

Johannes Gutenberg

invites you to a live demonstration
of his recent invention

The Movable Type Printing Press



Along With a Historical Exhibition of Early Bibles

August 28TH

at Our Savior Lutheran Church

10am | Worship Focus on the Word of God

11:30am | Catered Luncheon (RSVP by August 21st)

12:30pm | Presentation of Gutenberg's Press & the Story of the English Bible

*Sign
up
Today!*

You may even be asked to help Gutenberg run the Printing Press!

This is an all community event so please invite your friends!



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CONNECTION

Our Savior Lutheran Church

Mesquite, TX

August 2022

Reformation 500

A Medieval Mystery Thriller

(Starring Martin Luther, Phillip Melancthon, John Wycliffe, and William Tyndale!)

Faked Kidnapping, Runaway Escape, Cliffhanging Capture, Diabolical Execution, Encoded Names, Double Identities, Clandestine Meetings, Political Intrigue, Contraband, Smuggling, Castles, and Dungeons!

All these were part of the Reformation Movement in Germany and England and its underground conspiracy to translate the Bible. We'll be able to see that cliffhanging mystery unfold on August 28 at our first Reformation 500 Celebration in three years.

At stake in this dramatic story is the translation of the Bible in the language of the people ... the language of German and English. Facing danger and death, Wycliffe, Luther, and Tyndale risked their lives to open God's Word through the everyday speech of the people. 14th Century translator John Wycliffe was so reviled that his body was exhumed and burned. In the ultimate act of contempt, his ashes spread across the river Thames... but not before his influence inspired Martin Luther's German translation.. That influence was so great that Wycliffe was called "the Morning Star of the Reformation." Luther himself was hunted as a heretic and enemy of the empire. Tyndale was strangled and burned at the stake. While running from the King of England, Tyndale traveled to Wittenberg and met with Martin Luther. Luther encouraged Tyndale's continued translation of the Bible into English..

From Wycliffe to Luther to Tyndale, Bible translation was not a tranquil activity done in the sedate security of an ivory tower, but a daring adventure with plot twists, secret rendezvous, and close encounters with death. Tyndale was forced to assume a false identity to register at Martin Luther's Wittenberg University!

So get set for spine-tingling, hair-raising adventure on August 28th, as we celebrate the Word of God in all its translations. Beginning with 10 AM Worship, God's Word will speak to us in the language of the Gospel. Following a luncheon, the Enduring Word Museum will present the captivating history of the English Bible and the incomparable impact of the Gutenberg Printing Press on the Word and the world.

Who said the Reformation was boring or that Bible translating was tedious? Maybe its time for Marvel comics and Martin Luther to team up on a blockbuster mystery thriller premiering this August 28th!

Back-to-School Backpacks—August 7th

A new school year signals a fresh start, a new beginning of learning and growth. New teachers, new classrooms, new friends... new backpacks! Backpacks symbolize the excitement and energy of back-to-school, so we're having a "Blessing of the Backpacks" in worship, August 8th. Kids, bring your backpacks before your first day of school. We'll bring them forward for the children's dialog and say a prayer of blessing on them—and you! May God bless teachers and students alike—and their backpacks—as school begins anew.



Mother's Day Out...



is currently enrolling for summer session which begins on Tuesday, August 9th. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am-2:30pm during the summer months. Call now to register—972-226-0523.

BIRTHDAYS

Date	Name
7	Austin Morton
10	Jana Mayfield
13	Jon Cook
14	Tanner Faaborg
	Randy Peterson
16	Christine Hocker
17	Diana Bruneau
	Renata del-Busto
19	Brandi Dannen
	Sophie DeShazo
	Jake Lippincott
	George Morton



20	Mark Fretheim
	Jeremy Richardson
21	Kay Crawford
23	Kaethe Combs
	Pauline Hutchinson
	Marie Villegas
24	Teresa Hall
27	Shay Semmler
31	Richard Mastin
	John Schelter

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**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

Date	Name
4	Chuck Philbrick
9	Sonja Conoly
12	Cynthia Lubben
24	Robert Hutchinson
31	Laura Stidd

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Date		Years
10	Michael & Sonja Conoly	31
25	Mark & Carol Murray	43

Worship Assistants:

Reader: Steven Belz

Usher: David Anderson

Altar Guild: Amy Ismail

Nancy's Health Notes

I am as tired as everyone of the endless twists and turns of the pandemic. Our lives next? The CDC has put Denton, Tarrant, and Dallas counties in the red alert level. The county health department has made the decision to keep the level at orange. When there is such discrepancy, it is no wonder confusion and frustration persist.

Dallas county has average 500 new reported cases daily for the month of July. Ba5 accounts for 80% of new cases. The use of home Covid tests have skewed the above as they are not reported. This factor reflects the number of cases being reported is 5 or 6 fold underestimated. That is significant realizing that Ba5 is 20-30% more contagious than other versions of omicron.

What are individual responsibilities dealing with this monster? Many of the previous practices that were implemented are still appropriate now. The first is good personal hygiene with hand washing and be alert to areas that could cause contamination. Symptoms of fever, cough, and fatigue need to be taken seriously. Now is a good time to use the home Covid tests or obtain a test at your healthcare provider or clinic. If the test is positive, isolate at home to protect others, rest and drink plenty of fluids. Masks have been recommended for close indoor settings especially if you or others are at high risk with other health issues. The vaccine with boosters is available and helpful in decreasing the incidence of the disease. It is apparent that Covid has disrupted every aspect of our lives. But the bottom line is personal responsibility and a good dose of common sense.

At the present time I have resumed taking temps before church and anyone who chooses is welcome to wear a mask to protect themselves and others. Masks are not mandated.

I want to follow up on my last article. I had listed the phone number for the National Suicide Prevention. This week it was announced that there is now a direct shorter number: 388.

Be fearless: know that all will be provided at the right time.

God's peace.

Nancy Wilson, RN, FEN