The Weekly



Guatemala Disaster Response Request

Synod Guatemala Team

Tropical Storm Pilar has done significant damage to rural Guatemala and has impacted many families in our companion church, Iglesia Luterana Augustina Guatemala (ILAG). According to Pastora Karen Castillo, President of the ILAG, 289 families have lost their crops in the storm and are looking at experiencing food deprivation without needed corn and seed to replant their crops again. She writes, "Sadly our brothers and sisters had just planted corn before the storm entered Guatemala. They were having all of their hope in this last crop of the year, as we experienced a bad drought in the first crop, and their harvest was very poor, at this point they have nothing. And we have to respond, so we don't experience more people migrating and fragmenting more families in Guatemala."

This is a great need. Please give generously and hold these families, the ILAG, and Guatemala in your prayers. Give online now.





CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 19

Toy Shop Drive Begins, No Sunday School

Pastor Ruth Farewell 9:30—10:45 am Gathering Room

NOVEMBER 23

Gobble Jog (<u>register</u>)

NOVEMBER 24 Church Office Closed

DECEMBER 2

Pastoral Candidate Meet and Greet 9:00—11:00 am Gathering Room

DECEMBER 3No Sunday School

Congregational Meeting 9:30—10:45 am Gathering Room

DECEMBER 6, 13, 20 Advent Mid-Week Worship - Noon Dinner - 6:00 pm Worship - 7:00 pm

DECEMBER 10Taste of Christmas
Advent Dinner

DECEMBER 11Women's Book Club
6:30pm
In-person or online

DECEMBER 24

Combined Morning Worship 10:00 am

Christmas Eve Worship 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm

DECEMBER 31

Combined Morning Worship 10:00 am













SERVE: MAKE A DIFFERENCE

MUST Ministries Toy Shop Begins!

Every year, MUST Ministries makes Christmas happen for more than 6,000 children in our area through their Toy Shop program. We will be collecting donations of toys and other gift items from November 19 – December 10. Look for the Christmas tree in the Gathering Room to select gifts for a boy or girl and age range.

Please deliver new, unwrapped gifts to LCR by Sunday, December 10.

Contact <u>Heather Boyer</u> or <u>Dana Jelinek</u> if you have any questions.

Register Now!



On Thanksgiving morning (November 23), more than 10,000 runners will come to the Marietta Square to participate in the 21st Annual Gobble Jog, benefiting MUST Ministries. The Gobble Jog offers options for all skill levels. Timed 10K and 5K runs, as well as an untimed 5K, 1K and Tot Trot are all available. There is also the Phantom / Virtual Runner option.

To join others from LCR who are running, select "LCR Marietta" from the drop down list <u>here</u>.

Contact Mike Frey for additional information.

Thanks to you, we filled empty shelves and stomachs!

One of the defining attributes of LCR is our generosity in response to Christ's blessings. That caring attribute was echoed in the Harvest Bag Food Drive to stock The Community Assistance Center pantry shelves. Because you cared, we have donated 295 lbs. of fresh food and 883 lbs. of canned items, totaling a hefty 1,178 lbs.! *Thank you for this wonderful response!*









CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Sunday School

Sunday School for children ages 2 years old through 6th Grade takes place most Sundays at 9:45 am on the lower level of the Family Life Building.

No Sunday School: Nov. 19, Dec. 3, 24, 31



Giving Tuesday (the Tuesday after Thanksgiving) has been set aside as a day focused on giving. Join with other Georgians and donate to one of our mission partners on Giving Tuesday.

- <u>Inspiritus</u>
- MUST Ministries
- Campus Ministry at GA Tech
- Community Assistance Center
- Special Needs Cobb
- Habitat for Humanity
- Find Another Non-Profit

YOUTH NEWS

Confirmation

Sundays - 9:30 am - 10:30 am 7th-9th Graders | The Pavilion

Learn what it means to be a Lutheran Christian and discover the difference following Jesus can make in your life.

Nov. 19 we will start at 10:00 am after attending some of Pastor Ruth's Farewell

No Confirmation: Nov. 26. Dec. 3, 24, 31

Youth Bonfire

Crisp Autumn Evening + Bonfire + Friends + S'mores = Wonderful Fellowship and Fun!











Mid-Week Meal and Worship

Wednesdays, December 6, 13, and 20

Make some time for reflection and community this Advent season. Join us at 12:00 noon for our Joyous Light prayer service, with sung psalms and a meditation on the verses of O Come, O Come, Emmanuel; or skip the dinner prep and join us at 6:00 pm for dinner in the Gathering Room, followed by the prayer service in the Sanctuary at 7:00 pm.

Women's Christmas Book Club

Join us next month as we discuss "Remarkably Bright Creatures" and celebrate Christmas! If you would like, bring an appetizer, snack or desert to share. Note: We will start at 6:30 with food and fellowship. See all the book selections for this year on the website.

Christmas Book selection:

"Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt

Christmas Eve Worship

December 24

4:00 pm: Contemporary/blended Candlelight Service with Holy Communion, featuring your favorite Christmas carols led by the Praise Team and accompanied by piano, guitars, drums, and strings.

8:00 pm: Traditional Candlelight Service with Holy Communion, featuring music from the Renaissance and Baroque eras along with familiar Christmas carols lead by the LCR Choir and accompanied by organ, strings, and handbells.

Invite your friends and family to join you!

Advent Dinner Taste of Christmas

December 10, 5:00 - 7:00 pm Gathering Room

Join us as we celebrate Advent with food, fellowship, and a fun craft! Bring your family's favorite food or best Christmas dish to share! Drinks and paper products will be provided. This event is a favorite among the members and friends of LCR, so please join us!

RSVP with your food selection so we can plan accordingly.

Poinsettias

You can sponsor a poinsettia again this year to adorn our altar on Christmas Eve. They are 6" pots and cost \$10 each. You may write a check indicating your designation ("in honor of" or "in memory of"), using the Designated Giving envelopes found in the pews or go online to make the payment and designation or use this QR code.



10:00 am Worship

On December 24 and 31 we will gather together for one morning worship service at 10:00 am.