



Abiding Peace
NEWS & NOTES

July 8, 2018

Summer Salad Supper

Please join us for a Salad Picnic

Thursday, August 16th @ 6:00 p.m.

At the home of Ruth Buck

Bring your favorite salad to share

RSVP to Ruth by the 22nd

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Guest Preacher

Pastor Free will be away from the office **Thursday, July 12th - Sunday, July 15th**. If you need pastoral support during that time, you can contact Pastor Free on his cell.

Seminary student, Christopher Royce, will serve as guest preacher on Sunday, July 15. Christopher will serve as a vicar next year in Madison, WI.

Welcome New Member!

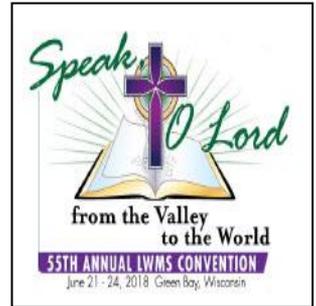
Welcome!

Please join us in a warm welcome to our newest member – John Wolfram. John came from Faith Lutheran in Antioch, IL. He moved to

Streamwood and has decided to join our church. Welcome to Abiding Peace, John!

LWMS Convention (Recap)

From June 21-24, 1,450 women attended the 55th annual Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) convention held in Green Bay, Wis. Special guests included members from WELS' mission field on the Apache reservation and members of South Asian Lutheran Evangelical Mission, WELS' sister church body in Hong Kong. 1,846 people attended the opening worship service.



The LWMS serves Jesus “by increasing awareness of, interest in, and support of the mission outreach of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.” The convention features WELS missionaries sharing stories from their mission fields, worship services and devotions, and displays that offer more information about WELS’ missions and the organizations that support them.

One highlight of this year’s convention was the keynote presentation by Rev. Kirk Massey and Rev. Gary Lupe, Apache pastors who told attendees about the 125 years of God’s grace during which WELS has been sharing God’s Word on the Apache reservation. As Massey presented the history of the mission field, Lupe entertained the audience with stories from his life and ministry. Reports were also given by missionaries from West Africa (Pastor Karl) and India (Pastor Reike).

Pastor Chiu from Hong Kong gave a talk on his mission work in Hong Kong. He brought 12 young people along with him. They sang and thanked LWMS for their support. LWMS has supported this mission of 1,000 members for 40 years! Administrator for World Missions, Larry Schlomer, gave his report on WELS missions in the world. We are now in partnership with churches in 50 different countries. WELS is currently exploring outreach opportunities in 14 new mission fields. This year, LWMS raised \$37,985.04 for World Missions.

Administrator for Home Missions, Keith Free, gave his report on the new mission churches that have started up in the US. This past year there were 7 new mission starts: Reno NV, Phoenix AZ, Joplin MO, Brandon SD, Milwaukee WI, Hobart WI, Horicon WI. There are a total of 132 Home Missions. There have been 78 new starts since 2011. There have been 625 new mission starts since 1960. This year, LWMS collected \$37,985.03 for Home Missions.

On Saturday, the attendees were edified to have four missionary wives talk about their many experiences being a wife of a missionary in a distant land. They mentioned there are many difficulties and challenges they face. They asked for prayers and prayers for all the missionaries and their families. On the same day, Reverend Philip Hunter who is a pastor at Bethel in Menasha, WI, talked about their ministry. They offer English and Spanish for worship. Where the church remains one, united family, the church acknowledges some of the members would prefer to hear the gospel in their native tongue. Whatever the language, praise God the gospel of Jesus is getting out to more and more people!

Next year's LWMS' Convention, the 56th annual, will be held at the Iowa Event Center in Des Moines, Iowa on **June 27-30, 2019**. To get involved with next year's Convention, email LWMShelpWILDROSE@gmail.com.

CHARLES BONOW
TO PRESENT
SERVICE CONCERT
Organist Charles Bonow will present his
festival worship service concert,
"Here We Stand",
at Resurrection Ev. Lutheran Church in
Aurora, IL. on Sunday, July 15th at 8:00 & 10:30
A.M. and on Monday evening July 16th at 7:00
P.M.

Charles Bonow, a former pastor of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod, travels extensively presenting his service concerts in the churches of the WELS throughout the country. The service concert will consist of a spoken message entwined with organ solos and congregational singing of well-loved hymns of faith. Everyone is most cordially invited to attend. A free-will offering for the support of the ministry of Charles Bonow and his family will be received following the service concert.

Mission Prayer



Multi-Language Publications – Lord God, you rule all things for the good of your church. We thank you for the work of WELS Multi-Language Publications, which brings the gospel to many people, often in places where our missionaries cannot go. We thank you for leading Rev. Nathan Seiltz to accept the call as the coordinator of Multi-Language Publications. As he now begins his work, grant him success so that the gospel can continue to be proclaimed in print form around the world. Amen.

Changes to Northwestern Publishing House

Northwestern Publishing House (NPH) has announced it will close its retail store in the fall. The store, located in Milwaukee, offers Christian books, music, gifts, and church supplies. These items will continue to be available at NPH's website, nph.net, or by calling 1-800-662-6022.

A WELS subsidiary and non-profit organization, NPH has served customers for more than 125 years with Christ-centered resources. Going forward, NPH remains committed to developing new materials. Planned titles include *Ten Things to Tell Your Grandkids* and *Look Up From Your Phone So I Can Love You*. The final books in the Peoples Bible Teachings and Bible Discovery series are also being developed. In addition, NPH is continuing its work on the new hymnal and its accompanying resources, which are scheduled to be available by Advent 2021.

WELS Brewer Night

Join thousands of fellow WELS members for the Milwaukee Brewers' game against the Colorado Rockies on Fri., Aug. 3, 2018, at 7:10 p.m. For the second year, WELS Night t-shirts are available to order for \$5.

The Brewers are again offering WELS members up to 50 percent off the price of tickets. Seating will be along the third base line this year and in a block for WELS members. The pricing is Field Outfield Box sections 126 – 131 for \$21/ticket, Loge Outfield Box sections 228 – 232 for \$17/ticket, or Terrace Reserved sections 433 – 437 for \$9/ticket. The ticket service fee will be waived for groups of 20+ if you contact Greg Souza at 414-902-4492 or greg.souza@brewers.com.

Tickets can be purchased at brewers.com/wels. T-shirts can be ordered at co-store.com/WELSNight.

Meditations



Meditations is now available for iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch. This app has the same devotionals, readings, and prayers you know and love, plus added digital benefits! The app also comes preloaded with

two weeks of free content. It's an easy way to get devotionals: ***itunes.apple.com/us/app/meditations-daily-devotional***

Parenting Resource

Visit forwardinchrist.net for articles written by parents, for parents. *Heart to heart: Parent Conversations* is a new



resource from *Forward in Christ* magazine that is designed to be an honest forum for Christian parents to build each other up and support each other. Two *Heart to heart* webcasts are also available

on forwardinchrist.net and go into more depth on topics such as bullying, Christian discipline, and incorporating faith into a family's everyday life.

Book Review

Shades of Blue by Karen Kingsbury. This author does another superb job. The novel is interesting and deals with sin, guilt, and forgiveness in the Christian life. Have to admit I was moved to tears several times, so be prepared!

An Encouraging Word

Vision for Christian Living - Mark 6:1-6



“We can’t do that!” can be a reaction in some congregations to establishing new ministries or planning for an expansion of facilities. We look to the past and say, “We tried that before and failed, so why try again?” As stewards of God’s gifts, we sometimes need to develop trust that God can work miracles of faith through us. We must not let the naysayers discourage us when God places a challenge before us, but trust him to provide the leadership and the resources to accomplish what he has for us to do. God’s promise of support for proclaiming his message of salvation should be encouraging to us. As stewards of the gospel, let us place our trust in the Lord and go in the direction he sets.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

This month, special birthday greetings are sent to Marie Bernthal (July 1), Peyton Kelly (July 3), Sam Kalenowski (July 6), Anne Woltman (July 12), Zac Bruemmer (July 13), David Henningsen (July 14), Rachel Miller (July 20), Jared DeHaan (July 21), Earl McCormack (July 22), Mark Kreklow (July 23), and Madison Kacer (July 25), Howard Smith (July 27), Sheila Stoppa (July 28), and Cam Kacer (July 29).

God's blessings are wished on the anniversaries of Dave & Bev Frick (July 3), Joshua & Joey Free (July 17), and Glenn & Donna Miller (July 18). Happy days to all!



Service to Our Lord

	<i>July 8</i>	<i>July 15</i>
<i>Pianists</i>	<i>Margaret Schubring</i>	<i>Dave Frick</i>
<i>Ushers—8:00</i>	<i>Brandon Brooks Kaeyla Vanderheyden Clara Vanderheyden</i>	<i>Jim Stumpner</i>
<i>Ushers— 10:30</i>	<i>Dan Woltman Earl McCormack Freda McCormack</i>	<i>Doug Salzwedel Glenn Miller</i>
<i>Refreshments</i>	<i>Stumpners (after first service)</i>	<i>TBD</i>

Give Thanks to the Lord!

Worship Attendance ~

June 17:	113
June 24:	75
July 1:	71