

A World of Weeds

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The 7th Sunday after Pentecost
23 July, A.D. 2017
Is. 44:6-8; Rom. 8:18-27; Mt. 13:24-30, 36-43

“He who has ears, let him hear.”

Matthew 13:39b-43a, “The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴² and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.”

We have an enemy who wants to destroy us.

Who do the weeds represent?

Who does the wheat represent?

Why aren't we the ones who judge?

Our lesson teaches us four things:

1.

2.

3.

4.

Please join us for an enriching experience at the
2017 St. Paul's Marriage Retreat.

November 10 - 12, 2017

***Celebrating the Journey with Christ:
On the Same Page***

Cost per couple:

\$350 (**Early Bird Special**- If booked and paid prior to 8/31/17.
The first 20 to register are also guaranteed Lake View Rooms)

\$375 (If booked after 9/1/17) Final Registration 9/18/17

This low cost includes 2 nights stay and a Dinner Buffet for two on
Saturday night!

Where: Blue Harbor Resort

725 Blue Harbor Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

www.blueharborresort.com www.visitsheboygan.com

Registration Form: Please find this on www.splco.org.

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A Cord of Three Strands is not Easily Broken
Ecclesiastes 4:12



***To help keep costs down there are Sponsorship opportunities!
Sponsors will be recognized in the Epistle, Bulletin and at the
Retreat. Thank you for supporting the Marriage Ministry!***

- Refreshment Breaks (3) - \$200
- AV and Conference Materials - \$250
- Sponsor a couple - \$375
- Friday Night Social Hour - \$500

Free-to-Serve Capital Campaign*

as of July 17, 2017

<u>Campaign Pledges</u>	<u>\$1,119,970</u>
<u>Pledges Received</u>	<u>\$517,842</u>
<u>Distributions</u>	<u>\$358,200</u>
<i>Mortgage Payments</i>	<i>\$275,000</i>
<i>Lutheran High School Assoc.</i>	<i>\$17,600</i>
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	<i>\$8,800</i>
<i>Family Promise</i>	<i>\$8,800</i>
<i>Miscellaneous Expenses**</i>	<i>\$48,000</i>
<u>Account Balance</u>	<u>\$159,642</u>

We encourage all members to prayerfully consider contributing to this worthwhile campaign, on a continuing basis, a one time basis, or whatever amount a member would be comfortable contributing.

*Campaign runs Sep 1, 2015 thru Aug 31, 2018

**Consulting Fees, brochures, etc.