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# MISSION FRONTIERS

### Mission Lutheran Church, Las Cruces, NM

#### Pastor's Pen

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. (1 Corinthians 1:18-25)

On Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, we will observe Holy Cross Day. Holy Cross Day is not like many of the other feast days such as the Nativity of Our Lord, the Resurrection of Our Lord, the Baptism of Our Lord etc. Those days are celebrations of specific events in the life of Christ. Nor is Holy Cross Day like the festivals of St. Peter and St. Paul, St. Mary, St. Andrew etc. Those days commemorate the lives and witnesses of specific people. Rather, Holy Cross Day might be thought of as bearing similarity to days such as Holy Trinity Sunday or All Saints' Day in that it's not a specific event or person that we're remembering, but rather a Biblical teaching that has been revealed.

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#### **Important Dates:**

August 11: WINGS/LWML Fellowship and Bible study

August 14: JULIETs lunch

August 19: Church Council meeting



Now certainly, there was a specific person who was crucified on that cross, the Person of Jesus Christ. And He is the focus of every worship service, including Holy Cross Day. And it is also certain that Christ's crucifixion was very much a real event that happened on a Friday after the Passover around 33 A.D. But that event is most especially remembered on our annual observances of Good Friday. What Holy Cross Day itself is all about is how we can remember and contemplate the wisdom of God in what appears to mankind to be foolishness.

For those of us who have been Christians for a long time, we may not always consider just how scandalous it was that the Christ would die on a cross. We are so accustomed to seeing crosses and crucifixes everywhere in our church buildings, homes, and jewelry that we are not nearly as repulsed by the cross as the ancient people were. For them, the cross was a horror.

The famous 1960 Stanley Kubrick film *Spartacus* starring Kirk Douglas depicted a real historic event where some six thousand defeated rebel slaves were crucified along the Appian Way. Crucifixion was a way to put the most horrendous offenders on display so that they would die a slow death (often several days) in full view of all as a warning to others not to commit the same offense. The pain of crucifixion was so intense that our word "excruciating" is derived from the Latin words for "out of the cross." Crucifixion was so painful and shameful that it was against Roman law for a Roman citizen to be crucified. (Church tradition teaches that this is why, even though St. Peter and St. Paul are said to have been executed on the same day, St. Peter was crucified while St. Paul, owing to his Roman citizenship, was beheaded.)

Writing to the church in Corinth, the Apostle Paul says that the crucified Christ is "a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles." In the original Greek, the word for "stumbling block" is *scandalon*, and that's exactly what it means: to be a stumbling block means to scandalize someone, to cause them to lose their way, to metaphorically "trip them up." For something to be a stumbling block in the Biblical sense means that all the foundations of one's thoughts and reasons have been taken away. The Apostle Paul is saying that the cross of Christ is "tripping up" the Jews, meaning that they cannot fit the idea of a crucified Christ into their preconceived notions of the Messiah.

The Jewish people at the time of the New Testament had many and varied views of the Messiah. Some thought that He would be a military leader who would bring earthly freedom. Some thought that He would lead the people in true worship and devotion to the Lord, causing Him to once again bless Israel. Many of them knew well the various Old Testament prophecies of the Messiah, and they were longing for Him with eager expectation. But none of them understood that He must suffer and die. They knew that the Christ must remain forever, so they could not understand how one who died could be the Messiah.

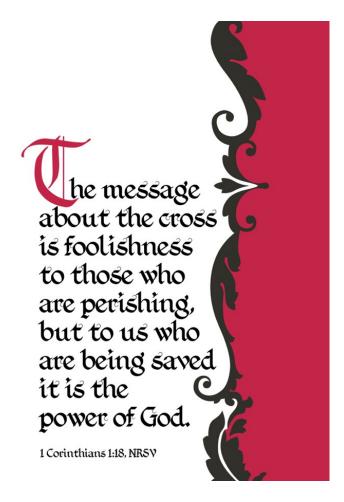
But if Christ crucified is a scandal to the Jews, Paul says that He is folly to the Gentiles. The world of the New Testament era outside of Israel was dominated by Greco-Roman thought and philosophy. While Greek philosophy did not have a prediction of the Christ, it did have categories for describing the Divine. While Greek philosophy did not know the God of Israel, it could describe what we might call the "generic" God. God's nature was understood to be omniscient, omnipresent, un-changing, and all-powerful. These are all very true descriptions of God, but by themselves they are incomplete. How could an all-knowing, all-powerful God experience pain and suffering? How can a perfect and unchanging God die? A God who suffers and dies sounded like utter foolishness to Greek philosophy.

But Christ crucified is Who the Apostle Paul preached, and that's Who we preach. No, it doesn't make sense that God could suffer and die. Yet in Christ He does. It doesn't make sense that victory comes through suffering and death. Yet in Christ it does. The human heart and mind cannot fully grasp the depth of God's wisdom revealed in the cross. But by faith, we receive the benefits of Christ's cross.

To proclaim Christ crucified means to proclaim that all sins of the whole world have been placed upon Him, and that His death has made perfect satisfaction. There is now no more payment for sins. To proclaim Christ crucified means to proclaim that Christ's own righteousness is now placed upon you. By faith, you are accounted to be righteous in the sight of God. To proclaim Christ crucified is to proclaim that, by dying, Christ has destroyed the power of death. Since death has no dominion over Christ, it has no dominion over you. To proclaim Christ crucified means to proclaim that, because He has risen, you too shall rise.

The world in the days of the New Testament could not understand Christ crucified. And indeed today no one outside of faith can understand this. But through faith, we are granted to receive the crucified Christ and to see in the cross the true wisdom of God. Amen.

**Pastor Andrew Cave** 



# Mission Lutheran Church and School Prayer Ministry

"Built on Christ, we join together as God's house of prayer for all nations."



"Give ear to my words, O Lord;
consider my groaning,
Give attention to the sound of my cry,
my King and my God
for to you do I pray."

-Psalm 5:1-2

Our ability to bring petitions to our Lord, our Heavenly Father is a privilege far beyond what we deserve. Our Holy Spirit even helps us know how to pray when we do not: Romans 8 tells us that the Spirit helps us to pray as we ought "with groanings too deep for words." And sometimes our prayers indeed are cries and groanings—we are desperate for the Lord's intervention.

Do you have another that you pray for intensely—someone or maybe two or three people for whom you wish salvation? I have several! One relative in particular who was very close to me when we were children and teens is in very poor health and has adamantly rejected everything about our Lord and Savior. She has not heard words spoken to her by many (including me) and I am left with heartfelt prayer alone—and we do know prayer is the answer! I share below scripture that is helping me to pray for my ailing relative—not so much for bodily healing but for the comfort of spiritual healing that comes from knowing and believing in our Savior. Perhaps they will be a guide to your prayer for someone?

- Jesus'words: "to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me." Acts 26:18
- "Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved.

   Romans 10:1
- "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:10
- "Then he said to his disciples, 'the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'" Matthew 9:37-38

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- "And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh." -Ezekiel 36:26
- No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day." -John 6:44
- "In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God." 2 Corinthians 4:4
- "At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the Word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison—" -- Colossians 4:3
- "And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." 1 John 5:14

"Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians: 16-18





### Stewardship

### Work and Keep

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it" (Genesis 2:15).

Genesis chapters one and two are familiar to us. We know them best as the Creation Account. Chapter one is where we hear the familiar, "let there be...and there was" directives. Chapter two gives us the account of Adam (the man) being formed from the "Adamah" (the dust) and becoming a living being when he receives the breath of life in his nostrils. Because of this, it would be quite easy to simply lump these two chapters into the category of creation accounts.

But do not be too hasty in this! While these two chapters do faithfully relate to us the account of creation, they also give us the creation of the "office" of steward. The man, created in the image of God in Genesis 1 and formed from the dust in Genesis 2, is created for a distinct purpose. He is created to be a steward of the perfect and beautiful creation that the Lord has made! In fact, this is THE reason that man was made. He — and we — were created in the image of God to be stewards of God's creation.

This purpose is spelled out in verse 15 of Genesis 2. The steward has one job, with two purposes. It is fitting that in the month that our nation marks Labor Day, we consider the task of steward. The first purpose of the job of steward is to work. The steward is the caretaker of the Garden. Being a steward is work! Before the fall into sin, this was not an onerous task. But it was an active thing.

Imagine being a farmer in the Garden of Eden! Work would be only harvest. No plowing. No planting. No cultivating. No weeding. The perfect garden that the Lord had made would simply produce automatically to provide for man, woman, and all living beings!

But there is a second task in verse fifteen. The word "keep" is not just a synonym for work. This second task is related to defending. This garden, holy by virtue of its being called into existence by a holy God, needed to be defended. Here is where the vocation of steward becomes priestly. The steward was to defend the perfect and holy garden from that which was unholy. Later in the Old Testament, this was the task of the priests in the tabernacle and temple. They were to defend with their lives the Holy of Holies. This too is the labor of stewardship. It is a labor that calls the steward to be willing to put the garden before life!

Stewardship was always work. It only got burdensome after the original steward, Adam, failed to defend the garden from the alien word of the serpent. But this was not a failure of harvest. It was a failure to defend the garden! As a result, all work that followed that failure became burdensome.

The steward failed but was never fired. That is why we have such an issue with stewardship to this day. We continue to live out a pre-fall vocation in a fallen world as failed stewards. That is why we in the church need to be reminded of our vocational call to be stewards. We so easily forget that this world is not ours to do with as we please. Nothing is ours. We are but stewards entrusted with managing the creation for the glory of God and the benefit of the neighbor.

It is a daunting task. But it is the one to which we have been called. We cannot do it on our own. Apart from the grace of God shared with us through Jesus, we would be burdened to the point of temporal and eternal death. But the Holy Spirit calls us by the Gospel! This Gospel connects us to the fertile garden of Christ's Work on our behalf. Now we are stewards of that grace! The Holy Spirit works this in and through us today and every day.

This is the work of the church. It is also the work of the individual steward. The Lord has placed us in the "garden" with the same twofold purpose: work and keep! Enjoy your labor. For in the Lord, our labor is never in vain!

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: lcms.org/stewardship

# Time, Talents and Treasure



**Stewardship** is many things. Our congregation has always been more than generous with their church contributions. But stewardship also requires that we give of the talents God has given each of us. That means using some of our time to further the mission of our church. Here are just some of the ways that you can contribute.

<u>Prayer Ministry</u>: We strive to cover all areas of the Church's life in prayer. We currently meet every Tuesday at 12:30 pm in the church library for a short time of prayer. We also meet every Wednesday morning at 7:35 am to pray with the teachers before the start of the school day. Those who aren't part of the school staff then meet for breakfast. And we meet via Zoom every Thursday morning at 6:45 am when we follow Responsive Prayer 2 in the hymnal. This includes singing at least 3 hymns! A wonderful way to start the day. We could use more leaders for this prayer time. Everyone is welcome to join in any of these prayer opportunities.

<u>Sunday School</u>: Instruction in the Bible and in the faith and worship life is currently provided only to young children. We would love to be able to offer classes to older children. Ideally, we would have someone to coordinate this effort with a team of people to lead classes so that each person would lead once or twice each month rather than every Sunday.

<u>Altar Guild</u>: The volunteers of the altar guild prepare the bread and wine for Communion, prepare the altar for the appropriate time in the church year, and prepare the baptismal font for baptisms. Training is provided to ensure that all volunteers are well equipped and supported in their work of the Lord's house.

<u>Choir</u>: Come and make a joyful noise! The choir meets to rehearse on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm from September through May. While you do need to be able to read and carry a tune, no other particular skills are required - just a love of sacred music.

<u>Ushering</u>: Ushers hand out bulletins before the church service, advise those taking communion when it's time to approach the communion rail, and take up the offering by passing the offering trays. They may also direct late arrivals as needed to show them where there is open seating. In the event of a medical emergency, they may also be tasked with calling 911.

<u>Greeting</u>: Greeters arrive a bit early in order to greet members and guests as they arrive. If someone is attending our church for the first time, greeters are to make sure they sign the guest book.

Church Council Officers are all elected by the voting members of the congregation.

<u>President</u>: The president oversees the corporate/business concerns of the congregation and presides over the monthly Council and quarterly Voters' Assembly meetings of the congregation.

<u>Vice President</u>: The vice-president assists the president in his tasks and is responsible for the recruitment of officers and leaders for election to the positions and boards of the congregation.

<u>Council Secretary</u>: The secretary records the minutes of the Council and Voters' Assembly meetings and forwards all minutes and board reports to the Church Secretary for posting and filing.

<u>Financial Secretary</u>: The financial secretary records and keeps confidential records of each member's giving for tax purposes and makes the bank deposits of weekly offerings.

<u>Treasurer</u>: The treasurer is responsible for the payment of bills and the recording and publishing to the congregation its progress in offerings toward, and expenses within, the congregation's yearly budget. Prepares the budget every year for voter approval.

<u>Board of Elders</u>: The men of this Board assist the pastor in the spiritual care of the members, the leading of worship and the oversight of the adult Bible studies, provide communication to the pastor of the needs of the members, and make visits to the members of the congregation.

<u>Board of Trustees</u>: The members of this board oversee the repair and maintenance of the buildings and grounds of the Mission Lutheran Church and School campus and administrate the volunteers of the congregation in that ongoing maintenance work.

<u>Board of Day School Education</u> (School Board): The School Board is responsible for the ministry of Mission Lutheran School; it provides counsel and direction to the school ministry, including interviewing candidates for open positions and providing input to documents required for maintaining the school's accreditation.

**Committees.** The following are volunteer opportunities and the members are not elected by the voting members of the congregation.

<u>Outreach Committee</u>: This board of members initiates and manages outreach activities with the purpose of bringing the Gospel to unchurched people. Activities include: maintaining a Bible box which provides a free Bible to anyone who wants one; changing the verse on the church sign (facing Roadrunner Parkway); sending a note to someone who visits the church for the first time; offering to visit first-time visitors to answer questions about the church; assist members of the community who are in need of financial assistance; or other activities as deemed helpful to reach unchurched people in our community

<u>Stewardship Committee</u>: This committee is for the purpose of equipping the all of the boards with the human and information resources needed to carry out their work. This committee also encourages church members to share their time, talent and treasure as needed to support Mission Lutheran Church.

<u>Fellowship Committee</u>: The Fellowship Committee is responsible for strengthening the fellowship between congregational members spiritually and socially, supporting the integration of new members into the life of the congregation, planning and implementing outreach events in which the larger community's participation is invited, and in general building mutual cooperation, trust, and enjoyment among the members of the congregation.

None of these opportunities require great amounts of time (with perhaps the exception of the Treasurer!). Please prayerfully consider where you might best put your God-given talents to work for the good of our church family.



I am excited to announce that choir will begin soon. I would like to invite those of you who like to sing to come join the Mission Lutheran Church Choir. We are an open group of people who enjoy lifting our voices to enhance and guide the worship services.

Come join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary for rehearsals and fellowship.

Practices begin on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Any questions, please contact Jacki McCurley, (575) 202-5955.

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

Psalm 95:1-3



# September Birthdays

		Date
Holly	Poppy	3
Pastor Glenn	Weber	3
Amy	Krohn	5
Sheila	Vakselis	5
Nova	Wood	5
Austin	Nathaniel	11
Carol	Cooper	12
Susanna	Melton	12
Codie	Wolf	12
Michele	Allison	13
Ray	Grothman	13
Ruth	Jakcsy	14
Rev. Warren	Graff	15
Amie	Springer	25
Hannah	McCurley	26

Happy Conniversary

# September Anniversaries

		Date	# of years
Fred & Karen	Reyes	17	7 16
Wade & Debra	Echtenkamp	2	1 46
Irv & Marcele	Skelton	2	1 57

Happy Anniversary to all those couples married in September.

May God continue to bless you.

If your birth and/or anniversary date is missing or incorrect, please notify Carol Moore in the church office.

## **JULIETs**

All women in the church are invited to our monthly ladies' lunch. And bring a friend!

Thursday, September 11 — Salud! de Mesilla 1800 Avenida de Mesilla # B

We meet at 11:30 am.

So that the restaurant can be prepared, please notify Debra Echtenkamp <u>at</u> least 2 days in advance if you plan to attend.

Call or text Debra at (901) 830-7216



### WINGS/LWML

The next gathering of WINGS (Women in God's Service) will be on Monday, **September 8**, at 6:30 PM in Luther Hall. All women are invited for fellowship and Bible study. Dessert will be provided.

#### MISSION LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

JULY 15, 2025

President Doug Lorenz called the Mission Lutheran Church Council meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Other members present: Pastor Cave, Secretary-Carol Cooper, Treasurer-Brad Mueller, Financial Secretary-Carol Moore, Elders-Richard Turk, Trustees-Brad Springer, Sr., Outreach/Fellowship/Stewardship-Brad Springer, and School Board-Karen Springer.

Pastor Cave opened the meeting with prayer.

The Minutes of the May 20, 2025 meeting were approved with the request that the Secretary modify the Elders' Report to read that "the Elders are exploring procedures to address various types of disruptions during Church Services." Carol Moore moved and Brad Mueller seconded the motion to accept the minutes with the requested revision.

The following reports were given:

Pastor Cave: Pastor Cave's report is attached. He briefly noted that San Pablo has issued a Call to Rev. Pedro Lopez and is now in the process of deliberating. He noted also that Trinity Lutheran in Alamogordo is now in the Call process.

Vice-President: No report

Secretary: No report

Treasurer: Brad Mueller's report is attached. Brad reported he moved \$23,000 out of the LCEF account into the general bank account and will be moving some of the Strasser endowment into Morgan Stanley. Brad expressed that he is encouraged that we have several new families with young children in church.

Financial Secretary: Carol Moore reported that we may have a new church member who is also interested in being a counter. Carol and Pastor Cave have been appealing to the Congregation to please consider serving as a counter; only church members may serve as counters.

Elders: Richard Turk reported that the care group which Austin Nathaniel served needs a new elder since Austin was transferred to Colorado Springs. Few men in the Congregation are available to be Elders since most are already serving in some other capacity.

Trustees: Brad Springer's report is attached.

Outreach/Fellowship/Stewardship: Brad Springer reported Back-to-School Night will be from 4-6 PM July 27, followed by an ice cream social in the patio area. Everyone is invited to join the school families. He also reported there will be an October Fest again this year.

ML School Board: Karen Springer's report is attached.

President: Old Business: Doug Lorenz first updated the Council on the Youth Group. The group still needs adult leadership from the Congregation, ideas for activities, and adult support in Bible Study. Carol Moore suggested a car wash activity as early as August and possibly supervised by Kathy Mailander. Brad Springer observed that Jim Roberts who is currently employed at White Sands relates well to kids; Pastor Cave advised that Jim has work limitations that prevent him from making commitments to the youth group.

Discussion turned to Clean-Up Day. Brad Springer, Sr. had observed in the previous meeting that a lot of the storage space in Luther Hall is being taken up by cook-ware and other items that have not been used in several years; it was suggested that Jan White and Jackie McCurley and the current teachers could best advise how to free-up kitchen space, space used by the Quilters, and space used for non-current or non-school activities.

New business: The first item of new business was a discussion regarding working committees that are currently not as active as they need to be. Current By-Laws Article 7.2.2 "Committees the Vice-President oversees" and Article 7.7.7 "Committees the Elders oversee" reflect that the Vice-President is responsible for the Fellowship, Christian Education, and Endowment Committees, and the Elders are responsible for the Stewardship Committee. Doug requested that Vice-President Eric Gunderson work with the Christian Education Committee and head Elder Richard Turk work with the Stewardship Committee to engage the committees' help in preparing the annual budget and slate of officers.

September 14, 2025 will be the next Voters' Assembly. Doug anticipates that the "Emergency Best Practices" presentation will be an agenda item. Topics suggested for presentation discussion included:

- 1. Need for a watchman in the parking lot during church services and special events
- 2. Preparation for: Medical emergencies, Active shooter and demonstrators incidents
- 3. Plans for further discussion/instruction

Shilo Smith will do the next video on July 27<sup>th</sup>.

The next Council meeting will be August 19<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM. Respectfully submitted,

Carol L. Cooper



### MISSION LUTHERAN CHURCH and SCHOOL

### Treasurer's Report for the August '25 Council/Voters Meeting

Report Preparation Date: August 1, 2025

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