



Living Lord Lutheran Church
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“Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”
Matthew 6:33 (KJV)

Let us imagine a stairway with many steps. Instead of taking one step at a time, you decide to skip a step or two. If you are fortunate, you may do fine. But imagine what can happen if you skip a step and you lose your balance, or you pull a muscle, or you miss the step, fall, break a leg, sprain an ankle, or even hit your head. Common sense tells us to take one step at a time but common sense does not always prevail, especially if we are anxious, overzealous, or just careless.

That is a silly little illustration, I realize, but from a spiritual point of view, we find ourselves, on occasion, anxious, overzealous, or careless. We are prone to do unwise things now and then and every once in a while we overestimate our abilities by jumping a couple of steps ahead.

When we seek first “all these things that shall be added unto us” before we “seek first the kingdom of God” we are putting ourselves in danger of all kinds of calamities.

In another words, put Jesus first. Often we, as a church, place much emphasis on experts who help us build buildings, start programs, change structures, etc. But what is FIRST necessary before we go to step two, three, and four? Obviously, step one is the seeking God’s Kingdom, establishing a relationship with the Lord and then, after step one, we can move on.

This is not new advice. I am sure I have mentioned it before and I know Jesus has, but I need to remind myself every day to take step one because I am prone to carelessness, I am prone to overzealous leaps, and I trip and fall now and then just like everybody else. Jesus comes first, and THEN come the blessings.

Pastor Jeff

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Our Vision:

**Loving, Living and Learning
In Christ**

Question: Who wrote the following? (Answer on the last page of the Voice)

“Here is the truly Christian life, here is faith really working by love, when a man applies himself with joy and love to the works of that freest servitude in which he serves others voluntarily and for naught, himself abundantly satisfied in the fullness and riches of his own faith”.

Editor's Note:

Greetings to our family and friends at Living Lord Lutheran Church. I thought this would be a good time to include a message to explain something about this edition of Voice. On July 19, we held our groundbreaking ceremony. As a result, I held up the normal deadline so that various teams could offer their perspective on this momentous occasion. So, what you will see through this newsletter is some duplicate information, observations and celebratory messages about groundbreaking. What's an editor to do: pick one and delete the rest? No way! I'm putting them all in, so that you can share the joy. Whether you were present that day or are just reading about it, YOU are a part of our growing ministry! Let us Rejoice and Be Glad! Blessings to all, Marianne Moyer

President's Message

Sunday's successful groundbreaking was due in part because of the weather; yes it was hot and humid, but it did not rain on our parade! God's sunshine was with us in abundance. And abundance was apparent everywhere! From the crowd that appeared on Saturday morning to cut, trim and plant our grounds and clean up our building, to the team that moved furniture, set up tables and chairs, and decorate the Fellowship room. There was the group of individuals who cooked and brought delicious food, to the team that set up and arranged it, to the team that cleaned up after the event. To all who helped in the days and hours before the event, my heartfelt thanks.

Then it was time for the 'main event'. Pastor Jeff, Gladys Walden's memories of how we got to this point and Bishop Benoway's words; all were inspiring. Then it was time to put the shovels to the sand. What a joy to know that this small gesture, performed by leaders of our congregation, children and anyone else who wanted to, could be a part of something so momentous!

Volunteering is one of those things that Living Lord's members do well. While it sometimes requires sacrifice of time or resources, the payback is usually most rewarding. There are many examples I could cite like helping out at Our Daily Bread or other Outreach projects. But let's look at what we are facing now that the ground is broken and the real work of the building expansion project gets into full swing! Think about the song we sang at the groundbreaking, written by Jim Lustgarten and others in the By Grace group. Consider the words of the refrain, "Give of your time so you can contribute, Give of your talents to make it complete, Give of your treasures to make it reality, Give it all, to serve your Lord".

What does this mean to you and how can you help us to continue this process?

To all our members, friends, winter friends, and visitors who were not able to be with us at groundbreaking on Sunday July 19, we missed you. There doesn't seem to be a perfect time to hold this kind of ceremony but we did not want to postpone the building process. Hopefully by the time you return, the building addition will be well under way or almost completed.

If you would like to be a part of this project to help expand the ministries of Living Lord, we are starting a wish list to furnish the addition with furniture, carpeting, etc. We will post the wish list in the Narthex and we invite all to choose how to help, and if appropriate, how to designate a donation in memory of someone or to the Glory of God. The completed list will then be transcribed to an appropriate memory book.

Rejoice! The Ground is Broken!

Over 150 members (past and present) and friends gathered Sunday, July 19 to celebrate the Groundbreaking Ceremony for our new addition. What a great day! Gladys Walden summed it all up in one word, “Rejoice!”

The potluck luncheon of many tasty treats began at noon. The line for lunch wrapped from the fellowship hall to the front door. It was great to have members from all three services together for one event! We enjoyed delicious dishes in a brightly decorated fellowship hall.

The ceremony began outside, under the sails (and in the heat) at 1 p.m. with Pastor Jeff welcoming everyone and making a few opening remarks. He wanted to thank and congratulate all, past, present and future members who have served on or who have assisted the building team to finally bring our expansion project to fruition. “The tremendous significance of this milestone will be forever important to the future growth of Living Lord Lutheran Church”, said Pastor Jeff.

Next, he introduced one of our oldest members, Gladys Walden, who shared her memories of the church and previous groundbreaking ceremonies. Then our special guest, Bishop Edward Benoway, of the Florida-Bahamas Synod gave the Scripture reading and the Meditation.

We sang several songs led by By Grace from the 9:15 service. One of the songs “Here on this Ground” was written by Jim Lustgarten and By Grace members. Then it was time to “break the ground!” Pastor Jeff, Bishop Benoway, Gladys Walden, John Moyer, Don Wild, Jim Lustgarten and the building contractors started shoveling! Then everyone, young and old alike, took turns. Even Skip Wegener’s Guide Dog-in-training got in the action! Of course he didn’t need a shovel.

The Building Committee has been working for six years to make the dream a reality. The expansion will be a “dual - use” addition that will add 3,500 sq. ft. — doubling the size of the existing sanctuary and adding a fellowship hall. The expansion was designed by and will be built by local contractor Tom Wessel. The project is scheduled to be completed early in November.

Many thanks to everyone who served on the “Groundbreaking Event Team!” It was quite an effort from the mailing of the invitations to “Kathy’s Clean Up Crew.” Special thanks go to the youth, led by Lisa Hahn, who decorated the fellowship hall and to Maggie Hammond in the church office. On the following pages are some of the photos taken that day. More can be seen on our website www.livinglordfl.org or on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Living Lord members enjoy a pot-luck lunch to celebrate our Groundbreaking!



Gladys Walden shares memories of other groundbreakings, as Bishop Benoway listens.



Don Wild, Gladys Walden, John Moyer, Bishop Benoway, Pastor Jeff, Jim Lustgarten, Tom Wessel and Scott Herman 'Break the Ground'!



Pastor Jeff opens the Groundbreaking Ceremony



Members and guests sing our new song "Here on this Ground"



The Clean-up crew came prepared and dressed for their duties!



Outreach Ministries

Upcoming Outreach Ministries

	Event	Coordinator
Aug	Homeless infants	Pat Kunkel
Sept	LSF event and Challenge Day Collection for Animal Shelters	Marianne Moyer
Oct	Blessing of the Animals Manatee Children Shelter Bake Sale	Cheryl Graham
Nov.	Adopt a Family Angel Tree	Cheryl Graham
Dec.	ODB/MOW	

If you have questions about any of these events, would like to participate in them, or have an idea for an event you would like the Outreach to consider, please call Team Chair Ursula Williams at 201-4467.

Collection of Clothing for Homeless Infants

August has been the Outreach Ministry Team's traditional month to collect clothing for the homeless. There is a basic need for clothing for infants up to a year old. Please help these unfortunate folks by providing them with new and gently used clothing for their babies. Nothing fancy, just your basic items. Your willingness to provide these items is greatly appreciated.

In addition, Thrivent has provided us with money to buy additional items. We are looking for six people who are willing to do some shopping for us. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex, for those who can help.

The deadline will be August 24th. When you bring your items, place them in the Narthex. If you have any questions please contact Jeri Schultze at 907-0060

Collection of Hygiene Items for Our Daily Bread

Living Lord's Outreach team is again planning to provide some necessities of life for our unfortunate brothers and sisters here in Manatee County.

As you make your summer vacation and travel plans, we ask you to remember those who come to ODB. Please consider collecting and donating sample-size shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, mouthwash, etc., that you find in your hotel rooms. We also gladly accept disposable shavers, combs, washcloths and other appropriate hygiene items. So, please remember the homeless in our community and place your donated items in the basket in the narthex. We will continue this drive throughout the summer months.

Treasurer's Ledger

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As of June 30, 2009, the total financial position of Living Lord Lutheran Church is as follows:

					Jun 2009	2009 Budget	\$ Over Budget
Receipts							
Church Receipts					172,216.79	165,230.00	6,986.79
Church Disbursements					155,016.40	169,073.00	(14,056.60)
Net Church Financial Position					17,200.39	(3,843.00)	21,043.39
AGC Receipts					122,600.45	124,943.00	(2,342.55)
AGC Disbursements					118,051.09	125,836.00	(7,784.91)
Net AGC Financial Position					4,549.36	(893.00)	5,442.36
LLLC Total Receipts					294,817.24	290,173.00	4,644.24
LLLC Total Disbursements					273,067.49	294,909.00	(21,841.51)
2009 Net Total LLLC Financial Position					21,749.75	(4,736.00)	26,485.75
2008 Net Total LLLC Financial Position					9,483.76	(18,657.00)	28,140.76

Through June, both the Church and All God's Children Preschool are still operating in a positive financial position. As can be seen from the chart above, we are significantly over the June 2008 position. If we continue on this positive track, we may be able to end the year in a positive position and recover the negative balance we sustained in 2008.

The following financial data is provided to keep everyone up-to-date on the building funds:

<u>Description</u>		<u>Total</u>
Building for the Son – Capital Fund Drive	\$161,681.06	
Building Fund Memorial Funds	18,897.98	
Planting the Seeds – Capital Fund Drive	141,427.26	
Solar Equipment	430.00	
Kitchen	381.40	
Audio Visual Equipment	8,000.00	
Sanctuary Chairs/Furnishings	<u>10,000.00</u>	
		<u>\$340,817.70</u>

We still have one to three years maturity dates on some of our building pledges. These pledges are extremely important, as the interior of our new expansion needs to be funded. We will still need to finish the altar, choir, and By Grace areas, purchase carpet/flooring, paint for the walls, additional worship and assembly seating, partitions, tables, ceiling fans, and any other necessities for the area. Additionally, we should begin to establish a maintenance reserve to ensure that we have funds for when, and if, major repairs are needed for our buildings or equipment.

So I continue to pray that everyone keeps their pledges coming.

Respectfully submitted

Bea Daly, Treasurer

Weather Corner

An El Nino Advisory was issued by the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center in their July 9 El Nino/Southern Oscillation (ENSO) Diagnostic Discussion. In accordance with the ENSO Alert System, this is the next step up after the El Nino Watch was issued on June 4. The latest diagnostic discussion indicates that El Nino conditions will continue to develop and are expected to last through the Northern Hemisphere Winter of 2009-2010. During June 2009, conditions across the equatorial Pacific Ocean transitioned from ENSO-neutral to El Nino conditions. Sea surface temperature anomalies continued to increase, with the latest weekly departures exceeding +1.0C along a narrow band in the eastern equatorial Pacific. Enhanced winter and spring rainfall in Florida is often associated with El Nino conditions; this is confirmed by the latest long range outlook which shows good chances for above normal precipitation in Florida during most months through next spring.

El Nino can help to suppress Atlantic hurricane activity by increasing the vertical shear over the Caribbean Sea. NOAA will continue to monitor the rapidly evolving situation in the tropical Pacific, and will provide more detailed information on possible Atlantic hurricane impacts in its updated Seasonal Hurricane Outlook scheduled for release on August 6, 2009. Despite the fact that there may be less Atlantic hurricane activity than earlier expected, please remember that it only takes one hurricane or tropical storm to ruin your day or year. While Manatee and Sarasota Counties have escaped pretty much unscathed the past few years, the hurricane threat is real every year from June through November and NOW is the time to prepare. You should try to develop a hurricane plan for your family and your business. If you need help, consult the June Voice where we provided links to a website which could help you create a hurricane plan and checklist.

June 2009 in Florida will be remembered more for heat than rainfall with nearly every weather station showing above normal monthly temperatures. Rainfall wise, Parrish was a little above normal with 7.47 inches and the Sarasota-Bradenton Airport was a little below normal with 4.55 inches. Florida had 50 record temperatures June 16-23 when it was hot and humid in most of the state. Sarasota-Bradenton Airport had record high minimum temperatures of 82 on June 21 and 83 on June 22, with high temperatures of 92 and 94, respectively, on those dates. Orlando recorded its all-time warmest night with a low of 81 on June 22. Vero Beach set an all-time high temperature record with 102 on June 22. Fort Lauderdale tied their all-time record high temperature with 100 on June 22. Highs of 100 on June 21, 22, and 23 at Apalachicola tied the monthly record high temperature for June. Pensacola with 102 on June 23 set a new record for the month of June. The highest dew point I have ever experienced was 82 on the morning of June 22 in Parrish as measured by our Kestrel Pocket Weather Meter.

July rainfall is off to a good start with 8.24 inches in Parrish and 4.57 inches at the Airport through July 18. July 1 was our second wettest day since we moved to Parrish from California in May 2005. The total on July 1 was 3.88 inches with 2.12 inches in one hour. That daily total in Parrish was exceeded only by 4.34 inches on October 6, 2008. I guess the Manatee County officials didn't think that was enough rain as they visited our Chelsea Oaks subdivision and were giving out citations on July 3 for watering after 8AM. Of course, our neighbors should have shut off their sprinkler systems after the heavy rain. Until rescinded or modified, Manatee County watering restrictions extend through July 31.

Bill Mork, Meteorologist

A Stewardship Lifestyle

Are you ready for some football? This is what Hank Williams says after finishing his opening song for Monday night football. Well, if you were able to attend the groundbreaking ceremony on Sunday, July 19, you would have been able to experience the excitement!

We had a wonderful potluck, ceremony (with the Bishop delivering a stirring meditation), and then the groundbreaking. Bill Mork made sure that the rain stayed away for us!

We hope that everyone is as excited as the Stewardship Team and that we all want to BROADCAST the GREAT NEWS to everyone in our congregation and the community. We are looking at an approximate November 4th completion (of course, rain may possibly be a factor) where we can enjoy the expanded facility. To all of the members who donated (and especially, the significant ones), we want to thank you for your donations. This project would not have been able to go forth without your financial support!

Now, as we proceed, our mission is only beginning. We will need additional items for the expansion (chairs, tables, carpeting, a kitchen, etc.) and we certainly hope that everyone can find a way to help fund these items. We wish to continue to do God's work and further the future of Living Lord Lutheran Church.

We hope that this is just the start of a continued Christian future and growth of Christ's Kingdom through his disciples at Living Lord Lutheran Church! Sincerely, Your Stewardship Team

Property Team

The following people showed up on July 19 to prepare our building and grounds for the crowds that would be attending the Groundbreaking the next day: Pastor and Nathan Gross, Jim Gross, Greg , Cameron and Julie Murphy, Ken Seamon, John Moyer, Oz Smith, Don Schindler, Mel Lestock, Carson Coulter, Don Wild, Mike Seminick, John and Mary Braun, Dutch Schultz, Doug Rose, Herb and Mary Hunter, Gary Graham, and the Hahn Family.

Saturday's work included: trash pick up over the property, weeding landscape areas, planting new plants, cleaning gutters, window cleaning, trimming hedges and power washing the deck. The property has never looked better than it does now. Thanks to all the volunteers who give of their time and talents!

On another, sadder, note, our Sexton, Jim Fath has been hospitalized for acute renal failure. While he is doing better now, it may be some time before he is back on his feet and back to work. The first thing you can do is please remember him and his family in your prayers. Secondly, there is a task list on the bulletin board in the narthex, asking for volunteers to help with vacuuming, dusting, and other chores around the church. Please help us take care of our church while God takes care of Jim.

Thrivent Night at the Ballpark!

It's back, and it's time to start swinging the bat to get excited about the ballgame! This year's ballgame will be held Saturday, August 1st at 4:10 between the Tampa Bay Rays and the Kansas City Royals. Tickets are \$17. And, \$3 of every ticket will go to Luther Springs Camp and will be supplemented by funding provided through the Care Abounds in Communities program of Thrivent Financial. Watch for bulletin inserts and a poster in the Narthex. If you have questions, contact Bill Hansing at 748.5806. See you at the ballgame!

Scrip for Summer

While planning your summer vacation fun, don't forget to add scrip cards to your checklist of things to pack. Driving to your destination? We have gas cards that are used right at the pump. Staying in a hotel? We have cards to pay your bill at checkout, for most hotel chains including Marriott, Best Western, and Hilton. Plan to eat out? We have cards for just about all of the popular restaurant chains. Going to Disney? We have Disney cards that can be used to purchase your admission tickets and food while in their parks. Buying scrip cards prior to your vacation helps budget your spending while also giving back to the church. Remember, each time you purchase a scrip card, the retailer donates a percentage of your spending directly to Living Lord. Stop by the scrip window on Sunday morning and one of our volunteers will be happy to help you with ordering. You can also go directly to the scrip website at www.shopwithscrip.com to view information about the different cards and place your order.

Ministry Team Night

Ministry Team Night is the first Wednesday of each month. Team members meet at 7:00pm for devotions by Pastor Jeff, and then split into individual groups. Having all teams together affords an opportunity to coordinate projects involving two or more teams. If you would like to become active in a team, Ministry Team Night is a good place to start. Just show up and let someone know of your interests!

Lunch Bunch

On July 9, 10 ladies had a very nice luncheon at Bob Evans Restaurant in Creekwood Plaza. Each of us shared a special memory of a Fourth of July. They were all different, from childhood to recent, and very special to hear.

August 11 is our next time to be together, and we are planning to go to the Riverside Cafe in Palmetto, to enjoy a wonderful time along the Manatee River with our friends.

We extend an invitation to all ladies to join us. We have lots of laughs and great food. Hope to see you. We meet at the church, and will leave at 11:20 a.m. There is a sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Council Meeting Times Change (again)

Our Church Council tries to be flexible and work with its members to minimize difficulties in getting to meetings. With the addition of several new members, Shirley Wild, Jackie Riordan, Todd Bohlmann and one yet to be announced, we've changed the date on which we regularly meet. Meetings will now be on the first Tuesday which follows the first Wednesday (which is Ministry Team Meeting night). In August, this means Council will meet on Tuesday, August 11 at 7PM.

All members are invited to attend any Council meeting. Come and see us at work!

Summer Camp Fun



All God's Children Summer Camp is underway! Summer camp began on June 15th and is in full swing! As you can see by the photos, the children are enjoying shaving cream races and other activities! Also, we are happy to have Joey Barr joining us for camp again this year! He is seen here with Tayler Shreve on our new playground "tree house"! We are glad he is doing well and can join in the fun at AGC Camp! Some of the themes this year are science, cooking, pond critters, ocean, and more! Camp will run through July 31st. We have water days on Fridays to cool down in the summer heat. Call Crystal Shreve at 739-2776 if you want to come join the fun as we have a few slots open!



Youth Group News

August 3-7 VBS/Day Camp
August 11-12 Lock-in/Typhoon Lagoon
August 19 Youth Group 6:30-8:30

Lock-in and Typhoon Lagoon

August 11-12 we will be having a Lock-in and trip to Typhoon Lagoon. Please meet at the church on Tuesday August 11 at 8:00pm for the lock-in. We will be leaving for Typhoon Lagoon around 7:30am and returning between 5:00 and 6:00, weather pending. The cost for this event is \$25.00 plus money for lunch and snacks. ***Drivers will be needed***

Sunday School Teachers

If you are interested in teaching Sunday School for the 2009-2010 school year, please come to our planning meeting, Sunday, August 9, during the 9:15 service. There is no experience needed, so if you have a heart for spreading the Good News to the younger members of our congregation we need you. For further information please contact Kristen Louree-Hitchcock: 407-257-2068 or kristenlouree@gmail.com

Rally Day

Rally Day is fast approaching! On August 30, we will be kicking off our Sunday School program. This is a great opportunity for you to come and meet your new teachers, get registered and play some fun games.

Wedding Announcement

On July 11th, our youth Director Kristen Louree married Matt Hitchcock at St. Stephen Lutheran church in Longwood, FL. As a congregation we would like to help them celebrate on Sunday August 2nd. We hope to see you there.



Thought for the day:

Little girl to mom in a restaurant: "Why is it that the waitress gets 15% and God only gets 10%?"

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.

Living Lord Council Meeting Minutes

July 6, 2009

Members Present: Todd Bohlmann, Bea Daly, Bob Daly, Pastor Gross, Lisa Hahn, John Moyer, Jackie Riordan, Skip Wegener, Shirley Wild

Guest Present: Jim Lustgarten

President called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. Pastor followed with a prayer thanking the Lord for this wonderful opportunity to serve Him. Council conducted the following business:

A. Reports

Previous Month's Minutes

LLLC council minutes for June 2009: reviewed & approved

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's report for June 2009: reviewed & approved
- Offerings at this point of the fiscal year continue to lightly outpace our operations expenditures.
- In April and May many of our senior givers paid in full their 2009 pledges for our building project. Building project contributions continue at a rate of \$300/week.
- We now have enough funds to complete construction without a loan.
- Since the Lord has blessed so many of us with giving hearts (time, treasures, & talents) the anticipated \$100k loan to finish and furnish our new sanctuary now has dwindled to \$60k. Council deliberated on the need for a loan, come November.
- To enhance our chances that we would not need a loan to finish/furnish our new sanctuary, we are counting on our members to continue making their offerings and gifts for the rest of the year – even for Sundays when they can't attend.

New Council Members

- Pursuant to Council's motion on April 6, 2009 to add two additional council seats in accordance with the LLLC constitution provision C12.01, congregation members Jackie Riordan and Shirley Wild were nominated and had accepted.
- **Motion:** To elect Jackie Riordan and Shirley Wild to Council. *Motion 2nded & carried.*

Ministry Team Reports - Ministry teams that met last Wednesday provided written notes or reports regarding items discussed at their meetings the previous week. THANK YOU!

Fellowship: Plans are coming together for our Jul 19th groundbreaking ceremony. Anyone still wishing to help may call Billie Havey to volunteer.

Property: Our July work Saturday has been moved this month to the 18th to ensure the grounds are perfect for our ground-breaking ceremony on the 19th.

Youth: Youth Week, Aug 3-7, we'll conduct VBS and LOMF (for K-5th). So far we have lots of older youth volunteers to help conduct the activities; we need lots of kids to sign up for the events.

Motion: To accept all ministry team reports. *Motion 2nded & carried.*

President's Report

Plans are in motion for a momentous groundbreaking ceremony. Bishop Benoway will join our ceremony, now scheduled for 1:00 p.m., following a tremendous opportunity for the communion of saints at our potluck luncheon.

Pastor's Report

- Congratulations to all, past, present and future who have served on or who have assisted the building team to finally bring our expansion project to fruition. The tremendous significance of this milestone will be forever important to the future growth of Living Lord Lutheran Church.
- Congratulations to Kristen Louree, our youth director, who will be married this Saturday in Orlando. Following the return from her honeymoon, on August 2nd the church will host a reception here for the newlyweds.

B. Old Business

I. Building Project Update

- Permits have been submitted. Permits should be issued by Jul 10.
- Site prep should begin within a few business days of permit issue, pending Council approval of general contractor's final bid.
- Contractor estimates, barring hurricanes or other major delay, having a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) by Nov 3 and to complete punch list by Nov 10.
- A special meeting of Council will be required to approve contractor's final bid.

II. Loan to Finish & Furnish Our New Sanctuary

- Council reviewed the progress LLLC benefactors have made to contribute to the building fund. The anticipated loan amount has dropped appreciably since first estimated at \$100k to \$60k due to contributions received. As bricks and mortar begin to shape our new sanctuary, Council anticipates more gifts to be given – perhaps enough to negate the need for a loan.
 - **Motion:** Postpone any loan considerations until the CO has been issued. *Motion 2nded and carried.*

III. LLLC Constitution Continuing Resolution Renovation

Topic tabled this month to concentrate on building project issues.

Open Action Item: **Secretary will complete a working draft of content changes anticipated prior to next meeting.**

- ### **IV. Open Action Item:** Secretary will meet with Pastor to draft a new council org chart after Council completes its draft of the constitution changes.

C. New Business None

At 8:41 p.m. the meeting adjourned and Council closed with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Skip Wegener

August Celebrations!

We intend to wish a very Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to our members who have celebrations each month. We are trying to contact everyone so if August is your month and we don't show your name below; and you'd like to have your name added to our list of celebrants, please contact Marianne Moyer 794.8350 or e-mail Marianne.moyer@verizon.net. Here's what we have so far. If you see these folks in church, in a meeting or around town, be sure to wish them well on their day!

August Birthdays	
Date	Name
2	Kristen Hitchcock
3	Bob Dryjowicz Tom Rupp Michael Seminick
4	Marcia McKeen Sean Wickham
6	Tim Hipsher Gerald Wixson
7	Grace Davis Charles Helfenberger Mary Lanier
8	Nancy Holt Ralph Schimmoller
9	Lilly Okland
10	Lily Behrends Joseph Eckstrom
12	Shirley Reiser
13	Cord Harkins Lexi Harkins
14	Kori Hansing Mel Lestock Lori Thomas
15	James Baar Shirley Welke
16	Melissa Muller
17	John Schwab
20	Derek Swartzendruber
August Birthdays Continued in Next Column	

August Birthdays Continued	
Date	Name
21	Cheryl Anderson Kenneth Baar Lorraine Dinger Irene Fisher Drew Hahn
22	Virgil Bower
23	Linda Byers Lauren Horne
24	Martin Medley Tina Vogler
25	Gary Graham
26	Gladys Walden
27	Ron Silver
30	Don Wild
31	Michael Morrissey

August Anniversaries		
Date	Name	Year
9	Martin & Betty Meuser	1952
10	Rasmus & Margunn Okland Paul & Sharon Stone	? ?
12	Michael & Lori Morrissey	?
13	Martin & Shari Medley John & Margaret Ann Miller Dolug & Elsie Zipay	1993 1960 1989
14	Wayne & Kathryn Boudreaux	1993
15	Al & Carlyn Kersten	1964
17	Gerald & Nancy Wixson	1957
23	Bud & Cheryl Anderson Henry & Irene Eicken	1964 1946
25	Joe & Shirley Reiser	1957
28	Richard & Vidra Bernard	1979
30	Joseph & Debra Pascarella	1980
31	Ken & Elaine Seamon	1957

Answer to "who wrote this?" Martin Luther in 1520, in a letter to Pope Leo, "Concerning Christian Liberty"

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Sunday Worship:

8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
9:15 AM	Contemporary Worship
10:45 AM	Traditional Worship

Sunday School: There will be no Sunday School during summer months. Classes resume in September
Nursery Service is available during all services.