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The Messiah Messenger



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Gabriel's Glad Tidings



Hey friends,

This month I am going to visit St. Mark Lutheran School a couple of times.

The first time is to see their pre-school kids. That's going to be fun!

The second time is to attend chapel, because this month's chapel offerings support the Comfort Dog Ministry! That's so generous of them!

My Jesus likes when His people are generous.

He even says, "**God loves a cheerful giver**" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

I like to give out snuggles and smiles. (Those are some of my favorite things!)

What do you give to others out of your cheerful heart?

Maybe it's your smile and a kind word.

Maybe it's your skills to help someone out.

Maybe it's a hug and a prayer.

Maybe it's a donation like the kids at St. Mark.

There are all sorts of things that we can give out of a cheerful heart.

And when we give from our cheerful heart, it passes the cheer on to someone else.

So be of good cheer — and stay PAWSOME!

— Your friend Gabriel



God loves a cheerful giver



From the Pastor



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Through their brave confession of God's Word they unearthed a treasure that had been long buried, the precious teaching that we are saved by grace alone through faith alone for the sake of Christ alone.

The will of Jesus is that we who are the heirs of the Reformation would continue to carry this saving message into the world.

Dear Friends in Christ,



In the 1996 hit movie *Jerry Maguire*, Tom Cruise plays the title character, a “win at all costs” sports agent, who has an epiphany.

He drafts a twenty-five page mission statement that he hopes will reform the cutthroat sports agency business to care more about the players than the money.

For speaking his mind, he gets fired.

It was All Hallows Eve in 1517 when a monk in the university town of Wittenberg, Germany, did his own “Jerry Maguire.”

He posted a memo on the town bulletin board.

Rather than getting fired, however, he kindled a fire, a fire that we call the Reformation Movement.

The monk was Martin Luther.

The town bulletin board was the church door.

The memo was the Ninety-Five Theses.

And our world would never be the same.

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As Luther penned in his hymn “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”,

Proclaim the wonders God has done,

How His right arm the vict'ry won.

What price our ransom cost Him!

In Christ,
Pastor Engel

