THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

God has a new supply of blessings for you today! His compassions never fail. They are new every morning. (Lamentations 3:22–23)

AUGUST CALENDAR

Thurs Aug 1-Fitness 10am Sun Aug 4-Congrgational Outreach meeting Mon Aug 5-Catechism Class 7pm Tues Aug 6 - Fitness 10am Wednesday Aug 7-Holy Hog Dog Walking 10am meet at Troy's Wednesday Aug 7-Soup Supper/Bible Study 6-8 Thurs Aug 8-Fitness 10am Sunday Aug 11-Council Meeting Mon Aug 12-Catechism Class 7pm Tues Aug 13-Fitness 10am Wednesday Aug 14-Holy Hog Dog Walking 10am meet at Troy's Wednesday Aug 14-Soup Supper/Bible Study 6-8 Thurs Aug 15-Fitness 10am Friday Aug 16-Craft and Chat Mon Aug 19-Catechism Class 7pm Tues Aug 20-Fitness 10am Wednesday Aug 21-Holy Hog Dog Walking 10am meet at Troy's Wednesday Aug 21-Soup Supper/Bible Study 6-8 Thurs Aug 22-Fitness 10am Saturday Aug 24-LWML meeting 1pm Sunday Aug 25-Church Picnic 1pm at Oetjen's Ranch Mon Aug 26-Catechism Class 7pm Tues Aug 27-Fitness 10am Wednesday Aug 28 - Holy Hog Dog Walking 10am meet at Troy's Wednesday Aug 28-Soup Supper/Bible Study 6-8 Thurs Aug 29-Fitness 10am

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PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS

Summer is now truly upon us. The weather is a bit warmer. Many people are going to reunions, visiting family and taking a break from their everyday routines. It was a joy in the midst of summer that over a dozen people met for the first Outreach Committee meeting. It was great to see a nice cross section of newer members, older members and friends of the congregations. The meeting lasted over two hours and was very spirit filled from my perspective. The two co-chairs Sharron Troy and Vicky Prince did a nice job of allowing all people to give their input. Orval Prothe was a very gracious host.

There were many excellent ideas. A couple which are likely to be implemented immediately. The first is a day on the beach (likely to be an hour or so) with your favorite pet. If you don't have a pet come anyway for the exercise and the fellowship.

The second idea that I will mention is the creating of 3"X5" cards of introduction and invitation. The church would have its mission statement, worship times, contact information and a place for the giver to print their welcome and sign their name.

A third suggestion was that we speak with ODOT (Oregon Dept. of Transportation) about putting up road signs to better enhance our visibility.

There was also conversation about members and friends getting into the community as helpers at the school, at Seashore Literacy, and working with community meals.

One person mentioned that we might consider having a prayer vigil or "summit" twice a year to keep us focused on the Lord's will and the Lord's work. Another simple but powerfully important idea is that we pray that God will fill those empty seats in the sanctuary and at Bible class with more people.

It is my hope that more ideas will continue to flow from this

first meeting of the Outreach Committee. Personally I hope to do two things in the very near future. The first is to offer a Pastor's Class. The class will be for those who wish a refresher class on Luther's Small Catechism and for those folks who might wish to join the church. We will discuss the six chief parts of the catechism in a six to eight week class.

The second thing that I will do immediately is to continue conversation with the two local fire and rescue depts. to determine how we might help them and better serve our community.

In the not so distant future, if there is a desire, I would like to have a Friday morning prayer and devotion time. The format will be determined by the participants. I can hardly wait to hear from the rest of the congregation at the August 4th congregational meeting.

Serving Our Risen Savior Together, Pastor John A. Westhafer

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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LWML REPORT

Thank you to Carol Westhafer for leading our opening devotion and our Bible study. After a short business meeting we assembled mite boxes for mite box Sunday on the 28th. Thank you to everyone for returning mite boxes, we collected \$101.44. These mites will be sent to the NW district LWML for mission projects.