



# SEPTEMBER

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## Sharing the Spirit of **OUR LORD'S NEWS**

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The past month has been filled with challenging scriptures and hard words from the Gospel of Luke. They are the kind of scriptures I have to wrestle with for a while to find the good news in them. So, you may wonder, why am I using them?

In the Lutheran Church, there are appointed readings that follow a three-year cycle. Other worshipping communities also use these readings including Episcopalians, Church of Christ (Disciples of Christ) and many Presbyterians and Methodists. This set of scriptures is called the Revised Common Lectionary. If, before the worship service starts some weekend, you open the cranberry red hymnal (ELW) to page 18 you will find the list in the left hand column on pages 18 – 53.

There are some significant advantages to using the Revised Common Lectionary. It gives us three readings and a psalm each week. So, the multiple



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readings expose us to a greater range of scripture than we ourselves might chose to read. And, because many Christians have heard the same scriptures on the same weekend, it is possible to talk with friends and neighbors who go to other churches about what we each heard in our congregations. It also keeps your pastor from preaching far too often on her favorite scriptures. It is a good spiritual discipline to dig into scripture readings we might otherwise ignore.

Furthermore, the Sunday School Materials used for the children at Our Lord's are based on the Revised Common Lectionary. That means Sunday School expands upon what the children hear during the worship service. It also helps parents know what themes are central so that they can have family conversations about what they all learned about following Jesus that weekend.

So, now you know the advantages of the lectionary cycle. But, there are also disadvantages. One is that many scriptures that never appear in the lectionary cycle are still important to hear. There is also growing concern that as fewer and fewer people know the sweep of the Bible's big story, those who attend worship may not know how the scriptures on a given weekend fit into the whole story of God's work in the world. The Revised Common Lectionary jumps in and out of various time periods in the story of the people of Israel and in the story of the life of Jesus. Because of that, a newer set of readings has been developed that follows a two-year cycle. It is called the Narrative Lectionary. It uses a chronological order in presenting the stories of Older Testament and those of Jesus life. A number of Lutheran congregations are trying the Narrative Lectionary. While that might be an option for Our Lord's at some time in the future, it requires significant advance planning since to do so also means a change in Sunday School materials.

Lutheran pastors do have the freedom to depart from the lectionary from time to time. We may do so after disasters or other significant events. We may also do so when a congregation has a special emphasis for a period of weeks for which the pastor develops a sermon series. In mid-September, we will be leaving the Revised Common Lectionary to do The Season of Creation. It has its own set of readings that follow a three-year cycle. This is a wonderful time of year to focus on the world God has given us. I am hoping many of you will be able to attend each of the four weekends as together we celebrate God's good creation.

*Pastor Darla Ann*

## WEEKEND WORSHIP DURING SEPTEMBER



**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.



**Saturday, September 7 and Sunday, September 8**

Thirteenth Weekend after Pentecost: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

### Choose Life!

Moses lays out the choice the chosen people will have to make as they live as a free and settled people in the land promised to their ancestors, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.



**Saturday, September 14 and Sunday, September 15**

First Sunday in Creation: Job 38:1-18

### Ocean

God called the waters under the sky to gather at one place so that dry land would appear. Out of the waters of the mighty ocean, baby earth was born. The waters of the ocean are rich with life.



**Saturday, September 21 and Sunday, September 22**

Second Sunday in Creation: Colossians 1:15-20

### Cosmos

The whole of reality, the whole of the cosmos, is celebrated in sections of Proverbs, the Psalms, and Colossians. There is an order to all things revealed through scripture and through science.



**Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29**

Third Sunday in Creation: Luke 8: 22-25

### Storm

Storms are the way nature refreshes and renews the earth. Because storms can be so destructive, we often forget the importance of storms for the life of the earth. In the Bible, God makes God's presence known even through the forces of nature.

## WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL IN THE PINES

Our Lord's outdoor Worship in the Chapel in the Pines will be a split weekend! Join us on Saturday, **September 7** (5 pm) for contemporary worship, which is the first Saturday of the month. Then on Sunday, **September 8** which is actually the second Sunday of the month when we return to two services, a Sunday at 8 am and 10:45 am, you will have a choice to make. You can either worship indoors at the 8 am traditional service or be outside in the Chapel in the Pines for the 10:45 am service for the traditional worship. All this is contingent on the weather permitting us to be outside. If worshipping outside, bring lawn chairs & bug spray. Worshiping in God's creation takes on a different, spiritual awareness. Come worship with us.



## 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 for only ONE MORE SUNDAY – **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, which is Labor Day Weekend. We will switch back to our regular Sunday Schedule of **8 am** and **10:45 am** on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars so you won't miss the Sunday Service of your choice! Hospitality will be at 10:15 am in the Commons Area for September 1<sup>st</sup>, but will go back to the 9:15 am Hospitality time on September 8.

## GETTING TO KNOW THE PASTOR

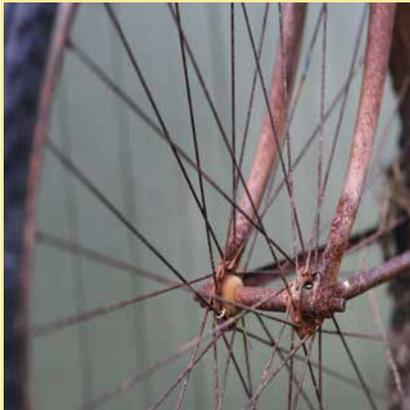
The Transition Team has planned gatherings for September and October so that members may get to know Pastor Darla Ann in an informal setting. Although she arrived approximately two months before her installation, those were summer months when many members of the congregation were away for many of those weeks. The gatherings will be in different locations and at a variety of times during the day, but they will be very similar in that the questions guiding the sharing of information about Pastor Dar (nickname) and about ourselves will be the same at each gathering. These gatherings are especially for those who have not yet had the opportunity to get to know Pastor Darla Ann through the meetings of Ministry Teams. There will be sign-up sheets in the church narthex or you may call Loretta at the office to sign up to attend one of the gatherings.

### Tea with Pastor

Thursday, September 12, 2 – 4 pm

OLLC Worship Center Commons

Hosted by Deanne Holshouser and Rhonda Comrie



### Bike Ride with Pastor

Sunday, September 22, 2 pm

Start at the Maryville YMCA

6.3 mile ride (30-35 minutes) on the Schoolhouse and Goshen Trails to Culver's (Edwardsville location). Those not wishing to ride, can meet us at Culver's for Custard and conversation. After conversation, riders will return to the Goshen Trail to start the ride back to the YMCA.

### Dessert with Pastor

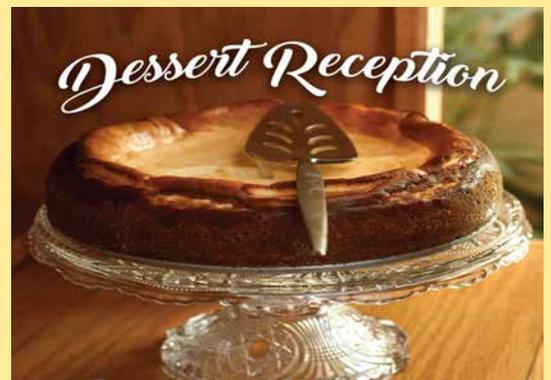
Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 pm

Ginger Creek Club House

110 Ginger Lake Drive West

Glen Carbon, IL 62034

Hosted by Laura Schoenecker



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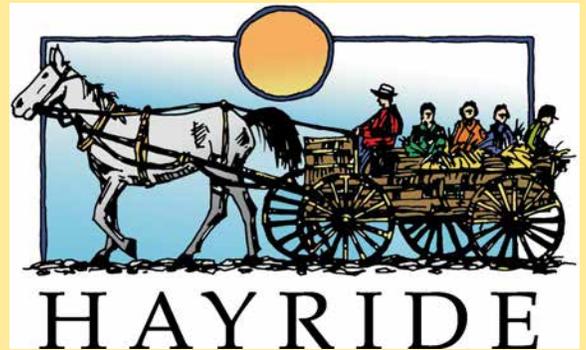


### **Coffee with Pastor**

Saturday, October 12, 10 am  
Verona Coffee Company,  
Front, 101 A, East Main Street, Collinsville  
(same entrance as Bert's Chuckwagon)

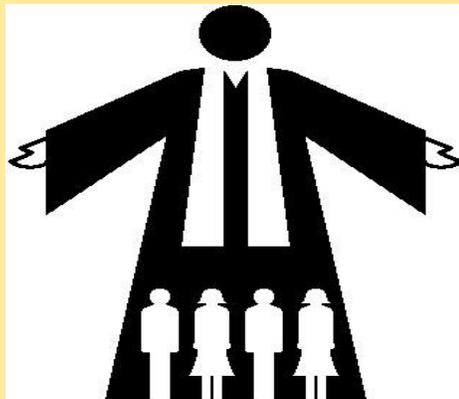
### **Hayride with Pastor**

Saturday, October 12, 7 pm  
Location to be determined



## COMMISSIONING OF THE TRANSITION TEAM

The weekend of **September 7 & 8**, Transition Team members will be commissioned at all three services. Members of the team are to attend the one service they usually attend so that they can be seen and prayed for by those who usually attend that particular service with them.



## DIRECTORS DEPARTMENT

### Worship and the Arts

What brings you closer to God during a worship service?

What brings you closer to God during a worship service? All of our senses are used in life but only sight and hearing are normally accessed in worship. What role might art, liturgical movement, and drama play in worship to connect us completely to God through all of our senses?

Some people do not like music in the worship service I learned years ago. Others like traditional music and some like contemporary music. I prefer something called "blended services" with a mixture of things in them to reach people. Others have never experienced liturgical dance, movement or drama in a church setting. We are missing many ways to connect with God by limiting ourselves to music and the spoken word.

Pastor Dar and I had a wonderful conversation about creating a place for people to worship that reaches all of our senses. She gave me a book that I have read cover to cover and am about to do so again.

AH! HA! A light bulb went off in my heart, mind, and soul. And it has led me to a new exploration of worship, the arts, and faith. We will experiment, at times, with worship and what is contained in it. You may be surprised and find that something you had never considered before brings you into closer communion to God.

As we go through the year and look at creativity and worship, I welcome all of your feedback in person or via email at [chilesharvey@gmail.com](mailto:chilesharvey@gmail.com)

**Harvey Childs**, Director of Traditional Music

## CHANCEL & BELL CHOIRS

The Chancel Choir resumed rehearsals in August but will really be ramping up the rehearsals in September on **Wednesdays at 6:30 pm** in the Worship Center Sanctuary. The Bell Choir resumed rehearsals in August but will kick into high gear on **Thursday, September 5 at 6:30 pm** in the Worship Center Sanctuary. We have lost several singers and ringers over the summer, so if you have an interest in singing or playing bells, please contact our Director of Traditional Music, **Dr. Harvey Chiles**. He would love to talk with you!

## RALLY DAY – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Rally Sunday marks the return of Christian Education programs at Our Lord's. Join us to celebrate this event in the life of our congregation.

Special events during worship include: blessing of the three year olds and Bible presentation, dedication of Sunday School staff and adult class teachers, as well as Bible Study leaders, and blessing of all students.

There will be a Rally Day Picnic outside (weather permitting) on Sunday, after the 10:45 am outdoor worship in the Chapel in the Pines – approximately at noon. Meat will be provided, and everyone is asked to bring sides and desserts enough to feed at least 15 people, so we have enough food. Entertainment will be provided at 12:45 pm by Sheltered Reality Drum Corp. This should be a fun event for all ages. Hope to see you there!

### **"Morning Glories" Spiritual Discussion Group** *(formerly Morning Glories Bible Study)*

The "Morning Glories" are beginning a new study series for September, October and November called the "Poetry of the Old Testament". This study by Anna Madsen is from the ELCA Women's magazine **Gather**.

The study will cover selections of the Old Testament's poetry from Job, Psalms and Lamentations. Drawing from the experiences of these ancient writers, learn to look for God in times of deep emotions, such as joy, anger, celebration, depression, misunderstanding and contentment, finding hope and grace along the way. September's session is "No Hard Feelings?" about the angst of anger. The "Morning Glories" will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. Come join this group of women beginning September 12, at 10 am.

Leader: **Debby Gunderson.**

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



### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR AGES 3 YEARS OLD – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE...

...begin Sunday, September 8, 9:30 am in the Worship Center Fellowship Hall with a FUN DAY! Normally, children ages 3 years – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade will stay for classes in the Worship Center Fellowship Hall, while the older kids will break out to go to Classroom 4 in the Life Center after opening. This year's curriculum will be Spark: Activate Faith/Lectionary which aims to connect worship and Sunday School lessons with a three-year series based on the Revised Common Lectionary which is used for readings during most seasons of worship. So bring your children and come meet the teachers and fellow students!

### RECOGNIZING OUR THREE YEAR OLDS

On Rally Day we welcome new three year old's to our Sunday School Program. This is their first "official" introduction of Christian Education by the church after they age out of the Cradle Roll program that runs from birth to 3 years old. They will receive their very own Spark Story Bible published by Augsburg Fortress. The three year olds and the parents will be welcomed the weekend of September 8-9. Please make these little ones, including Luke Cvijanovic, Patrick McGuire, Maren Noga and Crichton Williams, feel welcome in this big step in learning about Jesus and the Bible.

## SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The Adult Bible Study will meet weekly on Sundays, beginning **September 8** at 9:15 am in the Worship Center conference Room. The group will continue the DVD Course from The Great Courses Series: **“Jesus and the Gospels”** by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory University. The study will continue with the apocryphal Gospels not found in the New Testament. All men and women are welcome to this study led by **Dona Racich**.

## QUESTIONS BIBLE STUDY

The Questions Bible Study will meet weekly on Mondays, beginning **September 9** at 10 am in the Life Center Conference Room. The DVD Course is from The Great Courses Series: **Science and Religion** by Professor Lawrence M. Principe of John Hopkins University. The course covers science and religion as two of the most potent forces shaping human civilization and how they have interacted. Examples of conflicts include Galileo’s moving Earth and the continuing fallout of Charles Darwin’s theory of evolution, just to name a few. Sources will not only be historical, scientific and theological, but also include recent documents and events in the present day. This course is open to all – come join the quest for further understanding, led by **Dona Racich**.

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## CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation begins for students in 6th, 7th & 8th Grades. On Sunday, **September 8**, at 9:15 am. Students will meet in the Life Center-Fellowship Hall (basement) for attendance and a service event of preparing for the Rally Day Picnic. The class uses the "Faith Inkubators" curriculum. All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8 Grade students are encouraged to attend.

## HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

(Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12)

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

High School Sunday School classes begin Sunday, **September 8**, 9:30 am in the Youth Room in the Worship Center using "re:form" by Augsburg Publishers, which is a continuation of last spring. The curriculum features an "anti" workbook to encourage active learning with room to explore, journal, doodle, paste photos and build faith, and short videos with a blend of fun and solid theology. They will pick up on their study of "Creed". The next few weeks will include: "How can God be 'three-in-one'?", "Does God still create stuff today?", "Am I really supposed to believe Mary was a virgin?" and "Why did Jesus go to hell?"

Teachers: **Debby Gunderson & Scott Comrie.**



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

## YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Here is the youth group schedule for 2019 - 2020. If your child is not interested in youth group let me know and I will remove you from the email list if you prefer.

Faith and our schedules are hectic this year so if I have to cancel a meeting it most likely will not be rescheduled. We will be doing some activities but they have not been decided on yet. I will send those out as soon as they are scheduled.

If your child is active in any group activities outside of church and you have their schedule, please forward them to me. Hopefully I can try and schedule activities so most can participate.

**Sept 15, 2019** (after late service) meeting with parents & youth (about fundraising and other items)

**Sept 15, 2019** youth group fun activity and lunch after the meeting

Following meeting dates:

(Hoelscher House 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.)

**Oct. 6, 2019**  
**Oct. 20, 2019**

**Nov. 3, 2019**  
**Nov. 17, 2019**

**Dec. 1, 2019** (X-mas Party Hoelscher House 3:00 p.m.)

**Jan. 5, 2020**  
**Jan. 19, 2020**

**Feb. 2, 2020**  
**Feb. 23, 2020**

**March 8, 2020**

**April 19, 2020**

Peace and thanks to all!

**Kathy Hoelscher**

## LATE BOOMERS IN SEPTEMBER

Tony DiBartolo and Barb Sparks are hosting the Boomers to Las Vegas Night! Boomers will meet on Saturday, **September 21**, 6:30 pm at Mady's Gaming Parlor on 623 Edwardsville Road, Troy, Illinois 62294 for an evening of gaming fun. We will be ordering pizza from Imos, so the evening's menu will include toasted ravioli, pizza and salad. Bring desserts to share! RSVP by Friday, **September 13**, and tell Tony what kind of pizza you like at 314-740-1123! Hope you all can come!

## SERENDIPITY BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets on **Monday, September 16 at 11:30 am**. In September, you are invited to read **Fall of Marigolds** by Susan Meissner. 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 begins Saturday, **September 21**, 8 am at the Collinsville St. Louis Bread Company. Topics include discussions on how to handle today's life challenges in a more Christ-like manner. All men welcome.  
Leader: **Steve Hoelscher**



## FIRST OF THE MONTH DINNER OUT

On Saturday, **September 7**, following the 5 pm service (around 6:30 pm) we will meet at The Wooden Nickel Pub & Grill in Glen Carbon (171 W. Main St.). They have a great menu of appetizers, salads, sandwiches, hot wings and chicken tenders. Come out and have good food with your church friends!

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

## MEN'S CLUB



Our Lord's Men's Club meets on **Saturday, September 7, 7 am.** September's chefs are **Ted Nemsky** and **Steve Hoelscher**. 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 rolling into the Fall mowing season. 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 Nemsky** to be put on the list of back up mowers and trimmers.

### Mowers and Trimmers for September

<u>Date</u>	<u>Riding Mower</u>	<u>Trimmers</u>
September 5-7	Jim Spencer	Tom Steinmann
September 12-14	Chuck Pugh	Brian Hartke
September 19-21	Ben McGuire	Rod Orr
September 26-28	Ted Nemsky	Mike Hester

## TREASURER'S REPORT

as of July 31, 2019

Total receipts for July 2019	\$39,204	(anticipated budget amount of \$30,083)
Total expenditures for July 2019	\$30,542	(anticipated budget amount of \$30,083)
Total receipts for 2019 as of 7/31	\$230,527	(anticipated budget amount of \$210,583)
Total expenditures for 2019 as of 7/31	\$266,445	(anticipated budget amount of \$210,583)
Mortgage principal paid in July 2019	\$2982	
Total mortgage principal paid in 2019	\$22,640	
Remaining principal on mortgage	\$145,056	
Cash - Unrestricted	\$29,357	
Cash - Designated	\$24,584	
Certificate of Deposit	\$25,000	matures in December 2021



Submitted by **Max Eakin**

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## 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 Brady, and Carol and Rod Orr.**

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

## FAIR TRADE

As always Our Lord's is doing a great job in supporting Fair Trade artisans and small farmers around the world. The New sauces and olive oils are moving well. Please remember the Fair Trade space is always open. Though the room is dark, Come On In. The lights are automatic and will come on when you enter the room. Please come in and come in often. The space is like a good book. Every time you read it, you notice something more about that book. The Fair Trade space is just that way. You may see something new or something you missed last time. There are always samples of all the Chocolates. And if you'd like to try a new Tea, just take a bag from the Coffee Bar to try at your leisure.



Over the weekend we had quite a few visitors for Pastor Darla Ann's installation; Bishop Roth, visiting Pastors and friends were highly complimentary of the space.



P.S. I still need some volunteers to help with processing Charge Purchases in the Fair Trade space. The program is very simple and I will gladly do a one on one introduction to doing it. I really need some people who attend on Sunday to help with this. Though it varies, about 20-25% of sales are charge sales.

### Our Lord's GIFT SHOP!



Yours in Christ,

**Mike Williams** & Fair Trade

## SOS SOUP KITCHEN



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SOUP KITCHEN

**NO SOS in September! Next SOS Soup Kitchen is Tuesday, October 8, 3:30 - 7 pm** at First Presbyterian Church, Collinsville serving Tacos!

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

Questions: **Gail Jorgenson**

## 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**



## OFFICE ANGELS

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

## NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY ANGELS

Once a month at **9:30 am in the Life Center Conference Room** towards the end of each month. In September, we move it to **Wednesday, September 25.**

Purpose: For both ministries to help assemble printed bulletins or newsletters & visit with church friends.

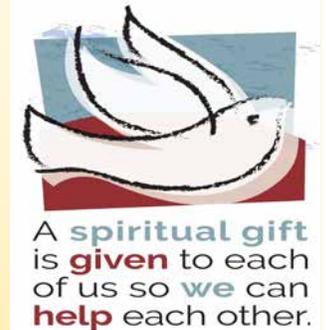
Questions: **Contact Church Office.**

Just a side note: Deadline for **October's** Newsletter is **Thursday, September 17.**

## 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](http://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 increased with the return to two worship service on Sundays effective **September 8**. Sign up sheets for 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](http://www.csis-elca.org)

**ELCA WEB SITE:** [www.elca.org](http://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](http://www.elca.org/prayerventures).

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

## Celebrate *Faith in Action* Sunday by Volunteering for CFIA

*"Faith without works is dead."* (James 2:14-26)



Celebrate *Faith in Action* Sunday by signing up as a CFIA volunteer. During the month of September and throughout autumn, the partner churches of this non-profit organization are recognizing the selfless ministry that members in their congregations perform as CFIA volunteers in service to seniors and adults with disabilities. In addition, *Faith in Action* itself is launching a volunteer recruitment drive on September 15 - *Faith in Action* Sunday - to fill the growing need for more volunteers.

*Faith in Action* needs many more volunteers to help with transportation for care receivers – especially during weekdays for trips to medical appointments and treatments, or to the bank, grocery store, pharmacy, hairdresser, or barber. CFIA volunteers also provide transportation during weekends to social events for CFIA's Elder Connection. They drive care receivers to local restaurants and attractions, plus they join in the fun with care receivers. CFIA volunteers also visit care receivers in their homes and provide companionship. They make reassurance calls, and provide minor home maintenance and seasonal yard maintenance.

All these services are offered without charge to care receivers. This is possible because *Faith in Action* volunteers commit themselves with the contribution of time and talent. Just a few hours once a week or month make a big difference in the life of a senior or adult with disability in the communities we serve. Could your busy schedule allow you to fit in some volunteer driving? Call the CFIA office at 344-8080 to sign up or request more information. Volunteer now and grab the opportunity to act on your beliefs.

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## GRANDMA'S ATTIC – NEW HOURS

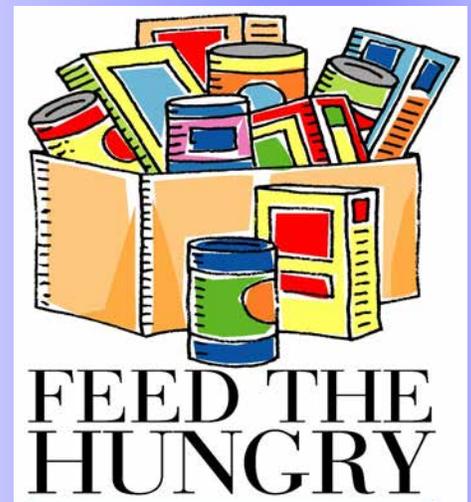
Grandma's Attic will no longer take small appliances. So many of the appliances that have come in do not work and have to be taken to Edwardsville to be recycled.

After Labor Day, the Attic will also be open on Fridays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. **Volunteers are needed for Fridays.**

New hours after Labor Day:  
 Tuesday – Saturday: 10:00 – 12:00  
 Tuesday Evening: 5:30 – 7:30

## BLESSING BOX

The outreach center has now established a 'Blessing Box' to help those in need of food. To reach out to people who cannot or do not feel comfortable coming to the Food Pantry, the 'Blessing Box' has been placed in the southwest corner of the Maryville Police Department. The box is stocked by the outreach center and is available 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. It is also handicapped-accessible, with a concrete sidewalk leading to the box.



The Blessing Box was gifted to the outreach center by the Maryville Farmers' Market with all labor and construction completed by local businesses. Ken Klenke, owner of Skidsteer Hauling and Outdoor Services, LLC, provided all the concrete work and 618Handyman owner **Mike Matthews** installed the box.

The Blessing Box is modeled after the national initiative known as the "Little Free Pantry" project. It offers a variety of non-perishable foods, personal hygiene, baby care items, and cleaning products. Everyone is welcome to use the Blessing Box, regardless of their address and income.

## YOUTH AROUND THE WORLD



On September 20th, youth around the world will lead a climate strike – walking out of their classes and jobs to call for action on the climate crisis.

The timing is meant to influence the U.N. Youth Climate Summit on September 21st and U.N. Climate Action Summit on September 23rd in New York City.

Greta Thunberg, the 16-year-old Swedish climate activist who began the global climate strike movement will be arriving via sailboat to New York that week.

Climate change is something that is affecting us all. This summer record flooding submerged large portions of the Midwest and the U.K. had its hottest day on record.

**Youth are telling us:** We can't wait for future leaders to solve climate change. We need you to get to work now to create a cleaner, safer, and healthier world.

## OUR LORD'S & RECYCLING

Loretta and I recently attended a Recycling Workshop at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. Many things have changed since a group from Our Lord's toured the Earth City Facility approximately five years ago. With the changes in procedures and conditions, we learned we can still make a difference in the carbon footprint we leave.

China is no longer taking recyclable goods from anyone. This alone hinders the amount of reprocessing we can do. It does not mean we need to slow down. Size plays a big part of what can be recycled. Because of the shaker type conveyors that are used, many small items will just fall through and go out with the trash anyway.

**DO NOT** put Plastic Utensils, Broken Glass, Small Bottle Caps (leave them on the containers). **DO NOT** put Items that are a make-up of Multiple Materials, Foil Lined Chip Bags, Candy Bar Wrappers, Tyvek Envelopes, 3 Ring Binders, Oversize Items (anything larger than a 5 gallon bucket). **DO NOT** put in Food Waste, Plastic Shopping Bags, Polystyrene (Styrofoams). **DO NOT** put bags of recyclables in the Recycle Receptacles. Empty them. Soiled Items and Pizza Boxes are not recyclable. **Exception:** If Pizza Box Lids are clean, tear them off and recycle.

Please don't be turned off by the **DO NOT's**. This only ensures we are not contaminating the tons of legitimate recycling we can do. Though these conditions may be troublesome, our planet needs our help, For additional information please visit: **Recyclingsimplified.com, a Republic Services site**

**2019 ELCA CHURCHWIDE ASSEMBLY**

Was Aug. 5-10 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Theme: We Are Church.



Our denomination, the ELCA, holds a churchwide assembly triennially - to worship, vote on matters of governance and policy, and be church together for the sake of the world. This past month's churchwide assembly was full of important votes and actions, including:

- Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton was reelected for a second six-year term on the first ballot.
- A declaration of apology to our siblings of African descent, which was received by the African Descent Lutheran Association with thanks and a call for accountability and living into the words shared.
- Approved resolution declaring the ELCA is a "sanctuary church body," encouraging participation in the ELCA AMMPARO initiative for migrant children, discernment of care for our immigrant neighbors in our context, and the promise of forthcoming resources for this work.
- Approved support for the World Council of Church's *Thursdays in Black*, awareness movement for a world without rape and violence.
- Voted to commemorate June 17 as a day of repentance, in honor and remembrance of the martyrdom of the Emanuel 9.
- Approved a declaration for inter-religious commitment, reaffirming ecumenical and interfaith partnerships.
- Approved the recommendations from a strategic taskforce which has been studying how to work toward authentic diversity in our church.
- Approved memorials: affirming but not "endorsing" the Poor People's Campaign, care for immigrants and refugees, and other statements.
- Adopted a new social statement, "Faith, Sexism, and Justice: a Lutheran Call to Action," and its implementing resolutions.
- Deacon Sue Rothmeyer was elected Churchwide Secretary, a full-time position which acts as executive administrator and leader on all constitutional matters and interpretation.
- Constitutional change for Deacons (rostered ministers of word and service) to be ordained, from the previous practice of consecration.
- Celebrated the milestones of 50 years of women's ordination, 40 years since the first woman of color was ordained, and 10 years since full inclusion of LGBTQIA+ clergy.

## PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming Events and special observances.

### 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
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen (1<sup>st</sup> 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

### DECEMBER

- Beginning of Advent, Nov 30-Dec 1
- Ecumenical Advent Concert at Holy Family, Dec 7
- First of the Month Dinner Out, Dec 7
- Lighting of the Church, Dec 7
- Ecumenical Advent Concert at Our Lord's, Dec 8
- S.O.S. Soup Kitchen, (1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian), Dec 10
- Newsletter Deadline, Dec 13
- Men's Club Breakfast, Dec 14
- Greening of the Church, Dec 14
- Fair Trade Christmas Shop, Dec 14-22
- Children's Christmas Program & Reception, Dec 15
- Katherine von Bora Luther Birthday, Dec 20
- Winter Begins, Dec 21
- Newsletter Assembly & Office Angels Christmas Pot Luck Party, Dec 23
- Christmas Eve-Church Office Closed Dec 24-25
- Christmas Eve Worship, Dec 24 (5, 7:30 & 10 pm)
- Christmas Day Worship, Dec 25
- Christmas With Our Neighbors, Dec 25
- New Year's Eve & Day – Church Office Closed, Dec 31 & Jan 1





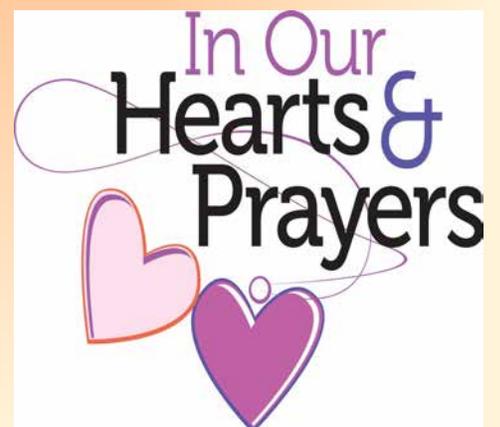
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 Amador Ochoa  
 Josh Pace  
 Scott Prengel  
 Jake Randall  
 Jack Scoles  
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 Sgt. Matthew Spencer (Ret.)  
 Staff Sgt. Stephan Spencer



**PRAYERS FOR OUR  
CHURCH**

**Barb** Erickson  
**Greg** Fremder  
**Jim** Green  
**Linda** Harriss  
**Rudy** Kantola  
**Andrew** Kassing  
**Don** Klingsick  
**Erick** Larson  
**Nyland Family**  
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**Sue** Perkins  
**Julie** Preston  
**John** Puricelli  
**Dona** Racich  
**Jeff** Scheiter  
**Melinda** Stein  
**Harry & Lynn** Thiel  
**Karen** Tilashalski  
**Joan** Vail  
**Jean** Weishaupt  
**Elizabeth** White  
**Lisa** White  
**Sarah** White





## IN SYMPATHY

### **Pr. Kevin Wilson Family**

(at the death of their four month old foster son Chase on August 15).  
Pr. Kevin serves New Rivers Assembly of God in Maryville.

### **Kathie Brady Family**

(at the death of her husband Terry on August 5)

### **Cindy Pugh Family**

(at the death of her nephew Steven Hardy July 21)

## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for the perfect memorial for Terry. It was exactly how he wanted it. Music, friends and family and delicious food and fellowship. Many people commented on how impressed they were with Our Lord's. God Bless all of you!

**Kathie**



## 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

Kenneth Giese  
Liam Helms  
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Rod Orr  
April Vesper  
Julia Schorr  
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Kristin Schoenecker  
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Chuck Jorgenson  
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Larry Trucano  
David Schroeder  
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Alan & Sue Kramer  
Andrew\* & Emily (Callahan)  
Thompson  
Mark & Annette Faerber  
Danny & Mona Schrader  
John & Kristine Mladucky

## 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)  
**Toni** Brendle  
**Estella** Brock (Irene VanHooser's Friend)  
**Pat C.** (Schoenecker's friend)  
**Jeff** Callahan  
**Lucian** Cojucaru  
**Austin** Cummings (Erick & Karen Larson's grandson)  
**Brenda** Cussanelli  
**Priscilla** Donals  
**Judy** Douglass (Karen Tilashalski's aunt)  
**Anita** Dunlap (Harvey Chiles sister)  
**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)  
**Christina** Grenard (Julie Gruber's niece)  
**Chuck** Griffen (Mike Williams' Friend)  
**Penny** Grimes (Hoelscher's friend)  
**Harold** Hatke  
**Debbie** Hertenstien  
**Jean** Huster (Dora Clawges' sister-in-law)  
**Sandra** Ingram (Mike Williams sister)  
**Neil** Jenkins (Williams' brother-in-law)

**Journey** Kampton (Erick Larson friend's grabddaughter)  
**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  
**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  
**Rod & Sharon** Summer (Williams' neighbors)  
**Doris** Swanson (Laura Schoenecker's mother)  
**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)



Addresses for Pastor Paul and Rosy. Rosy continues to struggle with health issues.

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# PUZZLE

## Grandparents of the Old Testament

Can you name these biblical grandparents? If you get stuck, find an Old Testament family tree in your Bible or online.

Directions: After filling in the crossword, unscramble the circled letters to complete Psalm 145:4, NIV.

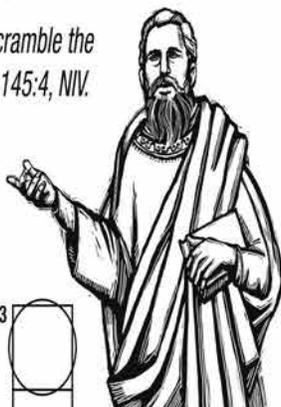


**ACROSS**

2. David's grandfather
5. Jacob's grandfather
6. Esau's grandmother

**DOWN**

1. Judah's grandmother
3. Joseph's grandfather
4. Solomon's grandfather
7. Jesse's grandmother



One G \_ N \_ \_ \_ \_ N commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. Psalm 145:4, NIV

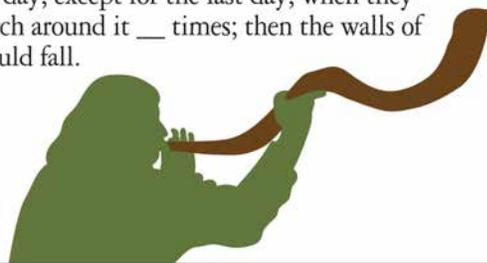
Answers: ACROSS 2. Obed, 5. Abraham, 6. Sarah; DOWN: 1. Rebekah, 3. Isaac, 4. Jesse, 7. Ruth. Generation

## Bible Quiz

What number fits in all the blanks to reveal God's instructions to Joshua about the city of Jericho?

Israelite warriors, led by \_\_ priests blowing \_\_ ram's-horn trumpets for \_\_ days, would march around the city once a day, except for the last day, when they would march around it \_\_ times; then the walls of Jericho would fall.

- A. one
- B. three
- C. five
- D. seven



Answer: D (See Joshua 6:1-5).

# Puzzle!

Match each numbered description with the correct biblical dreamer. Use the passages as hints, if needed.

1. His brothers were irritated when he told them of his dreams. (Genesis 37:5-8)
2. He saw angels going up and down a ladder. (Genesis 28:10-12)
3. This ruler dreamed about some skinny cows eating fat cows. (Genesis 41:17-21)
4. She had an unpleasant dream and told her husband to have nothing to do with Jesus. (Matthew 27:17-19)
5. He saw a statue whose feet were smashed by a stone. (Daniel 2:24-34)
6. He was warned to take his family to Egypt. (Matthew 2:13)
7. He saw a vine produce grapes, and he squeezed their juice into a cup. (Genesis 40:9-11)
8. They were warned in a dream about Herod's evil plan. (Matthew 2:12)

- A. Pharaoh
- B. The magi
- C. Jacob
- D. Pharaoh's cupbearer
- E. Joseph (Mary's husband)
- F. Joseph (Jacob's son)
- G. Pilate's wife
- H. The king of Babylon

Answers: 1. F, 2. C, 3. A, 4. G, 5. H, 6. E, 7. D, 8. B



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