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Dear Readers,

Please pardon our appearance while we re-design our Newsletter! We are working to bring you a more engaging experience while we navigate new system changes! Thank you for your patience and understanding during this transition. Stay tuned for exciting updates!



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace, mercy, and peace be unto you from God our Father and from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

On Sunday, November 1st we began the month with the message of All Saints' Day which continues to bring us comfort and hope throughout the coming year. In Revelation 7:9–17, we see a great multitude gathered before the throne of God and before the Lamb. Their earthly struggles have ended, and they rest in the presence of their Savior. You and I still walk by faith, carrying burdens and facing trials, yet we belong to the same Lord Jesus Christ.

For many of us, this season brings memories of loved ones who have died in the faith. We miss their voices, their smiles, and their places beside us in worship. Yet our sorrow is held within our sure and certain hope in the promise of Christ's resurrection. Those who have died in Him remain His own, and He will not forsake us either. On the Last Day, He will raise the dead, and we will rejoice together in His presence.

The saints' white robes remind us where our hope rests. They stand before God because the blood of Jesus has washed away their sins. That same Savior has redeemed you by way of His death on a Cross. In Holy Baptism, He claimed you as His own, and through His Word and Sacraments, He continues to strengthen you for each day. Whatever burdens you carry into this season, your Shepherd walks with you.

Here at Martin Luther Chapel, we give thanks for the fellowship we share in Christ. In the coming weeks, we look forward to welcoming our snowbird friends back to the Florida Keys. All of you are a dear part of our Chapel family, and we eagerly anticipate worshiping together, catching up, and sharing in the life of our congregation. May the Lord grant you safe travels as you return.

As we share meals, study Scripture, and prepare for Advent and Christmas, we do so as people who belong to Jesus. Our fellowship is a gift from Him, and these gatherings give us opportunities to encourage one another in faith and welcome friends into our life together.

May the Hope in Jesus Christ's Revelation remain close to your heart: the Lamb is our Shepherd, and God will wipe away every tear from our eyes. Until that glorious day, may He keep us faithful in His Word, joyful in His mercy, and ready to care for one another.

In Christ's love,
Pastor Tony Mandile

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Sunday Worship
10:00 am
Sunday School
8:30 am
Bible Study
8:30 AM

Coffee, refreshments &
Fellowship to follow

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November 8 – N'Oktoberfest 4:00 pm
November 21 – Advent Set Up 10:00 am-
Volunteers appreciated
November 21 – LWML Bible Study 8:45 am
December 3 – Council Meeting 4:00 pm
December 5 – Tree Decorating 10:00 am
Volunteers appreciated



11-6 Grace Haring
11-12 Kris Taylor
11-13 Pam Steadman
11-25 Mike Haring

Blessed to be a Blessing!

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THANK You for your donations to the United Way Feed the Keys Food Drive! Our local Food Bank, KAIR, is so appreciative of your donations! We collect donations for KAIR year-round and deliver monthly. This is a great way to be a blessing to our local community!

During the month of November, we will be collecting items for Care Packages for two of our college students; Natalie Grill and Ricky Gruetzman. These will be sent out to bless Natalie and Ricky in the first week of December, during their week of Final Exams. Check out the information about them in the Fellowship Hall and consider grabbing a treat to add to the Care Package!
Please keep Natalie and Ricky in your prayers as they study and make plans for the future.

Lutherans for Life Life Quote:

"Do not be silent. You have the most positive, powerful, life-giving, and life-affirming message in the universe! It is a message of love for every sinner, i.e., everyone! It is a message of forgiveness for everyone and every sin. It is a message of the certain hope of a paradise whose reality surpasses the most beautiful of words." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *lutheransforlife.org*



If you would like to order poinsettias for the Christmas Season, please fill out an order form available at the back of the Chapel. The cost per poinsettia is $12.00. Please place the order form with your check in the offering plate by Sunday December 13th. You may take your poinsettia home to enjoy after the Christmas Service!

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2025–2027 MISSION GRANT NO. 19

SUPPORT REV. ROBERTO AND KATIE WEBER

LCMS MISSIONARIES TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | $10,000





Spreading the Gospel and Training Others in the Dominican Republic

One hundred and twenty-five years ago, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod sent its first missionary to Latin America. German Lutherans who had immigrated to Brazil needed pastors. From its earliest days, the Lord has blessed this work. In May of 2025, Latin American seminarians, pastors, and professors met for a several-day conference focusing on the past and future of mission work in Latin American countries. One of the participants, who will receive support for his work by this LWML mission grant, is the Rev. Roberto Weber and his deaconess wife, Katie. Together, as career missionaries through the LCMS, they are serving at Concordia el Reformador Seminary.

Rev. Roberto Weber was born in Argentina and received theological training at Concordia Seminary, Buenos Aries. Katie Weber is from Omaha, Nebraska. She attended Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, and received a master's degree in theological studies and deaconess arts. They met on the mission field while they were both serving in the Dominican Republic. They were married and now have three young children.

This grant will help with expenses in the mission field which include transportation in their country, a vehicle for family use, evacuation insurance, health insurance, housing, utilities, a computer, office expenses and supplies, and educational costs for their children, just to name a few.

Rev. Roberto Weber is training men from the region to become pastors so they can go back to their countries and communities to share the Gospel, plant new Lutheran congregations, and show mercy and care to all. Katie is training women to become deaconesses who will serve alongside pastors in Latin America, providing expertise in mercy care and compassionate outreach to women. The current seminary enrollment is 47 pastoral candidates from 12 Latin American countries. In Latin America, the Lutheran Church is growing so fast they cannot produce pastors and deaconesses quickly enough. To God be the glory!

So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it (Isaiah 55:11).

Lutheran Women *in Mission*

Mission Grant Story | Learn more at *lwml.org/mission-grants*

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