

The Mount Weekly

Worship Notes

TODAY: Life in Babylon #7 – Paper Shredder

The king didn't care much for Jeremiah or the word from God that Jeremiah presented to him. In fact, he showed so much disdain for this word that after reading a page, he cut it out of the scroll and used it to keep his fire burning. How offensive can you be? How could he? Yet are we so different in our handling of God's Word. Picking and choosing the verses we want to apply, use, listen, and accept. Do we take it all to heart? Or do we cut corners off the Word of God? Either way, God will not let his Word be silenced or destroyed. The cry rings out: The Word of the Lord endures forever. May we ever read, learn, and take it to heart. Jeremiah 36:1-7, 20-24, 32.

NEXT WEEK: Life in Babylon #8 – Songs before the End

Next week, we'll celebrate the Festival of Reformation. And it will be more than a celebration. It will be a call to war, a call to sing, a call to celebrate even before the final victory. Yes, it's true. We're in the middle, between the not yet and the already of our salvation. Yet, we sing as those who are confident of the victory. God taught his people to sing and even gave them songs to sing even before they came home from exile. Jeremiah 51:54-64.

Next Steps

Free Gift

If you are a first-time guest with us today, we have a gift for you. Please stop by the Welcome Table with your Connection Card. We'd love to share this gift with you.

Ministry Updates

Service of Remembrance: Finding Hope in God at the loss of children, born and unborn:

November 1, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

Mayo Clinic estimates that about 10-20% of pregnancies end in miscarriage but then admits that the number may actually be higher since some women miscarry before they even know about their pregnancy. A textbook in Italy suggests that the percentage of miscarriages may be closer to 60%. And if we add in the loss associated with stillbirth, the death of a child early on, and other kinds of infant deaths, the numbers are truly heartbreaking. The numbers are truly staggering, but the church has often not provided a way to mourn the loss and to find hope in Jesus. We have funerals for those who die, but, most importantly, we pray for those who suffer such a loss. There is no coffin. There is no service. There is often no closure. One pastor said: "Too long, too often, we have let mothers and fathers grieve alone. We want to provide such hope to the people of God who mourn such loss. Light refreshments to follow for those who desire to share additional time and fellowship. **We pray that this service will be a blessing to you.** Register for babysitting assistance here:

<https://bit.ly/MountRemembranceService>

Trunk or Treat

On Saturday, October 28, we are hosting a community event from 3pm-6pm for our neighborhood. There is still time to help! Would you be willing to decorate a trunk? Can you help inside? Grab a sticky note from the

Our Mission

We are a community for the community.

We are here to share God's Word to connect people to Christ and to our caring Christian community.

windows in the back of church and discover a way for you to get involved.

Upcoming Events/Activities

Choral Fest Housing Needed

Nearly every year, Lutheran High School students from around the country gather together to put on a choral festival. This year, they are gathering at Wisconsin Lutheran College. We have offered to host students from Evergreen Lutheran High School. They will be here from November 2 through November 6. Would you be willing to house a few students for the weekend. **For more information, contact the church office!**

Volunteer Opportunity

On Friday, October 27th, we are providing dinner for the nearby Lighthouse Youth Center (located at Redemption Lutheran Church). Can you help with serving food that evening? In the past, we joined them for a short devotion before supper, served food, and had a chance to talk with them while eating dinner. Please talk to Dwayne Dehling or Mary Dillard if you can help.

LWMS Fall Rally

October 28 LWMS will have their fall rally. It is open to all people and will begin at 8am with free breakfast at St. John's Lannon. Babysitting is being offered. Pick up a flyer from the back table for additional information.

Bingo

We will have Bingo for all ages on Sunday, November 12 at noon. This is a potluck. Please bring your favorite dish to share. If you plan to play, you will need to bring a prize of your choosing to be won. We ask that prizes come in a brown bag or wrapped. See Diane Schneider with any questions.

School Gear

If you'd like to show school spirit and pride, you can purchase gear here: <https://kmsportsusa.com/welcome-mt-lebanon-lutheran-school/>. (Some people have asked about gear that represents our whole ministry. Stay tuned. We're working on it.)

The Week at a Glance

Tuesday, October 24

9:00 am – Connect Group - Church
7:00 pm – Women's Connect Group

Thursday, October 26

8:00 pm – Connect Group Online

Saturday, October 28

10:00 am – Community Food Pantry
3pm-6pm – Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 29

9:30 am – Worship Service with Communion

Wednesday, November 1

6:30 pm – Service of Remembrance

For your Prayers

For **Paul and Heather Krueger**. He has received a call to be a church planter in Idaho Falls, ID. Pray for them as they deliberate the calls he holds.

For **Cindy Rouse**, who is in rehab for her broken leg.

Ryan Dyrud, Micki Schneider's brother, who has stage 4 cancer and is now in hospice care.

David DeLay, the nephew of Karen Runge, who is in prison.

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