



# *The Eternal Light*

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# UPDATE

## **From the Intentional Interim Pastor September 2022**

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They are the most iconic slogans of all time. Nothing can or will ever compare to them. They have dominated billboards, television, and radio throughout the country for years. These very slogans, without a doubt, have inspired and empowered many generations over the years, encouraging the young to go ahead and take the leap forward, to become a part of something greater, something prodigious. If you're not sure what I am talking about yet, then let me fill you in. As you may have guessed, I happen to be talking about the famous slogans of the military. One of these greatest slogans ever comes from the Marine Corps, "Looking for a Few Good Men." Later, this slogan added an additional catchphrase to it, "The Few, the Proud. The Marines." The Air Force tried to duplicate the success of the Marines, their slogan is "Aim High". And later, additions were added to that slogan too: "Aim High, Fly High and Fight".

The Navy wouldn't be left out. So, they coined their own catchphrase too, "Forged By the Sea", which encompasses that one is never alone you are always surrounded by water. And of course, it was a hit, an instant smash as it were. Numerous young people took the challenge and joined the Navy.

Over the years, the Army slogans were creative too. If you recall, in World War I, a poster was created of a man with a white beard, known as Uncle Sam, pointing his index finger at you saying, "I Want You for the U.S. Army" During the 1950's and 60's the slogan was changed to "Choice, Not Change". And during the 70's, the campaign was "Today's Army Wants You." From 1980 to 2001, the best Army slogan was "Be All That You Can Be." From 2001 to 2006, the slogan was "Army of One" promoting teamwork and the power of many together as one. And from 2006 until 2018, the army would try to top them all. Their new simple catchphrase was "Be Strong", "Be Army Strong."

Even the Coast Guard wanted to share in the excitement. Their slogan is simple and yet so effective, "Semper Paratus" which means "Born Ready", implying that they are standing eagerly ready to face any and all dangers. These slogans reflect the unique character of the branches of the military, and they all underscore the high caliber of those who join and serve. But, what about the Christian? What about the Church Militant? Are there any catchphrases for us? Are there any slogans in the Bible for us to follow? Truth be told there are many in the Bible. A few important ones come to mind: "Be My Witnesses" (*Acts 1:8*), or "Feed My Sheep" (*John 21:17*), or "Set Your Mind ..." (*Colossians 3:2*), or "Set You Free" (*John 8:32*), or "Hear my Voice" (*Psalms 5:3*), or "Be a

Man” (1 Kings 2:2), or “Put your house in order” (Isaiah 38:1), or “Fight the Good Fight” (1 Timothy 6:12). There is simply no denying the power that lies behind such slogans or catchphrases.

The whole point of slogans is to encourage and to get people excited about what’s happening around them, calling attention to something of greatness. The problem is we don’t have a catchphrase or slogan for Eternal Savior Lutheran Church, yet. Truth be told, I am at a loss on how to get people excited and involved in church. The point is, we have a lot to be thankful for. God is good. There are a lot of great things happening here at Eternal Savior Lutheran Church. I am honored to be the pastor here, even if it’s only for a short term. It’s exciting! But how do we get people involved? How do we get congregants excited about the future? How do we get people to volunteer and be a part of something greater? How do we get the people of Eternal Savior to realize that they can be so much more than what they are? This is the dilemma that we face in the church post COVID. Jesus Himself said, “*The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few*” (Matthew 9:37).

So, here is our new transitory slogan for the upcoming New Year: “Let’s Just Do It” or “Let’s Get to Work”, or “Let’s Be All That We Can Be!” or “Living Life to the Glory of God!” As we continue to embark on a new journey, known as Intentional Interim Ministry, we need volunteer support. **We need you!** It is essential for a successful and growing future. So here is my personal plea, “Please, please consider volunteering your time, talent and treasures. Do it for the good of the church and to the glory of God.

In His Service,

Pastor Gary H. Schultz

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### OFFERING REPORT

Offerings for the month of August were:

August 7	\$3,712
August 14	\$2,275
August 21	\$2,771
August 28	\$2,495

This weekly average (\$2,813) compares to our 2022 weekly budget needs of **\$4,369**.

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### COUNTER SCHEDULE

If you have a conflict on a day you are scheduled, please arrange with another counter to cover that day.

Sept. 4 - Marc and Jan Ertle  
Sept. 11 – Marc and Jan Ertle  
Sept. 18 – Mark and Mary Bunge  
Sept. 25 – Mark and Mary Bunge

October 2 – Mary Bunge and Polly Cowley  
October 9 – Mark Bunge and Polly Cowley  
October 16 – Sam and Lynn Kelley  
October 23 – Sam and Lynn Kelley  
October 30 – Marc and Jan Ertle

Thank you so much for volunteering to count. If we gain more counters, we can spread the work.

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# ESLC LWML/WinGS and ZONE NEWS

Planning is in the works for some social and zone activities!

**At the local level:** We are planning LWML Sunday on October 2nd with more details coming soon. We are also looking at a craft and social event, and are open to other ideas for all the ladies in the congregation. Look for upcoming events in our weekly bulletin. How about a Tea Party? Ladies bowling night? A lock-In?? Please contact Cindy Stahly and share your ideas!

**At the zone level:** Coming up is our **Zone Rally at Mt. Hope in Boulder on October 8th**, please plan to attend and contact Cindy Stahly to RSVP and carpool. More information will be in the bulletin in September. Please take a moment to check out the last Tidings published for July/August 2022 at <https://www.lwmlrmd.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Tidings-2022-0708.pdf>

## LWML Rocky Mountain District News

### 2022 Convention Results

There were 167 attendees in Albuquerque. Our district's "what's your 80?" was 80 convention voters. Bylaws were approved and a mission goal of \$123,000 (which includes mission grants, scholarships, and mites to national). Monies were collected for mites (\$2782.64 offering + \$157 moving for mites), the Lighthouse Mission (\$1470.50), and Tender Loving Care Community (\$1367.57), as of 6/5/22.

Chosen Mission Grants for 2022-24

Our \$123,000 Mission Goal grants will go to:

- Fostering Faith in the Forest at Lutheran Valley Retreat
- Financial Assistance for CTSFW Food & Clothing Coop
- God Cares About You: Summer Intern Ministry
- Trinity HOPE: Feeding Haitian Children Spiritually & Physically
- Support for the University Lutheran Chapel, Boulder
- LHF: Providing Lutheran Books to the former Soviet Union
- Worker Wellness for LCMS Chaplain Families
- Colorado Mesa University: Outreach
- LBT: Old Testament Translation in the Bandi Language of Liberia
- Lutheran Hispanic Missionary Institute Infrastructure Investment
- Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch: Kruse Memorial Chapel Transformation
- LBW: Bringing Spanish Braille Bibles to Central & South America
- Equipping MOST Ministries Construction & Repair Teams
- POBLO: Cross-Cultural Outreach Ministry Training to RMD Churches

### Ingathering Counts

Ingathering items were going to God Cares About You, Hartley House, and Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care. Blankets were being tied throughout the convention—one way to stay warm in a well-air-conditioned room. God Cares About You: 632 children's Bible story books, 893 hygiene kits, and 2 boxes of feminine hygiene products. Hartley House: 488 new underwear, 273 boxes of feminine hygiene products, as well as 26 socks and 31 bras. Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care: 133 blankets, 83 fleece blankets, 601 toys, and school supplies

### Elected Officers

President Shelley Stewart

Pastoral Counselor Rev. Duane Meissner

Gospel Outreach VP Andi Noblitt

Servant Resources VP Christina Bean

Nominating Committee Chairman Sue Frauenfeld and members Sylvia Bean, Jo Ann Beegles, Karen Mann, and Barbara Wertz

**LWML WinGs Mite collection reminder:**

*“But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your hand” (1 Chronicles 29:14 NIV).*

Do you have spare change in your pocket or coin purse? The mite box is waiting to be filled! These offerings make a huge difference when added to others across the USA for mission grants.

Thank you from the women of the **LWML WinGs** group

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**Church Picnic** – Our annual church picnic is back! Please join us on Rally Day, Sept. 11 at 11:30am for food, fellowship and fun! The Board of Deacons is providing the main meat entrée and drinks. Each family please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please sign up on the Bulletin Board so we can anticipate a count for ordering food. Games available after our meal for children and adults alike! (Kids, you might want a swimsuit and towel.)

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The **SOAR (Serving Our Awesome Redeemer)** committee of Rocky Mountain District, LCMS is hosting a seminar Saturday, September 24 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 2100 Wadsworth Blvd., Lakewood, CO. Rev. Dr. Thomas Egger, president of Concordia Theological Seminary, St. Louis is the keynote speaker as well as speakers on other topics. The day begins with continental breakfast at 9am and concludes with a devotion ending at 4:45. Lunch is also provided with your registration. Additional information and registration can be found on the [bulletin board](#). You can also call Bob Mohling, 720-201-0842 or [bmohling@comcast.net](mailto:bmohling@comcast.net) or Greg Prosser, 303-775-0567 or [gmail\\_357@comcast.net](mailto:gmail_357@comcast.net). Registration deadline is Saturday, September 17.

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**Worship Committee** – We will have our worship committee meeting to plan with Pastor music for the Fall on September 8, at 6:00 p.m. All organists, bell and choir leaders should plan to attend.

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## Quilting

We hope you have enjoyed the quilts made for Orphan Grain Train(OGT) displayed in the Narthex. OGT has a 4-star rating by Charity Navigator.com.

As of July 2021, our total of donated quilts was 1,356. Earlier this year we contributed 10 boxes holding 18 full and 10 baby quilts for a total of 1,435 quilts for OGT. Last week, OGT picked up 18 boxes containing 37 baby quilts and 32 full quilts for a grand total for our group of **1,505** quilts. Praise the Lord for all our faithful workers.

When OGT representatives picked up our quilts they said that OGT had sent 6 cargo plane loads of clothes, food, quilts, and medical supplies to Poland to be distributed to Ukraine.

Don't let the word "quilting" scare anyone. If you look at the OGT quilts you will see no "quilting", just knots tied in the middle and corners of the squares! We start by putting squares together in some form of pattern (designing). They are sewn together by volunteers and then returned to

us. Back at church we put together a backing fabric batting and a top of squares (layering). The edges of the quilt are then sewn together and returned to us. Lastly, we tie the quilt together to hold the layers firmly in place.



We can use help at any stage. Please help us by sewing fabric squares into quilt tops. Packages of squares including directions, are located in the box by the LWML display in the Narthex. Our continued thanks goes to the Deacons Fund for paying for our batting. The Lord continues to provide fabric for us with donations from some of our

members.

Please join us! We have a wonderful, friendly group. We are also very flexible with the hours you can be involved. We meet Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30. Come and go anytime within those hours. We would love to have you spend time with us. If you have any questions, you can contact Diane Oehlkers at 303-666-9627.



## Bell Choir Members Wanted



Please consider joining the ESLC Bell Choir  
Practice is Tuesday evening from 6:00 – 7:00  
We will begin practices on September 13



*Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord - Psalms 98:4*

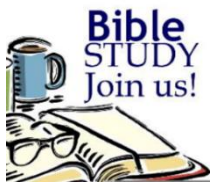
## Vocal Choir Members Wanted



Please consider joining the ESLC Vocal Choir  
Practice is Tuesday evening from 7:00 – 8:00  
We will begin practices on September 13



*Music is a fair and glorious gift of God - Martin Luther*



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**Sunday Morning Bible Study!** – Grab a cup of coffee and please join us each Sunday at 10:40AM in the Fellowship Hall!

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study!** – Please join us for Wednesday Morning Bible Class – we will study the pericopes (*readings*) for the upcoming Sunday. Please join us.

**Wednesday Night Bible Study** - Starting Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be starting up our Wednesday night Bible study after a long hiatus due to the pandemic. We will meet in the Fireside Room, and a Zoom link will be available to anyone who would prefer to attend remotely (please email Jeff Reuer, [jeff.reuer@gmail.com](mailto:jeff.reuer@gmail.com), or call 720-600-5997).

At this study, each week we will hear Prof. Joel Biermann (Concordia Theological Seminary) cover and unpack the Book of Philippians, and there will be time for brief discussion after his presentation. Who knows, there might even be light refreshments. Please consider joining us Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

**Sunday School!** We are studying the “Enduring Faith” curriculum, Unit 8. Sunday School opening is at 10:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. All children are encouraged to join us!

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**The Deacon's Fund** supports Emergency Family Assistance, ULC, and other charities as well. All of these funds will be used to alleviate the needs of people who are in very vulnerable circumstances. The agencies have expressed great gratitude. We are only able to do this because of the generous and faithful contributions of you, our dear members, to the Deacon's Fund! Please consider contributing via your offering envelopes or in the Deacons' Fund collector in the Narthex! Thanks!!!

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## REMINDERS

**Please be responsible!!!** For everyone who has access to the church building, it is your responsibility when you leave to make sure that all lights are off, the heat/air-conditioning/fans are turned back or off and all of the **doors are locked and secure!!** Please do double checks before you leave.

**Prayer request cards** are available on a table in the narthex. If you would like to include a prayer request in Sunday's prayers, please email secretary at [secretary@eternalsavior-lutheran.org](mailto:secretary@eternalsavior-lutheran.org)

**Parking spaces** in front of the church should be reserved for those members and visitors that need to park close to the building due to health concerns or weather. Please be considerate and leave these spaces to those who need them most.

**Large print worship** service folders and assisted listening devices are available. Please ask an usher if needed.

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**Reredos Committee** - Here are the most recent renderings from the Liturgical Art Center at Concordia University in Seward, NE. We requested that they add the burnt orange on the upper edges of the Reredos and then slowly transition to a creamy white behind the cross. This color transition with white behind the cross draws your eye to the cross as the focal point of the sanctuary. An option to consider is moving the banners to the walls behind the choir pews and behind the bell choir tables. This helps to eliminate any distraction from the cross. We also added possible features to our round window. The descending dove represents the Holy Spirit. The cross represents the Son, and the creation of beautiful mountains and sunsets represents the Father. As Lutherans, it is most certainly true that some have seen the round window as the perfect place to display Luther's seal. Another change is the removal of the candelabras and using 3" pillar candles on floating wooden shelves that will match wood on altar. The committee will meet again to discuss these most recent changes and we hope to bring final plans with details and pricing to the November Voters meeting for a vote.



## SERVING IN SEPTEMBER

### **Sunday, September 4**

Organist	Linda Innes
Acolyte	Mikayla Richardson
Usher(s)	Keith Cowley, Tom Stahly
Greeter(s)	Keith and Polly Cowley
Counter(s)	Marc and Jan Ertle
Elder(s)	Ryan Lambrecht, Jeff Reuer
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	Marc Ertle
Lawn	Sam Kelley
Flowers	Oehlkers

### **Sunday, September 11**

Organist	Linda Innes
Cantor	Karen Sherrets
Acolyte	Micah Anderson
Usher(s)	Ryan Lambrecht, Marc Ertle
Greeter(s)	Bob and Brenda Vieyra
Counter(s)	Marc and Jan Ertle
Elder(s)	Kirk Anderson (r), Dave Sherrets
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	Ed Warnken
Lawn	Pete Hinrichs
Flowers	Jaspers

### **Sunday, September 18**

Organist	Linda Thompson
Acolyte	Levi Hinrichs
Usher(s)	Ryan Lambrecht, Marc Ertle
Greeter(s)	Sam and Lynn Kelley
Counter(s)	Mark and Mary Bunge
Elder(s)	Roger Landowski, Wayne Thomas
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	Nick Mayer
Lawn	Ryan Lambrecht
Flowers	Griffin

### **Sunday, September 25**

Organist	Linda Thompson
Cantor	Keith Cowley
Acolyte	Mikayla Richardson
Usher(s)	Roger Landowski, Kirk Anderson
Greeter(s)	Jeff and Larissa Reuer
Counter(s)	Mark and Mary Bunge
Elder(s)	Keith Cowley (r), Kirk Anderson
Altar	Jan Ertle
A/V Booth	Laura Raben
Lawn	Rod and Paula Sinner
Flowers	OPEN

We have many ways in which our members can share their gifts with others each Sunday. Some of those are Greeters, Offering Counters, Ushers, Livestream and Audio Engineers, Lawn Mowing/Snow Removal. These are all listed on the Servant Calendar on our web site. Please reach out to Mary at the church office if you can serve. We so appreciate and thank God for your service!