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Proclaiming Jesus, the Living Water

Greetings from LGLC,

“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. Jeremiah 31:31-34

There was a certain man who was tormented by his sins. He was convinced of his sinfulness and his unworthiness before God. Satan accused him of his sin and tortured his conscience. In his anguish he searched the Scriptures and found in them the truth about our relationship before God. This truth set him free from his bondage to sin. He discovered the Gospel, the Good News about our place before God. This man, Martin Luther, discovered the truth about God, sin and forgiveness. That is why we search the Scriptures, for in them is truth, forgiveness, and life. We learn the truth about our sin.

Who does not remember our sin? It is only God who chooses not to remember. It is only our loving God who remembers our sin no more.

Jeremiah wrote that we are people of a new covenant. A covenant is an agreement between two parties. It is not exactly like a contract because the parties involved in a covenant are not equals. We can say that the covenant that God makes with us is a unique covenant.

In His covenant God demands perfection on our part. Then God Himself fulfills the covenant, paying our portion of the agreement. God demands a price from us and then He pays it! Because the price of our sins has been paid in full God forgives our wickedness and remembers our sin no more.

Jesus Christ is the reason why God does not remember our sins. God does not remember our sin because He chooses to not remember. What He chooses to remember is His Son's death and resurrection.

This is the message of the Reformation. It is the most important Biblical truth that was distorted, even lost. We call this truth, this teaching, this doctrine, Justification by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ Alone. How we stand before God as just is the most important truth God shares with us in the Bible. The Reformation highlighted this truth and we commemorate this historical fact every Reformation.

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LGLC PARSONAGE FUND DRIVE UPDATE

As of September 25, we have received an outpouring of gifts totaling \$212,115.00 of the \$250,00 needed. Thank you to those who have donated or pledged to date.

Please prayerfully consider a special gift for this project. As the Lord has blessed you, we encourage you to be a blessing to help in this endeavor.

Link [Here](#) to Donate

A Message from our LGLC President

Dear LGLC Members and Guests,

With fall approaching many of our seasonal guests will be returning to their home churches. We very much appreciate having you join us here at LGLC these past months allowing us to continue with our mission of serving not only our members but summer guests. You are a big part of our family here at LGLC.

Our fund drive for the parsonage has seen a phenomenal response from members and guests alike. Who would have guessed that only 2 months ago we would raise \$196,750. The Lord has shown us once again that, relying on the power of prayer and His grace, great accomplishments can be realized to further the ministry He has entrusted to our care.

We have only a short way to go to meet our goal and we are confident it will happen. Plans are to break ground in the Spring, as soon as the weather permits.

If you have made a pledge, please try to have your pledges completed or in progress by January 2023.

Gods Blessings

Michael Saalfrank (Pres.)



Here is how Luther himself explained the meaning of the seal: *First, there is a black cross in a heart that remains its natural color. This is to remind me that it is faith in the Crucified One that saves us. Anyone who believes from the heart will be justified (Romans 10:10). It is a black cross, which mortifies and causes pain, but it leaves the heart its natural color. It doesn't destroy nature, that is to say, it does not kill us but keeps us alive, for the just shall live by faith in the Crucified One (Romans 1:17). The heart should stand in the middle of a white rose. This is to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace—it puts the believer into a white, joyous rose. Faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27). This is why the rose must be*

white, not red. White is the color of the spirits and angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). This rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that a joyful spirit and faith is a beginning of heavenly, future joy, which begins now, but is grasped in hope, not yet fully revealed. Around the field of blue is a golden ring to symbolize that blessedness in heaven lasts forever and has no end. Heavenly blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and better than any possessions, just as gold is the most valuable and precious metal. (From: Letter from Martin Luther to Lazarus Spengler, July 8, 1530 [WA Br 5:445]; tr. P. T. McCain)

REFORMATION PRAYER Gracious heavenly Father, we thank You for the comfort of the Gospel restored to Your Church on earth through the work of Martin Luther and other faithful pastors and leaders during the Reformation. We praise You that by Your rich grace we have come to the sure knowledge that we stand justified before You, not by what we have done, but rather by faith in what Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, has done on our behalf. We implore You, defend Your Church from all enemies of Your saving Word. Cause Your eternal Gospel to be proclaimed in our time to every nation, tribe, language and people on earth, and graciously preserve Your truth for generations to come. In Jesus name. Amen

Online Worship

We are now live streaming our 9am service.

Go to our website at: www.lakegeorgelutheran.org

If you wish to view the service at a later time, click on the link and enjoy the same service as it was recorded.

Supporting the Mission God has entrusted to LGLC

Your offering of gifts and online gifts continue to enable LGLC to support, sustain and grow the ministry at home, in our community and worldwide. You are making a difference with you regular and faithful gifts. **Thank you ever so much!** Please use this link to place your gift: <https://www.lakegeorgelutheran.org/>

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