

LCR Weekly

September 20, 2020

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SUNDAY

PARKING LOT WORSHIP

8:00 am & 11:00 am
Incl. Holy Communion

ONLINE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

9:30 am [Resurrection
Hour led by Pr. Dave](#)
9:30 am Covid-19 in
our Spiritual Lives by
Dan Gilroy
11:00 am [Worship on
YouTube](#)

WEDNESDAY

8:00 am [Men's
Breakfast](#)
12:00 pm [Prayer with
Pastor Dave](#)
7:00 pm [Prayer with
Pastor Dave](#)

THURSDAY

8:30 am [Women's
Bible Study](#)

FRIDAY

4:00 pm [Youth Group](#)

SUNDAY

8:30 pm [Parents of
Sunday Schoolers](#)

Recipes for the Soul

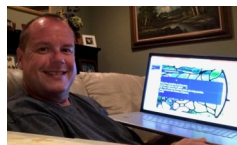


Although I am not a fan of COVID, one of the things I have come to appreciate about being home so much is eating dinner with my family every night. I am embarrassed to say that we have eaten dinner as a family more since March than we have in our children's lifetimes. I know our family is not the only one eating and cooking more at home, so we thought it would be a fun project to compile the congregation's favorite COVID recipes! We are calling it "Recipes for the Soul."

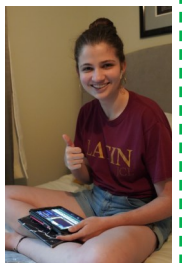
What has been your family's favorite recipe(s)? We would love for you to share with us by emailing allison@lcrmarietta with your recipe(s) by October 5. Please be sure to include the name of the recipe, the ingredients, the instructions, and the number of servings. Don't forget to include your name so we can give credit where credit is due.

Once we compile the recipes, we will send them out to the congregation. We can't wait to see what you've been cooking!
-Allison Lizdas

Thank You Virtual Worship Volunteers!



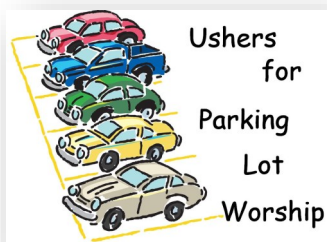
Producing the weekly virtual worship videos each week requires help from several dedicated LCR members. Thad Ware, Sofia Rodriguez, and Mitchell Frey have been producing the music videos each week along with adding the words and backgrounds since last March. Their faithfulness with this very important project is most appreciated. Their talents along with Helen, the incredible musicians, singers, and music producers make our virtual worship online what it is today. And many thanks to Jimmy Jones, Head of Worship Production, for all the time and gifts he has given to keep us connected in worship. Thanks to everyone!



Worship & Music

Ushers Needed for Parking Lot Worship

We need 3 ushers for each Parking Lot Worship at 8am and 11am on Sunday mornings. If you feel called to help in this capacity, please click on this [link](#) to sign-up.



Worship

**Parking Lot Worship
Volunteer
[Sign-up Link](#)**



Children

“Joseph Helps His Family”

Hi Guys! I hope you have settled back into school, be it face-to-face or virtually. You will soon have your Sunday school material, but until then lets read the story of “Joseph Helps His Family.” Here is the [Sparks Storybook Bible](#). For those who have their own Bible, they can read the story in Genesis 45:1-15, 50:15-21. I’ve also included some activity pages for [ages 2-3](#), [Pre-K&K](#), [Grades 1-2](#), [Grades 3-4](#), and [Grades 5-6](#), and this [link](#) for a video of the Bible story. Enjoy! Hope to see you at “Parking Lot Church.”

-Sharon Leon

Children Events

**Happy Hour for
Parents of Sunday
Schoolers**

Next Mtg: Sept. 20
1st & 3rd Sunday
6-8:30pm
[Zoom Link](#)

**Save the Date
Halloween Drive-In
October 30**

God and the Pandemic—Part 2

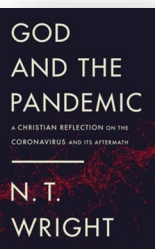
Some of us at LCR are gathering on zoom Tuesday evenings to discuss NT Wright’s book “God and the Pandemic”. Last week we focused not on the “Why?” question – Why do bad things like the pandemic happen, but rather the “What?” question - What can we do to build the Kingdom of God in the midst of things like the pandemic?

This past week we focused our conversation in two areas. First, Wright makes the comment “Actions have consequences. So does inaction.” What we do, how we treat people, how we care for the world God entrusted to us matters. And when we don’t live as God is inviting us to live, pain and heartache and hurt result. So pay attention to how you live this week. Don’t add to the heartache of the world; do something to heal it.

Which then got us into a conversation about Jesus and how He lived and what His purpose in life was all about. And a question we are were to think about this week was – Who has been a Jesus figure in your life and why? Who has been the personification of Jesus for you? Because in today’s world, Jesus is made known to us through ordinary people – people named Bill and Alice and Jack and Karen.

It’s a question perhaps each one of us would do well to ask. Not only the “Who?” question but the “Why?” question. Why does so and so remind you of Jesus? And how would the world be different and better if each of us lived that way? So the question “Who has been a Jesus figure for you?” leads to an even more important question - “Who would think of you as being a Jesus figure for them?” I have this feeling that if more and more people started naming you as a Jesus figure for them, this world would be a better place in which to live.

-Pastor Dave 2



Outreach



YELLS UPDATE Youth Empowering through Learning, Leading, and Serving

COVID-19 Response: YELLS has worked collaboratively to pivot and re-vision their services to meet the changing needs of their community during this time. These efforts include:

Daily virtual educational and social-emotional programming for youth and teens to support digital learning and provide coping skills, opportunities for community-building, and individual tutoring. (44 individual youth)

Rental assistance payments for families facing financial challenges. This includes rent and extended-stay motel payments for 6 families (17 individual family members impacted).

A new partnership with Food Security for America to provide fresh groceries to 30 families biweekly, totaling 12,168 pounds of food. This new program relies on our strong partnership with the Franklin Road Community Association who helped us mobilize Franklin Gateway neighbors as the volunteers to make this possible by unloading, sorting, and distributing the food baskets in our drive-thru event every two weeks. (30 families, 105 individuals)



Providing school and activity supplies to families regularly through drop-off packages, including books donated by a local teacher.



You can make financial donations [here](#) to support all these YELLS programs.

-George O'Donnell

Outreach

MUST
[donation link](#)

CAC
[donation link](#)

YELLS
[donation link](#)

**MUST Collection &
Old Paint Drive Dates:**

September 26
from 2-4pm
LCR Parking Lot

**You can still make a
donation to MILAGRO**
Click on the photo or
see page 4



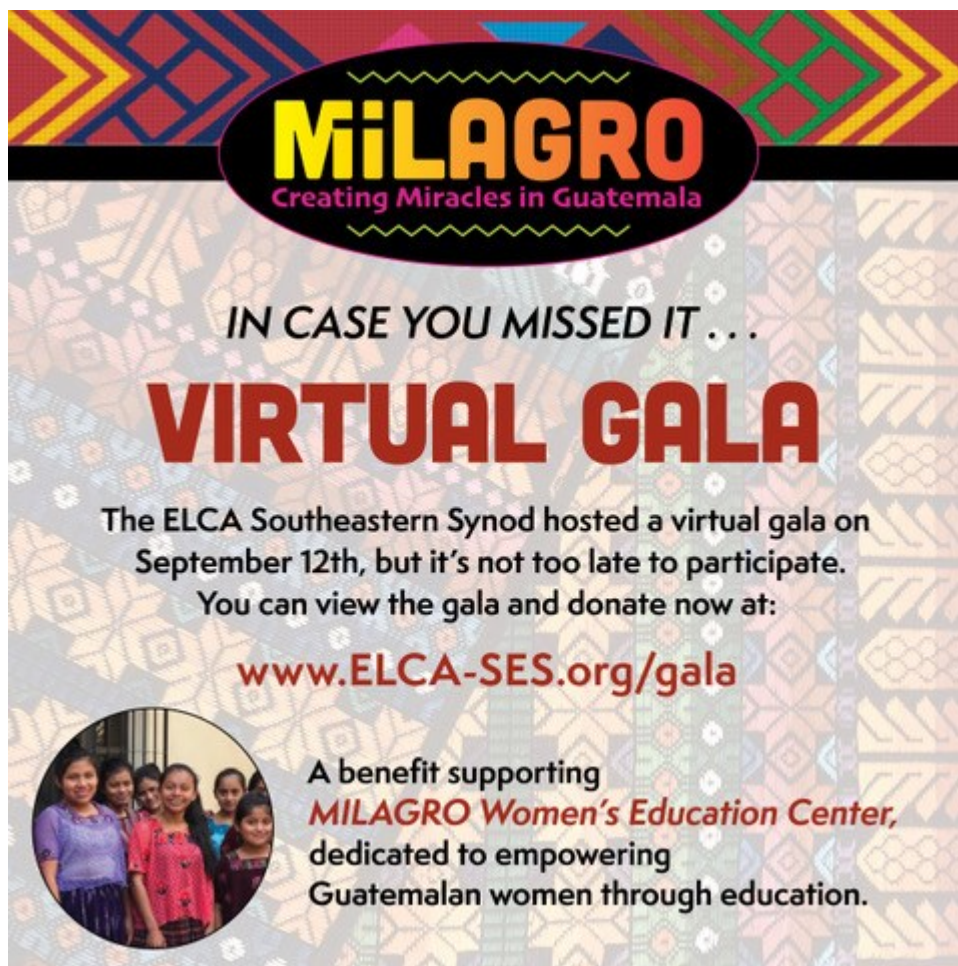
GUATEMALA VIRTUAL GALA A HUGE SUCCESS

Last Friday the Guatemala Gala was held online, on the Synod website and YouTube. Based on the amount of views recorded by the Synod, it was a huge success: to date, 789 views of the Gala have been counted. That, based on viewership estimates, means that over 1,800 people from across the Southeastern Synod and the nation took part in the proceedings.

As might be imagined, the total amount of donations to the ministries of our Partner Synod, Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala (ILAG), is still being counted. However, if you did not have the chance to view the Gala, for whatever reason, you can still watch and donate since it will be carried on ELCA's website at www.elca-ses.org/gala and you will be to watch and donate.

A special thanks is due to several members of the LCR congregation for their efforts in producing the virtual gala: John Mellott was the Master of Ceremonies; Allison and Dan Lizdas provided comments on their experiences in Guatemala; Pr. Bob Bear along with Pr. Stephen's mother, Nancy Friedrich, were responsible for the coordination, writing, editing, videoing and production of the event.

ILAG, and especially, the Congregation Santisima Trinidad and MILAGRO, the school for young Mayan women, are closely tied to LCR. They have been companions in ministry for the past several years and are supported, in part, by our congregation, financially, with frequent visits, and in our prayers.



MiLAGRO
Creating Miracles in Guatemala

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT ...

VIRTUAL GALA

The ELCA Southeastern Synod hosted a virtual gala on September 12th, but it's not too late to participate.
You can view the gala and donate now at:

www.ELCA-SES.org/gala

A benefit supporting
MILAGRO Women's Education Center,
dedicated to empowering
Guatemalan women through education.