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Please mark September 12th on your calendar. September 12th is Rally Day Kick-off Sunday!

Rally Day at Pacific Hills signals to us that the summer has ended and the fall program is underway. Sunday school

classes will begin their new program on September 12th. Our youth confirmation classes will have started up a few days earlier on September 8th.

We invite all teachers to participate in teacher installation, whether you are a Sunday School teacher or a small group leader. The Installation Service will take place at both services. Rally Day festivities will take place during the Sunday School hour in Acker Hall and will include refreshments. Pastor will discuss our Milestone Ministry, the Four Keys to Nurturing Faith and our Enduring Faith Curriculum. This fall the curriculum picks up with the New Testament, under the theme, "Jesus Comes for Us." After this opening, the students will be dismissed to their classrooms for abbreviated instruction. Parents, please respond to Pam Hafsaas phafsaas@icloud.com to register for Sunday School.

If you are not regularly in the Word, now is the time to rededicate yourself. Now is the time to get involved with Sunday morning Bible Study or a Bible Study throughout the week, or both!

Blessings,

Pastor Bryan E. Drebes

MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

If you desire to continue to wear a mask and social distance from others, please do so.

Church Events

Sun Aug 29	8:00 am	Eucharist
	9:15 am	Education Hour Choir (Rehearsal Only) in Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Eucharist
	6:00 pm	Adult Bible Class (ZOOM)
Wed Sep 1	9:30 am	Holy Communion (ZOOM)
	12:30 pm	First Ladies AA Meeting
	7:00 pm	Youth Confirmation Information Meeting
Thur Sep 2	6:30 pm	Tai Chi
Sun Sep 5	8:00 am	Eucharist
	9:15 am	Education Hour NO Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Eucharist
	6:00 pm	Adult Bible Class (ZOOM)
Mon Sep 6		LABOR DAY (Church office will be closed.)

Returning to God, Tithes and Offerings

As you know the church's ministry and expenses continue even though services and programming are a bit different. You can still give your tithes and offerings by mail. You can set up your bank account to give electronically or you can utilize MyEOffering. There is also a link to MyEOffering on our web page, on the top menu. Our web page is: www.PacificHillsLutheran.org. You can sign up at <https://members.myeoffering.com>. Your church needs people like you to continue their regular patterns of giving despite virus-related closures to maintain current ministry. Consider the following passages: **2 Corinthians 9:7** - Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **Malachi 3:10** - Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. **Proverbs 11:24** - One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. **Luke 6:38** - Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

Members can contribute to the Yahweh Fund to address community assistance. During this trying time recovering from the pandemic, PHLC offers **Walmart** and **HyVee gift cards that are purchased for those who seek assistance for food or gas.**



Remember Your Offerings

BIBLE VERSE of the Week

"Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes." (Ephesians 6:11)

Online Worship Services: Go to our website www.pacifichillslutheran.org for more information.

Please join Pastor in between services for a **Study of the Lessons of the Day**. Classes meet in Acker Hall.

Bob Vandervort is offering a **Bible Class on the book of Hebrews via Zoom every Sunday evening** from 6:00 – 6:45 pm. Email him at rsvod@cox.net or call 402-350-0872 for more information. Everyone is welcome!

Directors mail boxes are now located in the new Church Workroom 119!

For any notes/documents for the Office: Please use the new **Administrative Assistant Inbox for Kim** and **Office Assistant Inbox for Kelly** in the Workroom.

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S GROUP -Join us for lively faith conversation centered on Issues Etc. podcasts. We'll be meeting in the narthex starting September 8th at 6:30 pm. For more information call or text Kathy Brashear 402.670.0500, Brenda Whealy 402.201.1106 or Sandy Frazier 402.333.1766. (Let us know if you need a ride.)

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY will be October 3, 2021. This will include transfers.

WEDDING COORDINATOR NEEDED

After many years of faithful service, Joan Workman has decided to step down as our wedding coordinator. All of us at Pacific Hills would like to thank Joan for her service over the years. Thank you, Joan. With Joan's departure, this means we are looking for a new wedding coordinator. This is a volunteer position, but a small honorarium is paid by the couple. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Pastor Drebes at bryandrebes@pacifichillslutheran.org.

TRUNK OR TREAT WITH THE PANCAKE MAN

Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 5 pm to 7 pm in Acker hall. Prizes for best trunk will be picked by all that come join us in Acker hall. The Pancake Man will be serving pancakes and sausages. Mark your calendars and look for more information in the weeks to come.

Volunteers are needed on 9/11/2021 from 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon at the church to help clean out items from the last storage POD in the church parking lot. Any questions can be directed to Jim Mueller phone 402-968-0050. Thank you.

BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE JOB OPENINGS

We are looking for caring individuals to serve K-5 students in our Learning Center, before and after school program, at the Concordia Academy campus (1821 N. 90th St).

- One adult care giver (19 and older) two afternoons a week, 2:45 pm—6:00 pm
- High school assistants (16-18 years old) in the afternoons, two to three days a week

If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Laura Troutman at 402-212-7145 or laura.troutman@concordiaomaha.org.

CARE MINISTRY CARDS—in room 115. All cards are \$1, money goes for expenses for shut-in mailings, meals and more. Please stop by and see our new selections!

PRAYER PARTNERS—Do you realize prayer is one of the most important things we do as a congregation? I am looking for 12 leaders to join me as prayer partners for this congregation. What does a prayer partner do? They meet with me and others, on a "regular basis," (TBD) to pray. No agenda, other than to pray. If you are interested in serving as a prayer partner, please contact me at: bryandrebes@pacifichillslutheran.org. Once we have identified the 12 people, we will begin this journey together.

August Mission of the Month: Orphan Grain Train (OGT), based in Norfolk, NE., (a Recognized Service Organization of the LCMS) is a volunteer network that gathers donated items of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid and distributes them to needy people in America and to 69 countries around the world. Annually, over \$50 million worth of goods are shipped to needed areas. PHLC has a long history of working with OGT through donations of dollars, quilts, Bibles and Christian literature. OGT shipped a safari tent to South Sudan for PHLC which is still used as a medical clinic for the people of Uleng, South Sudan. Your Mission Offerings will help Orphan Grain Train to change lives and give hope to children and others in need world wide.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION—Parents of confirmation age youth in fifth through ninth grade and their eligible youth are encouraged to attend an information meeting on Wednesday evening, September 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in Acker Hall. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 8th at 6:00 p.m. Looking forward to seeing you there.