

EMMANUEL HERALD

Sunday School: 9:00 (Sept-May)

Divine Service: Sundays at 10:00 am
Sundays at 9:00 am (Memorial Day
through Labor Day)



From the Pastor's Study

This article is an abbreviated version of one from the LCMS website lutheranreformation.com

July 30 is the commemoration of Robert Barnes, Confessor and Martyr. But his name might not be well known, even among those who study the Lutheran Reformation in Germany. This is probably because, unlike most Lutherans of the 16th century, Barnes was not German. He was an Englishman, who served his king, preached the pure Gospel to his countrymen, and ultimately, laid down his life as a witness to Jesus Christ.

Robert Barnes was born in 1495 in Norfolk, England. In 1514, he began studying at Cambridge University and also became an Augustinian friar (the same order that Martin Luther joined in Erfurt, Germany). Over the course of time, Barnes became disillusioned by the direction of the Roman Catholic Church, and was soon introduced to the writings of Luther.

Barnes began urging reform in his sermons, and consequently, he was tried for heresy and put under house arrest in London for almost two years. Still, he took advantage of his new location by helping in the clandestine distribution of Lutheran books and Tyndale's English Translation of the New Testament. In November 1528, he was warned that the authorities were planning his execution, so he fled to the continent and finally reached Wittenberg in 1530.

Barnes stayed in Wittenberg for over a year studying under Martin Luther himself. In 1531, Barnes published his most important work: *A Supplication to King Henry VIII*. This was an attempt to defend himself against the English bishops and to convince King Henry of Lutheranism. The pure Gospel shines through Barnes's pen: ***"Scripture says that faith alone justifies because it is that through which alone I cling to Christ. By faith alone I am partaker of the merits and mercy purchased by Christ's blood. It is faith alone that receives the promises made in Christ. Through our faith the merits, goodness, grace, and favour of Christ are imputed and reckoned to us."***

Despite Barnes' best efforts, the official doctrine in England remained primarily Roman Catholic. In Lent 1540, Barnes preached a reformation sermon in London and was imprisoned in the Tower. On July 30, Barnes and two other Protestant preachers were burned to death. To the very end, Barnes remained steadfast in his faith and was able to give a thoroughly Lutheran final confession: ***"There is none other satisfaction unto the Father, but this [Christ's] death and passion only... That no work of man did deserve anything of God, but only [Christ's] passion, as touching our justification... For I knowledge the best work that ever I did is unpure and unperfect... Wherefore I trust in no good work that ever I did, but only in the death of Jesus Christ."***

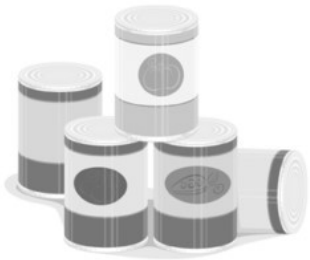
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When the news of Robert Barnes's martyrdom reached the Germany, the Reformers were horrified. Here is what Luther wrote concerning the Lutheran martyr of England:

"This Dr. Robert Barnes we certainly knew, and it is a particular joy for me to hear that our good, pious dinner guest and houseguest has been so graciously called by God to pour out his blood and to become a holy martyr for the sake of His dear Son... He always had these words in his mouth: Rex meus, regem meum ["my king, my king"], as his confession indeed indicates that even until his death he was loyal toward his king with all love and faithfulness, which was repaid by Henry with evil. Hope betrayed him. For he always hoped his king would become good in the end. Let us praise and thank God! This is a blessed time for the elect saints of Christ and an unfortunate, grievous time for the devil, for blasphemers, and enemies, and it is going to get even worse. Amen."

LWML



The LWML is celebrating 80 years in existence. Mary and Martha will be collecting food items for Camp Okoboji, now through August. Needed are large cans of vegetables (no peas), lg cans of fruit, spaghetti sauces, black olives and mushrooms. Also frostings, brown and white sugar, large bags of cereal, sliced dill pickles, cream soups and zip lock bags (any size). Please be sure the used by dates extend into 2023 or longer. There will be large cans of fruit and vegetables in the fellowship hall to adopt. Please give your money to Judy Kramer or Donna Smidt if you adopt one of these cans. There will be a collection box in the fellowship hall for your donations. Thank you all for helping out with this worthy cause.



Sunday school begins September 18th and the kids are waiting for you!

If you have a love for children and a love for Jesus, the Sunday school can use your help.

If you can teach every week or just once a month or if you can be a substitute teacher, contact Jennifer (712-830-9015) as soon as possible.

Teaching the kids is very rewarding for them and for you, so prayerfully consider how you can help !

LWML Minutes

Mary & Martha — Next meeting September 8

Daughters of Emmanuel — Next meeting in September



Emmanuel Council Minutes—June 8, 2022

Those present: Pastor, Beth Hatch, Craig Wallace, Jackie Wallace, Jodi Pieken, Roger Pieken, Randy Drost, Lyle Tegels, Marlin Johnson

Craig called the meeting to order. Pastor opened with prayer. The secretary's report for Apr. was emailed to all council members. No changes were made. Financial report for April & May were given. Marlin made a motion, seconded by Randy to approve the financial reports. Motion approved.

Elder Report: Nothing to report

Trustee Report: Trees were taken down at the parsonage

Evangelism Report: Emmanuel will have a street float and a water float for the Water Carnival. The church potluck will be July 24th at 5:00pm.

Pastors Report: Visits: shut ins 12, counseling 2. VBS went great with at least 50 kids each day. It was an amazing group of volunteers. The District Convention is June 26-28.

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business: Nothing to report

Meeting closed with the Lords Prayer. A motion was made by Randy, seconded by Marlin to adjourn the meeting.

Next council meeting will be July 13, 2022.

Submitted by Jodi Pieken, Council Secretary

July 13, 2022—No Council Meeting

Lutherans for Life Statement on Supreme Court ruling on *Roe v. Wade*

Lutherans For Life rejoices that an egregious injustice has been rectified. Thanks be to God for the Supreme Court's reversal of the erroneous *Roe v. Wade* decision! Our nation and culture owe a great debt of gratitude to fifty years of Gospel-motivated voices For Life. Their faithful witness of courage and compassion has influenced successive generations to acknowledge the reality that God creates, redeems, and calls every human life to be His own precious treasure from fertilization to forever. And we delight to receive each one as a gift and a privilege.

Nevertheless, we recognize that significant labor remains. Attention turns from one court and one congress to fifty of them. Neighbors will continue experiencing surprise pregnancies. The devil will keep deceiving the public into viewing death as a solution to suffering. Millions among us still need relief from the guilt and healing from the grief over their part in abortion. The *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health* verdict does not mandate the sanctity of unborn life but merely makes the federal government neutral. Even if federal policy did protect the endangered ones, it still falls to us as citizens to ensure that our communities reflect it in actual practice. Laws and leaders can foster good and forbid evil, but only the truth of God's Word and the love of the Body of Christ can change hearts and save lives.

So, we rededicate ourselves all the more intently to speaking truth and showing love to the one right in front of us. Our nationwide network of life-minded servants remains committed to embodying and encouraging gentle relentlessness in an inevitably volatile environment. We pledge ourselves not to allow our fellowship to become apathetic following this positive development. And we are already undertaking to improve and expand our equipping of Gospel-motivated voices to declare and demonstrate the grace of God in Jesus Christ to all members of our race, no matter what age, appearance, or ability. May He bless our land, our authorities, and our people to have life and share it abundantly!

Camp Okoboji



Camp Okoboji's Family Retreats have been growing Household Discipleship for over 80 years! Families have been meeting other families and reuniting with friends & families for decades, and with good reason. ***Camp Okoboji's Family Retreats exist to provide families with opportunities for household & personal faith formation, to strengthen family relationships, and to create an environment of rest and refreshment at West Lake Okoboji***

At Family Retreats, you can expect a morning of youth & adult discipleship, an afternoon of family-oriented activities, plenty of family free time to be at the beach and explore the Iowa Great Lakes area, and evening devotions that keep us reminded of who we are in Christ & how He is sending us into our communities, families and congregations. <https://www.campokoboji.org/images/logo.png>

August 7 - 12: For families of all ages! Our Family Retreats are designed to provide families an experience that leads toward household & individual faith formation, strengthening family relationships, and creating an environment for rest and relaxation. Register by calling Camp at (866) 449-3326.

God Calls Us to be His Workers

In spite of our foolish and sinful ways, God calls us to be His workers. Scripture tells us that Jesus did not pick people from society's elite when He chose his workers. Jesus' disciples were peasants, fishermen, and even a tax collector. Paul wrote, "*Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things . . .*" (1 Corinthians 1:26-28). The majority of God's work was done and continues to be done by the lowly and oppressed people.

Certainly, God can use celebrities and very successful people in His work. However, we need to remember that, even though we may not have accomplished anything of worldly significance, broken any records, or won any awards, God can use and transform us into effective workers in His kingdom. "*I can do everything through Him Who gives me strength*" (Philippians 4:13). Society gives many accolades to those who succeed, but there is no greater honor or privilege than to be chosen as God's vehicle to spread the Gospel. As John states in his Gospel, it is Jesus Who does the choosing. "*You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit*" (John 15:16).

So why does God elevate the foolish and the lowly to be His workers? A reason may be found in 1 Corinthians 1:29: "*so that no one may boast before Him.*" It is only by God's grace that we are saved, called, and equipped to be in His service. If we come into God's work with impressive credentials, we risk taking the glory and credit for ourselves. God desires the weak and the lowly. As Paul said, "*Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong*" (2 Corinthians 12:9-10). God uses ordinary people to do extra-ordinary things. Are you ready for duty?

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	6
7 9:00 AM Worship	8	9	10 7:00 PM Council Meeting	11	12 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	13
14 9:00 AM Worship	15	16	17	18	19 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	20
21 9:00 AM Worship	22	23	24 3:45 Confirmation	25 7:00 PM Ladies Anxiety Study	26 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	27
28 9:00 AM Worship	29	30 7:00 PM Evange- lism Committee Meeting	31 NO Confirmation			

Birthdays

Name	Date
Tami Werkmeister	August 1
Nick Mauer	August 1
Phyllis Brus	August 2
Bob Bengtson	August 4
Wes Drost	August 4
Jenny Stock	August 4
Roger Pieken	August 4
Ethan Peters	August 4
Sandy Boeckman	August 5
Delores Lucht	August 7
Cole Frank	August 8
Sue Eneboe	August 9
Bradley Leitz	August 9
Eldred Lietz	August 11
Jake Frye	August 13
John Swenson	August 16
Twila Cleveland	August 17
Linda Wiebers	August 18
Judy Kramer	August 23
Jim Carroll	August 25
Lannie Miller	August 27
Phyllis Leitz	August 29
Nathan Peters	August 29

Anniversaries

Jay & Brittany Liechti	August 1 (8 years)
Wes & Kim Drost	August 5 (33 years)
John & Julie Kraft	August 11 (33 years)
Tom & Julie Reaman	August 17 (54 years)
Lyle & Lori Tegels	August 17 (22 years)
Jerry & Janie Waldrop	August 22 (35 years)
Lyle & Linda Schuknecht	August 23 (46 years)
Dale & Linda Wiebers	August 26 (44 Years)
Marty & Lori Mauer	August 27 (389 years)
Jeff & Sheryl Huisenga	August 28 (51 years)
Lynn & Lisa Mohr	August 29 (39 years)

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact the church so our records can be

Serving in God's House

Elders:

August 7:	Marlin Johnson (712) 210-0879
August 14:	Dave Woltman (712) 660-3532
August 21:	Lyle Tegels (712) 830-7151
August 28:	Craig Wallace (606) 584-3321

Acolytes:

August 7:	Jacob Huegerich & Braxton Graff
August 14:	Jordin Carroll & Paige Zimmerman
August 21:	Miley Monahan & Macy Monahan
August 28:	

Counters:

August 7:	Christina Caton, Amber Hadden, Julie Reaman
August 14:	Deanna Cole, Barb & Larry Bundt
August 21:	Julie Kruse & Judy Miller
August 28:	Christina Caton, Amber Hadden, Julie Reaman

Worship Online

Facebook.com/LakeViewEmmanuel— Sunday services will be shown live and a recording will be available.

www.lakeviewemmanuel.com—click on the box with a video camera. The video here is not live but directs to the recorded Facebook video (you do not need a Facebook account to watch the video).

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