



LUTHERAN NETWORK

Proposing Use of the
Network to Your
Congregation

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Form Letter

TO: [Board of Elders / Church Council / Voters Assembly / Fellowship Committee]

FROM: [Your Name]

DATE: [Date]

RE: Proposal to Adopt Lutheran Network for [Congregation Name]

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am writing to propose that [Congregation Name] establish a presence on **Lutheran Network**, a forum platform built specifically for confessional Lutheran communities.

The Challenge We Face

Like many congregations, we recognize the value of staying connected throughout the week – beyond Sunday morning worship and midweek studies. However, our current digital communication methods present challenges:

- Important announcements get lost in email inboxes or social media feeds
- Discussions are fragmented across multiple platforms (Facebook, text chains, email threads)
- Algorithm-driven social media prioritizes sensationalism over meaningful fellowship
- Privacy concerns and advertising clutter compromise the integrity of our conversations
- Resources shared online quickly disappear in the scroll

What Lutheran Network Offers

Lutheran Network is a forum-based platform designed as a sacred digital space for confessional Lutherans. It provides:

For Our Congregation:

- A dedicated community space where members can connect, discuss, and share throughout the week
- Organized channels for announcements, prayer requests, Bible study discussions, and fellowship
- Built-in video chat with recording and transcription for services, meetings, Bible studies, or member gatherings
- File sharing and resource libraries that don't disappear
- Moderation tools to maintain a God-pleasing environment
- An ad-free, algorithm-free space focused on edification, not entertainment

Connection to the Broader Lutheran Church:

- Access to theological discussions with confessional Lutherans worldwide
- A private pastoral channel for our pastor to connect with fellow pastors for support and encouragement
- Topical channels covering theology, family life, education, culture, and ministry
- Opportunities to learn from and coordinate with other Lutheran congregations and ministries

Stewardship Considerations

Cost: Community hosting begins at [Cost]/month for up to [Number of Members] members and [Number of Community Groups] community groups, with scaling options available.

Time Investment: Initial setup requires approximately 1-2 hours. Ongoing administration is minimal, similar to managing a bulletin board or Facebook group.

Privacy & Control: We maintain full control over our community space, including who can join, what can be posted, and how information is organized.



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How This Serves Our Mission

Lutheran Network does not replace our gathered worship, our fellowship meals, or our face-to-face ministry. Rather, it extends and strengthens these bonds throughout the week. As Hebrews 10:24-25 exhorts us: "Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together."

This platform can help us:

- Strengthen connections between Sunday services
- Provide pastoral care and prayer support throughout the week
- Equip members with resources for faith, family, and vocation
- Build deeper community among those who may be geographically distant or schedule-constrained
- Model what it means to gather digitally with purpose and intention

Recommended Next Steps

I propose that we:

- **Explore the platform** – I encourage board members to visit lutheran.network to review features and pricing
- **Pilot the community** – Launch a trial period (3-6 months) to assess effectiveness and member engagement
- **Assign a coordinator** – Designate someone to manage initial setup and moderate discussions
- **Communicate the launch** – Announce the community through bulletins, newsletters, and from the pulpit
- **Evaluate and adjust** – Review usage and feedback to determine if this tool serves our congregation well

Conclusion

"For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints." – 1 Corinthians 14:33

Lutheran Network offers us an opportunity to reclaim digital space for purposeful, confessional fellowship. I believe this platform can be a valuable tool in our congregation's ministry, helping us stay connected, grow together, and support one another in faith and life.

I welcome your questions and discussion of this proposal. If you would like to check out the network visit lutheran.network and register an account using my personal invite code: [Personal Invite Code]

May our LORD bless this consideration and establish the work of our hands.

In Christ,

[Your Signature]

[Your Name]

[Your Contact Information]