

# Weekly News & Notes

Lamb of God Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH

October 26, 2014

## We Have A Changeless God

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. (Psalm 90:1-2)

A young man was talking to an elderly man and said, “Wow! You’ve seen lots of changes in your lifetime!”

“Yep! And I was against every one of them!” came the reply.

Does that describe you? Do you struggle with change? Or are you one of those who adapts well to change, who even embraces change?

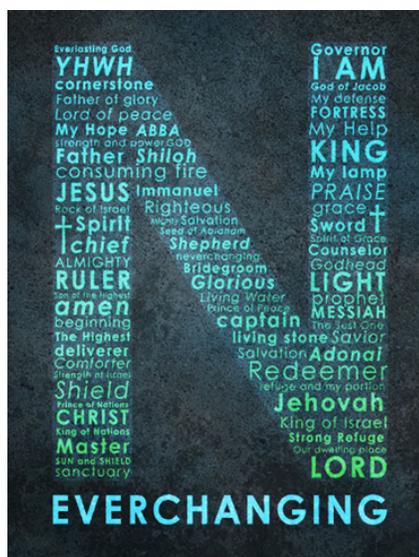
Regardless, one thing is true: during our lives, things change! We grow from infancy through the turbulent teen years, through the strength of young adulthood, the experience of middle age, to eventually the graying and slowing of the elderly years. Things even change in our church. Furnishings wear out and are replaced. New hymns and updated orders of service take the

place of old ones. People come and go.

Those changes may happen oh-so-gradually, but as we look back we realize how many changes have taken place, and how quickly the years have flown by! “The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength” (Psalm 90:10). That’s really short. We could even say that from the very moment of our conception, we’re dying, little by little, day by day.

But through it all we have a firm foundation, for we have a God who NEVER changes! Before there were mountains—indeed, before there was even an earth and a world—God was there! And while we change day-by-day, God doesn’t ever change!

When we remember that God is love, we’re given this wonderful encouragement: in a world which changes day-by-day, indeed minute-by-minute, God’s love for me will



never change. My job might change, my health might change, my family situation might change, but God’s wonderful love for me will never change. Never!

And knowing that God’s love never changes, I can deal with the various changes of this life.

*Prayer: O Lord, you have been my dwelling place throughout the years. Continue to be my dwelling place, day-by-day, minute-by-minute, that I might continue to move through this changing world until I pass into your heavenly kingdom. Amen.*

Adapted from a Devotion from [www.WhatAboutJesus.com](http://www.WhatAboutJesus.com)

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## This Week at Lamb of God (October 27-November 2)

### Serving Our Lord

- Cleaning: Diane Jensen
- Bulletins: Bev Oldham
- Refreshments: Sigrist Family & Diane Jensen
- Accompanist: Destinee Fiecko
- Ushers: Warren Cox and Charlie Genteline

### Events

- **Tuesday, October 28**  
11:30 am—Elders Meeting  
7:00 pm—Church Council
- **Wednesday, October 29**  
6:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal  
7:15 pm—Bible Study - God Grows His Church (Acts)
- **Saturday, November 1**  
10:00 am—Ladies’ Bible and Brunch
- **Sunday, November 2**  
8:00 am—Youth Confirmation  
9:15 am—Sunday School and Bible Study  
10:30 am—Worship  
4:00 pm—Columbus Area WELS Reformation Service at St. Paul’s

## Mission Prayer: Canada

Precious Savior, we pray for our mission work in Canada. We seek your guidance for the people of St. Paul Lutheran in Ottawa, Ontario. In their new campus ministry, they not only want to support WELS students that come to any of the three



colleges in that area, they also want to reach out with the gospel to non-Christian students. May this ministry, which they call "illumine," bring the light of your gospel to the hearts of many. Strengthen their focus as they reach out to these young souls. Amen.

## Hymnal Survey

The WELS Hymnal project is seeking your assistance. They are conducting a survey that is intended for any and all worshippers in our church body to complete. The survey consists of approximately twenty questions and

shouldn't take more than ten minutes to complete. The survey will remain open through November and can be found here: <http://welshymnal.com/research/member-survey>. Thank you for your assistance!

If you have news, upcoming events, or prayer requests that you would like published in the weekly newsletter, contact Katie Chen (katiesl@hotmail.com).

## Fellowship Outing: Catch a ride on the train

St. Paul's member, Bill Ratz, is inviting the central Ohio WELS members and friends to come ride the Mt. Perry Scenic Train today at 3pm and enjoy the fall foliage. You can get

information about the train online on the web and on Facebook at Zanesville and Western Scenic Railroad. Hotdogs and pizza will be served. Call Pat Ratz (614-595-9703) with any questions.

## Fall Women's Retreat

The women of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Strongsville, OH, invite all women to join them for a retreat at Furnace Run Metro Park, on Saturday, November 8, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. The retreat theme is "Building Healthy Relationships." The cost is only \$20. For more information, see the poster in the fellowship hall or contact Pastor Wagner or Jenn Grieser (330-687-3711, [jenngrieser@yahoo.com](mailto:jenngrieser@yahoo.com)).



## WELS Columbus Reformation Service

Celebrate the Lutheran Reformation with brothers and sisters in Christ next Sunday, November 2, at 4:00 pm, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 322 E Stewart Ave, Columbus. A meal will follow the service. Contact Pastor Wagner if you would like a ride and need help finding one (or if you are willing to offer a ride).

## Prayer Requests

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- Our shut-ins (Kitty, Dot, Julie, Betty, Monty, Dick)
- Dick and Jocelyn Ritter, as Dick continues to receive hospice care
- Church Council & Elders, meeting this week

*Request prayers of your pastor and/or your fellow Christians using a prayer request form by the mailboxes or online at [LambofGodColumbus.org/prayers](http://LambofGodColumbus.org/prayers)*

## Give Thanks to the Lord!

<b>Attendance (10/19):</b>	
Worship:	54
Sunday School (w/teachers):	15
Sunday Bible Study:	22
<b>Offerings:</b>	
General Fund:	\$1639.46
Year-to-Date Average:	\$1916.11
Weekly Budgeted Ministry:	\$2217.52
Sunday School:	\$14.00