

Lutheran Lay Fellowship of Metropolitan Washington DC



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Opening Devotion — Independence Day

The United States of America is a constitutional federal republic composed of 50 states, a federal district, five major self-governing territories, and various possessions. Forty-eight of the fifty states and the federal district are contiguous and located in North America between Canada and Mexico. The state of Alaska is in the northwest corner of North America, bordered by Canada to the east and across the Bering Strait from Russia to the west. The state of Hawaii is an archipelago in the mid-Pacific Ocean. The U.S. territories are scattered about the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea. Nine time zones are covered. The geography, climate and wildlife of the country are extremely diverse. At 3.8 million square miles and with over 326 million people, the United States is the world's third- or fourth-largest country by total area, third-largest by land area, and the third-most populous. It is one of the world's most ethnically diverse and multicultural nations, and is home to the world's largest immigrant population. Though its population is only 4.3% of the world total, Americans hold nearly 40% of the total wealth in the world.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States

Prayers for Our Nation

God our Father, you guide everything in wisdom and love. Accept the prayers we offer for our nation; by the wisdom of our leaders and integrity of our citizens, may harmony and justice be secured and may there be lasting prosperity and peace. Amen.

Roman Liturgy

Heavenly Father, source of all truth and wisdom, who knows and loves the whole creation, watch over our nation: that truth may prevail over distortion, wisdom triumph over recklessness and the concerns of every person be heard.

Lord Jesus, who chose the way of the cross in the Garden of Gethsemane, help us to turn our backs on self interest and to support policies that sustain the poor, the vulnerable and the frightened people of this world.

Holy Spirit, who brought understanding among myriad peoples and languages at Pentecost, give to all your people a passion for peace and inspire us to work for unity and co-operation throughout the world and in our political life together. Amen.

<http://www.churchofengland.org>

Martin Luther Movie

500 years ago, Martin Luther triggered a seismic upheaval that rocked the western world-with an impact that continues to reverberate to this day. This entertaining new film follows the great adventure story of Luther's life, packed with political intrigue, kidnappings, secret hideouts, and life-or-death showdowns. At the same time, it's a story about the most important questions of life, including "Who am I?" "What is my purpose" and "How do I get right with God?"

It's a must-see for any lifelong Lutheran, and a chance to share the message of our Lutheran heritage with others. These September and October 2017 screenings are the perfect outreach opportunity -- a chance to invite friends and neighbors to an entertaining event in our community.

This is the first time in more than 60 years that Lutherans have made a feature-length film about Martin Luther and the Reformation. Filmed in historic locations across Europe, this movie brings Luther's story to life with exquisite attention to detail. It's a way to strengthen our faith by revisiting the birth of Protestant Reformation, and a chance to share that experience with others.

Please join us for one of the following screenings in the Washington DC metropolitan area. Lutheran Lay Fellowship is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation and donations beyond the cost of the ticket will benefit Fellowship Square Foundation and its residents.

Monday, September 18, 2017 7:30pm–9:28pm

Regal Springfield Town 12 with RPX

6500 Springfield Town Center, Springfield, VA 22150

<https://www.tugg.com/events/martin-luther-the-idea-that-changed-the-world-hsph>

Monday, September 25, 2017 7:30pm–9:28pm

Regal Majestic Stadium 20 & IMAX

900 Ellsworth Dr, Silver Spring, MD 20910

<https://www.tugg.com/events/martin-luther-the-idea-that-changed-the-world-edvy>

Monday, October 2, 2017 7:30pm–9:28pm

AMC Magic Johnson Capital Center 12 & IMAX

800 Shoppers Way, Largo, MD 20774

<https://www.tugg.com/events/martin-luther-the-idea-that-changed-the-world-zjvw>

Monday, October 9, 2017 7:30pm–9:28pm

AMC Tysons Corner 16

7850 Tysons Corner Center, McLean, VA 22102

https://www.tugg.com/events/martin-luther-the-idea-that-changed-the-world-ay_v

If there is enough interest, additional screenings will be held.

Let Dave Lambert know if you and your church are interested.

http://www.LutheranLayFellowship.org/info/2017/2017-08-01_LLF_Luther-Poster-Info.pdf

Fellowship Square News

Fellowship Square Foundation Extends Chaplaincy Agreement

Fellowship Square Foundation, a faith-based organization that provides housing for some 800 low-income older adults and people with disabilities in the metropolitan Washington, DC area, has extended its chaplaincy agreement with the Rev. Fred Klein.

The Rev. Klein has been providing ministry to Fellowship Houses since 2012. He is Pastor Emeritus at Living Savior Lutheran Church in Fairfax Station, VA, where he was the founding pastor of the church and served the congregation for 21 years. He also served at Christ Lutheran Church in Seaford, DE and Ascension Lutheran Church in Charlotte, NC.

FSF's Wegener Chaplaincy was established by a gift from the members of Georgetown Lutheran Church in honor of their long-time pastor, the Rev. William Wegner's, retirement. The Wegner Chaplaincy at FSF continues to be sustained by donations from individuals and faith communities. While FSF residents receive government-funded subsidies, the Chaplaincy program for residents is supported solely by private donations.

FSF operates four properties designed for those persons over age 62 with limited incomes and can live independently, as well as persons with disabilities. They are: Lake Anne Fellowship House and Hunters Woods Fellowship House (Reston, VA), Lake Ridge Fellowship House (Woodbridge, VA) and Largo Landing Fellowship House (Upper Marlboro, MD). The properties include 667 total units - a range of efficiency, studio and one-bedroom apartments as well as ADA (Americans with Disability Act) accessible apartment units - together with social halls and common areas to build an engaged, supportive community of residents.

To make a donation to support this important program or for more information about FSF housing options and volunteer opportunities, visit www.fellowshipsquare.org.

Caring & Sharing

Do you have news to share?

Is there something in your life or in the life of your congregation you would like to share with other members of the Lutheran Lay Fellowship to be published in a future LLF Newsletter? Have you been on a mission trip or taken a special vacation? Is your church doing something new and different that might be of interest to other congregations?

Send articles to webmaster@LutheranLayFellowship.org.

Three LLF Meetings a Month

LLF Wheaton - The Executive Committee meets on the first Monday of the month at Panera Bread in the Wheaton Mall. All are welcome. Organizer: John Corkill

LLF Bethesda - Christ Lutheran Church is located at 8011 Old Georgetown Road in Bethesda. Join Dave Lambert for the "Lunch Bunch" on the second Wednesday of the month.

LLF Tyson Corner - Bob "Sarge" Sargeant invites you to a Northern Virginia meeting at Brio Tuscan Grille in the Tyson Corner Mall. No meetings in September or October. Come instead to one of the Martin Luther movie nights.

Meeting Schedule

1st Monday	Aug 7	LLF Wheaton	11:00-12:30
2nd Wednesday	Aug 9	LLF Bethesda	12:00-1:30
5th THURSDAY*	Aug 31	LLF Tyson Corner	12:00-1:30
1st TUESDAY*	Sep 5	LLF Wheaton	2:00-3:30pm
2nd Wednesday	Sep 13	LLF Bethesda	12:00-1:30
Monday Movie	Sep 18	Springfield VA	7:30-9:28pm
Monday Movie	Sep 25	Silver Spring MD	7:30-9:28pm
Monday Movie	Oct 2	Largo MD	7:30-9:28pm
Monday Movie	Oct 9	Tyson Corner VA	7:30-9:28pm

(*) due to vacations and Labor Day long holiday weekend.

For updated information see www.LutheranLayFellowship.org and click on "Calendar"
