



# *The Pacific Hills* **Messenger**

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## **Different Birth Order, Same Family**

It's a curious thing how multiple children from the same parents can each have such different personalities. This can lead parents either to marvel at the wonder of God's creation or to pull their hair out in frustration. Many psychologists attribute this to birth order. Are you a firstborn, a middle-born, or the baby of the family? It seems the order in which you're born into your family is a factor in how you behave. They say firstborn individuals tend to be the leader of the pack, reliable, conscientious, and structured. They may be achievers as well as controlling—just ask any younger sibling. Middle-born children tend to thrive on friendships and be people-pleasers. They may be peacemakers and have larger social circles, and they may be more rebellious as well. Then we come to the last-born, the baby of the family. They tend to be fun-loving and outgoing as they seek attention, but they can also be manipulative and self-centered.

These truly are general observations. Yet even with such differences in personalities, these same children belong to and receive their identity from the same mother and father—a fitting reflection of our life together in the body of Christ, the church. We are different from one another. We are wired differently with unique personalities and yet we each contribute to the work of the church in various ways. Thank God that you are made uniquely for His Kingdom. "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27).

Blessings,

Pastor Drebes

## **Church Events**

**August**, guideline changes continue relating to coronavirus distancing: Families to stay together distancing 6 feet from others.

Sundays	<u>August 16, 23</u>
	8:00am Eucharist
	10:30am Eucharist
	6:00pm Food
	7:00pm Jazz Concert
	<u>August 18</u>
	4:30pm Siena Francis Hse.
	7:00pm Directors Board
	<u>August 20</u>
	6:30pm Trustees Board
	6:30pm Tai Chi
	7:00pm Gamblers
	<u>August 23</u>
	11:30am CYF Board

## Dear Members and Friends,

The church office is ready to be moved to the 2nd floor as planned, due to the remodeling of the church buildings. You are receiving the newsletter today as Friday and Saturday are the days to move equipment, electronics, supplies and furniture upstairs. We aren't planning any delays in telephone contacts, etc.; however, the office may not be able to complete minor tasks as our references are all in boxes ready to be moved. Copy machines may be down for a day or two. The church office will be in rooms 209 and 212 on Monday, August 17. Pastor's office will also be on 2nd floor. We ask for your patience, as we are practicing ours (smile). **Remember there are no Sunday worship services Sunday, August 16.**

Courtyard Jazz Concert, August 16, 6pm food and 7pm, concert featuring Steve Raybine Quintet".

**Sunday School Rally Day, September 13, between services:** The plan is to have a short session outside for social distancing. Have a treat and learn about the plan for fall Sunday School. We will also celebrate the Bible and the Lord's Prayer milestones. Questions call Sandra Glissmann #402-616-3446.

**Sunday Worship Notes** -- The Elders and Pastor recommend that everyone wear some kind of face covering in worship. Also, there are no children's messages on Sunday mornings, due to social distancing requirements. Thank you.

**Looking for owners if items left in the narthex coatroom?** Child's purple fleece jacket, long navy blue raincoat, teal short jacket, navy blue sweater. Please claim soon or call the church office.

**Care Ministry Card Rack** is now located in room 115. Rack is restocked with cards (\$1 per card).

**Directors mail boxes and Church Mail boxes** are now located in room 115.

Due to the church remodeling the Board of Social Ministry **WILL NOT COLLECT DONATIONS OF FOOD AND TOILETRIES.** If desired members can contribute to the Yahweh Fund. HyVee gift cards are purchased for those who seek assistance for food or gas.

**See the Renovations Online!** You can see what's happening with the facility renovations, on the Pacific Hills web site. On the top green menu bar, there is a Renovation Update selection. (There is also a link under About Us.) Click on that to see the latest – with photos – on the progress. No hard hat required.

## BIBLE VERSE of the Week

“Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall  
from their master's table.”

(Matthew 15:27)

**New Adult Confirmation Classes** will begin Monday, September 14, at 7pm in Room 115. Please indicate your desire to participate with Pastor directly or with Jackie in the church office. Classes meet for 6 weeks and lead to membership at Pacific Hills.

**Pacific Hills Lutheran Church has teamed up with St. Mark Lutheran Church Ministries** to revive Campus Ministry, along with other ministries. A new lease agreement using the Gathering Place has been signed with St. Mark Lutheran Church for a 1 year period, beginning August 1. We pray that God will richly bless this partnership and ministry. Jim Mueller, Pacific Hills Lutheran Church LMA

### Returning to God, Tithes and Offerings During the Pandemic

As you know the church's ministry and expenses continue even though services and programming are a bit different. You can still give your tithes and offerings by mail. You can set up your bank account to give electronically or you can utilize MyEOffering. There is also a link to MyEOffering on our web page, on the top menu. Our web page is: [www.PacificHillsLutheran.org](http://www.PacificHillsLutheran.org). You can sign up at <https://members.myeoffering.com> Your church needs people like you to continue their regular patterns of giving despite virus-related closures to maintain current ministry. Consider the following passages: **2 Corinthians 9:7** - Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **Malachi 3:10** - Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. **Proverbs 11:24** - One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. **Luke 6:38** - Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”