It’s About Time

How full is your calendar? We seem to be a very busy society. Children’s schedules are filled and so are the adults. It seems to be an epidemic.

As I look at your lives and my own, I discover that there are two common denominators. The first is our inability to say, “No!” We don’t want to hurt people’s feelings, or we feel guilty if we say no. The second is a common problem of not really knowing what we are about and where we are going.

In John 8, Jesus says, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” He continues a little later with, “I stand with the Father, who sent me.” Jesus knows who he is and what he is to be doing. If something doesn’t fit his mission in life, he doesn’t do it. What a great example.

There's this six letter word that we treat it like a four letter word. That word is change. Maybe it's time to evaluate where our lives are, and maybe even make – dare we say it? – change. You may even uncover purpose and direction. Use these questions, write down your answers on a piece of paper. It’s better than just thinking about them.

What drives your feelings of business?
Is it possible you have a dissatisfied attitude of life? Many do! Many people are driven by great dissatisfaction and we don’t like to admit to it – don’t like to face it.

What is busy-ness for you?
Is it simply a sense of being rushed? Maybe you haven’t learned how to focus – especially on what is important in life.

What are the absolute things you have to do in life to function?
What is important for a fulfilling life for you individually as well as with your spouse and children? And what does this tell you about what you consider central in your life?

What are the extra things in your schedule that you do which are really optional?
What, that we label as optional, do we really need? This where we really need to examine our schedules.

What are you going to put on your abandonment list for the next six to twelve months?
What are you willing to stop? This question should be addressed regularly, kind of like spring cleaning our houses, we need to spring clean our schedules.

I find that adults as well as children become incredibly over scheduled at this time of year, and we don't do well to resolve it until we're burned out. I'm challenging you to take that time and to include time to let God tell you how much he loves you.

May God bless you with your time – and it helps if we give time to him as well.

Pastor Dave
Game Day - Tuesday October 18
We gather at 10:00 am to start our games, break for our sack lunches at approximately 12:00, afterwards we continue playing until 2:00 pm., if you can not stay until 2:00 pm, it is just fine. All are invited!

Tuesday, October 4, 2011 is Kindred Sisters Meeting in Koinonia Cafe at 10:30 am. Deanna Brown will present our program ... CROSSES. Please bring one of your favorite crosses to our meeting. Our lunch is being planned by Nell Pennington and Virginia Pfluger.

Last month's Bible Study, led by Marge Kretschmar, was in regard to the life of Hannah. Marge hung a beautiful tapestry on our cafe wall. Who would believe that a tapestry so relates to our daily life. The dark threads, the bright threads, the thick threads, the pattern of the threads ... all hung by a rope. A Rope of Prayer. We thank Marge for bringing this most meaningful message to us. Also for a bountiful lunch.

Kindred Sisters is open to all ... and we hope to see you. If you have any questions, please call Marge Kretschmar 258-2988 or Glenace Klinker 671-3690

LOLLC LADIES: KINDRED SISTERS
Monthly Meeting – 1st Tuesday Morning

Upcoming Opportunities:

Tuesday, October 4, 2011
Program: “Crosses” - presented by Deanna Brown, (bring your favorite cross)
10:30 am - Koinonia Cafe

Tuesday, November 1, 2011
TBA: “Road Trip”

Bring your saved cancelled postage stamps for LWR Stamporee Box
Questions: Marge Kretschmar 258-2988 or Glenace Klinker 671-3690

Birthdays:
- Kincart, Lisa 10/04
- Handrick, Frances 10/05
- Sheehan, Bryce 10/05
- Parr, Kristine 10/06
- Pennington, Horace 10/06
- Lane, Linda 10/08
- Symank, Alvin 10/08
- Kattawar, George 10/10
- Haenel, Olga 10/11
- Symank, Ella 10/11
- Hafner, Marcus 10/12
- Evans, Adele 10/13
- Hafner, Emily 10/13
- Carter, Celeste 10/16
- Sheehan, Denise 10/16
- Crawford, Ingrid 10/17
- Pfluger, Virginia 10/18
- Wendlandt, Ted 10/18
- Searcy, Brenda 10/19
- Willenborg, Mark 10/20
- Freitag, George 10/22
- Kretschmar, Max 10/23
- Symank, Alfred 10/23
- Mullin, Travis 10/25
- Saegert, Bill 10/25
- Thurman, Lynsey 10/25
- Kincart, Barry 10/26
- Kamensky, Pamela 10/27
- O'Donnell, Erin 10/28
- Otto, Alberta 10/28
- Wilks, Cynthia 10/28
- Wamsman, Caitlin 10/30
- Parsons, Gary 10/31
- Wendlandt, Marion 10/31

Anniversaries:
- Robert and Jennifer Scott 10/03/1992
- Mr. & Mrs. Walter Krizov 10/04/1947
- Mrs. Gladys Soiseth 10/14/1961
- Max and Marge Kretschmar 10/26/1957
Youth Focus

The youth are off to a good start! On Saturday, September 10, 2011, we had our first youth event. Ten youth and two adults met at Lord of Life for dinner and game night. We first got through some business of what they wanted to accomplish this year as a youth group. The main thing I came away from the discussion was to just be together and hang out. It didn't seem to really matter what we planned! Nice to know they just like being together and are bonding as a group! We then took a walk over to Subway ordered our food and came back and ate our sandwiches and chips.

Next we broke out the games! The younger kids played Apples to Apples until they decided it was cool enough outside to play hide and seek, the older kids played Monopoly, and the really old kids (Lloyd Haskins and Deanna Brown) played cribbage! Lots of fun by all!! We will have two events in October - the first is on October 8th - the youth will be doing a service project for the Worship Committee of cutting out crosses for All Saints Day and also dinner and a movie! The second event will be October 29th and we will have our 2nd annual pumpkin carving contest and dinner!! More details to follow on these two events!

You Can Help!
(Volunteer Opportunities)

Transportation Coordinator Needed: The Congregational Life committee is in need of a transportation coordinator. A number of our members provide assistance to other members with transportation to doctor's visits or church on a regular basis. It would be very helpful to have someone acting as a contact person and assist in organizing our volunteer drivers. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Diane Saegert at congregational_life@lordoflifeaustin.org.

Office Volunteers Needed: Please contact the office if you are interested in participating. Some tasks can be done off-site or outside normal office hours.

In Memory of Roy Bockhorn

Ted & Beverly Wendlandt  Jason & Joanna Williams  David & Glenda Stegent
Scott & Tricia Schroeder  Michael & Janie Downs  Melissa A Neeley
Harry & Martha Bengtson  Walter & Ruby Neitsch  Roger & Mary Vaughn
Ted & Glenace Klinker  Alen & Heather Thielemann  Janice Kokemor
Do you know about *Simply Giving*?

*Simply Giving* is a simple, easy way to give offerings on a regular basis through per-authorized withdrawals from your bank account. You determine the frequency of the automatic giving (weekly, semi-monthly or monthly). *Simply Giving* produces a reliable, safe way to assure that your act of stewardship is given on a regular basis. Lord of Life benefits because gifts are more predictable and steady. To enroll in the *Simply Giving* program, simply fill out a form and turn it into the church office. Forms are available on the Lord of Life website and in the church office.

Lord of Life 15th Anniversary Celebration

We invite all to join us on **Sunday, October 16, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.** in celebration of our 15th anniversary of "Living in Christ, Growing in Love and Service." The celebration will begin with worship followed by a meal and fellowship. A main course of fried chicken and dessert will be provided. Members are requested to bring a side dish that is generous enough to feed two families.

Please RSVP for the meal to congreational_life@lordoflifeaustin.org or go to our website lordoflifeaustin.org and RSVP using the link on the front page by October 11th. There will be no Sunday School on this day, however, there will be a craft for all children starting at 9:15 provided by the middle and high school youth. Be ready to visit with some old friends, as not only have all the charter members been sent a personal invitation in the mail, but we will also have all the scrapbooks out and a slideshow presentation running during fellowship time. Any questions, please feel free to inquire with Diane Saegert, Rea Wiruschke, Gayle Covington or Deanna Brown.

**WE NEED YOU!**

**To Spread the Word**

**There's a New Ministry in Town**

**Monday of Each Week**

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**Lord of Life Lutheran Church**

(Davis Spring subdivision)

9700 Neenah Dr.

Austin, TX 78717

**JSM**

Job Search Ministry

*Your Success...Our Passion!*

Providing a network of resources to help minister to the needs of individuals and families dealing with the physical, spiritual, and emotional impact of a job loss in our community

[www.lordoflifeaustin.org/jsm](http://www.lordoflifeaustin.org/jsm)

Email: am@lordoflifeaustin.org

Phone: 512.671.6100

**State of the Church**

Income for August: $20,082

Expenses for August: $23,877

Net Loss for August: $(3,795)

Income YTD: $168,878

Expenses YTD: $174,999

Net Loss YTD: $(6,121)

**Worship Attendance**

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Weekly Average: 106

**Lord of Life Lutheran Church**

**YTD Total**

3211

**Weekly Average**

107
This book is a biography about Dr. Michael Swango and how hospitals and physicians in the United States and Zimbabwe literally turned a "blind eye" and let this physician get away with murdering an estimated 35-60 patients.

The warning signs should have been obvious: A residency program abruptly curtailed. A criminal conviction that led to prison time. A previous employer reluctant to provide background information because of fear of being sued. But the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Sioux Falls, Iowa, and Stony Brook Health Sciences Center in Northport, NY, both welcomed Michael Swango to residency programs. Had they checked, either hospital would have known Swango was accused of killing several patients, and trying to kill others by injecting them with poison and as a paramedic, he was found guilty of lacing coworkers donuts with arsenic. An unbelievable story that makes you wonder whatever happened to the Hippocratic Oath and "first do no harm"!

Re-Member
Grant-Initiated Program for the Unemployed & Underemployed

With the loss of employment comes:
- Loss of identity
- Loss of relationships
- Loss of security

Attentive to these losses, in this three-part program we offer the opportunity to...

**Pause to Re-Member** self and discover the language of your soul before responding to employment demands

**Reflect** on your fears, anxieties, guilt so you can move through them before trying to fit back into an employment culture

**Imagine** a ‘mosaic’ of shared images, metaphors, experiences within a safe environment with others

**Create** bridges between your vocation and your occupation

There are two options to participate:
- Thursday mornings from 10-11:30 am, Oct. 6 & 20, Nov. 3
- Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 pm, Sept. 28, Oct. 12 & 26

**Fee:** Free, grant funded

**Venue:** Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 4622 South Lamar Blvd 78745
[across from Burger Stadium on Hwy W290]

**Presenters:** Rebecca Guengerich, Marie Angele Sanchez, Jean Springer

RSVP for Session I by October 3, for Session II by September 23
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, hclcaustin@sbcglobal.net
Eremos, 512-531-9594 or eremos@eremos.org
## Worship Leaders for October 2011

### OCTOBER 2, 2011
- **Time after Pentecost**
- **Color: Green**
- **Presiding Minister**: Pastor Dave Seddelmeyer
- **Lector/Petitioner**: Deb Grunska
- **Acolyte**: Maddy Penland
- **Wine**: Mary & Roger Vaughn
- **Altar Guild**: Martha Orr, Cheryl Kohler, Deb Grunska
- **Ushers**: Doug Caldwell, Bill Saegert, Max Kretschmar, Mike Brown, Gib Prather, Lee Penland
- **Tellers**: Chuck Neeley, Barry Kincart
- **Wine**: Mary & Roger Vaughn
- **Bread**: Mike and Pam Kamensky
- **Flowers**: Horace & Nell Pennington, in celebration of Horace’s Birthday

### OCTOBER 9, 2011
- **Time after Pentecost**
- **Color: Green**
- **Presiding Minister**: Pastor Dave Seddelmeyer
- **Lector/Petitioner**: Marge Kretschmar
- **Acolyte**: Rachel Brown
- **Wine**: The Sheehan Family
- **Altar Guild**: Heather Simpson, Lyn Caldwell, Deb Grunska
- **Ushers**: Roger Vaughn, Doug Searcy, Mark Willenborg, Josh Vaughn, Dustin Simpson, Shane Willenborg
- **Tellers**: Chuck Neeley, Barry Kincart
- **Wine**: The Sheehan Family
- **Bread**: The Sheehan Family
- **Flowers**: Krizovs - Anniversary

### OCTOBER 16, 2011
- **Time after Pentecost**
- **Color: Green**
- **Presiding Minister**: Pastor Dave Seddelmeyer
- **Lector/Petitioner**: Mindy Penland
- **Acolyte**: Raina Parsons
- **Wine**: Mary & Roger Vaughn
- **Altar Guild**: Deanna & Lauren Brown, Barbara Snook
- **Ushers**: Roger Vaughn, Doug Searcy, Mark Willenborg, Josh Vaughn, Dustin Simpson, Shane Willenborg
- **Tellers**: Chuck Neeley, Barry Kincart
- **Wine**: Mary & Roger Vaughn
- **Bread**: Barbara Snook
- **Flowers**: Krizovs - Anniversary

### OCTOBER 23, 2011
- **Time after Pentecost**
- **Color: Green**
- **Presiding Minister**: Pastor Dave Seddelmeyer
- **Lector/Petitioner**: Dick Fink
- **Acolyte**: Madeline Smith
- **Wine**: Mary & Roger Vaughn
- **Altar Guild**: Jim Tarsi, Deb Grunska
- **Ushers**: Roger Vaughn, Doug Searcy, Linda Lane, Robert Lane, Barb Haskins, Lloyd Haskins
- **Tellers**: Chuck Neeley, Barry Kincart
- **Wine**: Mary & Roger Vaughn
- **Bread**: Dave & Erica Smith
- **Flowers**: Church - 15th Anniversary

### OCTOBER 30, 2011
- **Reformation Sunday**
- **Color: Red**
- **Presiding Minister**: Pastor Dave Seddelmeyer
- **Lector/Petitioner**: Chuck Neeley
- **Acolyte**: Connor Sellers
- **Wine**: The Wilks Family
- **Altar Guild**: Cindy Wilks, Martha Orr, Heather Simpson
- **Ushers**: Roger Vaughn, Doug Searcy, Linda Lane, Robert Lane, Barb Haskins, Lloyd Haskins
- **Tellers**: Chuck Neeley, Barry Kincart
- **Wine**: The Wilks Family
- **Bread**: The Wilks Family
- **Flowers**: Rex and Mary Schroeder, in memory of Elaine Schroeder
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| NEW MEMBER SUNDAY | 6:30pm Growing in Christ Class | 6:30pm JSM Meeting | 6:30pm Catechism Class | 7:00pm Church Council Meeting |  |
| 8:15 Early Service | 10:00am Kindred Sisters | 7:15pm Book Club | 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal | 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal | 7:00pm Church Council Meeting |  |
| 9:30 Sunday School |  |
| 10:45 Late Service |  |
| 6:30 Growing in Christ Class |  |

| 16  | 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22  |
| ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION | 6:30pm JSM Meeting | 10:00am Game Day | 6:30pm Catechism Class | 7:00pm Committee Meetings |  |
| 9:15 Children’s Craft Activity | 7:15pm Book Club | 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal | 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal | 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal |  |
| 10:00 Combined Service |  |
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