

Our Saviour Lutheran Church

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The Fifth Sunday after Trinity 16 July 2017

Today's Hymns: 589, 750, 629, 825

Catechism

P The Sixth Commandment

C **You shall not commit adultery.**

P What is this?

C **We should fear and love God so that we live chastely and decently in our words and actions, and everyone loves and honours their spouse.**

Turn to the Introit on the laminated card.

Volunteer Rota

Today: Music: Daniel — Sunday School: Sarah — Teas: Anne

Next week: Music: ?? — Sunday School: ?? — Teas: Diane

In Our Prayers

Members

Ron; Sindy & Nikola; Diane

Family of members

Roly (dementia); Ian (Parkinson's); Claire Annis (health); Shirley Thomas (breast cancer); Jack & Joan Fast (dementia & lung cancer); Doug & Myra (health); Barry (diabetic infection)

Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Jim Ferguson (stroke); Dell (spinal injury); Gus & Mae (health); Becky Varsogea (brain tumour); Claire & Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Charlotte (cancer); Graham (cancer); John (cancer); Brian (cancer); Wally & Yvonne (stroke); Doreen & Ray (health); Gina & family; Tim (health); Doris (health); Richard (mental health); Lynette Wiebusch

(Alzheimer's); Anne (recovering from cancer); Florrie (operation); Karran (broken leg)

Local Community

Leanne (health); Tina (depression); Treacher family; Zac (leukemia)

ELCE

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Pr. Samiec; Pr. Edge, Pr. Jones (health); Wendy Nicolson (cancer); baby Christian Graham (cancer)

The Church of God

Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church of Germany; Holy Trinity CoffE; Ameer, Sana & daughters, Naveed, Jawid (persecution); Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Lutheran Church, Pr. Mohamed Gurhan

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD
APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION
ARTICLES VII & VIII: THE CHURCH

[Our opponents] have condemned Article VII of our Confession, in which we said that the Church is the congregation of saints. The adversaries have added a long essay stating that the wicked are not to be separated from the Church, since John the Baptist has compared the Church to a threshing floor on which wheat and chaff are heaped together (Matthew 3:12), and Christ has compared it to a net in which there are both good and bad fish (Matthew 13:47). This is a true saying: “There is no remedy against the attacks of the slanderer.” Nothing can be spoken with such care that it can escape ridicule. For this reason we have added Article VIII. Let no one think that we separate the wicked and hypocrites from the outward fellowship of the Church, or that we deny power to Sacraments administered by hypocrites or wicked men. There is no need here of a long defence against this slander ...

But the Church is not only the fellowship of outward objects and rites, as other governments, but at its core, it is a fellowship of faith and of the Holy Spirit in hearts. Yet this fellowship has outward marks so that it can be recognized. These marks are the pure doctrine of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments in accordance with the Gospel of Christ. This Church alone is called Christ’s body, which Christ renews, sanctifies, and governs by His Spirit. Paul testifies about this when he says, “And gave Him as head over all things to the Church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all” (Ephesians 1:22–23). Those in whom Christ does not act are not the members of Christ. The adversaries admit this too. The wicked are “dead” members of the Church. We wonder why the adversaries have found fault with our description that speaks of living members. Neither have we said anything new. Paul has defined the Church precisely in the same way, that it should be cleansed in order to be holy. He adds the outward marks, the Word and Sacraments. For he says:

Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her, that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that He might present the Church to Himself in splendour, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. (Ephesians 5:25–27)

Paragraphs 1–7

Christians Together in Fareham presents

A Monk's Tale

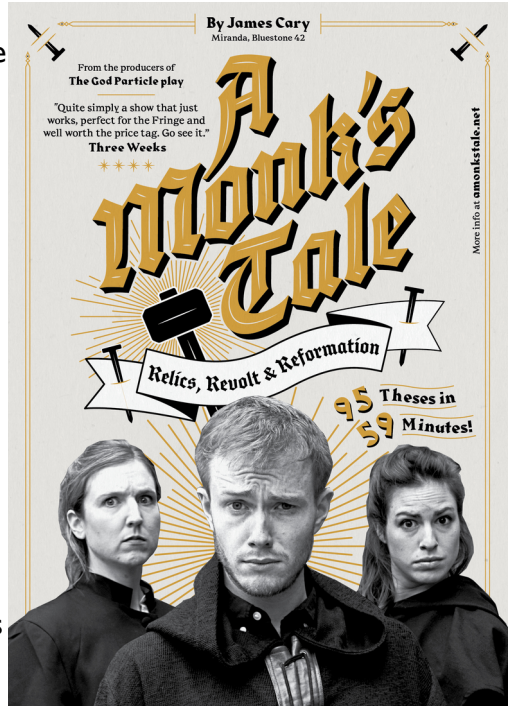
on Friday 22nd September 2017 at 7.30pm
at Fareham Community Church

This show is about Martin Luther. And it's for people who aren't quite sure which Luther we're talking about. With a feeling of Horrible Histories and Monty Python, A Monk's Tale helps the audience understand the unfamiliar medieval mindset, and exactly what Luther was trying to do with his 95 Theses, which sparked one of the most significant movements in history: the Reformation.

The show is light, accessible and funny, using sketches, and songs to explain the specifics of the story: the indulgences, purgatory, the sacraments and theological disputes of the period. As the play unfolds, the audience will be informed and challenged as well as entertained and amused.

Suitable for all ages and all faiths, as well as skeptics, the fast-paced hour-long show also covers the Wycliffe and the Lollards, popes, princes and the seismic changes brought on by the internet of its time, the Printing Press.

Tickets will soon be available for sale at church.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

The Week Ahead

Today	6 pm	Youth Club
Mon–Thu		Pastor at <i>Corpus Christi</i> youth conference (Germany)
Sun	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	3 pm	Bible study at Oxford Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service at Oxford Mission

Further Ahead

25 Jul	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	7.30 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
26 Jul	10.30 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Merry Hall
	7pm	Divine Service—St. James the Apostle
30 Jul	10.30 am	Morning Service (Scout Hall) – Pastor in Coventry
31 Jul–17 Aug		<i>Pastor on annual leave</i>
6 Aug	10.30 am	Morning Service (Scout Hall)— <i>Special Offering for Overseas Missions</i>
	5 pm	Duo Kiyv Concert (see poster on the notice board)
13 Aug	10.30 am	Morning Service (Scout Hall)
20 Aug	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	3.30 pm	Bible study at Brighton Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service at Brighton Mission
23 Aug	10.30 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Merry Hall
27 Aug–1 Sep		Pastor on annual leave
27 Aug	10.30 am	Morning Service (Scout Hall)— <i>Ladies' Guild Mites</i>
2 Sep	5.30 pm	Community Fun Night (Scout Hall)
3 Sep	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	12.15 pm	Voters' Assembly
	6 pm	Youth Club

Daily Readings:

Sun:	Judges 16:4–30	Judg 17:1–21:25	Galatians 4:12–31	<i>Apology of the Augsburg Confession II (I):5–22</i>
Mon:	1 Samuel 1:1–20	Gal 5:1–26	<i>Ap II (I):23–34</i>	
Tue:	1 Sam 1:21–2:17	Gal 6:1–18	<i>Ap II (I):35–51</i>	
Wed:	1 Sam 2:18–36	Acts 15:22–41	<i>Ap III, IV (II):1–11</i>	
Thu:	1 Sam 3:1–21	Acts 16:1–22	<i>Ap IV (II):12–21</i>	
Fri:	1 Sam 4:1–22	Acts 17:1–34	Acts 16:23–40	<i>Ap IV (II):22–35</i>
Sat:	1 Sam 5:1–6:3, 10–16	Acts 18:1–11, 23–28	<i>Ap IV (II):36–47</i>	
Sun:	1 Sam 6:19–7:17	Acts 19:23–21:14	Acts 19:1–22	<i>Ap IV (II):48–60</i>