

**2018 FLGA District Convention**

The 33rd Regular District Convention will be held in Orlando,  
June 22-24, 2018 at the

**Wyndham Orlando Resort International Drive.**

Pastor Sielk and Mike Parages will be attending

All information regarding the Convention will be posted at:

<http://flgadistrict.org/conventions/>

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**BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB**

**Friday, June 15th at Nancy Perez's**

Come at 10:30 AM for coffee and snacks. Lunch will follow

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**COMING SOON!**

**MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**

**AT 7:30**

**"The Fruits of the Spirit"**

Led by Serena Lowman and Pastor Sielk

Signup Sheet at the Narthex—Contact Serena for further information

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**GOOD SAMARITAN DINNER**

**June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5PM**

**HONORING JENNY AND RALPH BRUGAL**

**Start making plans to attend this festive and fun occasion in  
recognition to those who have served the Lord and our  
community well.**

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"Some people give time, some give money, some their skills and  
connections, some literally give their life's blood. But everyone  
has something to give. Barbara Bush.

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**ELDERS' CONTACT NUMBERS:**

*Anyone in our congregation may contact any of the Elders at anytime for issues related  
to ministry, spiritual concerns, and counseling. Please use this roster as your guide.  
You may elect to contact any Elder you like.*

Mike Parages: 305 525 9904

Robert Kelley: 305 300 5774

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**St Paul Touchpoint**

*May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*Bulletin Board of*

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**REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS**

English Service—Sundays	9:00 AM	
Spanish Service—Sundays	11:00 AM	
Sunday School--Sundays	10:45 AM	
Lutheran Hour Ministries--Sundays	9:00 AM	9:40 WINZ AM Radio
LWML Monthly--1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	6:30 PM	Women's
Lifelight Bible Study—Mondays	7:30 PM	Rm. 10
Men's Bible Study—Thursdays	7:00 PM	Upper Room
Book of the Month—		Third Friday of the month
<b>ELDERS' MEETING</b>	<b>Second Tuesday, 7 PM</b>	Next 06/12
<b>CHURCH COUNCIL</b>	<b>Fourth Tuesday, 7 PM</b>	Next 05/22

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASSES**

Preschool 2/3/4	Room # 5
Kindergarten/Grades 1-2	Room # 12
Grades 3-5	Room # 1
Grades 6-8	Room # 8
Grades 9-12	Upper Room
Adults	Room # 6
Senior Adults	Room # 10
College/Young Adult	Office Conference Room

Continue to give faithfully and generously to our church from your time, talents, and financial resources, for this too is the worship of God and benefits His people and our community.

*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not Reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7*

**LIFTING UP OTHERS IN PRAYER:**

*Please do keep us updated on the status of your prayer requests. Call or email the church office to confirm or modify your requests for prayer or praise. From time to time we will change the prayer list according to our best knowledge.*

- Mario Gurian:** Pray for a successful upcoming operation.
- Mary Reeds:** Pray for her friend **Judy** as she travels in Scandinavia for five weeks. Pray for safety and enjoyment and a general good time. *(It's good to have good friends. God is good)*
- Linda Oxholm:** Pray for Linda as she is still looking for an efficiency apartment which would accept pets. Any information, please contact her or the Church office.
- Gigi Graff:** Continue to pray for the Graff family as they mourn the passing of their beloved son, Tim. Pray also for Giggi and John's on-going health and life challenges.
- Nila Parages:** Upcoming procedure liver related. Please do pray.
- George Torres:** Pray for Coach as he is still dealing with VA procedures and treatments. All our best, amigo!
- Evelyn Fredrickson:** Pray for health related issues.
- Elizabeth Wenzel:** Always pray for Elizabeth as she deals with health and living situation issues.
- Shut-Ins:** Always pray for the members of our community who are unable to join us for worship but whom we always miss among us.
- Teens and Young Adults:** Pray for a consistent Christian witness towards our teens and young adults as they confront an increasingly hostile culture which denies godly values. Pray that they may always feel welcome in our midst, valued, and spiritually cared for. Pray that they may learn to be meaningfully engaged with the world around them in all the issues of the day, and yet not lose the centrality of the their Christian faith.

**Pray for those who are still looking for employment Continue to pray for the victims of senseless gunfire. Pray for our country at large as we honestly and painfully deal with issues related to gun violence. May our prayers lead to concrete, godly actions, to peace, and to safety for all.**

**TIM GRAFF MEMORIAL SERVICE**

**Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM**

All members of the St. Paul Congregation, and relatives and friends, are invited to attend Tim Graff's memorial service on this date. We shall gather to remember, mourn, and celebrate the life of our dear Tim whom we shall always carry in hearts until we meet again in the verdant fields of heaven.

*All our Love and heart-felt condolences to the Graff family.*

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**Biennial LWML Convention:**

**Praise and prayers:** Both homonyms describe important elements of our faith life, and both relate especially at this time to **the 38th Biennial LWML Convention to be held in Mobile, Alabama, from June 20-23, 2019.** The convention theme is "In Praise to the LORD!" based on 1 Chronicles 16:23-24a, *Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations.* Giving God praise and declaring his glory is absolutely integral to Lutheran Women in Mission! As with any endeavor, prayer is the first step. Pray that the convention's goal "**to praise and proclaim the Lord among all the nations**" is blessed so that Christ's saving power will be brought into the lives of those who don't know Him. Please pray for the host districts of Florida-Georgia, Gulf States, and Louisiana-Mississippi as they make plans for the 2019 national convention in Mobile. **Prayerfully consider attending the convention and using your time and talents to assist the Host Committee.** Check your district's LWML website for information on how you can help; you will find many opportunities to serve on the Call for Workers form. Praise and pray(er)s are essential; let's join together to declare His glory!

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**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY--THURSDAYS AT 7PM  
IN THE UPPER ROOM**

**ALL MEN ARE INVITED TO FELLOWSHIP, STUDY, AND SERVE GOD**

**J BESIDES, WE HAVE FANCY RECLINERS AND A BIG TV.... J**

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"Would you be willing to take a little bit of time on Memorial Day (Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>) to do two things? One is to thank God for the successful outcomes of the sacrifices that these graves represent. Our country is a free and blessed place, and our freedom was bought at a terrible price. Second, will you rededicate yourself to sharing the good news of Jesus so that as many people as possible will be rejoicing on resurrection day? As you think about cemeteries, realize that God has the last word: 'Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt'