



# News You Can Use

September 22/23, 2018

**Altar flowers** are given in honor of Rodeck's wedding anniversary, by Brian & Renee Rodeck

**Communion wine** is given in honor of our 55th wedding anniversary by Dennis & Janet Knutson.

**Last week's attendance:** 344

**This week we thank** Kallan Swenson and the global mission committee for organizing Saturday's Walk 4 Water

## FAITH FORMATION



**September 23 – Today: Mark as Story!** The gospel of Mark is an arresting and compelling story, meant to be heard in a way that will grip you and give you "thinking material" for days to come. Room 113 at 9:15 am. Next Week: Join Pastor Tim in digging deeper into Mark as Story!

**September 30 – Today: Mark as Story!** Whether you are encountering Mark's Gospel for the first time, or if, for you, it's a long familiar story; discover the skill and immediacy it conveys. Room 113 at 9:15 am. Next Week: Join Pastor Tim in digging deeper into Mark as Story! Room 113 at 9:15 am.

### Making Offerings Using Credit Cards & Mobile Apps

In response to inquiries about using credit cards and mobile apps for making offerings the Finance Committee put together a brief questionnaire to gauge the level of interest in using such options.

This questionnaire is included with the service bulletin. Please take a few minutes to complete this questionnaire. When completed place it in the hymnal rack on the back of the pew for an usher to pick up, hand your responses to an usher on your way out of church, place them in the box on the credenza in the gathering space, or drop them off at the church office.



Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them an actual flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the particular children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

### Growing Disciples – Growing Faith

**Walk4Water** – Did you know that some parts of the world don't have sinks, bathtubs, or running water in their homes? Every day kids have to walk miles and miles to a pond or stream, collect water in jugs, and then walk back home. Join us this Saturday as we walk to raise money for a village to have a clean-water well!

### 20s – 30s – 40s Ministry Group BOOK CLUB

- 1st Monday of the Month – October 1 & November 5 – Palenque 7PM
- October's Book: "Where God Hides Holiness: Thoughts on Grief, Joy and the Search for Fabulous Heels" by Mary Koppel and Laurie Brock
- November's Book: "I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban" by Malala Yousafzai
- Both available on amazon.com & "I Am Malala" available at the library.

### JOIN THE TEAM!

Roger Marty is building a team to travel to

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to serve with Thrivent Builds

- \$700 for Thrivent members
- \$1,000 for non Thrivent members
- Cost above do not include airfare
- Most meals included
- Motel accommodations
- Great opportunity for husband/wife/ children combinations



Detailed information available at the Welcome Desk or contact Roger (preferably by email [rmarty54@gmail.com](mailto:rmarty54@gmail.com) or call 608-358-9374).



## McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# McFARLAND LUTHERAN NEWS

## Are you thinking about baptism?

MLC's is hosting a baptismal preparation class each quarter for people who are interested in having their child baptized or getting baptized themselves.

The next class is Tuesday, **October 16**, at 6:30PM in Room 210. Contact either the church office or Pastor Kelli to sign-up 838-3184. (RSVP is required so sufficient childcare can be arranged.)



## Urgent Need

LWR (Lutheran World Relief) is in urgent need of Personal Care Kits and School Kits to share with people around the world who have lost everything due to natural disaster or life-threatening violence. Please give and pray for our brothers and sisters living in poverty.

### Participate by Donating



Stop by the table in the Great Hall with your donations **by Sept. 25**.

If you have questions, contact Eileen Brost, 838-7142. Monetary donations will be used to help with shipping costs.

## Staff Milestones

At the 10 a.m. worship this Sunday, September 23, we recognize and give thanks for milestone anniversaries for 4 Child Life Ministries staff:

**Sara Phelan**, Administrator and Lead Teacher, 20 years

**Chris Cole**, Lead Teacher and Program Director, 10 years

**Kate Molenaar**, Assistant Teacher, 5 years

**Jean Stube**, Lead Teacher, 5 years.

Thanks be to God, for these people who serve in Jesus' name at CLM! May they continue to witness to God's love and compassion through our preschool ministry!

## October 10 Preparedness Workshop

The Church Council is sponsoring a workshop for our faith community on "Preparedness for Active Shooter Incidents" on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 6:30-8:30 p.m., in the Sanctuary. This is a free training event offered and led by the Dane County Sheriff's Office and the McFarland Police Department. All members and friends of MLC are welcome to attend!

The council believes that this kind of pro-active educational event is necessary because of recent active shooter incidents in our nation and world. **Fortunately, there have been no such events at MLC, but we want to maintain the safety and welfare of our faith community by providing this opportunity.**

There is much fear generated by active shooter incidents in the news. Though we understand these fears, the Church Council does not want our community to live and do God's work in fear. This event gives us the opportunity to learn and discuss safety in a calm, rational and life-giving way. We will continue to worship God and serve in God's creation by faith, trusting that God is with us. *"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."* (Psalm 46:1)

All members and friends of MLC are invited and encouraged to attend on **Oct. 10!** Please speak with Council President Sharon Mylrea, Pastor Tim or Pastor Kelli if you have any questions. May God, our refuge and strength, continue to keep our faith community safe for all people, and help us to grow as Jesus' disciples.

## Need a Night Off From Cooking Dinner?

Come to Angelo's McFarland Restaurant

Monday, September 24  
Between 4:00-8:30  
For Dinner

Dine In OR Carryout!

10% of sales will go to the CLM Parent Group Organization!



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