

Weekly News & Notes

Lamb of God Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH

August 24, 2014

Jesus Meets Our Every Need

Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves...They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children. (Matthew 14:19-21)

It is school time once again. Children are heading off to begin another year of learning. They are taking backpacks filled with new items: notebooks, pens, pencils, calculators. Their teachers sent to parents a list of items their children would need for school. Sadly, some families are not financially able to purchase all the items needed. Imagine the heartache—knowing what your child needs but being unable to provide it!

Thankfully, our Jesus is never in that position. Jesus is able to meet our every

need. The Gospel of Matthew gives us an example of Jesus' ability to meet the needs of people. Jesus had been preaching on a hillside to a great crowd of people—more than five thousand. It was late in the day and the crowd had nothing to eat. So, Jesus took five loaves of bread and two fish and miraculously multiplied them to feed the entire crowd. There were even twelve baskets of food left over after everyone had eaten—more food than there was to begin with!

When we face challenging times, it is tempting to give up hope, to doubt whether Jesus is powerful enough to provide what is needed, or worse, whether Jesus loves us enough to provide what is needed.

However, when Jesus fed the five thousand on a hill in Galilee, he proved that he is powerful enough to provide everything we need. And



when Jesus allowed himself to be nailed to a cross on a hill called Calvary, he proved that he loves us enough to provide everything we need. It was there on the cross that he provided payment for our sins and purchased our eternal life.

The next time you doubt Jesus' power and love, turn the eyes of your soul toward these two hills and know that Jesus meets our every need.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, forgive me for the times I doubt your power and your love, for the times I wonder whether you are willing to provide all that I need. Today I leave myself in your powerful and loving hands. Amen.

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www.WhatAboutJesus.com

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This Week at Lamb of God (August 25-31)

Serving Our Lord

- Cleaning: Franks Family
- Mowing: Ben Hallauer
- Bulletins: Jocelyn Ritter
- Accompanist: Rhea Franks
- Ushers: Dave Szczublewski & Brian Burrows

Events

- **Tuesday, August 26**
11:30 am—Elders Meeting
7:00 pm—Church Council Meeting
- **Thursday, August 28**
9:30 am—Pastors' Circuit Meeting
7:00 pm—Bible Study—Church Fellowship
- **Sunday, August 31**
NO Sunday School/Bible Study
10:30 am—Worship

Stay Connected on the Road: If you will be traveling this summer, be sure to visit www.wels.net/locator to find worship locations and times near your destination.

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

Mission Prayer: Lutheran Schools

Dear Jesus, throughout history you have raised up teachers for your people to instruct new generations in the truths of your Word. During your time on earth you served as an instructor to so many, teaching unwilling and uncooperative audiences about the depth of our sin and the



forgiveness that is available to all through you. As many students return to school this month, bless their studies and help them to remain focused on the peace of your gospel, that through this training they might be readied to do the “good works which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Amen.

Lamb of God 45th Anniversary

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 26. That’s when we will have a special service and other events to celebrate 45 years of God’s grace on

our congregation. Contact Brenda Szczublewski to find out how you can get involved in the planning.

New Bible Study Begins September 3

Whether in ancient Nineveh or modern day Columbus, OH, there are souls whom the Lord loves and wants to know about his saving love. The book of Jonah allows us to face and confront the smug or distracted rebel

inside each of us and to marvel at the amazing grace of God. Join us for “God’s Grace to Runaways,” an Interactive Faith Bible Study on the book of Jonah, Wednesdays, September 3-24, at 7:00 pm.

Lutheran Elementary Schools

St. Paul’s Lutheran School in Columbus (K-8) and Beautiful Savior Lutheran School in Grove City (PreK-8) still have openings for this school year. Consider giving your child(ren)

the priceless gift of a Christian education. Financial and travel assistance may be available. Interested families may contact the schools directly or speak to Pastor Wagner.

Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord

Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 3, at 6:15 p.m. All ages and voices are welcome! Join us for

one season or for the whole year.

Contact Elisabeth Wagner for details.



Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are an important part of our ministry. Consider assisting with altar setup, greeting, lawn mowing,

church cleaning, and/or refreshments. See the list in the fellowship hall or contact Pastor Wagner for details.

Golf Scramble Today

Dust off the clubs and join us for a golf scramble at Minerva Golf Course, today at 1:00 pm. We will be playing an 18 hole, 4 person scramble. See Warren Cox for details.

Sunday Bible Study

There will be no education hour on August 31. Bring the whole family to Bible Study and Sunday School beginning at 9:15 on September 7.

Prayer Requests

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- Our shut-ins (Kitty, Dot, Julie, Betty, Monty, Dick, Jeri)
- Bryan and Destinee Fiecko, who were blessed with the birth of Thatcher James on August 18.
- Einar Groething, who suffered a fractured pelvis in a fall.
- Our Elders and Church Council, who meet this Tuesday.

Request prayers of your pastor and/or your fellow Christians using a prayer request form by the mailboxes or online at LambofGodColumbus.org/prayers

Give Thanks to the Lord!

Attendance (8/17):

Worship:	41
Cross-Generational Bible Study:	20

Offerings:

General Fund:	\$1573.56
Year-to-Date Average:	\$1949.52
Weekly Budgeted Ministry:	\$2217.52
Sunday School:	\$19.10
Building Fund:	\$125.00
Beautification Project:	\$453.40