

Abiding Peace NEWS & NOTES



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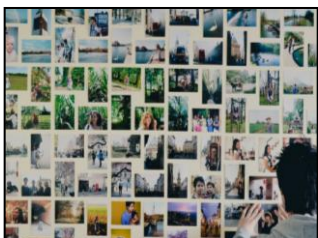
One in Christ Debt Elimination

The 2015 synod convention launched the “One in Christ” debt elimination offering through June 2016 to eliminate the remaining \$4.7 million in synod debt. If successful by God’s gracious blessing, the “One in Christ” campaign will put our synod in a better financial position to continue the ministry of training workers and establishing missions at home and abroad.



The Holy Spirit has enabled many of us to offer God more than \$2 million! We glorify our gracious God for this marvelous blessing and thank all who have participated to date. Contributions are still being accepted!

Picture Board



Many of the pictures on the picture board in the entryway at Abiding Peace need updating. It is a useful tool so we can all get to know and recognize our fellow members. Over the next few weeks we will take some new photos, or if you wish you

can submit one of your own in 3 ½” x 5” size.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study has resumed on **Thursdays @ 10:00 a.m.** at Abiding Peace. We had a great first class and all women are welcome to join us!



LWMS Fall Rally

The ladies of Zion Lutheran in Crete, IL will be hosting the LWMS Chicago Area Circuit Fall Rally on **Saturday, October 8th** from 8:45 am - 2:00 pm.

At Zion Lutheran Church in Crete, IL we will hear about the mission fields of Haiti and the important work God is doing there through WELS missions. Come and listen to missionary Terry Schultzs speak specifically about Bringing Children to the King. Bring along your own donations of new socks and underwear for the children of Haiti who are learning every day about their Savior, Jesus Christ.

We will also work on a hands-on activity that will be sent to the children. The women of Zion will provide a delicious lunch and we will celebrate missions through devotion, in song, and with prayer. See you there!



NOTE: If you are unable to attend the Fall Rally, you can bring any donation of socks and underwear for the children of Haiti to the AP church office and we will see that it gets into the proper hands. Thank you!



Please bring your money for the **LWMS Mission Money Dump** and put it in the Mission Jar in the entryway by **Sunday, September 25th**. Thank you for your participation!

Chicago Conf. Reformation Rally

As part of a series of celebrations leading up to the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the Chicago Conference of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) will host a joint service / rally on **Sunday, October 30, 2016** at

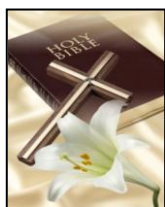
Chicago's historic St. Andrew Lutheran Church located at 3658 S. Honore St. Chicago, IL 60609. The worship service, which starts at **4:00 p.m.**, will be

followed at **5:30 p.m.** by an Oktoberfest style fellowship meal, which will be served across the street at the old St. Andrew's school building. Transportation will be provided in the form of coach busses (one from the south and two from the north) to make it possible for members from the outlying areas of the conference to attend the rally. For more information and to learn how to make a contribution, please visit the rally website at www.chicagoreformationrally.com



An Encouraging Word

Vision for Christian Living - James 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18



Favoritism treats other people like objects. Why would they treat the rich man well? Because they hoped to get something in return! Why would they treat the poor man poorly? Because he had nothing they wanted.

Favoritism is a sin against the royal law to love your neighbor as yourself. It's treating your neighbor like a rung on a ladder. Love, on the other hand, doesn't play favorites. Love doesn't view other people as opportunities to get, but every person as an opportunity to give. Love identifies my neighbor's need. Then it goes to work to fill it. We love because God first loved us. He doesn't play favorites. He has filled our needs in Jesus. He will continue to give us everything we need to show Jesus' love in us.

Birthday Greetings

We extend birthday greetings this week to Sue Stumpner (September 21). Happy Birthday, Sue!

Mission Prayer



Campus Ministry – Almighty God, we are blessed to live in a time and place where high-quality university education is so readily available. At the same time, we also know that college presents our youth with new temptations, chief of which is the temptation to turn away from their

Christian upbringing. Bless the work of our WELS campus ministries as they work to proclaim your Word to WELS college students this fall, and let this also be an opportunity for your gospel to be shared with those who have never heard it before. Amen.

Service to Our Lord

	<i>September 12- 18</i>	<i>September 19- 25</i>
<i>Pianists</i>	<i>Dave Frick</i>	<i>Dave Frick</i>
<i>Ushers</i>	<i>Doug Salzwedel Glenn Miller</i>	<i>Howard Smith Sam Kalenowski Al Schubring</i>
<i>Refreshments</i>	<i>Stumpner Vanderheyden</i>	<i>Schubring Baird</i>
<i>Lawn Mowing</i>	<i>Kevin Kacer</i>	<i>Grossman</i>

Give Thanks to the Lord!

Worship Attendance: 78
Thank Offerings: \$3,036.75
One in Christ Offering: \$ 300.00