



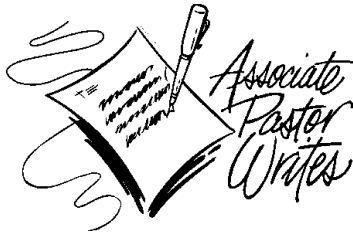
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St. John's Lutheran Church *Visitor*

Engaging God in Our Daily Life.

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Jesus says, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." - Matthew 11:28-30

One of the churches that I pass during my daily commute has the sign, "Going on vacation? Don't forget to invite Jesus to come with you!" The first time I saw it, I scoffed. Honestly. Jesus is God. God is omnipresent--in all places. How is Jesus not going to show up on your vacation? It is true, though, that when we break routines we sometimes find our prayer routine gets broken, too. Jesus is coming with us, wherever we go, but let's think about some ways to acknowledge and thank him for being there.

Prayer is the clearest form of communication with God. My family prays before setting out on long car trips and even as we plan where we're headed. It's nothing elaborate, just a way to calm our anxieties and ask God to care for us and all travelers. With larger groups, Responsive Prayer 2 in the green Lutheran Book of Worship is another way to give focus to God as we set out.

Another form of prayer is engaging God by being attentive. Notice the intricate veins on the back of a leaf, the shift in cultures from one part of the world to another, or simply the feeling of your own body as you relax. Thank God for the amazing detail in creation and appreciate what he has done.

One big way to connect with God is to worship him on Sunday mornings. If you find yourselves out of town over the weekend make some time to find a local church. God speaks in different ways to different communities, and it can be interesting to see what the Holy Spirit is up to in the place you're visiting. It's also a great way to keep children in a routine. If finding a congregation isn't an option (hiking the Appalachian Trail, for example, or needing to travel to get back in time for work), then worship on your own. Read a Bible passage, sing a familiar hymn or song, reflect on Jesus' presence in your life, and pray. You'll be amazed at how God can use that time.

Who among us is not weary? Who does not carry heavy burdens? Jesus knows that we need rest for our souls. We find that rest in our own backyard, in the smell of the ocean, in the rustle of the wind through the leaves on a hike. We find it easier to listen to Jesus when we set apart time to do so. Take time this summer. Make time this summer, to let God renew your souls.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Emily



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Fred Butehorn
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Greg Pack | 07/07
Peggy Milligan | 07/16
Taylor Bondy | 07/23
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Cynthia Miller |
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Rachel Mileski | 07/08
Rubye Dellinger
Benjamin Dohse | 07/17
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Peter Knapp | 07/24
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Mikaela Jones | 07/18
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Sharon Fulk
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Richard Cantrell | 07/10
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Veronica Peroglio | 07/12
Jo Tiner | 07/20
Sonia Carlson | 07/28
Buddy Metz, Jr.
Jonne Miley |
| 07/06
Kare Kragas
Ruth McHam
Sarah Nunamaker | 07/14
Brad Bauss | 07/21
Fred Bertha
Kiley Shelley | 07/30
Rudolf Faltermeier |
| | 07/15
Howard Carlson
Les MacBay | 07/22
Sarah Bauss
Renee Willoughby | |

OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

9:00AM

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

10:00AM

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

11:00

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WEDNESDAY MID-WEEK WORSHIP

11:00 PASTORS' BIBLE STUDY

12:15 WORSHIP

12:45 LUNCH

OUR STAFF

Mike Shackelford, Senior Pastor
Emily Edenfield, Associate Pastor
Everette Lineberger, Pastor Emeritus
Frankie Deal, Music Director & Organist
Martin Aigner, Interim Choir Director
Chris Sigmon, Contemporary Worship Leader
Carey Gillespie, Parish Secretary
Chip Hicks, Sexton
Pete Burgess, Volunteer Parish Nurse
Members of the Congregation, Ministers

SOUP KITCHEN SERVANT TEAMS

St. John's has teams of persons serving at the Second Presbyterian Soup Kitchen on **Fridays from 10:00am until around 12:30pm** assisting with food preparation and serving, straightening up food storage, stocking shelves, helping in the "children's room," cleaning up, etc. **We are in need of more volunteers.** If you want to spend a rewarding 2 hours helping prepare food to serve some hungry folks, please contact any of the soup kitchen servants listed below. The Servant Teams serving for June are:

JULY 04

Cheryl Pettis
 Lori Conn
 Kathie McKenzie
 Kitty Hagglund
 Jacquie Maidel
 Ed Maidel

JULY 11

Linda Turner
 Robin Hunsinger
 Gisela Mezger

JULY 18

Brenda Ellison
 John Dennis
 David Lybrand



Congregation Council Leaders

Serving Through 2014

LUANN BRYANT
WALKER STOCKLEY
PATTY CULBREATH
LESLIE CONNOR
AKSEL WAGNER, *Youth Representative*

Serving Through 2015

BILL HUNSINGER
KEVIN LAGEMAN
JUDY LYBRAND
STEPHEN MCKINNEY

Serving Through 2016

COREY CARSON
STEVE GRIMM
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AL STRESING

Congregation Officers for 2014

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Christian Education..... Leslie Connor
Communication Technology..... Steve Grimm
Evangelism..... Al Stresing
Fellowship..... Corey Carson
Finance..... Bill Hunsinger
Health Ministry..... Patty Culbreath
Property..... Jamin Hujik
Social Ministry..... Stephen McKinney
Stewardship..... Al Stresing
Vibrant Faith..... Mike Van Pelt
Worship & Music..... Judy Lybrand
Youth Ministry..... Luann Bryant

NEWS of the Women of the ELCA

Circle 1 10:00AM, Tuesday, July 01 Leader/Program: TBA
Circle 2 NO MEETING
Circle 3 7:00PM, Monday, July 07 Meeting – TBA
Circle 4 NO MEETING
Circle 5 Picnic TBA

NO WELCA Board Meeting Next Meeting: 9:30AM, Wednesday, August 20th



2014 Women of the ELCA Officers

Chair _____ Tracey Bishop
President-Elect _____ Luann Bryant
Secretary _____ Judy Lybrand
Treasurer _____ Sharon Butehorn
Action _____ Donna Sheridan
Growth _____ Kitty Hagglund
Community _____ Lori Conn

If you have any questions about joining a circle and want to know more about WELCA, please call Kitty Hagglund at 574-0895

Total Ministries Mobile Food Pantry

When: Thursday, August 7th

Where: St. John's Parish Life Center

Volunteers needed to work at Total Ministries on Union St. to help with registration on Monday, August 4th, from 9am-4pm.

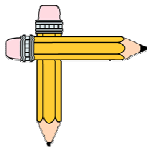
Volunteers needed to organize the supplies in the PLC on Wednesday, August 6th.

Volunteers to distribute food in the PLC, on Thursday, August 7th, Time TBA

Sign up sheets will be posted in the Fellowship Hall



For further information, please contact Tina Nichols at 590-5022 or Stephen McKinney at 580-1118.



COUNCIL CORNER

JUNE 2014

At the June monthly meeting, Council ...

- Met early for a mid-year review of our goals set at the January retreat
- Planned for upcoming events, including: Servant Sunday on June 29, the Mobile Food Pantry on August 6 and 7, an "End of Summer Blast" in late August (in partnership with Pine Street School), Rally Day on August 24, Servant Sunday on August 31, a Property Workday on September 20, and Anniversary/Homecoming September 28.
- Approved LCY Fundraisers at Fuddruckers (July 15) and Ryan's (July 29)
- Approved job descriptions for the Traditional Service Music Coordinator and Organist and for the Contemporary Service Music Leader

Note: Approved minutes of each Council meeting and financial reports can be found on the council bulletin board.

VIBRANT FAITH MINISTRY ... ON THE WEB

If you are interested in deepening your faith, please make plans to attend one of the following webinars:

July is on a break, but look for the following webinar in August: (all times are 1-2pm Central Standard Time)

August 21, 2014: Become a Faith Formation Curator

To participate, go to <http://tinyurl.com/surfacetosoul> (Enter as a guest)

Mark your calendar! Homecoming Sunday is coming up on **September 28th!** Homecoming this year will have a **WWII-era** theme. If you are a veteran of WWII, we would like to honor you during this time. Please contact Kevin Lageman at 640-3392 or klageman1@gmail.com.

GARDEN BOUNTY Want to learn to preserve all those summer vegetables? **The Hub City Farmer's Market** is teaching a **FREE** class about canning in our PLC Kitchen on **Thursday, July 24th at 7pm.**

St. John's Committee Meetings:

Worship/Mus. No Meeting in July

Stewardship 12:30pm 2nd Sunday PLC Conf. Rm.
Social Min. 1pm 2nd Sunday PLC Conf. Rm.
Health Min. 5pm 2nd Sunday PLC Conf. Rm.
Finance 5pm 2nd Sunday Dwnstrs. Conf. Rm.

Christian Ed. 3pm 3rd Sunday Dwnstrs Conf. Rm.
Com/Tech – Evangelism – Fellowship – Property and Vibrant Faith as called.

The St. John's Lutheran Men will meet **Monday, July 28th, at 6:30pm.** A guest speaker will be followed by a delicious meal will be catered by Tina Nichols, so it is important for us to know how many are planning to attend. Please sign-up on the Lutheran Men bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions please call Barry Ellison at 582-5070.



Celebrate Independence Day with the Conn Family!

Where? The Conn's Backyard 146 Winfield Dr., Spartanburg

When? Friday, July 4th, 5pm-until

What to bring? A chair, side dish to share, bathing suit, and a towel.

The A O Kay's Live music - BBQ by Mr. Oz Motor Works - also serving 'burgers, 'dogs, veggie burgers, and drinks. SEE YA'LL THERE! Call 864-579-0266



Congratulations Boy Scout Troop 5! Sixteen boys from the troop went to camp recently. They earned many honors individually and as a troop. On average the boys earned 3 to 6 merit badges each. Three quarters of them earned honor camper. They earned honor troop, won a spirit stick, and all four scoutmasters who went earned the scoutmaster badge of merit. The troop, earned the campsite of the week award which helped them win the coveted purple paddle. They participated with spirit every day. You can encourage these good lads by supporting their **Fundraiser Cookout** that will be held in our front parking circle on **Saturday, July 5th, from 11am - 2pm.**

Improvements to the Parish Life Center Sound System are on the way! We will be upgrading the sound board, adding new speakers, and making other subtle improvements. These changes will enhance our worship and make it easier to use the PLC for community functions. The cost of this upgrade will be less than \$8,000. We expect to have it done by mid-summer. This summer all members of St. John's are invited to consider donating to help fund this expense. Any donations in excess of the actual costs will be added to our PLC Fund. Hearing the spoken Word and celebrating the Lord through His music is so crucial experience! These tools enrich and enhance the message delivered by our spiritual leaders and our musicians.

IN MEMORIAM 2014

Please pray for the families of these loved ones who have passed into life eternal.

Thomas Jackson Herbert

Brother-in-law of Charlie Dickson
Husband of Nancy Dickson Herbert

Marion Venson 'Vince' Poole

Husband of Grace Poole

SC SYNOD ASSEMBLY REPORT

by Walker Stockley



The 2014 SC Synod Assembly was the 198th meeting of the Lutheran Church in South Carolina, held May 29-31 at the Convention Center in downtown Columbia with 503 registered voting members. The theme was: *Living Lutheran in a Changing World*. Besides our Senior Pastor, Mike Shackelford, and Associate Pastor, Emily Edenfield, 5 lay voting members from St. John's Lutheran Church were in attendance: Doug and Sue Kurz, Doug and Kathie McKenzie, and Walker Stockley.

The Synod welcomed three new congregations: Breath of Life Lutheran Church in Blythewood, SC; Faith Lutheran Chapel in Pickens SC; and Crossroads Lutheran Church in Indian Land, SC. The SC Synod last added a church to our roster 12 years ago. This year 3 were added! Wow!

The Rev. Dr. Herman R. Yoos, III was re-elected as Bishop of the SC Synod on the first ballot, indicating how much the voting body believes that Bishop Yoos is doing the work of God with our Synod and will continue to do so. Lexanne Graves was elected to Vice President of Synod Council on the 5th ballot for a 6 year term, the first female elected to this position in SC. Lexanne serves as Director of Faith Formation at Living Springs Lutheran Church in Columbia, SC with a BA from the Univ. of SC in 1996, and an Associate in Ministry from Lutheran Theological Seminary, Columbia in 2000. Our own Brent Lybrand was elected to a position on Synod Council (Lay Male – At Large) for a 3 year term. We know that Brent will serve us well at the Synod level. For a complete listing of election results, go to www.scsynod.com and click on “Synod Assembly” and “Assembly Highlights” link. A resolution in support of immigration reform was also passed and can be viewed on the website. Latino community Lutheran churches are growing in South Carolina, one of the few areas of growth of the Lutheran church in our state.

The South Carolina LCY announced they have raised over \$18,000 to build a safe water system in Tanzania. Our state youth are amazing, and full of the Holy Spirit, supporting our missions in Tanzania.

The Synod-wide *Growing in God's Mission* appeal has reached 94% of its goal of \$1.75 million.

We were able to attend a worship service on each day, and collections from all three days totaled \$5,049.38, given to *Growing in God's Mission Candidacy Scholarship* to be named in honor of Michael Kohn, outgoing Vice President of SC Synod Council.

Those attending were able to attend workshops on Faith Practices, hear reports of our global mission work, how the view of Christians by non-Christians is changing (and not for the good), and how we as Christians, and others yet to become Christians, can live in a changing world because “My grace is sufficient for you” – (our Assembly verse from II Corinthians 12:9a).

Get a financial check-up and breathe a sigh of relief

We schedule time for annual checkups for our health and cars, but what about finances? When was the last time you met with your financial professional? If you haven't reviewed your financial strategy recently, it's time for a check-up.



Even minor changes can affect your financial health

Changes in your life, the economy and markets can affect your goals and the path you take to reach them. That's why it's important to review your financial strategy at least once a year so you can stay on track with your goals.

A financial check-up gives you and your financial professional the opportunity to look at where you are now, where you want to go and how you can get there. If you find some adjustments are needed, you can discuss options to help you stay financially healthy.

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Abundant Joy, Overflowing Generosity

Coming soon you will be hearing more about *Abundant Joy, Overflowing Generosity*. This stewardship emphasis is based on 2 Corinthians 8:1-7 and encourages a holistic approach to stewardship. Giving our financial resources is important, but we also need to remember that giving of our time, our talents, and our worship to God will help us embrace the value of our life as disciples. As we take time to listen to God's voice, fellowship with others, examine and use our talents and joyfully offer our financial support for the ministries of the church, we grow deeper in our relationship with God. This growth allows for us to experience *abundant joy, overflowing generosity* in our lives.

More to come in next month's newsletter...



HISTORY IN ACTION or . . . A BLAST FROM THE PAST!

by Judy Lybrand, Archives

In the 1985 Annual Report, Pastor Everette Lineberger spoke a word about hospitality that rings true for us today more than ever. Then he noted some issues that had begun cropping up about thirty years ago. From today's perspective, we can see how these issues have progressed and can consider our own interests in dealing with them now.

Please remember that we are never strangers when we are bound together by the love of God in the church of Jesus Christ. We may not know each other by name, but we are still brothers and sisters in Him. And to help us get to know each other, we ask that you dutifully put your name on the attendance record sheet each Sunday, check the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for pictures of new members, and newspaper clippings about members of our church family. Introduce yourself to anyone you do not know, whether member or visitor. We want to be a friendly congregation, but only you can make it happen.

There are some trends I have noticed in the last several years which I would like to call to your attention: The larger our membership becomes, the smaller is the percentage of attendance at Sunday School, worship, and congregational activities, like fellowship night. We are not alone in this. It seems to happen to all larger congregations.

The more spendable income people have, the smaller is the percentage they give to the church. For only the second time in 22 years we did not meet our budget balance in full last year. We did meet all our obligations and carry forward a good balance, but not quite as good as the precious year. You may not think that your contributions will be missed because we have some large contributors who give so much more than you can, but this is not the case. God asks us to be faithful in giving an appropriate share of what He has given us - nothing more!

More and more children are not participating in Sunday School until they are required to do so during their catechetical years. This means that they know very little about the Bible when they get to the 7th grade. It also means that many parents are not taking seriously the promises they made when their children were baptized.

What can be done about these trends? Nothing - until you and I decide that we want to see them change. I hope that my calling them to your attention will cause you to give them serious consideration.

Think about it - as members of this congregation, we struggle with these issues year after year. But the more involved members are, the more we have to offer everyone!



MUSIC NOTES

JULY 2014

The aim and final reason for all music should be nothing else but the glory of God and the refreshment of the Spirit. J.S. Bach

Seven members of our church family will be experiencing a trip to Paris, France, the first week of July. Those going will be Debbie Brock, Lisa Brown, Frankie Deal, John Dennis, Kitty and Lee Hagglund, and Conny Linder. Jacquie and Ed Maidel had also planned to go, but knee problems got in the way. **Most of those going will be participating in the Paris Choral Festival, singing with choirs from all over Europe and the US.**

This concert will be held on July 3rd, 2014 in La Madeleine Church in Paris. One of pieces that will be performed will be Gabriel Faure's *Requiem*, in the church for which he wrote it! The concert is also being presented in honor of the 70th anniversary of the Allied Invasion of France during World War II (D-Day) and will include repertoire chosen for that occasion.

The group will travel on July 4th to Normandy Beach for a choral remembrance and wreath-laying at the Normandy American Cemetery & Memorial, site of the June 6th, 1944 Allied Invasion. A once-in-a-lifetime experience for us!

Music Notes Bulletin Board:

A **Summer Sign-up Sheet** is now on the Board. Please sign up to share your musical gifts with the congregation this summer. Thank you, Jody, for leading the way!

When possible this summer, I plan to feature one of the organ settings other than the *American Classic* for the prelude. I will try to add a note to the bulletin on those occasions. I hope you will enjoy this further exploration of our new instrument. (PS. I used the French Cavaille-Coll setting on Pentecost for the *Suite Gothique* by Boellmann. You may have noticed the stronger bass pedals and stronger reed stops.)

Special music; 11:00 service only

- July 06 Pentecost 4; Communion; Doris Luther, Guest Organist
- July 13 Pentecost 5; Hymn Sing in place of Prelude; Holly Deal and Matt Lorenz (Could change!!)
- July 20 Pentecost 6; Communion
- July 27 Pentecost 7; Jody Scott and Sabine Klaus
- Aug. 03 Pentecost 8; Communion

Frankie Deal, Music Director/Organist
864-978-7815 (C); 574-4007 (H)

LCY (Lutheran Church Youth) News & Activities

- 07/04 **Friday 5pm - until Conn Family BBQ all are invited! Bring dish to share, chair, swimsuit, towel**
- 07/05 **Saturday 11am-2pm Boy Scout Fundraiser Cookout - front circle**
- 07/06-12 **Confirmation and LCY at Lutherock Camp**
- 07/15 **Tuesday 5-8pm Fundraiser at Fuddruckers - bring your invitation, LCY receives 10%!**
- 07/29 **Tuesday 5-8pm Fundraiser at Ryan's Steakhouse - bring your invitation, LCY receives 15%!**

We need your help! Our youth are participating in two fundraisers this summer to help with missions. You can come out and enjoy a delicious meal and help our youth at the same time! On Tuesday, July 15th, they will be at Fuddruckers. Bring your invitation and the LCY will receive 10%! Two weeks later, on Tuesday, July 29th, they will be at Ryan's Steakhouse. Again, bring your invitation that will be distributed at church and the youth will receive 15%! The youth will be traveling to Detroit, Michigan next summer and your support will help them on their way.

C.A.S.T. CALL!

Our Crucifer Acolyte Service Team is looking for rising 5th-12th graders who are willing to serve during the 11am traditional service. We can work with your personal schedule. Your service time can be noted on scholarship and college applications, too! our next training date will be Sunday, August 10th, immediately following the traditional service. Lunch will be provided. Call the church office at 583-8167 or call Mrs. Dana Homan at 978-2422 to let us know if you want to join us!

Health Ministry - *The Dog Days of Summer*

This month, the Health Ministry is placing our spotlight on our furry friends. The beginning of summer means vacations, fun and the sun. That means things are heating up not only for us, but for our pets as well. Extreme heat can be as dangerous for them as it is for us. Keep in mind that pets can experience sunburns, dehydration and heat stress.

1. Protect pets from ultraviolet (UV) radiation with sunscreen, balms and shampoos.
2. Grooming is another way to help our pets stay cool. Pets with heavy coats often shed. For most pets, this is sufficient. However, there are some pets that need addition grooming to help them stay cool.
3. Remember when traveling to take portable water bowls and bottles for helping your pets stay hydrated.
4. And for the coolest doggy in town, there are doggy sunglasses. If you feel the need to wear them, chances are it's time to pop a pair on the pooch.
5. Never, ever leave your pet in a hot car.

If you are considering pet adoption this summer, visit our Spartanburg Humane Society Inc. 864-583-4805

Hours: Monday-Friday 11am-6pm and Saturday 11am-5pm

Adoption fees - \$85 for dogs, \$100 for puppies 4 months and younger, and \$49 for cats. Fees for dogs include spay and neuter surgery, permanent microchip identification, heartworm test (dogs over 6 months), initial vaccination for protection against parvo, distemper and other diseases, Bordetella vaccination against kennel cough, rabies vaccination (pets 4 months or older-voucher provided if younger), one free post adoption health exam by SHS vet or area veterinary clinic, one month free pet insurance, and pet care DVD. For cats: spay/neuter surgery, negative feline leukemia test, vaccination against distemper and other diseases, rabies vaccination if 4 months or older (voucher if younger), one flea treatment, microchip, one free post adoption health exam, one month free pet health insurance and pet care DVD. Spartanburg Humane Society cats and kittens are available for adoption at PETCO and PetSmart. For more information regarding pet care, visit <http://www.spartanburghumane.org/about-us.php>



Did you know pets have allergies, too? Here are some tips on foods/plants that are toxic to our pets:

Dogs: Dogs are particularly at risk because - most of them will eat anything! Never let your loved ones eat:

Chocolate (vomiting, heart disease, seizures, death), **mushrooms** (abdominal pain, liver damage, kidney damage, vomiting/diarrhea, convulsions, coma, death), **coffee/caffeine** (death), **grapes & raisins** (vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain and lethargy), **fat** (pancreatitis/wt gain), **raw eggs/meat** (skin/coat problems, salmonella), **macadamia nuts** (bladder stones, tremor of skeletal muscles, weakness or paralysis of hindquarters), **baby foods** (nutritional deficiencies), **onions & garlic** (anemia, labored breathing, liver damage, vomiting/diarrhea and discolored urine. Note that there would have to be a large amt of garlic ingested to cause serious illness), **bones from fish** (laceration of the digestive tract), **raw fish** (loss of appetite, seizures, death), **milk & dairy** (lactose intolerance), **cat food** (malnutrition), **Xylitol** (white powder that coats many chewing gums, candies and breath mints), **peaches** (diarrhea, pits can cause hyperventilation, shock, coma and death and are also a choking hazard), **jimson weed** (rapid breathing/pulse, dilated pupils, twitching, diarrhea and death), **poisettia** (vomiting, anorexia and depression), **lantana** (sluggishness, weakness, bloody diarrhea and death), **alcohol** (fevers, restlessness, excessive panting, depression, decreased body temperature, low B/P, respiratory failure, seizures and death), **bread dough** (vomiting, elevated heart rate, low blood pressure, low body temp, coma and death), **salt** (vomiting, dehydration, tremors, seizures, coma and death), **mold** (vomiting, tremors and seizures), and **plums** (pits choking hazard, death).

Cats: Cats are more persnickety, but their natural curiosity can lead to trouble. Watch for these: **Chocolate** (vomiting, heart disease, seizures, death), **mushrooms** (shock/death), **grapes & raisins** (research is showing adverse reactions in dogs/cats), **raw eggs** (skin/coat problems, salmonella), **onions & garlic** (violent diarrhea, anemia), **fish bones** (laceration of the digestive tract), **raw fish** (loss of appetite, seizures and death), **milk** (yes, milk, many cats are lactose-intolerant - upset stomach and cramps - use creams instead), **dog food** (malnutrition and heart disease), **Xylitol** (hypoglycemia, seizures, liver failure and death), **peaches** (diarrhea), **green tomatoes** (violent gastrointestinal problems), **jimson weed** (rapid breathing/pulse, dilated pupils, twitching and diarrhea), **poisettia** (vomiting, anorexia and depression) and **Easter lilies** (kidney failure).

Our pets give us such affection and companionship, lets be good guardians and keep them healthy!



PRAYER REQUESTS:

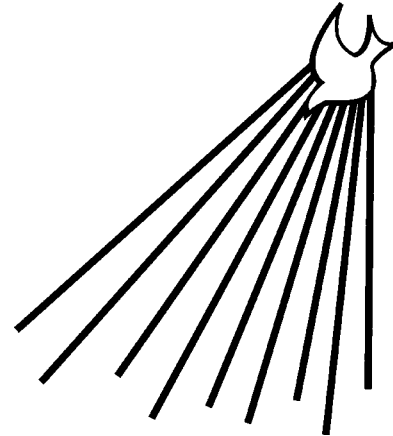
Members and Friends who are ill:

Jo Tiner
 Martha Brown
 Regina Brown
 Linda Revels
 Joyce Chaffey
 Patty Culbreath

Anne Ebersbach
 Ann Lineberger
 Bill Drake
 Ralph Jenkins
 Shawn Revels
 Elise Tienken

Family and Friends of Members:

Steve Lineberger, *son of Everette & Ann Lineberger*
 Adalee Stockley, *mother of Walker Stockley*
 Eddie & Cathy Smith, *friends of Hallie Stillwagon*
 Matt Loughran, *friend of Ed & Jacquie Maidel*
 Harry Burr, *brother of Marijane Mullins*
 Mavis Kanhai, *grandmother of Tricia Boyd*
 Carl & Lana Chichester, *family of Tricia Boyd*
 David Maslow, *father of Jamie Gregory*
 Rhett Nettles, *sister of Julia Nettles*
 Betty Slivka, *mother of Debra Brock*
 Paula Baker, *friend of Linda Turner*
 Sam & Brenda Green, *friends of George & Judy Psillas*
 Debbie Johnson, *friend of the Kopchik's*
 McKinnon Galloway, *niece of Jack & June Miley*
 Marcella Kopchik, *mother of John Kopchik*
 Phil Compton, *son-in-law of George & Vicki Johnson*



Members and Friends confined to home or health care:

Ruth Wessinger, Marty Zschocher, Elsie Strigle, Dorothy Alexander, Sarah Lee Lake, Esther Versteegen, Ruby Connelly, Pete Brown, Ken & Patty Mohrmann, Vermelle Kibler, and Ruby Shealy.

Members and Friends serving in the military:

Matthew Thomas, Ryan Dohse, Dan Drake, John Newman, Elizabeth Lewis, Doug Meehan & Daniel Linder.

Prayers for our neighbors.

You are invited to send notes and cards of encouragement to those who are ill and confined. Consult your St. John's Phone Directory for addresses.

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Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the novel "The Story". I am so blessed to have a church that I feel at home in. Everyone has played a part in building my faith. Now as I head to college, my faith will continue to stay strong. I know that I will be welcome whenever I am home from school. I want to thank you for your prayers. I ask you to continue to pray for me as I begin a new chapter that God has planned for me. Thanks again!

With love, Mikaela Jones

June Attendance Record

Worship Average:

9:00 Contemporary – 78

11:00 Traditional – 148

12:15 Wednesday Worship – 29

Christian Education Classes – 101

One Service - PLC – 176

YTD General Fund as of May 31, 2014

Budgeted Expenditures	Actual Expenditures	Giving to Date
\$241,631	\$227,734	\$220,557

YTD PLC Fund as of May 31, 2014

Budgeted Expenditures	Actual Expenditures	Giving to Date
\$50,405	\$50,405	\$43,210

General Fund Budgeted and Actual Expenditures includes \$8,125 transferred to reserve accounts.

Those Privileged to Serve - July 2014

TRADITIONAL SERVICE - NAVE

ALTAR GUILD

- 06** Frances Stockley, Andrea Rousey, Jane Gantt
13 Pat Rubel, Frances Stockley
20 Brigita Balaram, Judy Lybrand, Pete Burgess
27 Barbara Thomas

ACOLYTE

- 06** Holly Deal
13 Katelyn Boyd
20 Noah Deal
27 Matthew Jones

COFFEE

- 06** TBA
13 Circle 5
20 TBA
27 Circle 4

LECTORS

- 06** Brent Lybrand
13 Chris Towe
20 Chris Towe
27 Sharon Butehorn

GREETER

- 06** Kare Kragas & Ruth McHam
13 Luann Bryant & Pam Bulman
20 Michael & Julia Towe
27 Julia Fuchs & Myrna White

STEEPLE BELL RINGERS

- 06** TBA
13 TBA
20 TBA
27 TBA

PEW POCKET STUFFER

Mary Gray & Ruth McHam

USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Barry Ellison, Kevin Lageman, Don Turner, Jack Pfeiffer

COUNCIL GREETERS

Walker Stockley & Bill Hunsinger

ALTAR FLOWERS

- 06** Don & Neita Frank
13 Mike & Linda Dohse
20 Rubye Dellinger
27 P. Mike & Carolyn Shackelford

ATTENDANCE RECORDING FOR JULY

Hervie Thomas & Jane Gantt

ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY

- 06** George & Vicki Johnson
13 George & Vicki Johnson
20 Anne Burger & Linda Ebert
27 Anne Burger & Linda Ebert

CD DELIVERY

- 06** Fred & Sharon Butehorn
13 John & Anne Burger
20 Marlene Donna, Donna Bolt, Betty Yex
27 Dick & Lori Conn

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

	9am	10am	11am
06 R. Mileski	Stephanie Hujik	Stephanie Hujik	Jason Connor
13 R. Mileski	MH Wessinger	Erica McCarthy	Amy Mezger
20 A. Carson	Jamin Hujik	Stephanie Hujik	Ineka Pitt
27 A. Carson	Stephanie Hujik	Donna Sheridan	Donna Sheridan



INDEPENDENCE
Day

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE - PARISH LIFE CENTER

HOLY COMMUNION SET UP & CLEAN UP

- 06** Mike & Julie Towe
13 John & Roberta Mileski
20 TBA
27 TBA

REFRESHMENT SET UP & CLEAN UP

- 06** Mike & Julie Towe
13 John & Roberta Mileski
20 TBA
27 TBA

GREETER

- 06** Mike & Julie Towe
13 John & Roberta Mileski
20 TBA
27 TBA

SOUND-AUDIO/VISUAL


Steven Grimm



JULY 2014

Engaging God in Our Daily Life

Note: Should you or your ministry group need to schedule an event or set-up, please contact the office at 583-8167. Thank you!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 *see services	7	1 8:30 Men-a-Plenty-Beacon 10am Circle 1 10:30am Staff 6:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scout Trp 5 7pm Praise Band	2 **see services 8:30am Beacon Men 6pm Brass	3 6:30pm Circle 5-TBA	4 Office Closed  5pm Conn BBQ 9pm AA	5 11am-2pm Boy Scout Cookout Fundraiser-Front Circle
<<< Confirmation Students at Confirmation Camp and LCY Youth at Lutherock >>>						
NO Worship & Music Meeting for July	7pm Circle 3	8:30 Men-a-Plenty-Beacon 10am Circle 1 10:30am Staff 6:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scout Trp 5 7pm Praise Band	8:30am Beacon Men 6pm Brass	6:30pm Circle 5-TBA 7pm NAMI	9:30pm AA	
13 *see services 12:30pm Stewardship 1pm Social Ministry 5pm Health Ministry 5pm Finance	14 10am Circle 2 6:30pm Boy Scouts 7pm Council Meeting	15 8:30 Men-a-Plenty-Beacon 10:30am Staff Meet 5-8pm LCY Fund Raiser at Fuddruckers 6:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scout Trp 5 7pm Praise Band	16 **see services 8:30am Beacon Men 6pm Brass	17 7pm NAMI	18 9:30pm AA	19
20 *see services 3pm Christian Ed Meeting	21	22 8:30 Men-a-Plenty-Beacon 10:30am Staff Meet 6:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scout Trp 5 7pm Praise Band	23 **see services NO WELCA Board Meeting 8:30am Beacon Men 6pm Brass	24 7pm Hub City Canning Class-PLC Kitchen	25 9:30pm AA Deadline for August Visitor	26
27 *see services 2:30 Rosecrest Worship	28 6:30pm Lutheran Men Circle 4-no meeting	29 8:30 Men-a-Plenty-Beacon 10:30am Staff Meet 5-8pm LCY Fund Raiser at Ryan's 6:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scout Trp 5 7pm Praise Band	30 **see services 8:30am Beacon Men 6pm Brass	31		

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St. John's Worship Schedule:

*Sunday Schedule:

9:00 Contemporary Worship
10:00 Christian Education
11:00 Traditional Worship

** Wednesday Mid-Week Schedule

11:00 Bible Study - Senior Room
12:15 Lenten Worship
12:45 Lunch-FH (please sign-up on the FH bulletin board)

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Prepared especially for:



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COMING IN JULY

MEN-A-Plenty Bible Study at the Beacon Tuesdays @ 8:30AM

Beacon Men Bible Study at the Beacon Wednesdays @ 8:30AM

AA – Fridays @ 9:30PM

Boy Scout Troop 5 – Tuesdays @ 6:30PM-downstairs

NO WELCA Board Meeting in July

04 – INDEPENDENCE DAY

04 – Conn Family BBQ – 5pm until ...

05 – Boy Scout Cookout Fundraiser – front parking circle

06-12 – Confirmation Camp & LCY at Lutherock

10 – NAMI

15 – LCY Fundraiser at Fuddruckers - 5-8pm

24 – Hub City Farmer's Market Canning Class - PLC Kitchen

25 – August Visitor deadline

27 – Rosecrest Worship

28 – Lutheran Men

29 – LCY Fundraiser at Ryan's Steak House - 5-8pm

