

CROSS WALK

January 2023

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR LOIS

Dear Reformation Nation,

Happy New Year! I say that to you for the second time in three months (the third, if you are reading this after worship on January 1), because the new "church year" (the cycle of liturgical seasons and Bible readings) started with the first Sunday of Advent (which, at Reformation, is probably better known as "Spaghetti Day").

Thanks be to God, each of us can "hit the reset button" at any

"What is God up to here?"

time by assessing our shortcomings and then recommitting ourselves in grateful response to the understanding that we are already a "new creation" in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17). It can, however, be helpful to start on a particular date like the beginning of the new secular (calendar) year. I invite you to develop 3-5 goals for 2023, and I challenge you to include at least one "SMART" goal (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound) related to your

involvement in this congregation or the community we serve.

I have some dreams for us in 2023, but I need your input to fine-tune them and to develop SMART goals so that we can begin turning these dreams into reality. I shared these dreams during our annual meeting on December 11, and a condensed copy of the handout I used is provided in this newsletter. For your convenience, it references pertinent pages in the annual report and recent newsletters, and it has been updated to reflect activities that occurred after the annual meeting.

And remember, I really want to continue hearing from you with answers to this question about our ministry together: "What is God up to HERE?"

+ Pastor Lois



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Special points of interest:

- What is God up to here?
- Could you be an Assisting Minister?
- Why you, too, can sing in the choir
- Share Pastor Lois's "Dreams" for 2023
- Why have "End of this Life" plans
- Emphasize Time & Talent Stewardship
- Learn about Baptism
- Be part of the Commission Care Team

Message from the President

Happy New Year! We are a family with many traditions, so we always start the New Year with pork and sauerkraut for good luck. Our youngest daughter was born on January 1st, so guess what her birthday dinner always has been! Council is ready to begin the New Year. We would like to welcome Barbara Duncan as a new member of Council and look forward to her input at our meetings. The officers for

2023 are President - Vickey Zelazny, 1st Vice President - Beth Walton, 2nd Vice President - Bobbie Harney, Secretary - Barbara Duncan, and Treasurer - Karen Hamilton. This year we have volunteered to each be on two different committees, so we will have great communication between the committees and the Council. If you have any concerns or would like to attend a meeting to see what

we do, please contact me and we would love to have you join us. May you all have a very healthy, happy, and peaceful New Year!

Vickey



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On December 4, we welcomed Gary and Dawn Cornell and Richard Whipple as full members of Reformation.

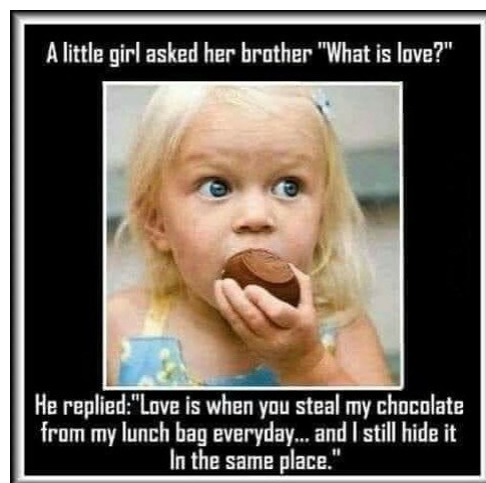
Gary & Dawn worshipping with us year and have volunteering in areas. They come upper New York



have been for over a b e e n numerous to us from state and

have been friends with Phil & Vickey Zelazny for many years. They live in Highland Fairways. WELCOME Gary & Dawn!

Richard, Becky's husband, has been worshipping with us for several months. He is a former member of Reformation who transferred to Grace several years ago. He is now back with us. WELCOME Richard!



BE AN ASSISTING MINISTER

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the Assisting Minister is typically a layperson; however, rostered leaders (pastors and deacons) can also serve in that capacity. This is the role that Reformation used to call the “worship assistant.”



Simply put, the Assisting Minister assists the Presiding Minister (Pastor Lois or, in her absence, the “pulpit supply” minister). The Assisting Minister wears an alb (white robe) when the Presiding Minister does, but they do not wear a stole unless they are a pastor or deacon. If they can carry it, they may bring the ceremonial cross in and out of the sanctuary in lieu of a crucifer. If they can sing, they may lead the kyrie in lieu of a cantor. They sit next to the Presiding Minister when the Presiding Minister sits near the organ, and they stand next to the Presiding Minister when the Presiding Minister stands at the altar. They offer some of the prayers, serve as a back-up reader, and help distribute communion.

We would like to have at least three people take turns serving in this capacity starting on January 15. Pastor Lois will provide written instructions and a walk-through tutorial. To volunteer, please contact Pastor Lois.

Tax-Aide **FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION**

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation help to anyone. They understand that retirement or other life changes may mean your taxes are a little more complicated now. With the help of their team of IRS-certified volunteers they make it easy for you. AARP membership is not required.

For several years Reformation has had the privilege of hosting Tax-Aide volunteers serving North Lakeland.

Like last year, they will be preparing returns only on an **appointment basis**. Requirements and the process for making an appointment will be communicated as soon as we know the details. Look in the February newsletter or read any email blast you receive

UN-DECORATING OF THE SANCTUARY

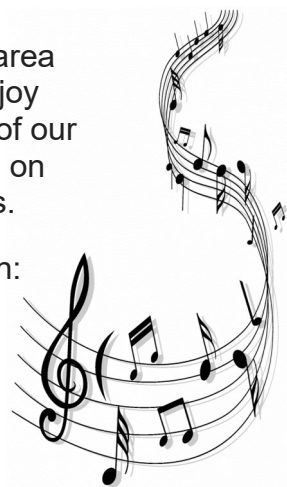
We will take down the Christmas decorations on January 7th at 10:30. We'd welcome your help if you are available and would like to join us.

CHOIR RE-EMERGES

January once again brings to us new opportunities here at Reformation. In the area of Music Ministry, we now are beginning to assemble a group of people who enjoy singing during worship services and who also can envision themselves as part of our informal choir. Rehearsals will be held on alternate odd-number weeks, starting on January 15th; they will be held in the sanctuary at 8:45 am on Sunday mornings.

Below are twelve reasons why we know you will enjoy choir here at Reformation:

1. Our informal setting makes choir at Reformation fun and relaxing.
2. Choir is free. You do not need to spend money to be in choir!
3. Choir members do not wear vestments.
4. Choir members will be able to sit with their friends and family members during worship.
5. Choir requires no preparation. All your materials will be ready and waiting for you on Sunday mornings. (However, don't forget to bring your glasses!)
6. Because our rehearsals are held on Sunday mornings, you will be driving in broad daylight through light traffic.
7. You already are dressed for church, so you are all set in the wardrobe department.
8. Because choir meets every other week, you are not on a rehearsal attendance treadmill which might restrict the flexibility of your life.
9. This initial choir plunge will be a short-term commitment of seven rehearsals.
10. Reformation families who live in neighboring communities here in Florida are already headed for church on Sunday morning, so choir members will have only one trip for both worship and rehearsal. More convenience and less expenditure on gas!
11. Because our choir is informal in style and approach (by design), it is an excellent opportunity to try choir for the first time or to try choir again after a hiatus from choir.
12. Because praising God always is the primary object of all worship, Reformation's choir will be less focused on musical perfection and more focused on friends helping friends to enjoy corporate singing.



Choir has a bright future here at Reformation! Join us when we reunite on January 15th.

Elise Knoll, Director of Music

Word in Season Devotional Booklets

The cost of the quarterly devotional booklets will go to \$2.00 each in 2023.

JANUARY 1ST - STUMP THE PASTOR (a/k/a Reformation Information)

Do you have a question about Christianity in general or Lutheranism in particular? Are you contemplating an official affiliation (associate, seasonal, or full membership)? for you!



Once a month (usually on the “first minutes”) informal opportunity to chat room. If you are interested but not to contact her directly. Pastor Lois can be reached at 813-494-4052 (OK to text), pastorreformationlakeland@gmail.com, or by stopping-by during designed office hours.

with the congregation (associate, Then “Reformation Information” is

Sunday”), we offer this brief (15-30 with our pastor in the conference able to attend this month, feel free

HARVEST SUNDAY/FOOD BARREL

The Community Outreach Committee wants to thank **all** who participated in the **Reverse Advent Calendar** and donated non-perishable food for Talbot House. **A BOUNTY** indeed!

Thank you to Harold Mueller and Dennis Haines who helped Doug pack the van and deliver the food to Talbot House on December 19th. They were **OVERWHELMED** with what was delivered! A rough estimate of \$ **1,310.00** was taken.



Check your calendar! Plan to stay after worship for coffee, goodies, and fellowship on January 8th.

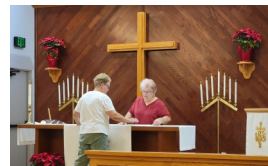
Brian Heipp from Thrivent Financial will provide the goodies and information regarding Thrivent on January 22nd. You don't want to miss that one either.

We're always looking for help serving and for providing the goodies. Can we count on you?

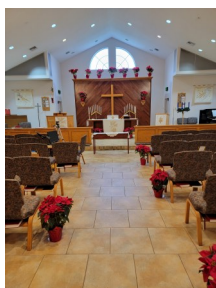


DID YOU KNOW?

Some people have asked why we “had church” on Saturday, December 24 (Christmas Eve) at 4 p.m. and again on Sunday, December 25 (Christmas Day) at 10 a.m.



Reformation, like many Lutheran service on Christmas Eve. It has been many of our older driving after dark.



churches, traditionally offers a worship held at 4 p.m. in recent years because members are no longer comfortable

Reformation, like many Lutheran churches, traditionally offers a worship service every Sunday. Our normal worship time on Sundays is 10 a.m.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Approved council minutes can be found in a binder on the mailboxes in the office. If you are looking for a specific month in 2022 and can't find it, check with Becky Whipple, council secretary for 2022. A reminder: Copies always run a month behind, i.e. minutes from the December meeting will not be approved until the January meeting and then filed in the binder.

Join these friends as they celebrate their birthday or anniversary in January:

01/08	JAHNKE, Tom	01/24	HERNANDEZ, Alecia
01/08	PETRARCA, Linda	01/28	WILLIAMSON, Mary Lou
01/10	WASON, Karen		
01/16	ORDONEZ, Marcela		
01/16	FRAZIER, Aniyah	01/02	HAINES, Dennis & Karen
01/19	CABALLERO, Barbara	01/07	ROY, Holger & Hilary
01/20	SARAKINIS, Margaret	01/14	CORNELL, Gary & Dawn
01/21	JANSSAN, Pat	01/16	CABALLERO, Vic & Barbara
01/21	TEDESCO, Gabby	01/17	PEREZ, Eddie & Lisa Tedesco
01/21	TEDESCO, Gaetano	01/20	SARAKINIS, Andy & Margaret



PASTOR'S 2023 DREAMS FOR REFORMATION

(originally presented at our December 1st annual meeting)

⇒ **Initiate “Commission Care” (see annual report pages 23-24, November newsletter):**

- New, outwardly-focused subcommittee of Evangelism
- Continue visitor hospitality
- Strengthen external communication
- Expand community engagement (Justice-oriented outreach, representation at community events, something with Florida Polytechnic University, etc.)

⇒ **Retool “Open House” Concept (see page 25, December newsletter):**

- Part of “Commission Care” effort
- Christmas Week (12/23, 3-7 p.m. with cookies; event was poorly attended, but reached 529 people on Facebook)
- Holy Week (date and time TBD, add Cypress Lakes newsletter ad)
- Virtual (enhance “Plan Your Visit” on website with pictures or a video)

⇒ **Grow Stewardship (see pages 27-28, December newsletter “Someone Else”):**

- More attention to “time & talent” (recognizing and recruiting participants)
- Develop “Wish List” for special “treasure” giving
- Continue increasing “Mission Share” (eventually, return to 10%)
- Reactivate Stewardship’s “Administration” subcommittee
- Administration: Add a Thursday morning office volunteer
- Administration: Help council committees update policies and procedures

⇒ **“Reset” Education program (see December newsletter):**

- Explore hosting a diakonia (synod’s adult theological education) cohort
- Respond to First Communion and Young Adult catechism inquiries
- Reactivate the Education committee

⇒ **Enhance worship, starting with “Assisting Minister” (see December Newsletter):**

- Restart the choir (begins 1/15)
- Involve more musicians and vocalists (solo or group)
- Offer occasional sermon alternatives (hymnfest, skit, narrative service)

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



THANK YOU to Fred Cox and Becky Whipple! They concluded their terms on the congregational council as of December 31, 2022. Fred served as Vice President and co-chair of the property committee. He also provided needed perspective when the executive committee was faced with some difficult decisions. Becky served as Secretary, applying her administrative experience with Publix to monthly council and annual congregational meeting minutes. She also participated in congregational care and other aspects of the evangelism committee.

THANK YOU to Vickey Zelazny, Bobbie Harney, and Barbara Duncan! They began their terms on the congregational council as of January 1, 2023. Vickey and Bobbie were re-elected, whereas Barbara joined the council. Vickey will continue to serve as president of council, Bobbie was elected to one of two Vice President positions, and Barbara was elected to serve as Secretary.

THANK YOU to everyone who will continue their terms on the congregational council during 2023! They are: Barbara Caballero (continuing as Financial Secretary), Karen Hamilton (continuing as Treasurer), Marilyn Hodge, Yvonne Mueller, Beth Walton (elected to the other Vice President position), and Phil Zelazny. FYI, the congregation's constitution stipulates that Pastor Lois is automatically a member of the council.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the weeks of Advent and Christmas special! We already applauded Marilyn Ebbers and Reverend Jeannine Sweet when they shared their musical talents during worship. We also need to applaud the mostly "behind the scenes" people, including: the crews recruited by Yvonne Mueller to decorate the sanctuary twice (once for Advent, again for Christmas); Karen Hamilton, Yvonne Mueller, and other members of the Fellowship and Community Outreach committees for three benevolent activities (spaghetti luncheon that raised money for Julia and Gabe Kaufman, Guardian Ad Litem gifts, and Reverse Advent Calendar food collection); Dawn Cornell for baking cookies for the open house; and John Knoll for leading the hymnfest (encouraging people to submit their song choices and supervising the selection process on Christmas Day).

THANK YOU from Pastor Lois to everyone who contributed to the generous gift that Vickey presented to her Christmas Eve! This was "on top of" all the cards, home-made candy, and other thoughtful gifts that some of you gave her individually.

QUEST FOR INSTRUMENTALISTS

If you play a band or orchestra instrument, we would love to use your talent to enhance our music worship program. We are particularly, but not exclusively, looking for C instruments, such as violin, oboe, or flute. Thanks.

Elise Knoll, Director of Music

“END OF THIS LIFE” SEMINAR ON JANUARY 26TH

This is the “new and improved” version of a seminar we first offered in August. Based on the feedback received, we added Kiefer Exum (a Lakeland-based attorney who specializes in elder law).



We will meet on Thursday, January 26, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please reserve your spot by Sunday, January 22. You can do so using the sign-up sheet in the narthex or sending an e-mail R.S.V.P. to lovinglutherans@gmail.com.

The seminar will cover some difficult but necessary topics, so that you are better equipped to make decisions and have meaningful discussions with your loved ones. Topics to be covered will include: Florida’s “Do Not Resuscitate” (DNR) form, Advanced Directives and other legal documents to

protect yourself and your loved ones, documents to have on-hand for various final arrangements, information that goes into planning a funeral or memorial, and cremation as one option to consider when pre-arranging what will happen to your earthly remains.

Each participant will be given a copy of Reformation’s “End of THIS Life” worksheet (which helps you organize the documents and funeral/memorial-planning information your loved ones will need) and a copy of Florida’s DNR form. Participants can expect to learn from each other’s experiences as well as the presenters (Attorney Kiefer Exum, Pastor Lois, and Terry McNeil, Certified Pre-Arrangement Advisor for the National Cremation Society).

“LET’S DO LUNCH!!”

Fourteen ladies met at The Olive Garden for a Christmas Lunch Bunch on December 15th. We enjoyed great food and conversation. What a way to spend a portion of your day!

In January, we will meet at 1:00 on the 26th, a little later than usual because of the End-Of-Your-Life Seminar, and go to another of our favorite spots, Abuelo’s Mexican Restaurant in Lakeside. All ladies and their female friends are welcome. Watch for the sign-up sheet on the

credenza in the narthex. It’s good to take a break and meet with friends for good conversation. Look forward to seeing you for lunch.



Karen Hamilton, 863-853-9678



LET'S INVEST IN AN OUTCOME!

As I say each month, ***“Giving to church is an investment in an outcome”***, not just paying the electric bill. Yes, we do need to pay the electric bill but by so doing we are able to provide worship both in-person and online, furnish services to our community, like packing lunches for the homeless, collecting school supplies, providing Christmas for foster kids, and above all, receiving the spiritual health and blessings we all need.

When the 2022 Spending Plan was approved, I projected that we would have a financial shortfall for the year. Like all of us, Reformation is feeling the increased costs of everything. Through November,

we have received \$143,265 from various sources including several families who gave their entire annual commitment

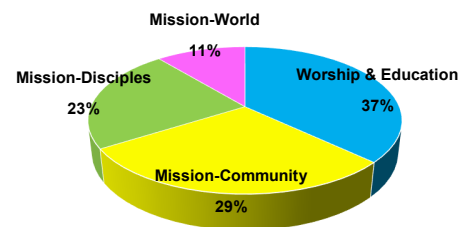


in January or February. Our expenses total \$156,458.

Plans are to have VANCO, an online giving opportunity, available in early January. As soon as we receive the new computer system, we will begin the setup with VANCO.

At the annual congregational meeting in December, the

2023 Spending Plan was approved as proposed. Projected income for 2023 is \$133,521; projected expenses are \$191,832. Each donated dollar will go to support the following missions:



“TOWN HALL” MEETING ON JANUARY 29TH



At our annual “business” meeting on December 11, Pastor Lois invited us to “dream dreams” of our own for this congregation so that we could share and compare at the next “town hall” meeting. Her dreams for us are found on page 7 in this newsletter.

Each “town hall” meeting is intended as an informal listening session, during which lay and ordained leadership have a chance to

hear directly from members and friends of the congregation. What questions, concerns, and dreams do you have about Reformation? Let’s talk on January 29, immediately following worship, in the fellowship hall.

PRAY, PARTICIPATE, AND PROVIDE

During 2023, we are planning to emphasize “time” and “talent” stewardship. This is not to suggest that “treasure” (financial support) is not important; rather, we need all three T’s to continue growing as stewards of all the abundance that God has given us as individuals and as a congregation.



PRAY - Even if health or other circumstances make it impossible for you to offer any “talent” to the congregation, you can certainly devote “time with God” in the form of prayer!

- Pray for Reformation’s leadership (council members, committee chairs, and Pastor Lois).
- Pray for members and friends of the congregation, whether current names on our prayer list or faces on a random page of our church directory.
- Pray for additional income streams from serving the community, such as how we already receive donations from AARP and Oasis (the Spanish-speaking congregation) for using our facilities.
- Pray for the students, teachers, and staff of Padgett Elementary or for the clients and staff of Talbot House and Guardian Ad Litem.
- Pray for lasting and equitable solutions to food insecurity, homelessness, hate crimes, and other injustices in our community (including ways in which Reformation could contribute).

PARTICIPATE – Sometimes the only “talent for God” you need to offer the congregation is dependability and a willingness to try. In addition to attending weekly worship (whether in-person or online), please:

- Participate in answering the phones and other secretarial tasks on Thursday morning.
- Participate in worship as an usher, audio/visual operator, choir member, instrumental or vocal artist, Assisting Minister, or Altar Guild member.
- Participate in “commission care” evangelism by simply greeting visitors, answering their questions, or asking them to sit with you during worship.
- Participate in “coffee hour” and other fellowship events by helping with set-up, clean-up, or refreshments (including baking).
- Participate in the planning and implementation of Reformation’s community outreach projects, or volunteer directly in the community.

PROVIDE – At the congregational level, this is where your “treasure to God” offerings and special gifts come into play. Please also do your part to provide what was recently asked of us in a letter from Reverend Pedro Suarez (Bishop of our Florida-Bahamas Synod):

- **Pray Regularly** for the good works of other congregations in this synod (Pastor Lois suggests you include prayers for the Bishop, all four assistants to the bishop, and other synod staff).
- **Participate Fully** in synod gatherings and requests for input (for example, we still need a “voting member” to attend the synod assembly in June).
- **Provide Generously** through mission support and other contributions to the synod (Reformation exceeded its 2022 covenant to the synod for mission support; if we simply keep doing what we have been doing, you can “check-off” this request as “done”).

LUTHERANISM 101: BAPTISM

"We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins" – Nicene Creed

One way to characterize a Christian denomination is whether they practice "believer baptism" (the individual proclaims their faith in God by being baptized) or "belonging baptism" (a faith community claims the individual on behalf of God through their baptism). The ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) is a "belonging baptism" denomination. This is why infants and young children may be baptized (not just older children, teens, and adults), and why baptism normally takes place in the midst of a worshiping assembly (such as during a Sunday service).

We recognize any baptism and of the Son, and of the Holy need to be re-baptized when someone joins themselves to the faith after being away. If someone has no records of being not have been baptized in the name our "conditional" baptism (have the words

The actions of baptism typically water. Full emersion ("dunking") baptism is not required in the ELCA, but it is designed for splashes or sprinkles, so emersion. For example, we could procure a trough, or we could arrange an alternative location (such as a public beach or residential pool).



conducted "in the name of the Father, Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). There is no a particular congregation or recommits or a member of another denomination. baptized or is concerned that they may Triune God, it is possible to have a and actions repeated, "just in case").

include three splashes or sprinkles of baptism is not required in the ELCA, but it is designed for splashes or sprinkles, so emersion. For example, we could procure a trough, or we could arrange an alternative

We believe that, through baptism (one of only two sacraments recognized by the ELCA), God puts our old sinful self to death and gives us a new spiritual birth. This is not "one and done" individual transformation; it means that we have been adopted into the family of God, including a "church family" through which we will be nurtured to continue growing in faith our whole lives (which is why bodily death is referred to as the completion of our baptismal journey). Another image of the church is the mystical Body of Christ: baptism makes us members of a living organism that has Jesus as its head. Pastor Lois likes to add that the Holy Spirit is its heart.

If you -- or someone you love -- has not been baptized, questions the validity of their baptism, or has questions about the sacrament, please contact Pastor Lois for assistance.

**Most people write Congrats
because they don't know the
spelling of congratulashions**

Thank You

DEAR REFORMATION CHURCH MEMBERS,
I WANT TO THANK THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION
FOR THINKING OF US DURING THIS TIME.
WE ARE USING THIS GIFT TO HELP REBUILD
OUR BATHROOM. IT REALLY MEANS A LOT
TO MY WIFE AND I. GOD BLESS REFORMATION
CHURCH
COABE

Dear Reformation Church Members,
Thank you so much for the
generous monetary gift that
you sent us to help rebuild
our life after the hurricane.
It was a wonderful surprise
and a beautiful blessing. I
cannot tell you what a wonderful
surprise this was. Julia

Sometimes you need to
look at things from a
different perspective.



In
Loving
Memory

Remember our fellow sister in
Christ and her family.

12/03 STEPHAN, Dorothy

PROVIDE A BAG LUNCH

On the third Sunday of each month we pack lunches for our homeless neighbors and their doggie companions, a "God's Work, Our Hands" project we started in 2021. To date in 2022, we have had 36 volunteers who made sandwiches and packed 235 lunches. Your monthly donation of \$5 per household purchases the perishable food but we also need donations of both dry and canned dog food (must have pull tab openings) as well as treats. We also collect travel size personal care items to be distributed as needed.

We need 8 people to help on January 15th following worship. The sign up sheet is on the credenza in the narthex.



BE PART OF THE “COMMISSION CARE” TEAM!

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
- Matthew 28:19 (“The Great Commission”)*

You can leave the baptizing to Pastor Lois, but there are several *other* ways you can live-out your commission as a current-day disciple of Christ! If you have talent or interest in any of these areas of responsibility, please join Reformation’s new “Commission Care” team:

- ⇒ **Visitor Hospitality** (greet people when they arrive for worship, encourage first-time visitors to complete a connection card, introduce newcomers to our pastor, sit with a stranger and answer their questions, help our pastor with connection card follow-up)
- ⇒ **External Communication** (critique existing efforts, update and expand the website, post and share pictures and other material on social media, identify advertising and other means of reaching select neighborhoods or special interest groups)
- ⇒ **Un(der)Churched Engagement** (invite repeat visitors to coffee hour and other congregation events, provide church representation at community events, establish a connection with Florida Polytechnic University, work with standing committees to capitalize on evangelizing aspects of their events).





This new team is being formed as a subcommittee of the Evangelism Committee, but you need not attend monthly meetings to contribute to its success. The goal is to tap-into individual and small group activities to complement existing member-oriented “Congregational Care” efforts, focusing on getting to know and getting to be known by people who are not affiliated with the congregation (yet). Just call or e-mail Pastor Lois (pastorreformationlakeland@gmail.com) to get involved!

LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANING!

- ◇ Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. *That is faith!*
- ◇ When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. *That is trust!*
- ◇ Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up. *That is hope!*
- ◇ We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. *That is confidence!*
- ◇ We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. *That is love!*
- ◇ On an old man’s shirt was written a sentence ‘I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.’ *That is attitude!*

JANUARY 2023

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1 New Year's Day 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Reformation Information	2	3	4 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	5	6 Epiphany 	7 10:30 Undecorate the Sanctuary
8 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Coffee Hour	9	10 9:30 Evangelism	11 9:30 W & M 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	12	13	14
15 8:45 Choir Practice 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Pack Homeless Lunches	16	17 11:30 Dorothy Stephan's Committal Service in Bushnell 6:30 Council	18 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	19	20	21
22 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Coffee w/ Thrivent	23	24	25 12:00 Devotions on Facebook Live	26 10:00 End of Your Life Seminar 1:00 Lunch Bunch @ Abuelo's	27	28
29 8:45 Choir Practice 10:00 Worship w/communion In-Person & Facebook Live Town Hall Meeting	30	31				

EPIPHANY



Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

(in-person and Facebook Live)

Lectionary Bible Study

(3 online devotions/week)

"Adventures in Christianity"

(in-person studies 9 months/year)

Liturgical Worship

Congregational Singing

Weekly Communion

Mostly "55+" Members

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