



ST. PETER'S

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Reformation Quincentennial

In the year 2000, a group of scholars made a list of the top 100 most influential people in the last 1000 years. Number one on that list was Johannes Gutenberg, who, in 1439, invented the printing press with movable type. Number two on that list was Dr. Martin Luther, who, on October 31, 1517, began the Lutheran Reformation.

On that date Luther, who was a Roman Catholic priest, Augustinian Monk, and a professor at the University of Wittenberg in Germany, nailed his *95 Theses* to the Castle Church door. In them Luther questioned the sale of indulgences—worthless pieces of paper that the pope said would grant the purchaser time out of purgatory. In essence, the pope was selling the forgiveness of sins.

The *95 Theses* spread like wildfire. Within fourteen days they spread throughout Germany, and within a couple of months they spread throughout all of Europe. The sale of indulgences plummeted, which got the pope's attention. Time after time representatives of the pope tried to compel Luther—with the threat of imprisonment and even death—to recant his teachings. Time after time he refused unless they could prove from Holy Scripture he was wrong.

That is the foundation of the Lutheran Reformation. Luther wanted to restore the Bible to its rightful place as the sole authority in all matters of Christian faith and living. To assist in this endeavor, in 1522 Luther released the *September Testament*. It was the New Testament translated into German from the original Greek language. By 1534 the entire Bible was translated into the language of the people. Making it possible for the people to read God's Word in their own language furthered the cause of the Reformation more than anything else.

Now, 500 years later, by God's grace, you and I stand firmly where Martin Luther stood—on the truths of the Bible. And what were the most important truths that Luther rediscovered for the Church? The three Solas—that we are saved Sola Gratia, Sola Fide, and Sola Scriptura. We are saved Sola Gratia—by God's grace—his undeserved love for us sinners alone. We are saved Sola Fide—by Spirit-worked faith in the crucified and risen Savior, Jesus Christ, alone. And we are saved Sola Scriptura—by God's Holy Word alone. May we continue to build our lives and our congregation on these three Pillars of the Lutheran Reformation!

Sola Gratia
Grace Alone

Sola Fide
Faith Alone

Sola Scriptura
Scripture Alone

500TH
Anniversary
OF THE REFORMATION

News from Evening Circle

Evening Circle ladies enjoyed a festive evening September 11, beginning with a light supper provided by Kathy Henke, Mary Demmon, Sue Repp and Mary Scheidt. A field trip was planned to visit the Boerner Botanical Gardens "China Lights" display on September 26.

With that in mind,

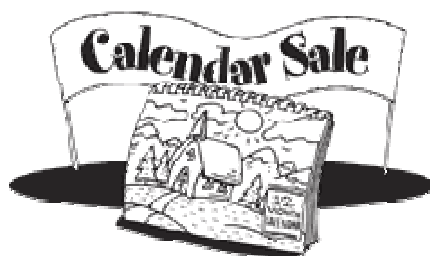
the regular meeting scheduled for October 2 has been cancelled.

We'll see you in November!

Another decision made involves **Advent by Candlelight**.

We decided to take a one year hiatus so there will be

NO ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT this year.



2018 Creation Calendars

The 2018 Creation Calendars are in and they are as amazing and beautiful as ever! They will be put out and made available sometime mid-October.

The cost of the calendars is \$7. How wonderful to be able to look at a daily calendar that both quotes God's promises and pictures his beautiful creation.

Membership Matters

Baptisms

Julaya Ferderer
Annika Schroeder
Finnley Schroeder
Alexander Schoofs

Affirmations of Faith

Scot Meisenheimer
Trish Prickette*
Allison Teegarden*

Transfers In

Tim Bull from Zion, Hartland
Jacque Rose from St. John's, Lomira

Funeral

Shirley Dowland

Adult Confirmation

Brian Kaelin

Request for Release

Karissa Lauersdorf

Transfers Out

Chelsey Jones to Mt. Zion, Ripon
Caitlin Koepsell to Wisconsin Lutheran Chapel, Madison
Branden Strong to Wisconsin Lutheran Chapel, Madison
Troy, Amy, Grace*, and Levi* Schwartz to Faith, Fond du Lac
Mikayla Meyer White to Grace, Prairie du Chein
Kim Jerabek to Immanuel, Waupaca
Jarrod, Angie, Amelia*, and Adelaide* Tonn to St. Paul's, North Fond du Lac
Jeremy Rich, Jessica Lueck-Rich, Connor, Lola*, and Emmett* to Faith, Fond du Lac

GREETERS SCHEDULE

Oct. 1	7:45	Ken & Jo Wendorff
	10:30	Jerry & Diane Fricken
Oct. 8	7:45	Ruth Schultz
	10:30	Gib & Ann Trewin June Kartos
Oct. 15	7:45	Tim & Gail Zorn
	10:30	Lorin & Rose Orvis
Oct. 22	7:45	Warren & Mary Demmon
	10:30	DuWayne & Marilyn Zamzow
Oct. 29	7:45	Gene & Judy Zwicky
	10:30	Jerry & Diane Fricken

Cleaning Schedule

Week of:	
Oct. 1	Jane Fell
Oct. 8	Jane Fell
Oct. 15	Sue Repp Carolyn Kramer
Oct. 22	Sue Repp Carolyn Kramer
Oct. 29	Loren & Joan Voss



Please call Gregg at
923 - 1583
to become a member of
the "cleaning team".



OCT. 1 - 15

OCT. 16 - 31



Kathy Kraus

Teresa Samuel

Sherry Georg

Barb Krug

Worship Schedule

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Oct. 1	Pentecost 17
Oct. 8	Sola Fide
Oct. 15	Sola Scriptura
Oct. 22	Sola Gratia
Oct. 29	Solo Christo

For details on flower donations,
look for our flower chart
on the bulletin board at the end of the
member mailboxes.