

# Weekly News & Notes

Lamb of God Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH

September 14, 2014

## Who is He?

**“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven.” (Matthew 16:15-17)**

Good questions help us to know and understand one another well: “What do you mean when you say you love me?”; “If you had the ability, what one thing would you change about your life?”

Good teachers, friends, parents, and spouses know the value of good questions, but the master of good questions is Jesus. “Why did you doubt?”, “What are you looking for?”, “Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” are some familiar questions that called for revealing answers.

The disciples of Jesus had lived with him for more than two years. They had seen him heal many, feed thousands, and even raise

people from the dead. They knew the public opinions about Jesus, that he was a holy man, perhaps even a great prophet. But they had also been listening carefully to their Rabbi and knew who he really was. So when Jesus asked the big question, “Who do you say I am?”, Peter was quick to respond with an amazing answer, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

Peter was saying that Jesus was the long-promised Savior, our gracious God’s one and only Son, true God and true man who had lovingly come to rescue this world which was totally broken, totally lost in guilt and sin and without hope. All history revolves around him. He’s the most important and most amazing Person who ever walked on this earth. He brought heaven to earth and earth to heaven. God had revealed that truth to Peter. In the next year, Peter learned much more about all this when he saw Jesus on the cross and then risen from the dead.



“Who do you say I am?” is also the biggest question we will ever face. Thank God that we have the same source of truth as Peter did in God’s holy word. If you still have questions about Jesus, check out [www.whataboutjesus.com](http://www.whataboutjesus.com), or ask Pastor about upcoming Bible Basics classes.

Thank God every day of your life if you can answer, “Jesus, you are my Savior and my hope for heaven!”

*Prayer: Thank you, Jesus, for revealing yourself to me! Thank you, Holy Spirit, for putting faith in my heart! Help me to grow in your grace so that I, too, can boldly confess with Peter that you are my Savior! Amen.*

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

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## This Week at Lamb of God (September 15-21)

### Serving Our Lord

- Cleaning: Flunker & Wagner Families
- Bulletins: Elisabeth Wagner
- Accompanist: Rhea Franks
- Altar Care: Heather Cameron
- Greeter: Heather Cameron
- Ushers: Steve Flunker & Bryan Fiecko
- Refreshments: Dorothy Walker

### Events

- **Monday, September 15**  
7:00 pm—Evangelism Committee Meeting
- **Wednesday, September 17**  
6:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm—Bible Study
- **Saturday, September 20**  
10:00 am—Ladies’ Bible & Brunch
- **Sunday, September 21**  
9:15 am—Sunday School and Bible Study  
10:30 am—Worship  
11:45 am—Renovation Committee Meeting

## Mission Prayer: WELS District Presidents

Lord of the Church, one of the countless gifts you provide our synod is the pastors serving as presidents of our 12 WELS districts.



These district presidents serve together as the WELS Conference of Presidents, charged with funding and communicating our synod's ministry plan as well as making sure our church body stays united in its teaching and practices. Thank you for the faithful service three outgoing

presidents were able to provide. Grant the same spirit and wisdom to our three newly elected district presidents: Rev. Douglas Free in the Dakota-Montana District, Rev. John Steinbrenner in the Pacific Northwest District, and Rev. Joel Zank in the Northern Wisconsin District. Grant them the patience, understanding, and skill necessary for their tasks as they seek to serve to your glory. Amen.

## Lamb of God Fall Festival

Come join us on Saturday, September 27th at 3:00 pm for some good ol' family fun. There will be a Lamb of God pot luck, mini hay rides for the

kids around the property, volleyball, croquet, euchre tournaments, and ending with a bonfire. For more information contact Warren Cox.

## LWMS Heartland Circuit Mission Day

On Saturday, October 11th, the LWMS Heartland Circuit is hosting their Fall Mission Day at Abiding Word Lutheran Church in Maineville, Ohio. Highlights of the day include a presentation on mission work in China by Jennifer Boehm, spiritual growth

workshops, silent auction, and more. Money for mission offerings is due to Jennifer Flunker by September 28. Money collected provides funding for vicars in mission settings and mission efforts in Brazil. For more information, contact Jennifer.

## Faith Building Opportunities

Get the fall off to a great start by joining us to study God's awesome word together:

In our Sunday bible study, *Bold Faith in Trying Times*, we are examining Peter's inspired advice to early Christians and to us in the book of 1 Peter.

Our ChristLight Sunday School, for ages 2 & up, begins the year with a

look at Moses' life and what it means for our lives.

Our Wednesday night bible study, *God's Grace to Runaways*, takes us into the world and words of Jonah.

Grab your bible and join us Sunday mornings at 9:15 (refreshments at 9:00) and Wednesday evenings at 7:00.

## Beautification Update

Thank you to all who have committed to thank offerings for our 45th Anniversary Beautification Project. If you would like to contribute but missed your chance, please contact Dave Szczublewski. If you claimed a package, please place your donation in the offering plate by September 28. Then make plans to join us on planting day—Saturday, October 4.

## Prayer Requests

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- Our shut-ins (Kitty, Dot, Julie, Betty, Monty, Dick)
- Stephen and Rachael Kamps (MLC '08) and baby Edith, born at 28.5 weeks with the lethal condition of Triploidy. Rachael is also suffering from preeclampsia.
- Dick and Jocelyn Ritter, as Dick has entered into a home hospice program with continually declining health.

*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 (9/7):</b>	
Worship:	42
Sunday School (w/teachers):	8
Sunday Bible Study:	17
<b>Offerings:</b>	
General Fund:	\$1493.08
Year-to-Date Average:	\$1927.82
Weekly Budgeted Ministry:	\$2217.52
Sunday School:	\$23.87
Beautification Project:	\$58.50