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From the **PASTOR**—

I Need More...Knowledge

The Church of Scientology teaches that people are basically good, that their capabilities are unlimited, and those capabilities can be realized. People can also achieve new, higher states of awareness and ability. *Scientology* claims that the secrets to this higher knowledge can only be found in their church through a process they call “auditing.”

Seems strange? But honestly, a cultic religion that encourages you to look within yourself for more knowledge can really satisfy an itch. Who doesn't feel they need more knowledge? And how about being able to pat yourself on the back for pursuing it and supposedly finding that knowledge within yourself? That's pretty appealing to the human heart.

But God's Word sounds much different than L. Ron Hubbard, who authored the book that has become *Scientology's* bible. God says people are not basically good, that people's natural capabilities are limited to sinning and rebelling against God. As a result, God says all people are the same: “There is no one who understands, no one who seeks God...The way of peace they do not know”.

God is right! Not L. Ron Hubbard! Need proof? Think about Adam and Eve when they pursued more knowledge on their own apart from God. They rejected God's Word and sinned. Look at what their own inner pursuit of knowledge got them and us! A world infected by sin so badly that everyone eventually dies.

Jesus knows we all lack knowledge, and he wants to fill that void. He does so not by telling us to find it inside ourselves, but by telling us to look outside ourselves. We find knowledge in the

Bible. Through his Word, God makes us wise; he gives us insight and understanding. (Check out Psalm 119:98-100 to read about “real” knowledge!) That’s because God’s Word gives us knowledge that we can’t find or discover anywhere else.

The Bible tells about Jesus. It tells how wide, long, high, and deep Jesus’ love is for people. That love drove Jesus to come to this world, bear the sin of every person, die on a cross, and suffer the eternal punishment for all sins. That’s love—love so amazing that God declares that your sins are forgiven because of Jesus. That’s love—love so beyond understanding that Jesus, the righteous one, should die for the unrighteous. But he did! That’s why the apostle Paul says that “this love surpasses knowledge”. In Jesus’ love for you, you have everything you truly need to know, both now and forever.

PASTORAL ACTS

Baptism: Emmerson Gloria, infant daughter of Adam and Kallie (nee Gundermann) Baumann was washed with the water of life in Holy Baptism on August 18, 2019. She was born July 27, 2019.

PIONEERS

The Pioneers program at Christ is open to all congregational children in first through the eighth grade. Generally, we meet the second Sunday of the month for a fun learning experience. Join us Sunday, September 8th from 1-3. Watch your bulletin for more details.

CLYF

Our first meeting of the New Year will be on Sunday, September 15 starting at 4:00 PM after the Packers Viking game. We will meet at Justice Park to help with the Christ Cyclers event. If you have a bike you will be asked to ride the trail and be sure that all the kids are staying safe as well as offer assistance if needed. You will be the ones in bright neon vests so wear your sun glasses so you don’t go blind. If you don’t have a bike or don’t want to ride you can stay at the park and help prepare the snack and drinks for when the riders return. After that, you role models, will help supervise the youngsters on the playground. Yes, they do look up to you not just because you are taller. You will receive an email about this with more information. We thank the CLYF in advance for helping this event be a great success!!

COUNCIL CORNER

Time, Talent, and Treasures: the 3 key pillars in being a Steward. **Time.** Each of us only has 10,080 minutes in a week that we can allocate between work, sleep, family, friends, and church among other things. If we could each set aside 120 minutes of those 10,080, we could attend church each week and still have time to volunteer at church, whether it's on church council, as a Sunday School Teacher, volunteering to mow or remove snow throughout the year, etc. These 120 minutes could soon turn into 240 minutes as the old saying goes; *Times flies when you're having fun*. These minutes that you direct towards Christ Lutheran and Jesus in your busy week truly do make a difference. **Talent.** We may all not be as talented as some of the teachers we have at Samuel Lutheran or have the voice like the Martin Lutheran College choir members, but we all have a talent that can help enrich Christ Lutheran. The challenge I give to you is to find that talent that you can dedicate precious minutes of your week to helping move Christ Lutheran forward in Christ. **Treasures.** We all may not be as rich as Warren Buffett, but we all are blessed to have a church home in Christ Lutheran that provides for us spiritually. This is a true treasure to have and if we give some of our monetary treasures to help Christ Lutheran move forward in Christ, it helps our whole congregation grow and move forward. 2019 has been a blessed year for us financially, but we are only two-thirds of the way done with our fiscal year and I pray that we continue to support the church through our monetary treasures. To help manage those precious 10,080 minutes in your week, we offer electronic giving through our website, which allows you to set up a reoccurring donation to the church. We have had numerous people take advantage of this and it is truly a blessing to have as another way to offer some of your monetary treasures to the church. If you have any questions about electronic giving, volunteering your time or talents, reach out to myself or Pastor and we can help you out! God Bless. Luke Tietz. Stewardship Committee Chairman

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

A reminder that Sunday and Monday, September 1st and 2nd are the last summer schedule days. On Sunday, September 8th we go back to worship at 8 and 10:30.

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION MEETING

Parents and students of ALL confirmation aged children are reminded of the special meeting we have on Wednesday, September 4th from 7-8 PM at Samuel in the fellowship hall. Again, this is for ALL students and parents. See you there!

EDUCATION SUNDAY

Education Sunday is an opportunity for us to thank God for all the blessings he gives us via the educational agencies of the church. It is also the day that we register our children for Sunday school. No matter what age you are we need to keep learning. And what could be better and more important than learning more about God. That is why we will be having Sunday School for children 3 years old (by September 1) through 6th grade, Teen Bible study, and Adult Bible study for those older. Don't forget that Sunday School registration is on Sunday, September 8th between services.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

For our first Bible Study of the new school year we will be doing a follow up to the seminar we offered last year on Alzheimer's. A good number of our members attended the event put on by Pastor Curt Seefeldt of The Lutheran Home Association. Sadly Alzheimer's disease affects the lives of many people, in fact I would be surprised if you don't personally know of someone who is suffering from this disease.

The Bible study is a series of discussion questions based on the booklet *"It's Alzheimer's" – It's Time for Extraordinary Love*. The study will guide participants to the Scripture's answers to the questions people have about God and his goodness when a serious challenge confronts their family.

Alzheimer's is often called a "family disease." Not only immediate but extended family members, friends, and members of the Christian family can help - but not if they don't know how. So plan to attend this study and learn more about the disease and how you can help those affected.

The first class will be held on Sunday, September 15 starting at about 9:20 in the church proper I hope you will consider joining us!

CLGO

We had 12 golfers who braved the cool rainy conditions to conquer the Cottonwood Country Club Course on Sunday, August 25th. The festivities continued as we enjoyed the company of some who did not golf but joined us for a meal at the Gym. It wasn't all fun and games as the golfers raised \$145 "four" our summer music program with their Mulligans for Music fund raiser. Thanks to those who organized and came out for this event.



OPPORTUNITIES

How does a church run?

On Volunteers!

Can you help out?

We are looking for some volunteers in a few areas. Maybe you can help us out.

- **Pioneers** (grades 1-8) - do you have a trade, interest or hobby that you can share with the kids? Demonstration, talk or hands on activity to share? Speak with Pastor about your interest in sharing/helping with Pioneers one month. They usually meet the second Sunday of the month.

- **CLYF** (high school youth) - Do you have a topic or event that you think would work for the youth? We are always looking for ways to grow their knowledge or expand their interests. If you have an idea or would like to help plan for a meeting Please speak with Pastor. They usually meet the third Sunday of the month (or when an event is scheduled).

- **Adult activity** (wide range of ages) - In the spring we had a 20/30 year old event that was very well attended and a lot of fun. We are looking to schedule events for varying age groups (or all depending on the event). Do you have an idea for an event that you think people would enjoy? Maybe you could help with setting it up? Please speak with Pastor. We are looking to offer more events for different groups of people.

As always, we appreciate those who are currently volunteering in different areas of the church/school. Whether it is on a board or committee or individually, without you, what is going on at church, in any way, would not be possible! Thank you! We are always looking to get more of our church family involved and connected.

CHRIST CYCLERS

We hope many of you will join us on Sunday, September 15th for our **Christ Cyclers** ride. Plan is to meet at Justice Park, get on the bike trail there, and peddle our way down toward SMSU, under highway 23, around the Red Barron Arena and the pond and back to Justice for a snack. Total distance if you go all the way on the route is about 7 miles. If you decide not to go all the way you can turn around anytime or at a couple different spots that would offer you a 3.6 mile or 5 mile trek.

This event is open to **any member or friend of Christ any age**. This is a great, fun family event so plan to attend. We will start at 4:00 after the Packer Viking game is over. Last year the game went long as neither team wanted to win and in fact neither team did! Maybe wear your green or purple pride or Christ or Samuel attire?!? The park offers playground equipment for the younger kids and places for adults to congregate and fellowship. We are asking the youth of our CLYF to help orchestrate the event and make sure the younger riders stay safe.



Entry fee is one bag of some type of “snack” food like chips, pretzels, popcorn, M&M’s, etc. that we will dump together to make a delicious treat! We will have water and juice available for all. If you don’t want to ride come out to cheer on the riders or just enjoy day. Hope to see you on the 15th!

Last year we all had a great time so come out and ride!!

HANDCHIMES

Are you interested? We are planning to borrow some hand chimes from a neighboring church to play in our church this fall. We are looking for people (adults) who are interested in playing them. We would spend a couple of weeks practicing before playing in church on Sunday. If you are interested, please contact the church office or sign up on the sheet at church. **You don’t have to be super musically inclined to play them just willing to offer your time and talent to enhancing our worship of the Lord.** We are hoping to start practicing in September. Not sure if this is for you? How will you know if you don’t at least come and check it out!

RENTAL

The church owned home next to church, 404 N Third Street is vacant and available for rent. A few years ago it was renovated to the tune of \$40,000 so it is a nice house. We would look to rent it to a member before the general public so if you are interested speak to Pastor. Rent is \$1050.

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Sign-ups have started for our new pictorial directory. Pictures will be taken for the directory beginning Wednesday, September 25 through Saturday, September 28. If you have children away at school, this may be the weekend they could plan to come home for your family picture. On the day of your picture appointment, we will be asking you to review and update your personal information (address, phone number, e-mail, etc) for the new directory and church records. ***If you do not want your address and phone number printed in the directory you need to contact the church office to let us know.*** Every appointment will receive one 8x10 picture and a directory FREE of charge. Sign-up today as times are filling up, either at church or online - www.christlutheran-marshallmn.org.

SLS NEWS AND NOTES

School will be starting for the 2019-2020 school year on Tuesday, September 3. We will begin our year, as we do each year, with an opening service in the gym at 8:30 am. Please come and join us after you drop off your children. We want to welcome Ms. Tabitha Mays as our new kindergarten teacher and Mrs. Renee Manian as our new 1-2 grade teacher. We also welcome Ms. Sarah Zander as our preschool director and Mrs. Kali Westenberg as our preschool lead teacher. The teachers are looking forward to all the smiling faces that will enter the school doors on Tuesday ready for another school year of fun and learning. Volleyball starts the first week with practices from 3:30-5:00 on Monday and Wednesday this year. The girls will have their first “fun” tournament at Redwood Falls on Saturday, September 7. Education Sunday is September 8. On that Sunday, your children will be able to sign up for Sunday School classes and have some refreshments in the church basement. Sunday school classes will begin on Sunday, September 15.



CHURCH COUNCIL

Submitted by Ryan Palmer—July 8, 2019

Members Present: Pastor Schreiner, Wes Hoflock, Karl Baumann, Lucas Tietz, Rick Kobylinski, Ryan Obry, James Hartke, Ryan Palmer, Lennis Kennedy

Pastor opened with devotion and prayer.

Minutes from the board meeting were read modified and accepted.

Pastor's Report: Pioneers had 9 in attendance at their camping event. CLYF will hopefully go on a day trip of some sort for a summer event.

Good turn out at the Jesus Cares Ministry Summer picnic and had a publication in the newspaper as well.

Pastor is still working with the KMHL on fine tuning the equipment for sound quality on our radio broadcast.

Kitchen floor at the school- Motion made by Wes Hoflock and seconded by James Hartke to approve the Board of Education decision for flooring placement in the dish washing area in the kitchen at school.

Ceiling repair in kindergarten room was completed by Gordy Timmerman.

Board of Elders: Motion by Board of Elders to release Whitney Brunsvold (McKenna and Ava) seconded by Lucas Tietz.. Motion by Board of Elders to transfer Tabitha Mays in from Ascension Lutheran Church Plymouth, MN seconded by Rick Kobylinski.

Financial Secretary: No Report

Treasurer: Review of Balance Sheets

Stewardship/Endowment: No Report

Evangelism: Canvassed over 300 homes on June 27th.

Working on ideas for Sounds of Summer Parade.

Education: Melanie Lee accepted the band director position at the school. Sarah Zander was offered and has accepted the pre-school director position and will be at the school 2 days a week pending approval of the Voters. Kali Gross was offered and accepted position of lead Pre-school teacher pending approval of Voters. Current online registrations for Samuel School show 58 students registered in grades k-8 and 15 registered in pre-school.

Maintenance: Gordy Timmerman and Earl Wiering are looking into repair of the roof over rear entry at church.

Wes Hoflock cleaned and inspected Third Street Rental.

Worship: Compline service will begin July 17 and will be held every second Wednesday of the month at 9pm.

The Committee is also beginning research on a new organ.

OLD BUSINESS: 410 Village Drive: the maintenance committee presented the different options that have been discussed about keeping or selling the 410 and south parking lot to Suite Liv'n. This list will be presented at the July 21 Voters Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Possible rental of 404 N. 3rd Street house. The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 2, 2019

Attendees: Ryan Obry, Darik Lyons, Mike Prah, Rick Kobylinski, Pastor Schreiner. Mike called the meeting to order, Mr. Obry open the meeting with devotion, prayer and read the chief objectives of Samuel Lutheran School.

Preschool Report

Sarah Zander willing to move forward with director position at an agreed upon rate.

Kali holding a call from New Ulm for teaching position, but sounded committed to lead teacher position here at Samuel Pre-school staff pay rates – Discussion around pay rates.

Rick mentioned concerns about getting up to speed on licensing. Minutes were read, amended and approved (Mr. Obry to send changes to Adam)

Financial Report: Read and approved. Darik zeroing out accounts over the summer for the upcoming school year.

Old Business: Band Instructor – Melanie Lee considering the opportunity. Had questions around being open to structure change depending on number of active students. Comments from Board were to allow Melanie Lee to adjust structure as needed based on number of students. (band concerts vs recitals/solos) No cost to school each student pays Melanie individually.

Marshall decorating quotes:

Just washer area: VCT tile \$1,600; New tile option \$3,500

Main kitchen area (oven/sink area): VCT tile \$2,900; New tile option \$5,800

Darik motioned to move forward with VCT tile on washer area only, 2nd by Rick, motion passed

Items from June 3 Faculty Meeting - Discussed carpeting for

ramp and classroom hallway, could do ramp only or both. Motion by Darik to pursue matching carpet through Marshall Decorating for ramp and classroom hallway using money from gift fund, 2nd by Mike, motion passed

E-learning -

Marshall public starting a trial period- Mr Obyr shared packet from public school

RTR also has E-learning with activities to complete at home through a home device or through paperwork sent home.

Wait on this opportunity and monitor how Marshall school goes

Locker rooms – no update

Bicycles left unattended on school property – no update

Dates/Activities – More people have registered for the Twins game

New business

Preschool staff – pay rates – discussed earlier

Before/after school care workers – Letter to SMSU students sent out by Ryan – pay rate? Discussed what last year's aides were receiving

CLS contribution (supplemental contribution for MLC to make call lists etc.) - \$7.50/student Pre-k – 8, approved by consensus to keep contribution for upcoming school year

Classroom desk/chairs – 3-8th grade looking to get a few more chairs for back up- purchased through school using misc. account – approved by consensus. Renee starting with desks, have enough desks already. Tabitha – using tables, already have enough tables.

Sports – sign up, activity fee, coaches – Registration form ready with fees for volleyball and basketball & will be in summer letter. Also adding band to sign up

Coaches – Heather Fischer and Michelle Lee discussing coaching volleyball, Hailey Lyons could potentially help. Soccer interest sheet?

Families update – One family moving to Marshall including a 1st grader this year starting in January @ Samuel. Second family looking to join school w/potential preschool aged student, was a phone call asking for granddaughter.

Melanie available for K-2 aid/help or as substitute teacher

Pastor closed with prayer

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Worship Services

Sundays: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

(Memorial Day-Labor Day: Sunday: 9:00 AM, Monday: 7:00 PM)

(Advent & Lent: Wednesdays - 7:00 PM)

Holy Communion: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

Service Broadcast times

KMHL Radio Station at 8:00 AM on Sundays
VAST cable channel 17 and Charter cable channel 180
at 11:30 AM Thursday and 8:30 PM Friday

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