

A pandemic and presidential election, riots and racism—the year 2020 is filled with things that can divide even your congregation's members. This month. Forward in Christ authors tackle some of these issues:

- How do we love fellow Christians when different opinions divide us? (p. 12)
- Can a Christian vote for a political candidate who supports abortion? (p. 14)
- Does the church see color? (p. 5)

Share these articles with your members through social media, worship folder announcements, the church's monthly newsletter, an online Bible study, or weekly e-mail encouragements to start important conversations based on God's Word.

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In October's WELS Connection, you'll hear from Martin Luther College's president, Rev. Richard Gurgel, about the importance of training the next generation of pastors, teachers, and staff ministers, especially during these difficult times. Discover more about MLC's new president on the pages of this month's magazine (p. 22).



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Christian nurses can show servant leadership through their often behind-the-scenes work in providing care to those in need. This month, you'll meet several nurses who share their faith and show their love in hospitals and parishes (pp. 18-21).

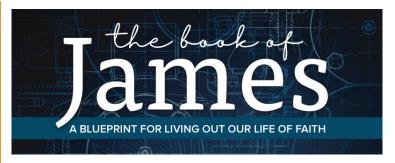


The lectionary this month includes several parables that Jesus used to teach lessons to his followers. But why did he use parables? And what do these parables teach us about our Savior and the kingdom of heaven? Encourage your members to dig deeper as two pastors serving at Luther Preparatory School examine these earthly stories with heavenly meanings (pp. 26-29).

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Faith and works. How do they connect? Don't miss Richard Lauersdorf's Bible study on this often-misunderstood portion of the book of James (p. 31).