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Pastor's Page

"If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

--Jesus (John 8: 31-32)

A life of faith is not a goal to be achieved. Discipleship—following the way of Jesus Christ—is about the *continuing*. Sometimes that sounds like good news: "I haven't utterly ruined everything, there's still a chance for me!" And sometimes that sounds like bad news: "I'm exhausted and you're telling me I've gotta *keep going?!*"

Apparently Jesus did not make any provision for retiring from discipleship, but neither did he say *Here's exactly what discipleship must look like*. It's up to us to discern carefully, with the help of the Holy Spirit, what our discipleship will look like, which will necessarily change throughout our lives.

Discipleship will look different as our abilities and capacities change, and as the needs of the world change, as constant and reliable as the change of seasons.

It's the *continuing in God's Word* which is essential. Revisiting Scripture texts, allowing yourself to be opened by an interpretation you never considered before, listening for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, loving and serving your neighbors in obedience to God because you possess a surplus of joy, not because you are compelled by guilt.

These words from Jesus—"the truth will make you free"—are recalled every year on Reformation Sunday, which this year falls on October 29th. Martin Luther was so driven by God's Word that he constantly prayed, studied, and taught about God's Grace. He even put his life on the line to defend his interpretations of Scripture, that God's Grace really is for everybody and no person nor any institution can get in the way of God's Grace.

We return yearly to this faith foundation, our rootedness in God's Grace. We remember we are created in God's image, named in Holy Baptism, fed with the Body of Christ in Holy Communion, and invited to joyful exploration of where Jesus will lead us as disciples, guided by the Holy Spirit.

Gethsemane Lutheran Church is full of God's purpose, welcoming everyone and especially those are vulnerable and marginalized because of their identity. God's Grace remains an amazing surprise, and the truth keeps setting us free.

Pastor Cheryl Walenta Gorvie

Worship in October

Sunday, October 1st, 2023 Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship 10:00am Adult Forum: Alzheimer's 11:00am In-Person Worship

Sunday, October 8th, 2023 Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship 10:00am Adult Forum:

Land Acknowledgement 11:00am In-Person Worship

Sunday, October 15th, 2023 Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship 11:00am In-Person Worship

Sunday, October 22nd, 2023 <u>Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost</u>

8:30am In-Person & Online Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Fellowship 11:00am In-Person Worship

Sunday, October 29th, 2023 Reformation

9:30am In-Person & Online Worship

Reformation Sunday



Gethsemane will celebrate Reformation on Sunday, October 29th, with one service at 9:30am. Please join us and sing one of our favorite hymns: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God.

REFORMATION DAY

Attention Fellowship Hosts

This is just a quick reminder that Sunday morning Fellowship Hosts are not responsible for making the coffee or hot water for tea. Members of the Altar Guild

make the coffee and fill the hot water canister when they set up the church. Fellowship Hosts should check to make sure the coffee machine and hot water canister are plugged in - it takes approximately 30 minutes to make a pot of coffee. Fellowship Hosts are also responsible for setting up the donuts in the kitchen and cleaning up the coffee machine, the hot water canister, all used mugs, and any spill/messes created during Fellowship.

September Attendance

September 3rd75 In-Person 48 Online

September 10th 86 In-Person 32 Online

September 17th 113 In-Person 25 Online

September 24th 82 In-Person 20 Online

Don't forget to complete your weekly attendance form.
We're counting on you!



Community Life



LuMin St. Louis: Ecumenical Campus Ministry Sunday Night Dinners and Jesus

Every Sunday night, LuMin provides a free home-cooked meal to students from campuses all over St. Louis. Gethsemane has signed up to provide meals on the second Sunday of each month. Please sign up to help: **October 8th**, and/or November 12th.



October: brownie mix (goal is 400 boxes)

Please bring products to the church before the last Sunday of the month!

MONTH OF GRACE + PRAYER (A Retreat in Everyday Life)

Fall Afresh into God's Love by going on retreat while staying at home. Explore different ways of praying, speak privately with an experienced spiritual companion and become more aware of God's presence in your life. A Month of Grace + Prayer will begin with a 90-minute group gathering (in person or virtually) of all participants on **Sunday, October 15th.** Throughout the month each participant will be invited to pray privately each day and then meet confidentially with an experienced spiritual companion for one hour each week. In person meetings with spiritual companions take place on Monday mornings, afternoons or evenings, and virtual meetings are scheduled on any day and time mutually convenient with the companion and participant. All participants will gather again in celebration on Sunday, November 12th. This is an individually directed retreat tailored to your own deep desires. Committed couples also have the option to participate as a couple.

Brochures are available in church, and for even more information or to register, visit www.momentsofgraceandprayer.org or contact Clarence Heller (clarenceheller@gmail.com; 314.258.9066). There is no registration fee, but retreatants are invited to share the costs of the retreat as they are able.



Red Cross Blood Drive October 2nd

1:30pm - 5:30pm

We welcome all "types" of donors. A link to book your preferred time slot can be found on Gethsemane's website.

Bridge Bread Bakery's First Annual Bread & Butter Gala—Friday, October 13, 2023

Bridge Bread Bakery will host its inaugural Bread & Butter Gala at The Chase Park Plaza Hotel. The fundraising event will include dinner and dancing, with music provided by WashU, as well as a silent and live auction. This will be a true gala. Recommended attire is black tie optional. For more info and to purchase tickets, visit their website: bridgebread.org



Connections Corner



☐: glcstlsocialmedia@gmail.com

3: 314-518-6978 (ok to text)

*if you send me a friend request on Facebook I will accept you!

Office hours: Mon -Thurs, 10am—2:30pm

Ways to stay connected:

Utilizing these resources can help you feel closer to Gethsemane!



Give online (Vanco Mobile App)



Access the Church Directory
Online (Instant Church Directory)



Watch Worship Services
Online (YouTube)

ELCA Youth Gathering

It's officially official! Six youth and three adult leaders are traveling to New Orleans in July to attend the next Youth Gathering. Since the Gathering was on hiatus because of Covid, the hype that would be surrounding the Gathering is rather quiet. The last time there was a Gathering was in 2018 and this batch of kids were the little brothers and sisters who were not paying attention to what their sibs were doing, or they are the oldest kids in their family and had no context for what was going on. This is truly remarkable that we have a group



this size attending the Gathering! The trip will not be cheap. Gethsemane has some funds and will pay for a 1/3 of the cost, the other 2/3 will be paid for by the families attending and through fundraising efforts. (I am one of the adult leaders so when I say we, I also mean me!) We hope to raise at least \$3,000. The first fundraiser was a car wash, the next one is popcorn! If you don't want the things but just want to support, you may do so on Gethsemane's website by clicking on "Donate Now" and scrolling the thumbnails until you find the ELCA Youth Gathering.

Find Gethsemane on Social Media:

Website: www.gethsemanestl.org

YouTube: gethsemanestl

Instagram: gethsemane elca stl

Pinterest: Gethsemane Lutheran Church

Facebook: Gethsemane Lutheran Church - ELCA, St. Louis, MO









Around the Church



August GLCW Luncheon

All women are welcome to join us at our next luncheon:

Date: Monday, October 23rd

Time: 11:30 AM

Place: Favazza's

Hostesses: Kathleen Moe and Mary

Scanlan

RSVP: Please call Kathleen:

636.938.9463 by **10/19**

Adult Forum Topics

All adults are welcome to join us in the chapel between services at 10:00am for the following discussions:

Oct. 1 - Living with Alzheimer's

Oct. 8 - Land Acknowledgement

If you have an idea for a future adult forum, please contact the church office.



Save the date for the return of Gethsemane's Living Nativity on Sunday, December 10th. Join us for outdoor activities starting at 3pm including live animals, hot chocolate, and cookies. Then move inside at 4:15pm

to visit the Holy Family, hear the story of the Jesus' birth, and sing some of your favorite traditional Christmas hymns. The Bridge Pop-Up shop will be available from 3pm to 5pm for fair - trade purchases.

Council Highlights

Here's what the Church Council leaders have been talking about:

- Continued our discussion about Gethsemane's Purpose Statement. Thank you to those who responded to Gary's question! We pray this continues to focus the congregation's work and carry out our mission.
- Began reaching out to committees before the congregation's budget is prepared.
- Please join us in conversation during fellowship time for Coffee With a Council Member.



Gethsemane will once again host a Blessing of the Animals event on Sunday, October 1st, at 4:00pm. You are encouraged to bring your furry, feathered, and/or scaly friends for a special service including music, treats, and a blessing. Animals must be on a leash or in a secure carrier for their safety. We will collect a free will offering. Financial donations and pet supplies will be donated to CARE STL.

Third Sunday Committee Meetings

In an effort to encourage more committee meetings and member involvement, we will now reserve the third Sunday of each month for committee meetings. We will not schedule adult forums, speakers, presentations, or events on the third Sunday. Contact the church office with any questions, to reserve your space, or to announce your meeting plans.

Aria's N stes

by Gethsemane's Music Director: Dr. Aria Thomé

Imagine being told that who you are is sinful. That your life is inherently wrong in God's eye. What pain must come from the cold, unwelcoming arms or eyes that look with disdain from behind biblical misinterpretation and abuse. Enter *Project Sanctuary*.

Project Sanctuary will be evening, monthly events using alternative healing methods to create a healing experience for attendees. Facilitated by professional, trauma-informed practitioners with access to mental health resources, it targets those communities who have experienced perceived rejection by organized religions, such as the queer community. Its aim is simply to show these communities they are loved within a community and accepted, worthy of God's full redeeming grace. Participants are invited into a grace filled space (sanctuary) so they can experience that their identity does not block them from God's full acceptance and boundless grace. It opens the door for their spirituality to be nourished **as they are** into a community of abiding love and radical acceptance.

Gethsemane has been blessed to receive a partial grant that will fund the project for a year, with the goal that this will become a congregational ministry to the community. If you would like to volunteer in any capacity or donate, please contact Aria.



Isaiah 58 Ministries is Celebrating 30Years

Buy-A-Bird

Help ensure a bountiful holiday season for everyone in our community!

\$30 = one holiday meal \$300 = ten holiday meals

Make a donation today!

Online at: i58ministries.org/donate

Or mail a check to: Isaiah 58 ministries 2149 South Grand Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63104

(memo: Buy-a-bird)

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| | Kim on Vacation | Kim on | | | | Pastor Cheryl & Gretchen Out |
| | | National Pumpkin Day | 10:00am Staff Mtg (Office will be closed between 10am and 12pm). | 10:00am Bible Study | 9:00am – 9:00pm Retreat Space 11:30am GLC Women's Luncheon 6:00pm Bell Choir | 8:30am Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship 10:00am Usher Training 11:00am Worship 5:00pm Vocal Choir |
| 28 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 | 22 |
| 8:00pm Project Sanctuary | *Messenger info. due | | 10:00am Staff Mtg (Office will be closed between 10am and 12pm). | 10:00am Bible Study | 9:00am – 9:00pm Retreat Space 6:00pm Bell Choir | 8:30am Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Sunday School Teacher Mtg. 1:00pm Retreat Meeting 5:00pm Vocal Choir |
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| World Smile Day | | 10:00am Visitation 1:30pm Funeral for Vi Aronsson at Hoffmeister | 10:00am Staff Mtg (Office will be closed between 10am and 12pm) | 10:00am Bible Study | 1:30pm – 5:30pm Red Cross Blood Drive 6:00pm Bell Choir | 8:30am Worship 9:45am Sunday School & Fellowship 10:00am Adult Forum – Alzheimer's 11:00am Worship 4:00pm Blessing of the Animals 5:00pm Vocal Choir |
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October 2023 Worship Leaders

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| | Early | Late | Early | Late | Early | Late | Early | Late | One Service |
| Greeter | B. Bartholo- mew | S. Hack- mann | C. Reinhardt | P. Lewis | K. Hartz | N. Fontana | J. Wil- liams | K. Paul- son | Wind Family |
| Usher | T. Yemm | R. Boehlje | B. Scan- lan | D. Bueh- rer | C. Morice | R. Schain- ker | A. Rentchler | S. Hetager | J. Sandberg |
| Usher | L. Yemm | S. Walen- tik | T. Yemm | R. Boeh- Ije | B. Scan- lan | G. Borkowski | C. Morice | R. Schain- ker | A. Rentchler |
| Assisting Minister | R. Lima | G. Borkowski | R. Schuess- ler | A. Fulton | P. Saathoff | M. Olson | А. Керр | N. Fon- tana | B. Rentchler |
| Lector | M. Christian | A. Boehlje | C. Schmidt | М. Тере | C. Morice | A. Fulton | L. Schuess- ler | A. Walen- tik | M. Schmidt |
| Children's Sermon | Lindsay Schuessler | huessler | Chris Schmidt | hmidt | Pastor | Pastor Cheryl | Lindsay Schuessler | chuessler | Chris Schmidt |
| Wine | | | | Те | Tepe-McFarlane Family | ne Family | | | |
| Bread Baker | Yemm Family | amily | Hunsinger Family | : Family | Richa | Richard Lima | Simone R | Simone Richardson | Natalie Fontana |
| Blood Pressure | шшә ХреТ | amm | NA | 1 | T | TBD | NA | A | NA |
| Fellowship Host | Bartholomew Family | w Family | Scanlan Family | Family | Moe | Moe Family | Schmidt | Schmidt Family | NA |
| Donut Driver | Tepe-McFarlane Family | ane Family | Scanlan Family | Family | Wind | Wind Family | Paulson Family | Family | NA |
| Altar Flowers | Wind/Williams Family | ms Family | Tepe-McFarlane Family | lane Fam- | Olson-Ful | Olson-Fulton Family | Elliott | Elliott Family | Sharon Salerno |
| Altar Guild | | | | | TBD | | | | |
| Camera | | | Gretchen Jenson | snson | | | Linus C | Linus Christian | Gretchen Jenson |

Attention Volunteers

We wish to thank all of the volunteers listed below for their continued service and dedication to Gethsemane. We could not pull off a Sunday worship service without your assistance. Knowing who is interested in serving and when makes scheduling easier.

How can you help? If you don't see your name, please contact the church office so that we can get you into the rotation. If you see your name and no longer wish to participate in that role, please contact the church office so that we can remove your name. If you are assigned to serve and are unable to do so, please use this list to contact someone else interested in the same worship leader role and let the church office know about the switch.

Early Service Greeters:

Betsy Bartholomew
Kate Hartz
Norm Hopfer
Richard Lima
Kathleen and Carolyn Moe
Cayce Morice
Carlene Reinhardt
Mary Scanlan

Late Service Greeters:

Lois and Jack Wind

Anne Crotty
Natalie Fontana
Sue Hackmann
Peggy Lewis
Keith Paulson
Deb Schaller
Rob Schainker

Joan Williams

Early Service Assisting Ministers:

Garrett Finazzo
Rodney Jones
Richard Lima
Becky Rentchler
Amy Repp
Phyllis Saathoff
Rick Schuessler
Megan Yemm

Late Service Assisting Ministers:

Gary Borkowski Angie Fulton Natalie Fontana Maryn Olson Carolyn Schainker

Early Service Ushers*:

Garrett Finazzo
Richard Lima
Cayce Morice
Adam Rentchler
John Sandberg
Bill Scanlan
Lily Yemm
Sam Yemm
Ted Yemm

Late Service Ushers*:

Riley Boehlje Gary Borkowski Denise Buehrer Steve Hetager Peggy Lewis Rob Schainker Steve Walentik

Early Service Lectors:

Matthew Christian
Garrett Finazzo
Rodney Jones
Richard Lima
Cayce Morice
Adam Rentchler
Becky Rentchler
Phyllis Saathoff
John Sandberg
Chris Schmidt
Mike Schmidt
Lindsay Schuessler
Rick Schuessler
Megan Yemm

Late Service Lectors:

Ami Boehlje
Ann Crotty
Natalie Fontana
Angie Fulton
Alfred Gorvie
Barb Johnson
Marilyn McGuire
Maryn Olson
Carolyn Schainker
Deb Schaller
Melissa Tepe
Anja Walentik
Steve Walentik

^{*}Usher training session: Sunday, October 22nd 10:00am in the sanctuary.

Social Action Team

Thank you for your continued support of Gethsemane's Little Free Pantry! You continue to fill our cart and we could not keep the shelves full without your assistance! We are making a difference and here is just one example.

A couple of weeks ago, I (Kim) arrived at work on a Friday morning. I am usually the only person in the building most mornings, so I make sure to check out my surroundings as I walk from my car to the church. This morning I noticed a bicycle parked near the bench in the small garden area next to the parking lot doors. As I went to investigate, I noticed a young man slumped against the building. I quickly entered the building, shut the door, went to the office, and thought about my options. I could do nothing and wait it out, or I could investigate further. I saw the box of Narcan on my desk and realized that I really couldn't wait it out, so I called my daughter Rowan, who had had Narcan training, and was reassured that I should investigate and that I could administer the Narcan if I needed to. She also reminded me that I needed to made a decision quickly. I really didn't have a choice.

I remembered that a lawn service truck had pulled into the ally while I was parking my car and took a chance that they would help me so that I did not have to approach the stranger alone. The man in the truck happily agreed to walk with me to check on the young man. Thankfully he was just sleeping and the three of us chatted briefly. The story could have ended there like it has several times in my career at Gethsemane, but this time it was different.

As we left the young man to rest in the garden, the man with the lawn service told me that he would like to offer the young man a job and gave me his business card. I decided to talk with the young man again and learned that he was homeless. I told him about our free food pantry — which he had not discovered yet — , gave him the business card, and told him that he had a job waiting if he went to the address on the card. You would have thought I gave him a "golden ticket" — his smile was huge.

I wanted to build the Little Free Pantry to serve our neighbors and experience, first hand, the results of that work. That Friday morning, I experienced God's work through our hands and I will never forget it. Thank you again for supporting this mission!

PS If you need a lawn company, I highly recommend: 2 Bros that Mow! Call the office for contact information. :)

Calling All Singers and Ringers

The new choir season has just begun, but it is not too late to join. We'll work with your schedule so you can become part of this growing ministry! Do you love singing or want to try? We rehearse 5:00 on Sunday nights in the choir loft. Can you count to four and know your left hand from your right? Perhaps bell choir might be just your thing. We rehearse from 6-7 on Monday nights in the sanctuary. Contact Aria for potential involvement in one or both!

Member Care Team

Blood Pressure Monitors:

We will continue to offer blood pressure monitoring on the first and third Sunday of each month. This month you will find our volunteers on October 1st and 15th in the fellowship hall. Please remember to give the person ahead of you space to privately discuss their results.

Heath Advisory Team:

COVID-19 is something we all would like to hear less about. However, as cases rise, there are some things we need to keep in mind. Please let the church office know if you test positive for COVID – especially if you have recently attended church. This information will be kept private; it is just so that we can track cases within the congregation and let people know if they have potentially been exposed. On this note, we also ask that people make sure to complete the attendance form each week so we know who we should be contacting. If we all do our part, we can make sure that the worst days of COVID are still behind us!

Wiggle Ministry:

We have recently noticed that some of our toys are being played with a bit rougher than they can handle. We are happy to know our wiggle bags are being used and enjoyed! If you see a broken toy, please give the pieces to an usher so that they can be repaired or disposed of properly. We are not upset that the toys are broken – we just want to make sure the pieces do not present a danger to our wiggle bag users.

Interested in Wiggle Ministry? We are planning on holding a Zoom meeting to discuss the toys we choose to purchase and our plans for Wiggle Ministry's place in the narthex and the stage room (in the fellowship hall). If you have a preschool-aged child and want to be part of the decision-making process about these things, please contact the church office.

Member Visits:

Members of the Member Care Team continue to visit homebound members on a regular basis. If you would like to learn more about this ministry or know of someone who could use a visitor, please contact the church office.

Next Member Care Team Meeting: Sunday, October 15th at 10am in the church library. All are welcome to attend.

God's Work. Our Hands. Day of Service

On Sunday, August 27th, Gethsemane celebrated its annual day of service, God's work. Our hands. Thank you to everyone who helped plan, shop, bake, pull weeds, build, and encourage! The world is a better place because the Holy Spirit is strong within

Gethsemane; we still show up and try to do whatever good we can do—because that is what Jesus would do!

Here's a breakdown of the impact you made:



Assembled 90 service to go kits for LifeWiseSTL



Helped Buder Elementary School with their garden



Helped the unhoused by buying Bridge Bread



Made casseroles for our freezer



Collected items for CARE STL



Collected signatures to help raise Missouri's minimum wage



Collected items for the Little Free Pantry



Gave out free gun locks through Lock It For Love



Wrote to other RIC churches in solidarity and encouragement

Announcements & Anniversaries

Condolences...

we pray for the hope and comfort of the resurrection for the friends and family of Viola (Vi) Aronsson who died Monday, September 18th, at the age of 101. Vi's memorial service will be held on Thursday, October 5th, at Hoffmeister Colonial Mortuary located at 6464 Chippewa. Visitation starts at 10am and will continue until the time of service at 1:30pm.

Thank You...

To everyone who participated and donated during the 1st Youth Gathering Fundraiser! We made \$672 and washed over 20 vehicles! Stay tuned for the next fundraiser!

SAVE the Date...

Saturday, October 14th: Church Work Day.

Make plans to attend the next Gethsemane work day as volunteers work together to get the church in tip-top shape for Advent and Christmas! Service hours will be given to those who need and goodies are always provided to those who show up to work!

Saturday, December 10th: Living Nativity!

3-5pm with animals, Holy Family, carols, Christmas story, cookies, hot cocoa, and a fair trade gift shop. Invite your friends! See page 6 for details.

Attention...

The church office will be closed between 10am and 12pm on Wednesdays for staff meetings. We will not accept visitors or calls during this time. Please plan accordingly. Thank you for your support.



October Birthdays

- 3 Don Kurt
- 6 Liesl Hunsinger
- 8 Austin Brendel
- 9 Steve Hetager
- 11 Corey Dieringer Elizabeth Hetager Dan Szyman
- **12** Joan Williams
- **14** Mitchell Paulson
- 23 Liam Rikli
- 30 Nick Kohlberg Gert Kriese
- 31 Phyllis Saathoff

Attention committee chairs: your budget requests for 2024 are due to Dan Flaxbart by Friday, December 1st. Committee reports are due to the church office by Friday, December 8th. Thank you!



October Anniversaries

| 5 | Zach and Meggie Hunsinger | 10 yrs. | 19 | Angie Fulton and Maryn Olson | 4 yrs. |
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| 10 | Mark and Theresa Lamczyk | 14 yrs. | 22 | Edward and Jill Ehret | 7 yrs. |
| 11 | Erika and Shelly Star-Hunter | 15 yrs. | • | Brian and Rosalind Roberts | 40 yrs. |
| 15 | Tom and Leslie Wobbe | 24 yrs. | 29 | Thomas and Eve Cooney | 29 yrs. |
| 17 | Terry and Kate Hartz | 42 yrs. | | | |

Dates to Remember

Coming Up:

Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 14

Sunday, October 1

Gethsemane Work Day

Sunday, November 19

Commitment Sunday

Thursday, November 23

Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24

Office Closed

Saturday, December 9

Visiting Bell Choir Concert

Don't Forget

Every Wednesday -

Bulletin Items By Noon

Second Tuesday -

Church Council Meeting

Third Friday -

Messenger Articles Due

December First -

Budget Requests Due

SPECIAL EVENT HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

October marks the end of the third quarter. Watch the Friday enewsletter for information about your third quarter giving statement. Please take a moment to check your statement and consider your pledge for next year.

Committee Reports are due Friday, December 8th.



Get Connected @ Gethsemane

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eMESSENGER

Please consider helping us save a tree and save on the cost of paper and postage. This happens if you choose to receive your *Messenger* only by e-mail. Just send a message to:

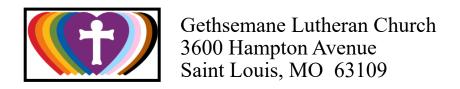
messenger@gethseman estl.org.

WEEKLY E-NEWS

If you are not receiving our weekly e-news and would like to receive it, let us know by sending us an email. Please make sure that you put our address in your address book so that your spam filters let it pass through!

MESSENGER NEWS

You can send your news and notes for the *Messenger* to **messenger@gethsemanestl.org**. There is also a *Messenger* drawer by the church office. For best results, news should be in by the third Friday of each month.



Return Service Requested

Month in Pictures

