary Guild President Joyce West at [joyciew43@gmail.com](mailto:joyciew43@gmail.com); telephone 419-258-2232.



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### LSUS fundraiser is Oct. 4

The sixth annual “Let the Children Come” fundraiser for Lutheran South Unity School, 5401 S. Calhoun St., is 5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4, at Zion Lutheran Church, Bauer Hall, 2313 S. Hanna St. Featured will be a silent auction, an elegant dinner, and special guest and emcee Larry Bower, news director at 90.3 WBCL and president of the entertainment group Bower North Productions. The cost is \$60 per person; \$25 of the ticket price is tax deductible. Proceeds will go to the LSUS Scholarship Endowment Fund.

### Covenant Partner training class at Cross Connections

Have you ever been told that you are a good listener? Are you the “go-to” person when somebody is hurting? Do you feel like you have the skills needed to offer biblical guidance to others? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, then the biblical counseling ministry of Cross Connections wants to speak with you. The next Covenant Partner (lay counselor) training class begins in January 2016, and Cross Connections is accepting applications. Those interested may email Vicki Graft at [vickigraft@crossconnectionsounseling.com](mailto:vickigraft@crossconnectionsounseling.com).

### Fall Fling card party

The Auxiliary of Lutheran Life Villages presents its Fall Fling card party 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 10, in the Heritage Room, Independent Living, at 6723 S. Anthony Blvd. Come for an evening of card-playing fun and food and help a great cause. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door. For more information or questions, call 260-447-1591, Ext. 2116.

### Dartball season begins

Have fun and Christian fellowship with other Lutherans in the Fort Wayne Lutheran dartball league. Teams are comprised of six or more; call Rich Greener at 437-4933, or email [richg@deistermachine.com](mailto:richg@deistermachine.com) by September 10.

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**Prince of Peace marks 50 years**

In September 1965, the constitution of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 12640 St. Joe Road, Grabill, was approved, and officers were elected to start the new church. To celebrate this 50-year milestone, members are planning a special service 9:00 a.m. Sunday, September 20. Refreshments will be served after the service. For more information, call 260-627-5621.

**Band program at LSUS**

Through the efforts of many people, the band program at Lutheran South Unity School, 5401 S. Calhoun St., is growing. Students are excited to learn how to play an instrument and be part of a larger group in a number of Lutheran school band concerts throughout the year. You can help in two ways. LSUS is still accepting used instruments — wind, strings, brass and percussion. They can be in excellent shape or in need of some repair. You also can donate to sponsor a student for the band program for the year. Many students wish to participate, but the annual fee is too much for their families to afford. Any donation will be accepted. Send checks to Lutheran South Unity School, 5401 S. Calhoun St., 46807, and mark “for band program.”

**LSUS alumni search, database**

Volunteers from Lutheran South Unity School, 5401 S. Calhoun St., have established an alumni database for the school. LSUS seeks current names and addresses of alumni from Bethlehem, Bethlehem-Trinity, Mount Calvary-Emmaus, Peace-Redeemer, Unity and Zion Lutheran schools. Email names (the name used in elementary school), addresses, phone numbers, school attended and congregation membership to Nancy Krumm at [krumptious@frontier.com](mailto:krumptious@frontier.com). Thanks go to those who have responded.

LSUS needs updated information and seeks yearbooks to borrow.

**Exciting events planned for CLHS’ alumni weekend**

The next Concordia Lutheran High School annual alumni weekend is September 24-27 with several events planned. Last year’s first annual alumni weekend proved to be a big success, bringing hundreds of friends together. There was beautiful weather for the golf outing, a full tailgate tent from beginning to end, an exciting Homecoming football game and an after-party for both students and adults. The weekend ended with a worship service giving God the glory.

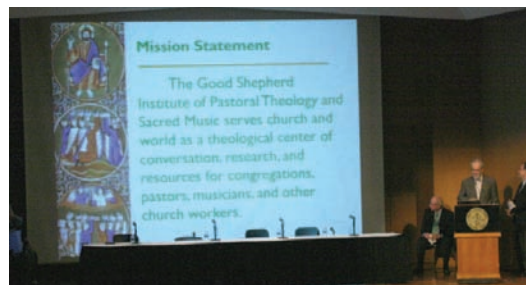
This year, an invitational golf tournament will be Thursday, September 24, at Cherry Hill Golf Club, 6615 Wheelock Road. Registration and lunch are 11:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Register online at [www.Golf4Cadets.com](http://www.Golf4Cadets.com).

A Homecoming tailgate barbecue by Shigs In Pit is planned for 5:30-7:00 p.m. Friday, September 25, at the football practice field. It will benefit the Athletic, Band and JROTC Booster clubs. Tickets are \$10 and will be sold by Booster Club students and parents in advance, email Alison Eckert in the alumni office at

**Good Shepherd Institute at CTS**

The 16th annual conference of the Good Shepherd Institute will be November 1-3 at Concordia Theological Institute. The theme will be “Art and Music, Gifts You Lend Us.” The noble art of music, as Martin Luther described it, is a prominent feature of each Good Shepherd Institute conference. The 2015 conference adds the visual arts as a literal focal point for consideration, and includes fine music, Christ-centered worship and thoughtful presentations. In addition, a nationally advertised ecclesiastical art exhibition will be on display.

Dr. Gene Edward Veith and the Rev. Stephen P. Starke will give plenary addresses regarding the role of art and music as first-article gifts, and how the principles of design apply to Christian hymnody. More information will be available at [www.ctsfw.edu/GSI](http://www.ctsfw.edu/GSI).



Clergy, church musicians and laypeople from across the United States gather annually on the CTS campus for the Good Shepherd Institute Conference.

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The Homecoming football game is 7:00 p.m. Friday, September 25. CLHS will face Wayne High School. The Homecoming after-party, with pizza and pop, will be 9:00 p.m.-midnight at the SportONE Parkview Fieldhouse, 3946 Ice Way. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students in kindergarten to grade 12.

Various activities will be offered (volleyball, basketball, beach volleyball, paddle tennis, Bounce games, etc.) Refreshments will be available for purchase at Jimmy’s Grill.

On Saturday, September 26, Fort Wayne’s annual Fort4Fitness event includes a half marathon, 10k and 4-mile run/walk. Visit [fort4fitness.org](http://fort4fitness.org) for more information and to register.

The classes of 1965, 1980, 1990 and 1995 will have their reunions that evening. Visit [www.clhscadets.com/class-reunion](http://www.clhscadets.com/class-reunion) for details.

CLHS will host a traditional worship service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday, September 27, in the CLHS auditorium. Come for songs, Scripture readings, a message and prayer. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited.

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## Central Preschool offers Minds in Motion program

Central Lutheran Preschool, New Haven, begins its third year and offers more classes to meet the growing demands of area families. New this year is the Minds in Motion program, which is designed to stimulate a child's visual processing, auditory processing and motor skills. The outcome is a better-integrated and balanced child who will perform better in school.

Central Preschool has added a new teacher and two new teachers' aides to work more closely with students. Jenna Hicks, Pat James and Star Smith are the lead teachers this year.

Hicks has been teaching for seven years and has been with Central since its opening in 2013. She teaches the 3- and 4-year-old classes and is the preschool's director.

James has been teaching in Lutheran schools for 43 years. She has been with Central Lutheran School for 31 years, and this is her second year at the preschool; she teaches the kindergarten-prep class. James was trained in Minds in Motion this summer and is a leader in implementing the program in the preschool.

Smith has taught for 13 years and begins

her first year at Central, where she teaches the 4-year-old class. She has two children who attend Central Lutheran School and is happy to be closer to her children. There are openings in each class — 3- and 4-year olds and kindergarten-prep. The preschool wants the opportunity to teach your child. Central Preschool is an accredited, Christ-centered school with licensed teachers who have advanced degrees in education. For more information, call Kelly Beverly at 493-2502, Ext. 337; email kbeverly@cluth.org.



Central Lutheran Preschool's teachers are Star Smith, 4-year-old class; Pat James, kindergarten-prep class; and Jenna Hicks, preschool director, who also teaches the 3- and 4-year-old classes.

### Advent preaching workshop

Concordia Theological Seminary will have an Advent preaching workshop 1:30-5:00 p.m. and 7:00-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 3. The theme is "Ready for Christ's Advent?"

Who are those ready for Christ's Second Advent?

They are those who celebrate His first Advent. This workshop will help pastors address these details as they prepare a four-part sermon showing how those who celebrate Christ's Advent are those who, by God's grace, are truly repentant (Joel 2:12-14), lowly, not proud (Psalm 138:6), blameless and holy (1 Thessalonians 3:12-13) and praising the king (Revelation 1:4-8).

Dr. Walter A. Maier III, CTS professor of exegetical theology, will be the presenter. The fee is \$40, which includes dinner. For more information, email GSI@ctsfw.edu or call 260-452-2224. Registration is available at www.ctsfw.edu/GSI.



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## NEWS & SUCH

### First-annual Grandparents Day

Concordia Lutheran High School is hosting its first annual Grandparents Day on Monday, September 14. This event will be held each year, reserved for the grandparents of sophomores and seniors. Grandparents are invited to join their grandchildren for chapel and programs from different departments. They are invited to take their sophomore and senior grandchildren off campus for lunch that day. The day begins at 8:15 a.m. and continues until 1:00 p.m. For more information, register online at [www.clhscadets.com/grandparent](http://www.clhscadets.com/grandparent). Welcome grandparents to this special new CLHS tradition.

### CLHS band involved in Appleseed Festival

The Concordia Lutheran High School band is again involved in serving delicious stuffed potatoes and berry shortcake at the Johnny Appleseed Festival on September 19 and 20. The potatoes will be served with several delicious toppings. The band will also help at the caramel corn booth. Taste what the early pioneers enjoyed. Any alumni, alumni parent or friend interested in helping may contact Dianne Moellering at [dmoerllering@clhscadets.com](mailto:dmoerllering@clhscadets.com) or call 260-483-1102, Ext. 198.

### CLHS marching band kicks off its new season

The Concordia Lutheran High School Marching Cadets are on the right track for another great marching season with "And the greatest of these: Hope, Faith and Love" original music by Kent Klee. The ballad "Jesus Loves Me" sets up the closing piece in which "Love Divine, All Love Excelling" will be heard. The music is amazing, and the musicians are under the capable leadership of drum majors Anna Werling and Gabe Kramer. Color Guard captains are Sarah Brennan and Taylor Welker. Competitions begin at Bluffton on September 12. Call the school office for the exact time.

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**Continuing education at CTS**

Pastors, deaconesses and all church workers serve their congregations year-round, and Concordia Theological Seminary offers continuing education opportunities to support them as they serve. For a list of continuing education sites, go to [www.ctsfw.edu/CE](http://www.ctsfw.edu/CE). Specific information for each site will be posted as it becomes available. For more information, email [CE@ctsfw.edu](mailto:CE@ctsfw.edu); telephone 260-452-2103.

**CTS daily chapel services live**

Watch Concordia Theological Seminary morning chapel services in Kramer Chapel live via the Internet. The services are broadcast 10:00 a.m. Monday to Friday when classes are in session; go to [www.ctsfw.edu](http://www.ctsfw.edu) and click on morning chapel service. For those who are unable to watch at 10:00 a.m., the services are recorded and posted at [www.ctsfw.edu/DailyChapel](http://www.ctsfw.edu/DailyChapel).

**TinCaps, Fort 4 Fitness events**

Concordia Lutheran High School is a charity partner for this year's 2015 fall festival for Fort 4 Fitness during alumni weekend September 25-26. Those who register should make sure to select CLHS as the charity-partner choice. With at least 50 people registered with CLHS, the school receives a designated area at Parkview Field for the group; with 100 or more people registered with CLHS, a portion of the registration fees will be donated back to the school. Register for this fall's Fort4Fitness at [www.fort4fitness.org](http://www.fort4fitness.org).

**Shop with SCRIP; earn money**

Consider the SCRIP program when making a purchase. With every SCRIP purchase, a percent of the profit generated is credited to your family account to be applied to Concordia Lutheran High School tuition or rebated to you. For a complete listing of stores, visit the SCRIP booth in CLHS' main hallway 2:00-5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and noon-4:30 p.m. Fridays.

**Amazed at God's amazing grace, from pg. 2**

their fears that He was not a ghost, and then He calmed the storm. This was the second time they had witnessed His control over nature. They were again amazed as they had been by His other miracles, when He healed the sick, cast out demons, raised a little girl from the dead, and fed more than 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish.

The group had witnessed all of this and still could not connect it to Jesus' divine nature. So we, too, can read these biblical accounts and witness God's goodness to us daily and still not submit our needs and lives to Jesus.

This brings us to another "amazed" person in Mark 6:6 — Jesus. He was amazed by the closed hearts of His hometown people. He healed a few who came to Him out of their need and His compassion, but He didn't give them any more signs because they lacked faith. He had not come as a magician. He came to them as a healer. He was not there just to amaze and entertain them. He was there to take over their hearts and to restore their broken relationship with Him and His Father.

Now we stand as disciples in the place of Jesus and are often amazed at the lack of faith in our time. Where is the acknowledgement of God's goodness? Where is the promotion of God in our schools and in our business world? Where is the acknowledgement of God as Creator? Most have faith in what they were taught in science class, that matter produces matter and that species evolve from other species by chance over billions of years.

What has happened to God's moral and ethical guidelines to which we will all be held accountable? Where is the justice to protect us from those who have murdered and cheated us and to allow the murder of the unborn, who have no one to protect their rights? Where

are Christians repentant for not upholding the Sabbath worship, for not studying and applying God's word in their occupations, in their marriages and in their charity?

So what did Jesus do about His perplexing people? He took our sins upon Himself and paid for them on the cross. He sent the Holy Spirit to us to live in His stead for the glorification of our Heavenly Father. And that's amazing love and amazing grace.

*Bill Ihssen is a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 3705 S. Anthony Blvd.*

**'Faith in the Halls of Power' at CTS**

Tim Goeglein, a lifelong member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, will present "Faith in the Halls of Power: Family, Marriage, Human Life and Religious Liberty in 21st Century America" 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 8, in Sihler Auditorium. Goeglein served as a special assistant to President George W. Bush, press secretary to U.S. Sen. Dan Coats and is now vice president for external relations for Focus on the Family in Washington, D.C. He is the author of "The Man in the Middle: Faith and Politics in the George W. Bush Era." There is no charge for this event.



**Goeglein**

**Emmaus marks 115 years, from pg. 1**

highlight the ministries at Emmaus and the partnerships with local groups.

"Confessing Christ — Tomorrow" will be 10:00 a.m. October 4 (note the time change). Emmaus will continue to lift high the cross and proclaim the love of Christ as it confesses Christ in the future for the sake of bringing the gospel to next generations. A special sermon will be given by the Rev. Dr. Daniel May, Indiana District president, and will include a baptism of a newborn of an Emmaus staff member. A potluck picnic with bounce houses and outdoor activities for all ages will be 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



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<b>6</b> Worship in the Park	<b>7</b> LABOR DAY	<b>8</b> Yoga classes at Peace JOY lunch at St. Michael	<b>9</b> The Skit Guys at Concordia Church	<b>10</b> Fall Fling card party at LLV "Seasons of Life" at St. Michael Confirmation ministry meeting at St. Michael	<b>11</b> PATRIOT DAY Zumba classes at Peace Trinity thrift store is open	<b>12</b> Woodburn School dinner auction Junior high youth nights at St. Michael
<b>13</b> Bible classes at St. Michael New member class begins at Concordia Church CTS opening service	<b>14</b> Grandparents Day at CLHS	<b>15</b> Yoga classes at Peace	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> CONSTITUTION DAY Rummage sale at Emanuel	<b>18</b> Zumba classes at Peace Trinity thrift store is open Rummage sale at Emanuel	<b>19</b> A Hope Center's Strides of Hope CLHS band at Johnny Appleseed Festival
<b>20</b> Heritage Sunday at Emmaus Prince of Peace marks 50 years CLHS band at Johnny Appleseed Festival	<b>21</b> Allen County Right to Life golf tourney	<b>22</b> Yoga classes at Peace	<b>23</b> 1ST DAY OF AUTUMN Adult confirmation class at St. Michael	<b>24</b> Rummage at Trinity, Decatur Road	<b>25</b> Rummage sale at Peace Rummage at Trinity, Decatur Road Trinity thrift store is open	<b>26</b> Rummage sale at Peace Trinity thrift store is open CLHS Homecoming weekend
<b>27</b> "Confessing Christ Today — Present" at Emmaus	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Yoga classes at Peace	<b>30</b>		Zumba classes at Peace Trinity thrift store is open	

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### Kroger Plus card helps CLHS

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### How to plan a CLHS reunion

Is your Concordia Lutheran High School class reaching a milestone? If so, and you are not aware of any plans for a reunion, it's probably because no one in your class has contacted the alumni office. Catch up with old friends and make memories happen again. Call 260-483-1102 for a reunion-planning guide.

### Christ Child Fest sponsors tree

The Christ Child Festival is sponsoring a tree at the Festival of Trees. The theme is "Praise the King of Kings." The tree will be decorated with beautiful ornaments and a Nativity that will tell the story of the life and teachings of Christ. Make a donation to designate a memorial, honor someone or mark an occasion with a \$20 donation to help finance the many supplies needed to construct these beautiful decorations.

The Christ Child Festival shares the love of Christ with the community.

### Bible study at IPFW

Students of Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne are invited to an on-campus Bible study noon-1:00 p.m. Mondays. Pizza will be provided. For more information, call the Rev. J. Brown at 260-460-7725; email [PastorBrown@ConcordiaChurch.org](mailto:PastorBrown@ConcordiaChurch.org).

## Free films for couples at Cross Connections

Cross Connections, a Christ-centered nonprofit professional counseling ministry, will offer a free movie for couples 6:00 p.m. Friday, September 25, at 4618 East State St., Suite 300, in East State Professional Park. The movie will be "The Book Thief," starring Sophie Nelisse, Geoffrey Rush and Emily Watson. This 2013 film concerns the life of a young girl who loses her family and is adopted by a somewhat conflicted family living through the stresses of war. Discussion will center on how Christian couples can build healthy relationships, even in extremely stressful situations. Cross Connections will provide the

popcorn; bring your own soft drinks.

A study at UCLA found that couples could learn relationship skills from both bad and good movie examples without having to make all of the mistakes the film couple made. The outcome of the study suggests that watching and discussing five relationship movies each month has a similar outcome to being in marital therapy.

For more information or to RSVP, call Susan or Linda at 260-373-0213.

Future dates for 2015 are October 23, November 20 and December 18.

## Thrivent sponsors champions cup tournament

Golfers of all skill levels qualify for the third annual nonprofit champions cup tournament sponsored by Thrivent Financial. Six ministries in northeast Indiana, many of which have strong ties in the Lutheran community, are collaborating again with sponsor Thrivent Financial to present the Thrivent Non-Profit Champions Tournament. Concordia Lutheran High School, Worship for Shut-Ins, Emmaus Lutheran School, Central Lutheran School, the New Haven food bank and Cross Connections are joining to show appreciation to the foursomes that participate in their individual outings.

Each individual outing is divided into

four separate flights based on the number of participants. A, B, C and ladies flight winners will advance to compete in the tourney Friday, October 2, at Autumn Ridge Golf Club.

This is a list of each participating ministry with the dates and tentative locations for their outings:

Emmaus Lutheran School — September 12 at Foster Park Golf Club

Worship for Shut-ins — September 18 at Cherry Hill Golf Club

New Haven food bank — September 19 at Whispering Creek Golf Club

Concordia Lutheran High School — September 24 at Cherry Hill Golf Club.

## CTSFW Tours offers trip to Greece, Turkey

Concordia Theological Seminary will host a tour to Turkey and Greece on November 12-23. You are cordially invited to join CTSFW Tours on the trip of a lifetime to Greece, the cradle of western civilization, and Turkey, sometimes called the second Holy Land. Explore some of the most fascinating sites in all of secular and sacred history.

The trip will begin in the grandeur of Athens, Greece. Marvel at the ancient architecture of the Olympic Stadium, the Temple of Zeus, Hadrian's Arch and the Acropolis. Drop in on Mars Hill and see if you can hear the echo of St. Paul's famous speech to the men of Athens. Spend your leisure time examining the city in all of her philosophical essences, where great philosophers discussed the nature of human existence, democracy began and Christianity developed.

Drop in on the unique shops and pick up mementos to bring home. Visit some of the interior cities of Greece, which are rich in important archeological sites. Explore history

in Delphi, Kalambaka, Meteora Thessaloniki, Philippi and Kavala.

Cross into Turkey and travel to the cities of Troy, Canakkale, Pergamum, Izmir and Kusadasi. Visit the Seven Churches of the Revelation on the way to the magnificent city of Ephesus, and see the great amphitheater and the Temple of Diana, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. The trip ends in beautiful Istanbul, a city of Old World elegance that straddles two continents. Istanbul, ancient Constantinople, played an important role in the first thousand years of the Christian Church.

For more information and a tour brochure, go to [www.ctsfw.edu/CTSFWTours](http://www.ctsfw.edu/CTSFWTours), email [CTSFWTours@ctsfw.edu](mailto:CTSFWTours@ctsfw.edu) or call at 260-494-5382.

### Cross Connections' website

The website for Cross Connections, a Christ-centered professional counseling agency, is [CrossConnectionsCounseling.com](http://CrossConnectionsCounseling.com).