



# THE CHIMES

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## BROTHERLY LOVE

This story is told by a Methodist Bishop about two brothers, whom he knew. One brother was a physician and the other was a new car dealer.... an Oldsmobile dealer. (Oldsmobiles are no longer in production.)

It was the custom of the car dealer to give his brother a new car every year when the new cars came out. The year-old car was then sold and the new one driven by the doctor.

After one of the new cars had been delivered to the doctor, he went on a house call. (Not too many doctors make house calls today.) After he made the call, he came out of the house and noticed a little poorly-dressed boy, about 12, standing and admiring the new car.

The doctor asked, "Well, what do you think of it?" The boy was ecstatic. "Wow! Doc! It's really something! How much did it cost?"

The doc replied, "I really don't know. You see, it's a gift from my brother." Then he asked the boy, "Would you like to take a ride?"

"Boy would I," the lad exclaimed. So the little fellow was taken for a ride around a few blocks in the brand new car.

After the ride, he said to the doctor, "Could you wait here one more minute?" He ran into the house and returned carrying a little boy about half his age. It was his crippled brother. "Look at this, Jimmy! Ain't it a beauty. And you know something — his brother gave it to him."

The twelve year old paused for a moment and then added, "Jimmy, when I get to be a man, I'm going to be that kind of brother."

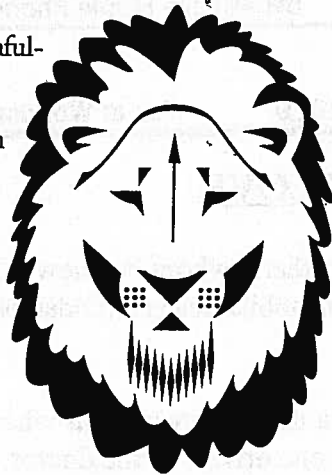
Generosity is a theme here for all three: the car dealer with the car, the doctor and his time with the lad, and the 12 year-old in his love for his brother. Scripture encourages us also. (1 Tim 6:18) "Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share."

Blessings in your generosity,

### + Christian Symbols +

#### Lion

A lion represents watchfulness and alertness. It also symbolizes Christ, the Lion of Judah (Revelation 5:4-5). A winged lion is the symbol of St. Mark, whose gospel focuses on Jesus' royalty and resurrection.



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### All is forgiven

In his short story "The Capital of the World," Ernest Hemingway writes of a young man named Paco who had been kicked out of his home. Paco was wandering Madrid's streets, hoping to become a bullfighter.

Paco's father, desperate to mend the rift between them, resorted to putting an ad in the local newspaper. It said, "Paco, meet me at the Hotel Montana at noon on Tuesday. All is forgiven!"

On Tuesday, 800 young men named Paco showed up at that hotel, longing for restoration and forgiveness.

Like Paco's dad, our heavenly Father takes the first step. He invites us prodigal sons and daughters to meet him at the empty tomb. God won't turn away or disappoint anyone. He offers total forgiveness, without conditions, to all.

### Spiritual nourishment

"A quiet time is a time set aside to deepen your knowledge of the Lord, to enrich your own personal relationship with him, to fellowship with him, to love him, to worship him, on a very personal basis. ... How much of a calm and gentle spirit you achieve, then, will depend on how regularly and consistently, persistently and obediently, you partake of the Word of God, your spiritual food."

—Shirley Rice

### Prayer's power

Great changes are the result of fervent prayer, as pastor and evangelist A.C. Dixon noted:

"The revival which we call the Reformation was born in prayer. [Martin] Luther's habit was to pray three hours a day. The knees of [Philipp] Melancthon were found after his death to have been made callous[ed] by kneeling. Pentecost was preceded by 10 days of supplication and prayer. Peter and John were in the spirit of prayer on their way into the temple, when the other great revival in which many were converted was commenced. ... Oh, for Elijahs who can break up the spiritual drought by praying rain out of the skies!"

### Quotes from Martin Luther

- "Faith, like light, should always be simple and unbending; while love, like warmth, should beam forth on every side and bend to every necessity of our brethren."
- "Faith is a living and unshakeable confidence, a belief in the grace of God so assured that a man would die a thousand deaths for its sake."

### Pillars of the faith

Because Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses, or thoughts, to a church door in Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517, many Christians remember that day and the major changes, or Reformation, that resulted.

Luther's theses contained three main pillars, which have stood for almost 500 years:

1. *Sola Scriptura* (Scripture Alone) — The Bible is the sole authority in matters of faith, life and conduct. "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16, NRSV).

2. *Sola Fide* (Faith Alone) — Christians are justified, or declared righteous, only through believing in Jesus Christ as Savior. Although morality and good works are important; they alone cannot lead to salvation. "A person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ" (Galatians 2:16, NRSV).

3. *Sola Gratia* (Grace Alone) — Grace is God's unmerited, or undeserved, favor. Salvation is a free gift from our gracious God. "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God — not the result of works, so that no one may boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9, NRSV).

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAY  
BLESSINGS**



- O. 1 Bonnie Ganassin
- O. 2 Joseph Babchak
- O. 5 Gregory A. Dymitrowicz
- O. 7 Doris Johanson  
Roberta Johnson
- O. 15 Pastor Luther J Bajus  
Taylor Mark Gizel
- O. 19 Paige Marie Peterson
- O. 21 Edward Dein
- O. 22 Robert Roble
- O. 23 Logan Walter Gizel
- O. 24 Wilhelm Futschek
- O. 25 Deborah Jane Williams
- O. 26 Craig Kachmarik
- O. 28 Lauren Gabrielle Johns

**October Wedding Anniversaries**

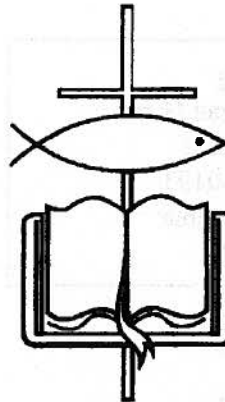


- S. 04 Michael & Erin Cannella
- O. 15 James and Amy Wood
- O. 19 Dennis and Irene Katz
- O. 20 Walter and Jeanne Novak
- O. 22 Roger and Julie Stoller
- O. 23 Ronald & Ruth Parat
- O. 25 William & Barbara Ruhl

**OCTOBER GREETERS**

- O. 03 Lutheran Women's Missionary Leaguers
- O. 10 Gregory & Barbara Dymitrowicz
- O. 17 Sharron Schademann & Joseph Kvorka
- O. 24 Gloria Malina & Jean Larson
- O. 31 Robert & Martha Durica

N. 05 Dennis & Irene Katz



**NEWS**

from

**ZION**

**Devotion:** Pastor conducted a funeral devotional for Betty Schulz, who was called to her eternal rest, Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Services were conducted Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Our Christian sympathy is extended to all family members and friends, but especially to her daughter, Leslie Williams, and grandchildren, Deborah and Christopher Williams, members of Zion.

**John 11:25-26**

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

**CHURCH PICNIC**

The Lord blessed our Christian Education and Picnic Sunday with beautiful weather. Much appreciation is expressed to all who set up for the picnic and for all who put everything away after the picnic. For all the food donations and to all who served our sincere gratitude and appreciation. Thanks to all who directed the games for the children and bingo for the adults. Our thanks to all who came to our picnic and joined in making it a great success. The Lord bless one and all.



New Address  
Nancy, Taylor & Logan Gizel  
1313 Wakeby Lane  
Schaumburg, IL 60193  
Phone remains the same:  
1.630.837.6526

ACOLYTES

October

- O. 03 Austin Johns Alexis Johns
- O. 10 Cindy Wolford & Jeffrey George
- O. 17 Logan & Taylor Gizel
- O. 24 Amanda & Paige Peterson
- O. 31 Emilie Stoller & Victoria Velez

November

- N. 07 Tyler Johns & Daniel Dymitrowicz
- N. 14 Austin Johns & Alexis Johns
- N. 21 Taylor Gizel & Logan Gizel
- N. 25 Thanksgiving: Cindy Wolford
- N. 28 Jeffrey George & Tyler Johns

December

- D. 05 Amanda & Paige Peterson
- D. 12 Emilie Stoller & Victoria Velez



THE CHOIR

Now is a wonderful time to join the Choir. Rehearsals are being held during the daylight

hours and other rehearsals in the evening. Participants will be brought together before the service on which the Choir is singing for a joint rehearsal. Two rehearsals make it convenient for everyone who wants to sing with the choir. Call Nona for more information - 798.625.8709.

New Phone Number  
Cindy Wolford  
773.272.1669

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The newly elected officers of the congregation were installed into office, September 26h

Vice President - Roger Stoller  
Council Secretary - Nancy Geis  
Financial Secretary - Marlee Johns

Our sincere appreciation is extended to Richard Petersen, who is retiring as Trustee. Thank you, Richard, for your years of faithful service.

Officers, who were currently holding office, were requested to come forward, to renew their vows and pledges of faithful service to the Lord.

Our sincere appreciation is express to our retiring officers.

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*Thanks*  
for your participation

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REFORMATION SERVICE

October 31<sup>st</sup> 3 p.m. is the date for the Chicagoland Reformation Service sponsored by the congregations of the SELC District. The service will be held at Resurrection Lutheran Church, Merrillville, IN.

Adult Instruction

In addition to the Sunday morning Bible Class taught by Dr. Schipull in the Conference Room every Sunday morning, Pastor is planning an Adult Instruction Class in Christian Doctrine for those interested in Church Membership or for those who want to review Christian doctrine. If you know someone interested, please inform them.

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## REPORT ON ZION WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

September 14, 2010

Eight members and two guests gathered at noon for a delightful luncheon provided by Mary Mark and Eleanor Kachmarik. Eleanor requested that checks for Mites be made out to Zion Women's Guild. After all the Mites are collected she will send a check for the total amount to the Western Zone LWML.

Edie Constien reported that the LWML SELC Western Zone Fall Rally will be held at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Crown Point, Indiana on November 6.

The August Rummage Sale profits were split evenly between the Guild and Faithful Hearts & Hands. Thrivent will match up to \$1000 of the total. The Guild then decided that we would send our \$500 to Thrivent, and will then receive \$1,000 back. This money is to be used for charities and not kept for the church. Pastor Bajus suggested the Guild give part of the money for Military Outreach Kits (\$25 each) for audio New Testaments to be handed out to service personnel. The other charity chosen for a donation is the Haitian Lutheran Mission Project which is in dire need of medical supplies.

Nona Schipull reported that an organization called "Love Packages" collects Christian materials to send overseas. They will accept our bulletin inserts, Portals of Prayer, Bibles and religious books. Nona also reported that we should save our old linens for the St. Paul, Melrose Park, quilters. They need old sheets and blankets for the filling in the quilts they make for Lutheran World Relief. You may bring these items to the Ushers' Room.

There will be an Executive Board meeting to make out the year's calendar on October 8 at church at 9:30 AM.

Marlee reported that the dishwasher was repaired and all parts were under warranty, so there was no cost. The dishwasher will be left unplugged when not in use to prevent further power surges.

Martha Durica has volunteered to be the hostess for the October 12 meeting, and Nona Schipull and Bess Cerny volunteered to host the February 8th meeting. Nona stated she would be coming to the Guild meetings regularly as a liaison from Faithful Hearts and Hands.

Devotions were then led by Pastor Bajus. We began by singing "Renew Me, O Eternal Light" and prayer. The devotion was from the LWML Quarterly titled "The Pressure's Off: A Better You." Contrary to having a physical "make-over" of hair and make-up, the Christian life is not a do-it-yourself project; it is a walk of faith. We receive much comfort from knowing that the power for the Christian life comes from the Holy Spirit and even our faith is a gift from God. How can you draw upon the power of the Spirit in the week ahead?

*Edith Constien, Secretary*



## FAITHFUL HEARTS AND HANDS MEETING NOTES – SEPTEMBER 11, 2010

On this, the ninth anniversary of the violent acts of terrorism inflicted on our country, Nona Schipull led the Bible Study highlighting the fact that “for us Christians there should be no fear of the unknown – not knowing when and where terrorists will strike again. We know and believe that God can turn our fear and hatred into triumph and victory. We should never be afraid but trust in the One who can and will always help us in our time of fear and anxiety.”

Julie Stoller, Secretary, reviewed her minutes from our last formal meeting on June 12, 2010.

Sharron Schademann presented her Treasurer's Report.

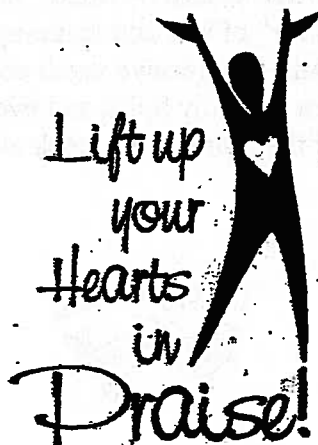
The Rummage Sale held here at Zion on August 7<sup>th</sup> was a great success. We discussed what about the sale worked best, what could be improved upon, and what was to be done with our portion of the profits from the sale. Thrivent will make available matching funds, although none of the money can be used for our church. We determined that Lutheran Church Charities-Disaster Relief, postage costs to mail school supplies to Tanzania, and Lutherbrook would be the recipients of our donations.

Love Packages, a ministry aimed at putting Christian literature and Bibles into the hands of people around the world, will take our bulletin inserts, in addition to other print items, such as Portals of Prayer and Christian books. We will devise a system for collecting those inserts. Nona and Doug Schipull recently visited the Love Packages facility in Butler, Illinois, and were most impressed by what they saw.

LWML Sunday will be observed in October. Members of our group have volunteered to serve as readers and ushers. The Western Zone Fall Rally will be November 6<sup>th</sup> at Resurrection (Indiana).

Clean old sheets, curtains, etc., are needed by the quilting circle at St. Paul, Melrose Park, to make quilts which are donated to Lutherbrook and Lutheran World Relief.

The next meeting of Faithful Hearts and Hands will be held at Zion on Saturday, October 16, 2010 at 10:30 AM. The welcome mat is always out for all who wish to attend!







# ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH



## OCTOBER, 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>SELC Chicago-Land Reformation Service</b> <b>Resurrection Lutheran Church</b> <b>Merrillville, IN</b> <b>3:00 P.M.</b>					1	2
3 9:00 AM Early Communion 9:30 AM Worship 10:35 AM S.S., 10:45 AM B.C.	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 9:30 AM Worship 10:35 AM S.S., 10:45 AM B.C.	11	12 12:00 PM Guild Mt.	13	14 Choir Rehearsal 7 pm	15	16 10:30 AM Faithful Hearts & Hands
General Pastoral Conf., Zion, Clark, NJ						
17 9:30 AM Communion Worship 10:35 AM S.S., 10:45 AM B.C.	18	19 7:00 PM Council Mt	20	21	22	23
24 9:30 AM Worship 10:35 AM S.S., 10:45 AM B.C.	25	26	27	28 Choir Rehearsal 7 pm	29	30
31 Communion 9:30 AM Worship 10:35 AM S.S., 10:45 AM B.C. Reformation						

September

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November

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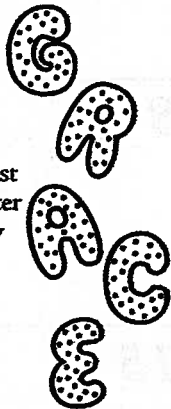
### A TASTE OF GRACE

Because Jesus died and rose for us, we have the free gifts of forgiveness and eternal life. That's the meaning of grace: "God's Riches At Christ's Expense."

Celebrate God's grace by "spelling it out" with this fun, nutritious recipe.

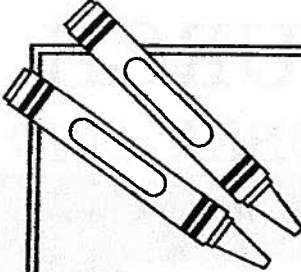
#### What you need:

- An adult to help
- 2 bowls
- Mixing spoon
- 1 Tablespoon yeast
- 1/2 cup warm water
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 1 1/3 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Cutting board
- Cookie sheet



#### What you do:

1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees.
2. In a small bowl, stir the yeast with the water and honey. Let the mixture sit for five minutes.
3. In another bowl, stir the flour and salt together.
4. After five minutes, add the bubbly yeast mixture to the flour and salt mixture.
5. Stir everything together, first with a spoon and then with your hands. The dough is ready when it's still a little crumbly.
6. Put the dough on a cutting board with a little flour. Knead it into one big ball.
7. Divide the dough into 12 pieces, and roll each piece into a snake shape.
8. Form the letters G R A C E (twice). Then form the two extra pieces into any shape you choose.
9. Bake your letters and shapes on the cookie sheet for about 10 minutes. Let cool, and enjoy!



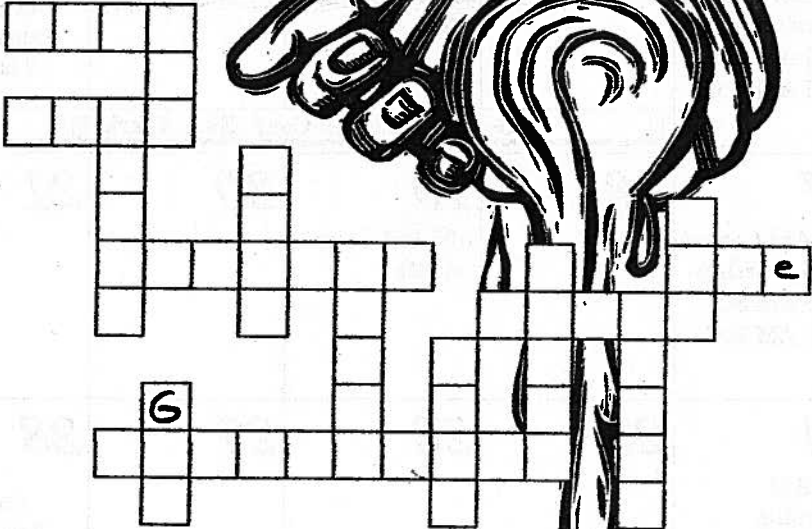

### Just for KIDS

## THE GIFT

God has given us a gift that we can't work for or buy. Discover what this gift is by reading Ephesians 2:8-9, NIV.

Fit the words in bold into the word puzzle below. We've provided two letters for you.

**"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast."**



[NOTE: A completed puzzle is in a file called KID1010B-A on this month's CD and at [www.NewsletterNewsletter.com](http://www.NewsletterNewsletter.com).]