

Greetings to Cheshire Lutheran from President Yeadon

Dear Pastor Rowold and Saints of Cheshire Lutheran Church,

It has come to my attention (and I thank you for bringing it to my attention) that June of this year is a special month for you at Cheshire Lutheran Church. Oh how we need the encouragement of what you celebrate in these months that in all other ways are the strangest and most soul shaking in which we have lived our lives.

Sincerest congratulations from me and your New England District Family for the sixty years you have been a living congregation in Cheshire. May I say that my own lifetime on earth, which is 60 years, means that when you began as Cheshire Lutheran Church I began my own days here on earth! May I also say that like you, I hope for any number of years more from Jesus to serve him and to bless the people in the towns where we live.

It is also my understanding that sixty years ago our beloved Pastor Nuechterlein began his Cheshire ministry with you as well. I hope and pray that based on past actions and words of mine that you know I hold Pastor and Gloria in the highest place of my heart before the Lord. They remain my model of what it means to be a child of God. I assure you that in my own parish ministry in New Hartford, which was a mere 30 years, not a day would have passed when I would not have thought of Pastor Nuechterlein with the words in my heart and soul: "I want to be like him." I still consider him to be that example to me.

Please know we rejoice with you. We celebrate with you. We are thankful to the Lord for the partnership we enjoy with Pastor Rowold and all of you. Our hearts soar with you today to the throne of Jesus Christ.

God be with you and all praise to Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Church and the Savior of all who are in it!

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