## Prince of Peace News and Notes for October 8, 2023

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## **Our Response to God's Gifts**

Attendance last Sunday and Monday: 65
Weekly Budget Need: \$3703.36
October 1 offering: \$2701.00
Special Gifts:
LCMS District Missions for August: \$1160.41

2023 Year Total/Missions: \$6729.31

New Member Class: Classes meet Mondays at 5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday Bible Study**: Curious on the Book of Revelation? Please join us for the Wednesday morning Bible study! We meet each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

**Scrip News:** You can help support the church by purchasing scrip cards. A percentage of the sales goes back to the church. Cards are for sale weekly in the Fellowship Hall between the worship service and Bible study. Questions or special requests for cards? Contact Barb Hinds or Chris Leis.

The Lutheran School Initiative Study Team met at Shepherd of the Hills Tuesday, August 22nd. The main discussion point was feedback from the community survey and church survey. As of August 10, 54 surveys have been returned from the four area LCMS churches. Likewise, in that same time, 37 surveys have been filled out from community members. Survey responses from both groups are positive, however more completed surveys are needed. A key aspect of moving ahead in this study is having church members complete both the Congregational and the Community survey. Friends, neighbors and relatives should complete the Community Survey. Please take a few Lutheran School Initiative Brochures to share with neighbors or friends to gauge interest in starting an LCMS school. The survey is for everyone and not just for families with young children. The congregational survey is found here:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/JNT2BNN. The community survey is available by visiting:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5BLPKL2. More information of the Lutheran School Initiative

**Sunday Adult Bible Study:** Our study on Christian denominations from a Lutheran perspective continues today as we study our denomination, Lutheranism. For more information on the Denominations study, see the September newsletter or wspop.org.

is available by visiting: https://newlutheranschoollax.org

**Youth Catechism Class:** For all sixth, seventh, and eighth graders, catechism classes have begun! Classes meet Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Please contact Pastor Adelsen for further information.

Wanted: Baby hats crocheted or knitted! Contact Melissa Adelsen for more information.

We're making a meal for the West Salem Volunteer Fire Department. If you would be willing to donate money to help buy the food, there's a basket in the narthex. Thank you for helping out!

Our Evangelism Committee and Prince of Peace will once again be participating in **Trunk-N-Treat** on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> downtown West Salem and the Village Park from 3-5 p.m. The Evangelism Committee would appreciate help from the congregation with candy donations for the kiddos attending this fun event. Any donations should be brought to the church. Thank you for your support.

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