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WE HAVE A WINNER

Dear Gathering Grownups,

A while back we introduced a contest for the best quick answer to the question "What is a Lutheran?" knowing that as we interact with the people of Houston, we will often be the first Lutherans they have ever met, Matthias Letsche of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Waverly, Iowa, has submitted the winning entry:

A Lutheran is a version of the bigger church called Christianity. A definition of a Lutheran is someone who believes, teaches, and proclaims God's love through our words and actions. We follow the Bible and use the writings by Martin Luther. Martin Luther was a reformer of the Catholic church in the 1500s.

Congratulation, Matthias! All 16 members of Matthias' Gathering Group will receive an ELCA Youth Gathering luggage tag to adorn their suitcases on the journey.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Mark". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Your Gathering Partner in Ministry,