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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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Installation:

The act or process of making a machine, a service, etc., ready to be used in a certain place: the act of installing something: a ceremony in which someone is put in an official or important position.

Merriam-Webster dictionary

On the Sunday afternoon of August 18, I will be installed as Pastor of Our Lord's Lutheran Church. This type of installation is indeed a **ceremony**. Bishop John Roth will be here to preside at this special service. Clergy from the area are invited to be a part of the procession. Musicians in this congregation are preparing special music. Dinner will follow the worship service. Invitations are being prepared and we hope that you will be able to respond to the invitation and come to the feast.

Ceremonies matter. They do something. And that brings me to the first definition given in the dictionary. Humor abounds when we pastors tell people we are being installed. "Oh, like a washing machine?" "No." Yet, as I thought about that definition, I realized that this installation is **an act that makes me ready to be used** by God as your pastor in this particular place.



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I will publicly answer questions asked by the bishop. The bishop also has a couple of questions for you, the congregation. As we answer those questions we are making promises to each other. And those promises will define our life together for the years to come. My installation as your Pastor makes me ready for the relationship that is to follow. So, let us celebrate!

Pastor Darla Ann

When? Sunday, August 18, 3:00 pm

Where? Our Lord's Lutheran Church, Worship Center



REGULAR WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Contemporary Worship: Saturdays at 5 pm with Fellowship after the Worship

Traditional Worship: Our Lord's continues their Summer Sunday Worship Schedule of one service at 9 am only. Hospitality will be at 10:15 am in the Commons Area. This will continue through Labor Day Weekend in September! Take advantage of this great opportunity to enjoy worship and fellowship with OLLC members and friends you may not normally get to see!

CHANCEL & BELL CHOIRS

The Choirs will resume rehearsals the first full week of August. The Chancel Choir (voice) will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, **August 7** at 6:30 pm and the Bell Choir will resume rehearsals on Thursday, **August 8** at 6:30 pm, both in the Worship Center Sanctuary. They will be preparing for the Service of Installation for Pastor Darla Ann Kratzer at Our Lord's. The week after the Installation Celebration will be a "vacation" week, then the choirs will begin rehearsals for the Fall the week of **August 28 & 29**. All interested in singing or playing bells should contact our Director of Traditional Music, **Dr. Harvey Chiles**. He would love to talk with you!

WEEKEND WORSHIP DURING AUGUST



Saturday, August 3 and Sunday, August 4

Eighth Weekend after Pentecost: Luke 12:13-21

Stuff or Relationships?

Jesus is asked to intercede in a family dispute. He uses the request to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions.



Saturday, August 10 and Sunday, August 11

Ninth Weekend after Pentecost: Luke 12:32-40

Promises, Promises

Trust and hope in God's promises made it possible for many biblical people to face an unknown future. Instead of facing life with fear, we too can receive from God and give to others.



Saturday, August 17 and Sunday, August 18

Tenth Weekend after Pentecost: Luke 12:49-56

Harsh Words

The way of the cross often means followers of Jesus will encounter hostility and rejection, sometimes even from those they love.



Saturday, August 24 and Sunday, August 25

Eleventh Weekend after Pentecost: Luke 13:10-17

A Day for New Beginnings

When challenged by a narrow reading of the sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding "sabbath work" to include setting people free from bondage.



Saturday, August 31 and Sunday, September 1

Twelfth Weekend after Pentecost: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Invited and Inviting

Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table and gives instructions about both humility and generosity.

WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL IN THE PINES

Our Lord's continues with the first of the Month weekend worshipping outside under the canopy of the pines. Join us on Saturday, **August 3** (5 pm) for contemporary worship and/or on Sunday, **August 4** (9 am) for more traditional worship, weather permitting. Bring lawn chairs & bug spray. Worshipping in God's creation takes on a different, spiritual awareness. Come worship with us.

BLESSING OF THE COLLEGE STUDENTS



Whether you are returning to college or going to college for the first time, Our Lord's would love to give you a special send off! Join us the weekend of **August 3-4** during worship (Saturday, 5 pm or Sunday, 9 am) to receive a special blessing and small tokens of your returning to school. Cake will be served at 6:15 pm on Saturday, **August 3** (before we go to First of the Month Dinner Out) and at 10:15 am on Sunday, August 4, 10:15 am during Hospitality. Please make sure all college students join us for this special Farewell and Godspeed.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS & LUNCHBOXES

All students returning to school are invited to join us for worship on the Weekend of **August 11-12**. We invite you to bring in your backpack and lunchboxes to worship and when the Pastor invites you forward, they (and you) will be blessed. We will also bless all the donated school supplies for Caseyville Elementary School, as well as the students who receive them.



TRANSITION TEAM

Whenever a new pastor comes to a congregation, there will be some changes because the newly called pastor has a different personality and skill set than prior pastors. There will also be changes done purposefully in order to build on the congregation's strengths so that the ministry of pastor and people together will have both vitality and sustainability. Pastor Kratzer has asked that during this time of transition a team be formed to meet with her monthly to aid in the transition and create conditions for a successful transition. They will provide observations, support and advice through her first year of ministry at Our Lord's Lutheran Church.

The following members of Our Lord's have been appointed to the Transition Team:

Deanne Holshouser
Katie Noga
Dave Gocken
KaLonny Short
Laura Schoenecker
Rhonda Comrie
Bruce Fritz
Marian Steinmann



DIRECTORS DEPARTMENT

In the fall, the Illinois Global Arts Academy will offer classes on Monday from 3:00 pm until 8 pm in the sanctuary and the basement of the administrative building, (Life Center).
Liturgical Movement, Dance and All that Jazz

We welcome **Brian Lynch**, recent SIUE graduate in dance and theater, to the IGAA. He will offer the following opportunities beginning on September 9th, 2019. Email Bryan at brilynch308@gmail.com for further information.

Everyone is welcome! Open to the community at large and nonmembers of OLLC. Classes will be held on Mondays beginning at 3:30 pm.

Ballet/Dance for Beginners (all ages):

I offer beginning ballet group classes for Youth and Adult ages, focusing on introducing the basic steps, light conditioning, and progress through barre work and center combinations. I create a fresh approach to learning the art and joy of ballet. In addition private lessons will be offered to be scheduled with the individual.

Musical Theater Dance: Youth, Teen (2nd class on Mondays)

In this class we will learn Broadway-style dances to a variety of numbers in popular modern and classic musicals. Learning fun footwork and character development, it is an excellent fit for anyone wishing to explore the movement aspect of musical theater performance and expand their performative horizons.

Contemporary/Jazz: Teen (3rd class on Mondays)

This class will be a fusion of contemporary and jazz dance styles where the students are taught dance combinations while cultivating specific skills such as turning and active flexibility.

Restorative Yoga Flow: Adult/Senior

Combining somatic practices of yoga and gentle dance technique, this will be a class of stretching and restoration to release any tension from the week prior and to rejuvenate for the week to come. Perfect fit for adults and seniors, but all levels and ages welcome for this class of movement and healing!

No strict dress code but wear clothes that allow for movement, and socks recommended. Parents of students under the age of 18 must be present for any class or individual instruction at the Illinois Global Arts Academy.

Fees:

Group classes, 10\$ per student

5 classes for 40\$,

35\$ for an hour-long private lesson of any style!

Blessings to All!

Harvey Childs, Director of Traditional Music



FAIR TRADE

Our Lord's Fair Trade has had another great month. Even with the Summer slow down, the Fair Trade space is still averaging approximately \$100 per week. I enjoy the reaction to people who are discovering Fair Trade for the first time or returning members, friends and visitors. We have even had numerous people come to the church to purchase Fair Trade because they have heard about the cause we are supporting.

I encourage everyone to come back and come back often. Things are constantly changing. Our Lord's is doing a wonderful thing supporting Small Farmers and Artisans around the world. Keep this in mind. Not only are we supporting a great cause, but we have in house,



Our Lord's GIFT SHOP!



I continue to be amazed by the support and thank you.

Yours in Christ,

Mike Williams & Fair Trade



FOR CASEYVILLE ELEMENTARY

Weekends of Aug 3/4 and 10/11

Children and their families are invited to bring to the church Narthex, needed school supplies for Caseyville to be blessed.

Items needed include: Pencils, Backpacks, Kleenex, Crayons, Glue Sticks, etc. Lists in Narthex soon.

MORNING GLORIES BIBLE STUDY



All women are invited to the last month of a three month summer discussion of the book of **Esther** with the Morning Glories Summer Discussion Group using the "Gather" magazine study. This is a study that accommodates all levels of Biblical knowledge.

We will explore the book of Esther, one of the latest writings of the Old Testament. While reflecting on the life of this young queen, her experiences in a king's court, and the challenge issued her by her adopted father, Mordecai, we will consider how God may be calling us to use our own voices "for such a time as this".

We will meet at 10:00 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Life Center Conference Room for the summer month of August. Bring a friend if you like. Coffee, water and dessert will be provided. You are welcome to bring your own food and beverages with you, as desired.

Leader: **Debby Gunderson.**



(For more information and details, see our "Adult Education Opportunities" and "Children & Youth" brochures or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children's Sunday School Age 3 through 5th Grade, Confirmation, High School and Adult Bible Study will resume classes on Rally Day on Sunday, **September 8.**



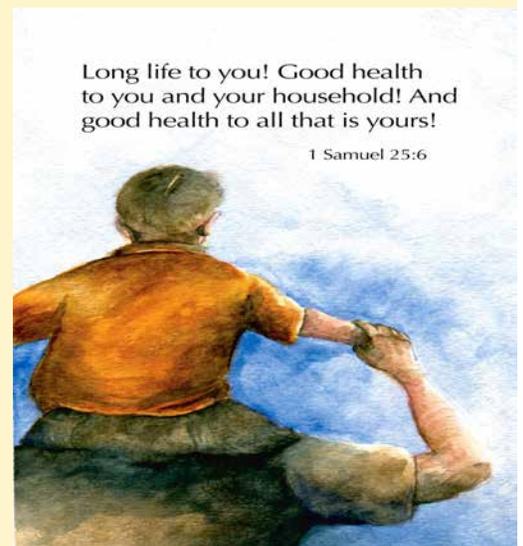
CONFIRMATION CLASS ORIENTATION



Confirmation includes students in 6th, 7th & 8th Grades. On Sunday, **August 25**, at 10:15 am the confirmation students and their parents will meet in the Worship Center-Fellowship Hall for an orientation meeting. The agenda will include discussion of the schedule for classes, servant events, field trips, acolyting, and other events for the year. The class uses the "Faith Inkubators" curriculum. Please let Lead Teacher **Ed Foppe** know if you are unable to attend.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS CLASSES

Are you or someone you know in Addition Recovery? These health and wellness classes are designed for you! Each Wednesday, from 1-4 pm at the Gift of Voice office (903 N. 2nd St., Ste. B, Edwardsville) there will be classes to help to improve your health and wellness, giving you tips and education to help you take care of yourself. Seating is limited to 15 people per session, so registration is required. Email office@giftofvoice.com for questions or registration.



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LATE BOOMERS IN AUGUST

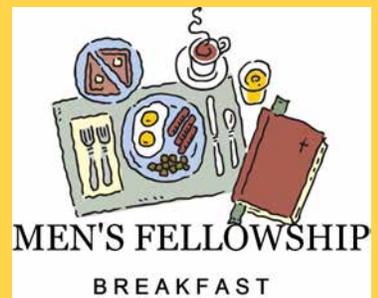
The Boomers will be meeting on Sunday, **August 25**, 2 pm at **Chuck & Gail Jorgenson's** home for a POOL PARTY! Meat will be provided. Bring bathing suits, sunscreen, towels and picnic sides to share! BYOB! RSVP by Thursday, **August 22**. Come make a splash with the Boomers!

SERENDIPITY BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets on **Monday, August 19 at 11:30 am**. In August, you are invited to read, "The Long Flight Home" by Alan Hlad. Bring a drink and a brown bag lunch to enjoy as the book is discussed. The book club meets in the Life Center Conference Room. All welcome!

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

Men's Breakfast Fellowship is on hiatus until September.
Leader: **Steve Hoelscher**

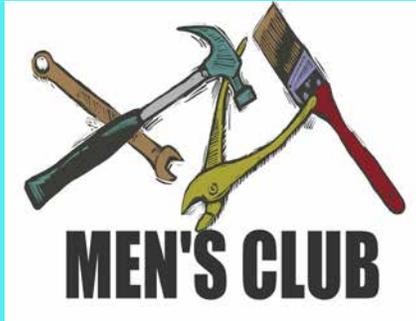


FIRST OF THE MONTH DINNER OUT

On Saturday, **August 3**, following the 5 pm service (around 6:30 pm) we will meet at Mungo's Italian Eatery on Main Street in Collinsville. They have an extensive menu of great Italian soups, appetizers, salads and main entrees from which to choose. Come out and have a delicious meal with your church friends!

(For more information and details, see our "Fellowship Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

MEN'S CLUB



Our Lord's Men's Club meets on Saturday, **August 3**, 7 am. August's chefs are **Brian Hartke** and **Randy Kampwerth**. Come out for food, fellowship & chores around the inside and outside of the church.

Our Lord's Mowing & Trimmer Team Schedule

Our Mowing and Trimming Team are hot (literally) and heavy into the summer grass schedule. We are blessed with a whole list of people who volunteer to mow and trim our huge lawn every week. This helps to keep our expenses down. If you would like to help with this worthy ministry, please contact, **Brian Hartke**, **Chuck Pugh**, or **Ted Nemsy** to be put on the list of back up mowers and trimmers.

Mowers and Trimmers for August

<u>Date</u>	<u>Riding Mower</u>	<u>Trimmers</u>
August 1-3	Chuck Pugh	Brian Hartke
August 8-10	Ben McGuire	Rod Orr
August 15-17	Ted Nemsy	Mike Hester
August 22-24	Scott Comrie	Darrell Bruhn
August 29-31	Don Baden	Steve Hoelscher

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of June 30, 2019

Monthly receipts exceeded expenditures by	26,025 .00
YTD expenditures exceeded receipts by	44,581.00

Cash - Unrestricted	30,084
Cash - Replacement Reserve	19,084
Cash - Designated for specific purposes	0
Venturing In Faith contributions	3,250
Cumulative since campaign inception	823,410
Total Principal Paid on Mortgage	2,,237.36
Remaining Principal balance on Mortgage	148, 037.00



Submitted by Max Eakin 07/22/19

MARYVILLE OUTREACH CENTER

Open to residents of Maryville, and members of Maryville churches or schools.

Ministries Include:

Resident Assistance Program (RAP): to help people in difficult financial situations. Office Hours: Tuesday from 5:30-7 pm.

Food Pantry: helps families in food deficiencies twice a month. All food items, toiletries, paper products & cleaning supplies are needed. Also, food items easy for homeless people to eat, which does not require cooking and is easily opened.

Pantry Hours: Tuesdays 5:30-7 pm
 Thursdays 10 am – noon
 Saturdays 10 am – noon.

Grandma's Attic: Store offers super cheap clothing, shoes, accessories, household goods, small appliances. Donations accepted when Attic is open or can be placed in tubs under Worship Center mailboxes.

Attic Hours: Tuesdays 10 am-noon & 5:30 -7:30 pm
 Wednesdays 10 am – 1 pm
 Thursdays 10 am – 1 pm
 Saturdays 10 am – noon.

Our Lord's Liaison to Maryville Outreach Board: **Carol Orr**

**CARING MINISTRY TEAM:
 Being God's Presence in Someone's Life**

Provides care to church family as needed. Tasks Include: Visit people in hospital or homes, take previously consecrated Communion to our homebound or sick, called on those experiencing a personal crisis, provide transportation to doctor appointments or grocery shopping, sitting with someone who is ill while the regular caregiver gets some "me" time for rest, shopping, etc. If you need assistance, or can help provide needs, call Mary Olsen or the church office. Team members: **Mary Olsen, Carol Gocken, Kathie & Terry Brady, and Carol and Rod Orr.**

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

SOS SOUP KITCHEN

Tuesday, August 13th, 3:30 - 7 pm

First Presbyterian Church, Collinsville

Menu: Tacos!

Sign-ups in the Narthex for food and volunteers.
(We will need plenty of both, as we are the only church serving at First Presbyterian!)

Questions: **Gail Jorgenson**



**S.O.S.
SOUP KITCHEN**

CASSEROLE TEAM

Provides meals for members experiencing an illness, a birth or other circumstance when meals would be helpful. Volunteers are needed. If interested in volunteering, as a meal preparer or deliverer, or have questions, please contact Team Leader:

Debby Gunderson



**Casserole
Ministry
Team**

OFFICE ANGELS

Thursdays at 10:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room

Purpose: to help assemble bulletins & visit with church friends.

Questions: **Contact Church Office.**



**Office
Angels**

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY ANGELS

Once a month at **9:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room** towards the end of each month. In July, we move it to **Wednesday, August 28.**

Purpose: to help assemble printed newsletters & visit with church friends.

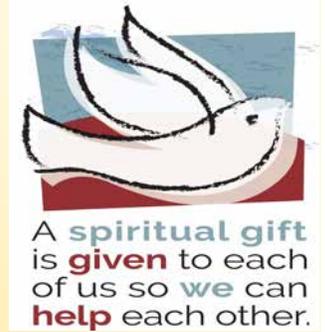
Questions: **Contact Church Office.**

Just a side note: Deadline for **September's** Newsletter is **Thursday, August 15.**

WORSHIP HELPERS MINISTRY!

(Of course, we can still use your help!)

Volunteers are needed every week to help with worship! These servant spots include: acolytes, assisting ministers, lectors, assisting minister/lectors (Saturdays), greeters, ushers, greeter/ushers (Saturdays), altar guild, projectionist, ride givers, and fellowship.



Two Ways to Sign Up:

People Power on the www.ourlords.org website. Go to People Power, find the date you want to volunteer & sign up! **OR**

People Power Sign Up Sheets: will still be available for those electronically challenged.

The opportunities to serve will be a bit more limited during the summer due to going from two Sunday worship services down to one, so sign up for your favorite dates soon, before they are snapped up! Sign up sheets for August, September and October are already out!

Special Needs: Volunteers to be Projectionists, Ride Givers on Sunday mornings, and Saturday Altar Guild people.

ADMINISTRATION

WHEN YOU HAVE CHANGES

Please let the church office know of changes to e-mail address, mail/resident addresses, telephone numbers, job, college, graduations etc.

SYNOD WEB SITE: www.csis-elca.org

ELCA WEB SITE: www.elca.org

PRAYER VENTURES

Two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries, are available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at www.elca.org/prayerventures.

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

Don't Miss the *Faith in Action* Flea Market on August 23-24



This year, Collinsville *Faith in Action* is trying something new. Instead of our annual fundraising dinner auction, CFIA is holding a Flea Market to raise money for our programs helping care receivers. There will be lots of bargains at the Flea Market, to be held August 23-24 at Meadow Heights Baptist Church, located at 1498 Vandalia in Collinsville. Hours on Friday, August 23, are 5 pm to 8 pm. There will be a \$5 entrance fee on Friday only, and shoppers will receive a free CFIA bag while supplies last. Hours for Saturday, August 24, are 8 am to 3 pm. There's no charge for entry on Saturday. Starting at 1 pm on Saturday until closing time, shoppers will be able to purchase items in a bargain bag for \$3. And any large item will be sold for \$3. Payment will be by cash, credit, or debit. Checks will not be accepted.

So many people have responded to our call for donations with items ranging from jewelry and handbags to housewares and tools. You'll find toys, games, linens, small furniture, DVDs, baskets, collectibles, crafts, sports and holiday items. And if you collect, or just plain love, cookbooks, you'll be amazed at the selection. There are fancy, hardcover cookbooks and spiral-bound church cookbooks, covering French, Mediterranean, good old American, and other cuisines. So if you love to cook, you'll want to come to the Flea Market just to snatch up some bargain cookbooks.

In addition, the quilters from Caseyville United Methodist Church have donated a beautiful, queen-size quilt to *Faith in Action*. We're offering the quilt in a raffle, and you'll be able to buy tickets at the Flea Market. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. The winner will be drawn on September 30.

You won't want to miss the *Faith in Action* Flea Market. You'll find wonderful bargains, and you'll be supporting your favorite organization to meet the needs of seniors and adults with disabilities and help them to stay independent. If you can't attend the Flea Market, perhaps you'll consider sending a cash donation to *Faith in Action*.

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)

HELP NEEDED

Maryville Outreach Center

Both the Food Pantry and Grandma's Attic need more volunteers. The Food Pantry is open Tuesday evenings from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm and Thursday and Saturday mornings from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. In the Pantry, volunteers hand out food to clients, sort canned goods and restock shelves. Grandma's Attic hours are Tuesday's 5:30-7:30 pm Wednesdays and Thursdays 10:00 am-1:00 pm and Saturdays 10:00 am -12:00 pm. They need help sorting clothes and various donations, restocking shelves and sales. Please let the church office know if you are willing to help or call **Carol Orr**.

The Food Pantry helps families and elderly clients twice a month. Clients are eligible to receive canned goods, hamburger or chicken, paper goods (toilet paper, tissue paper), and personal care items such as shampoo and soap, cleaning products, milk and juice, bread and sweets, laundry detergent, and even pet food when available.

The Resident Assistance Program (RAP) helps clients with financial needs.

Grandma's Attic continues to do a brisk business. The money taken in by the Attic is used to fund the Pantry and the RAP and pay for operating costs.

Watch for us on Facebook. Please like our page!

Our Lord's Liaison to Maryville Outreach Board: **Carol Orr**

CRAFT SALE

There will be a Craft Sale on **August 17**, 2019 from 11 am – 4 pm at the Maryville Community Center (504 E. Division St.) next to the Food Pantry and Grandma's Attic Building. All proceeds will benefit the Maryville Outreach Center. Come shopping for birthday or Christmas gifts, or get a "just because" something for yourself or a friend! Maryville Outreach Center consists of the Food Pantry, Grandma's Attic and the Resident Assistance Program, helping people in the community of Maryville.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We will be wrapping up our School Supply Drive started in July to benefit Caseyville Elementary School on the Weekend of **August 3-4**. We will bless the donations and the students they will be helping on the Weekend of **August 10-11** when Our Lord's has the Blessing of the Backpacks, Lunch Boxes and children. Children and their families are invited to bring needed school supplies to the church foyer (Narthex) to place in the designated box.

Items needed include:

#2 Pencils (<i>prefer yellow</i>)	Erasers (<i>pencil top or pink</i>)
Bottles of White Glue	Glue Sticks
Crayons (<i>24 count</i>)	Colored Pencils
Rulers (<i>inches & centimeters</i>)	Washable Markers (<i>thick</i>)
Hand Sanitizers	Hand Wipes
Wide Ruled Paper (<i>loose leaf</i>)	Highlighters
Red Ink Pens	Pencil Boxes (<i>plastic</i>)
Handheld Pencil Sharpeners	1/2 Circle Protractor
Boxes of Facial Tissues	Scissors (<i>safety or Fiskar</i>)
Zip Lock Bags (<i>quart/gallon</i>)	Headphones
Dry Erase Markers (<i>black</i>)	Clip Boards
Spiral Notebooks (<i>wide ruled</i>)	Water Color Paints
Spiral Journal (<i>solid color</i>)	Ring Binders (<i>1" or 1 1/2"</i>)
Plastic Pocket Folders w/Prongs	Ear Buds
Soft Zippered Pencil Pouch	
Plastic Two Pocket Folders (<i>red, green, blue, yellow, purple, black</i>)	

AND EXTRA BACKPACKS

Thank you for your generous donations!

"RECYCLING EXPLAINED" WORKSHOP

Saturday, August 17, 2 pm in the St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Get questions answered regarding what can and can't be recycled, as well as what is done with what is recycled. Find out how our local recycling plant works and how you can help keep the wrong things out! Enjoy cookies and coffee as we learn!



SYNOD-WIDE MISSION TRIP

Wondering how Our Lord's can fulfill the ELCA's mission challenge of "God's Work-Our Hands" this year. The Central/Southern Illinois Synod's New and Renewing Congregations Committee is sponsoring a mission trip to one of our own churches: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Mt. Vernon needs our help! Prince of Peace has been in a redevelopment process over the last several years, but they encountered a setback in losing their full-time pastor to attend to family concerns. So the committee decided to support the congregation in good "old-fashioned" Christian Mission work!

On Labor Day Weekend, Saturday, August 31 beginning at 1 pm through Monday, September 2, Noon, volunteers can go help Prince of Peace refresh and revitalize their church. Come help with interior painting, deep cleaning, repair work (baseboards, chairs, door handles, etc.), and landscaping and carpentry work, while making new friends and worshipping as we share in this community work project! Any implements or tools you can bring are encouraged.

Registration is \$25 per individual or \$20 per person for congregational groups of three or more. For more information, including lodging options, and to register online, go to www.csis-elca.org/synodmissiontrip. Questions about the trip can be directed to DEM Pastor Elise Rothfusz.

2019 ELCA CHURCHWIDE ASSEMBLY

Aug. 5-10
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
 Theme: We Are Church.



It is the primary decision-making body of the church that meets every three years. Business includes: to listen & review reports & work of the officers, leaders & units; receive & consider proposals from synod assemblies, elect officers, board members & leaders, establish ELCA policy, worship, adopt a budget, etc. Please pray for the voting members for their faith and discernment during the preparation time prior to the Churchwide Assembly.

PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming Events and special observances.

SEPTEMBER

- Labor Day/Church Office Closed, Sep 2
- Men's Club Breakfast, Sep 7
- Fall Sunday Worship Schedule Returns, Sep 8 (8 & 10:45 am)
- Worship Services in Chapel in the Pines, Sep 7-8
- Blessing of the Three Year Old's, Sep 7-8
- Dedication of Education Staff, Sep 7-8
- Sunday School Classes, 3 Year-Adults Resume, Sep 8
- Rally Day Picnic, Sep 8
- Grandparents Day, Sep 8
- Various Adult Bible Studies Resume, Sep 9, 11, 12 & 21
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen, (St. John), Sep 12
- Newsletter Deadline, Sep 17
- Alzheimer's Walk, Sep 21
- Fall Begins, Sep 23
- Newsletter Assembly, Sep 25
- Fair Trade Fall Tea, Sep 29

OCTOBER

- Francis of Assis, Oct 4
- Men's Club Breakfast, Oct 5
- Blessing of the Animals Worship Service in Chapel in the Pines, Oct 5
- World Communion Day/Taste of the World Event, Oct 6
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen (1st Presbyterian), Oct 8
- Columbus Day/Church Office Closed, Oct 14
- Newsletter Deadline, Oct 15
- National Boss Day, Oct 16
- Feed My Starving Children/Manchester Event, Oct 18
- High School Youth Greenery Fund Raiser Begins, Oct. 19-20
- Reformation Weekend, Oct 26-27
- Newsletter Assembly, Oct 30
- Reformation Day, Oct 31

NOVEMBER

- All Saint's Day, Nov 1
- Men's Club Breakfast, Nov 2
- All Saint's Weekend Celebrated, Nov 2-3
- Youth Greenery Sale Ends, Nov 2-3
- Daylight Savings Ends, Nov 3
- Election Day, Nov 5
- Confirmation Class S.O.S. Food Prep Day, Nov 9
- Martin Luther's Birthday, Nov 10
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen (St. John's), Nov 14
- Newsletter Deadline, Nov 15
- Christ the King Weekend, Nov 23-24
- Youth Bake Sale, Nov 23-24
- Newsletter Assembly, Nov 27
- Thanksgiving Day Holiday, Office Closed, Nov 28-29





PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Lance Cpl. Clayton Campbell
 Major James Carmichael
 Capt. Blake Crosby
 Airborne Ranger Keegan Crosby
 Staff Sgt. Tyson Crosby
 SPC Bill Homes
 Charles Homes
 Zach Huff
 AB Lucas Maue
 John Meyer
 Zachary Neubauer
 Amador Ochoa
 Josh Pace
 Scott Prengel
 Jake Randall
 Jack Scoles
 Staff Sgt. Skipper Smith
 Sgt. Matthew Spencer (Ret.)
 Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS

Terry Brady
Dan Homes
Barb Erickson
Greg Fremder
Jim Green
Matt Gross
Linda Harriss
Rudy Kantola
Don Klingsick
Erick Larson
Patrick Noga
Greg Perkins
Sue Perkins
Julie Preston
John Puricelli
Dona Racich
Jeff Scheiter
Melinda Stein
Harry & Lynn Thiel
Karen Tilashalski
Larry Trucano
Joan Vail
Jean Weishaupt
Elizabeth White
Lisa White





IN SYMPATHY

David White Family (at the death of his father Robert White on July 12)

Harvey Chiles Family (at the death of his mother Vera Chiles on July 11)

Carol Orr Family (at the death of her cousin Thomas Hellweg in July)



PRAYER LIST

As you may have noticed, Our Lord's Prayer List is always a long one. We have many within our congregation, or who are connections to a member, that are in need of prayer that are included on the list. The church office "purges" the list approximately once a month. If we know that there is a long-term illness or condition, we tend to not delete the person. However, we don't always know why a person is included in our prayer life. But you can help. If the person for which you have requested prayer has improved enough to come off the prayer list or has passed away, please let the church office know. We want to keep the Prayer List as current and viable as possible. Thank you for your help.

LORETTA

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Tony DiBartolo
Kevin Giese
Della Crosby
Natalie Messina
Chery Sides
Robin Wellener
Mark Holshouser
Anna Foppe
Madison Saul*
Stacey Harriss
Cvijanovic
Randy
Kampwerth
Nona Echevarria
Lori Messina
Adam Kirk
Ethan Wilborn
Zach Noga
Kevin Schrader
Greg Perkins

Joanna Beauchamp
Scott Comrie
Gwen Corrie
Brad Homes
Jim Trucano
Karen Larson
Rachel Perry
Mark Faerber
Michelle Mihalich
Bill Diggs
Caden Soehlin*
Joseph John
Cigliana*
Sydney Hayes
Jeff Beauchamp
Amy Hauch
Callum Dollar
Morgan Sallee



Sean & Della Crosby
Dave & Carol Gocken
Bob Schrader & Karen Tilashalski
Joshua* & Chelsea (Lang) Litwicki
Chuck & Gail Jorgenson
Aaron & Heather Barnett
Scott & Rhonda Comrie
Bob & Barb Carver
Everett & Jo Steele
Ron & Ruth Ann Blotevogel
Dom & Nona Echevarria
Dan & Susan Homes
Jim & Shelly Trucano
Randall & Amy Hauch
Randy & Lyn Kampwerth

Prayers for Family and Friends of Church Members

IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Gladys Adams (Nicole Williams' friend)
Steve Anderson (Beth Giese's brother)
Jeff Bombal (Comrie's nephew)
Isabella Boyer (Noga's 13 year old neighbor)
Estella Brock (Irene VanHooser's Friend)
Pat C. (Schoenecker's friend)
Jeff Callahan
Lucian Cojucaru
Bill Cross (Mike Williams' friend's uncle)
Austin Cummings (Erick & Karen Larson's grandson)
Brenda Cussanelli
Priscilla Donals
Judy Douglass (Karen Tilashalski's aunt)
Fred Edmonds
Bruce Fernie (Lori Fremder's friend)
Vickie Finan (Kassing's niece)
Carol Gendron (Lori Messina's mother)
Glenda
Miranda Goes (Kassing's friend)
Penny Grimes (Hoelscher's friend)
David Hendricks
Jean Huster (Dora Clawges' sister-in-law)
Sandra Ingram (Mike Williams sister)
Journey Kampton (Erick Larson friend's grabddaughter)

Thom Kolosieke (Megan Kolosieke father-in-law)
Laura Lee
Bishop Phillip Lichtenwalter (Caitlyn Baczewski's friend)
David Lydick (Deanne Holshouser's cousin)
Gene Manley (Tatjenhorst's neighbor)
Libby Maroney (Chuck Pugh's sister)
Kathryn Martin (Karen Larson's friend)
Jim Maue (Roberta Maue's friend)
Joy McClard (Fritz's friend)
Charlie McCord
Heather McKinley (Carol Orr's Cousin)
Michael Meyer (Barb Erickson's grandson)
Don Muller (Terry Menz' brother)
Margaret Neubauer (White's sister-in-law)
Rick Neubauer (Lisa White's brother)
Brantley Noble
Nyland Family
Chris & Meagan Nyland
Rosy Park
Sharon Parker (Pugh's friend)
J. Grace Parsons (Harvey Chiles friend)
Peggy (Caryl Kassing's friend)
Stephanie Polston (Karen Larson's friend)
Jason Ralston (Jodi Pugh's brother)

Rhonda Reuter (Sue Green's H.S. friend)
Pr. Lev Reynolds
Lucas Wade Rodell (Carole Callahan's nephew)
Brenda Simmons (Irene VanHooser's friend)
Loralee Snyder (Tim Nyland's aunt)
Alex Spudich
Harriett Stensland
Rod & Sharon Summer (Williams' neighbors)
Ben Szakacsi (Nicole Williams' Grandfather)
Steve Tatjenhorst (Fred & Joyce Tatjenhorst's son)
Doug Wannan
Jean Wheeland (Beth Giese's mother)
Robert White (David White's father)
Diane Wooden
Nick Zappia (Davidson's son-in-law)





PUZZLE

GOD'S MORNING ROUTINE

Every new day, we wake up to blessings from God.

Directions: Use the clues to fill in the words. Then write the boxed letters in order below to complete Lamentations 3:22-23, NIV.

- Brush these daily _ _ _ _
- Do this to your shoes _ _
- This rises in the east _ _
- Cold breakfast food _ _ _ _
- Hot breakfast food _ _ _ _
- Talk to God _ _ _
- Morning meal _ _ _ _ _
- Extend your limbs _ _ _ _
- Fruit drink _ _ _ _
- Waffle machine _ _
- Eat these scrambled or fried _ _ _



Because of the LORD's great love ...
 never fail. They are
 new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23, NIV

Answers: teeth, tie, sun, cereal, oatmeal, pray, breakfast, stretch, juice, iron, eggs; his compassions

Bible Quiz

During the dramatic experience when God called Isaiah to be a prophet, who or what filled the temple?

- A. 144,000 worshipers
- B. The bottom of God's robe
- C. Smoke
- D. Priests offering sacrifices

Answer: B and C (See Isaiah 6:1-8.)

Puzzle!

Draw lines to connect the biblical figures with the locations associated with them.

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| Abraham | | Moab |
| Amos | | Canaan |
| Ananias | | Babylon |
| Cornelius | | Caesarea |
| Daniel | | Nineveh |
| Dorcas | | Jericho |
| Esther | | Ur |
| Jesus | | Tarsus |
| Jonah | | Joppa |
| Joshua | | Aram |
| Lydia | | Tekoa |
| Martha | | Bethany |
| Moses | | Egypt |
| Naaman | | Philippi |
| Ruth | | Nazareth |
| Saul | | Persia |
| Zacchaeus | Damascus | |

Answers: Abraham - Ur, Amos - Tekoa, Ananias - Damascus, Cornelius - Caesarea, Daniel - Babylon, Dorcas - Joppa, Esther - Persia, Jesus - Nazareth, Jonah - Nineveh, Joshua - Canaan, Lydia - Philippi, Martha - Bethany, Moses - Egypt, Naaman - Aram, Ruth - Moab, Saul - Tarsus, Zacchaeus - Jericho



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:30 - Office Angels	2	3 Pentecost 8 7:00—Men's Club 3:30 - Praise Band School Supply Collection 5 - Worship/Chapel in the Pines/Blessing of College Students 6:30 - 1st of the Month Dinner Out/Mungo's
4 Pentecost 8 School Supply Collection 9 - Worship/Chapel in the Pines/Blessing of College Students 10:30 - Hospitality	5 Pastor's Sabbath 3 - 8 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy 6:30 - Education Summit	6 10:30 - Staff Meeting 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Annon: Praise Band	7 6:30—Chancel Choir	8 10 - Morning Glories Summer Bible Discussion 10:30 - Office Angels 6 - 8:30 - Hindu Worship 6:30 - Bell Choir	9	10 Pentecost 9 School Supply Collection 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship/Blessing of Backpacks 6:15 - Fellowship
11 Pentecost 9 School Supply Collection 9 - Worship/Blessing of Backpacks 10:30 - Hospitality 10:30 - Hymn Planning	12 Pastor's Sabbath 3 - 8 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy 6:30—Steering Team	13 10:30 - Staff Meeting 3:30-7 - SOS Soup Kitchen/1st Presby 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Annon	14 Mary, Mother of Our Lord 6:30—Lakeview Garden Club 6:30—Chancel Choir	15 Newsletter Deadline 10:30 - Office Angels 6:30 - Bell Choir 6:30 - Recovery 360-Family Support	16	1 Pentecost 10 9 - Le Leche League 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship 6:15 - Fellowship
18 Pentecost 10 9 - Worship 10:30 - Hospitality 3:00 - Installation of Pastor Darla Ann Kratzer & Catered Dinner	19 Pastors Sabbath 11:30 - Serendipity Book Club 3 - 8 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy 6:30 - Church Council	20 10:30 - Staff Meeting 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Annon ; Praise Band	21 6:30—Chancel Choir	22 10:30 - Office Angels 6 - MOC Board 6:30: - MEHCCA	23	24 Pentecost 11 Bartholomew. Apostle 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship 6:15 - Fellowship
25 Pentecost 11 9 - Worship 10:30 - Hospitality/ Confirmation Orientation 2—Late Boomers Pool Party @ Jorgensons	26 Pastors Sabbath 3 - 8 - Illinois, Global Arts Academy	27 10:30 - Staff Meeting 7 - Narcotics Anonymous, Nar-Annon	28 Newsletter Assembly 6:30—Chancel Choir	29 10:30 - Office Angels 6:30 - Bell Choir	30	31 Pentecost 12 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship 6:15 - Fellowship

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Reverend Darla Ann Kratzer, Pastor
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Dr. Rhonda Comrie, Organist
Beth Giese, Nursery Attendant
Brian Gunderson, Director of Contemporary Music
Chery Sides, Organist
Linda Spencer, Office Assistant
Loretta Williams, Administrative Assistant

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Tom Steinmann, President
Kathy Hoelscher, Vice President
Jaime Henderson, Secretary
Max Eakin, Treasurer
Alan Kramer, At Large

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[Worship, Education, Fellowship, Service]
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Tim Nyland, Lyn Kampwerth, Erick Larson,
Karen Cummings-Larson, Jan Vinson

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MIND THE GAP Update



Ryan and Susan are a couple who have suffered from addiction in the past. Ryan recently had to have surgery. Mind the Gap paid for a week's stay in a hotel so he could recover there. The surgery has made a big difference in Ryan's health and he is now able to work more but he doesn't have a steady job. Ryan and Susan are on a list for low rent housing and will hopefully get in within two weeks.

People from the east side camp, also called 'Tent City' which was recently cleared out by the property owners, have all found places to live. A couple have moved farther back into the woods. They are uneasy about having too many people from Mind the Gap come to their camp because if they are found out to be there, they fear they will be forced to move. So far no one has said anything to them. Sam and Julia have joined Ethan in his camp. Sam does craft work and sells it. He has been looking for other work and has a chance at a job. Unfortunately, his phone stopped working. Mind the Gap was able to get him a new phone so he has a chance to get the job. Sam is a recovered addict and doesn't allow any drugs or alcohol in the camp. They are on land that floods often and has many mosquitoes. Because of this, they have built a screened in area from donated materials. They would like to buy the land so they can establish a camp for the homeless. They have a generator that they use for charging their phones and operating tools that Sam uses for his crafts.

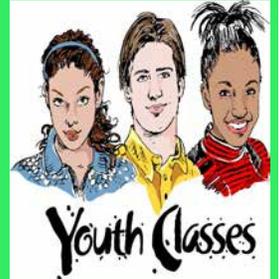
We are feeding more and more at the Cathedral and a park in St Louis. Because of the increased numbers, there have been some problems such as fighting. Some don't fit in well or don't understand the need to be peaceable. They tend to cause trouble for the others which draws the attention of the police. The homeless try to discourage the fighting and police themselves as best they can so they can continue to stay there. This is a difficult thing for them to do. The congregation at the Cathedral allows them to stay around the church and when weather is very bad, they let the homeless come inside.

Joseph got out of prison a month ago and works a steady job. He sometimes meets with us on Thursdays and helps hand out food and clothing. He relapsed into drinking recently and got into an argument with his landlord resulting in the loss of his apartment so he's out on the street again. He is saving money so he can get another apartment. He still is drinking and finds it hard to accept that he cannot drink.

It has been brought to our attention that the word has spread about our mission with the homeless and there are some outside our church who are giving us donations. We are very grateful for this, as well as the donations from church members. We especially want to thank **Linda Eakin** for preparing meals on two occasions for Thursday evenings.

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS (Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12)

Sundays, 9:30 am in the Youth Room in the
Worship Center



NEW Curriculum: re:form from Augsburg Fortress.

This new curriculum for teens is intended to engage them to explore their faith. Each session has a three-part sequence to encounter, engage and respond. Youth will watch an animated video, join in creative activities, and share thoughts and ideas about the session's questions.

May Lesson: May 5 – Is God male?

This is the last lesson of the school year. Class resumes in September.



HIGH SCHOOL OUR LORD'S YOUTH (OLY)

The High School Youth may be meeting in May, but as of this printing, the plans are not finalized.

(For more information and details, see our "Youth Ministries" brochure or visit our website: www.ourlords.org)