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From Our Pastor

My Dear Family in Christ,

Summer is almost upon us with June and July quickly approaching, signaling the end of the school year in our public schools and an abbreviated Summer School schedule for St. John Lutheran School. Even so, the excitement and discovery in learning something new each day is part of our life long experience as learners and disciples of Jesus (“disciple” means “student” or “pupil”) whether we are two years old or eighty-two years old!

We may be offering a Christian education/study and fellowship opportunity with a 9:00 am study group before the 10:30 am Worship Service possibly with coffee and snacks in the best Lutheran tradition. We could label it “God for Grownups” and share reflections on our faith and how it deals with some of the compelling issues that beset us in a world or society that sometimes seems to try its level best to travel life’s road without benefit of God as its companion. Anyway, more information will be forthcoming. Your input as to the shape it takes and the topics addressed are most welcome. Who knows, it could grow into something like we used to call “Sunday School” (now the “in” term is “Christian Formation”).

July of course points us to July 4th Independence Day picnics, vacations and outdoor fun plus hot weather. And that brings up the challenge we may have to face in repair or replacement of our aging cooling and heating system and the physical fabric of our building and our further generosity in doing whatever that entails. I trust we’ll meet the challenge as we’ve met COVID’s challenge to date thanks to your faithfulness to maintain a viable ministry in Christ’s Name at this place.

A happy forthcoming Summer season and may Christ’s love surround you and strengthen you.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Don

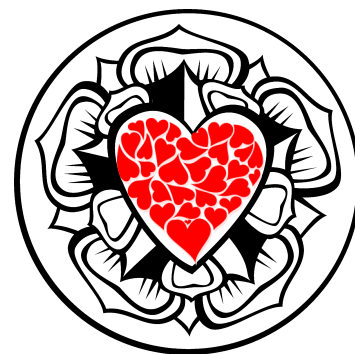


SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10:30 am
Worship Service

OUR MISSION

*We are a family
of Christ,
committed to serving,
teaching, welcoming
and loving
all God’s people.*



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From Our Council President

Summer is officially upon us! Council voted to keep Worship Services at 10:30 am on Sunday mornings for the Summer months.

The new stove has been installed and inspected. The Committee is collecting bids for upgrades to be done in stages pending available funds.

In the absence of a Mutual Ministry Committee our Pastor, Council President and Vice President reviewed and updated contracts for our three employees.

The Constitution Committee is reviewing our latest document and updating to reflect changes approved by the 2019 Church assembly.

The Boot Camp will meet elsewhere during the Summer months. In the case of inclement weather, they are approved to use our space.

For those who wish to return to Communion by Intinction, this option will be offered. A special thanks to Ellen Wilson for agreeing to bake the communion bread.

A special thanks to all for your work in this Church. I look forward to growth as we move through 2022.

Please keep those unable to attend Worship in your prayers. Cards and phone calls are welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Davidson, Council President

SEN-RETS

We will meet on June 15th and July 20th
in St. Matthias Social Hall at 11:30 am

Bring your bag lunch –
drinks and dessert will be provided

For further information
please contact Emily Kircheval.



Worship
Attendance

Date	Congregation	Choir/Assistants	Nursery	Total
April 3, 2022	28	9	1	38
April 6, 2022 (Midweek)	not taken			
April 10, 2022	24	8	0	32
April 14, 2022 Maundy Thursday	not taken			
April 15, 2022 Good Friday	not taken			
April 16, 2022 Easter Vigil	not taken			
April 17, 2022 Easter Sunday	36	9	0	45
April 24, 2022	18	6	0	25

As a congregation, we are blessed to be able to continue Worshipping in person. Last month we returned to offering the Peace in a more connected way, an individual choice with whatever each feels comfortable with. The hymnals have been returned to the pews. This month we will have two ways to commune: individual sealed elements or by intinction with homemade communion bread. Thanks to Ellen Wilson for baking the bread. We continue to follow the CDC guidelines according to levels of COVID. Should conditions change, we will alter our Worship to ensure safety for our members.



Choir will take a Summer break and resume practice and anthems in September. We can always use new voices. Please contact Lee or the Church Office with your interest.

Plans to begin a Bible Study Sunday mornings at 9:00 continue. Watch your Sunday bulletin for updates on when this begins.

Please keep those unable to attend Worship in person in prayer. Pastor continues his online service via YouTube.

Thanks to all who continue the work of the church. We truly are the St. John Family.

In Christ's service,
Gail Davidson, Chair



June Anniversaries

2 ~ Bill ♥ Joann Krumm
67 years

3 ~ Willy ♥ Karen Sutton
55 years

23 ~ Jim ♥ Roxiee Dollar
50 years

June Birthdays

2 ~ Glen Krumm

2 ~ Caroline Babbitt

3 ~ Judy Swedburg

12 ~ Emily Kircheval

July Anniversaries

19 ~ Glen ♥ Tarn Krumm
36 years



July Birthdays

8 ~ Janet Mitchell

11 ~ Melinda Baank

15 ~ Bill Krumm

19 ~ Karen Sutton

24 ~ Willy Sutton

Council Minutes - April 3, 2021

Financial Secretary's Report: We are doing fairly well with pledged offerings, as well as unpledged. Noted that YTD includes one-time bequest of \$23,000+ from estate of Jack Hanson. **Approved: 1st Deb Midgett, 2nd Gerry Gebler.**

Bookkeeper's report: No report since meeting held before bank statement issued for March



School Report from Director Sheila Sanchez was distributed. School Carnival will be April 23rd 10 AM – 2PM with silent auction of baskets. This event is the largest fundraiser for the school. School Cotillion will be May 14th 10 AM – 2 PM; for this event students will learn to waltz and use proper table manners. (Families may come to observe, but cannot bring non-student siblings.) Sheila moved that April 23rd and May 14th be reserved for the school events. **Approved: 2nd Deb Midgett.**

School is also doing fairly well on pre-registrations for Fall. Both playgrounds are nearing completion. Camera installation is proceeding. Project for Ukraine Relief is being contemplated. Not satisfied with Lifetouch Photography for school pictures. Asking for recommendations for a professional photographer for 30 – 50 students twice a year.

Pastor's Report: In addition to the items printed on the report, Pastor noted that he has received requests for the nurse to be available during services. We currently have no volunteers to staff the nursery, nor does the speaker work to enable listening to the service. However, the nursery will be available to parents and their children.

Willie Manson asked for permission to plant two evergreen shrubs near the Columbarium in honor of Pat and Bill Hannigan. (Willie and Robyn may be moving to Scotland later this year.) Motion to allow planting of the evergreens was made by Sheila and seconded by Jackie. Type and placement to be approved by Pastor and Bill Krumm. Motion APPROVED

Policy: Gerry reported that the committee has met once, and has agreed to meet again. Main topic was quorum. They have also received Synod's recommendations for congregational constitutions. There are apparently several items pertaining to electronic voting and online worship. Gerry participated in a synod Zoom workshop moderated by Pastor Montgomery.

Kitchen: Committee has met and received one bid so far; second bid in works. Sheila said Dept. of Health regs for commercial kitchens require that we replace the present dishwasher with same Hobart brand (cost \$10 to \$15,000). Also require either stainless steel or Formica countertops. Committee will need to check with Health Dept.

Property: Deb reported that LED lights in hallway have been replaced. (One in robe vesting room needs fixture to be properly installed.) Deb will call Great Scott about getting dead limbs in trees removed – including one in playground. Someone drove through the chain blocking the straight-through driveway to Old Ocean View Rd. Took out the posts, also. Needs to be replaced as safety issue. Someone also drove through the chain link fence adjoining Tidewater Dr. After discussion with the homeowner of the house adjacent to the church lawn, the chain link fence will be shortened to the post still standing. The back door of the fellowship hall does not always close properly. Users of that door must be cautioned to ensure it is closed correctly.

Website: Another meeting with Ken Whitaker will be set for week of April 18th. (Tuesday, April 19th at 7 PM).

Old Business: Council meetings to be held after church services on 2nd Sunday of the month (except April and May when meeting will be on 1st Sunday – conflict with Palm Sunday and Mother's Day). Gerry made the motion and Tara seconded. Motion APPROVED

Easter Breakfast will be at 9 AM, not using church kitchen.

Military Sunday tabled until May meeting.

I failed to report in previous newsletters about the Celebration of Life that Diakonia prepared for Gladys Kindred. Gladys passed away on March 15, 2022. She was the mother of Patricia Kindred. Her funeral was held in the St. John Chapel, with the Celebration of Life in St. Matthias Hall after the service. Diakonia provided a nice assortment of food and drinks with the help of the members of the Church providing different dishes. **Thank You** to all those who helped with this.



Respectfully,
Regina Starling



In support of the Virginia Synod's WELCA, St. John's Unit is supporting and meeting the challenge to collect 200 pairs of white cotton socks for men, women, boys, girls and babies and give them to a local charity. Since Our Saviour Lutheran Church in Virginia Beach is collecting items for the Ukrainian School that meets at their Church, we are hoping to get 200 pairs by August 1st to have the School ship them on to Ukraine.

Please help us meet this mission and support Our Saviour and the Ukrainian School. Please help us to do *God's Work with Our Hands* and share our many blessings !

The women of St. John Lutheran Church are invited to the
20th All Lutheran Women's Retreat (ALWR)
at the Natural Bridge Historic Hotel and Conference Center,
in Natural Bridge, Virginia,
November 3 – 5, 2022.



2022 All Lutheran Women's Retreat
November 3 - 5, 2022
"Bloom Where You Are Planted - Thriving in Times of Change"
Retreat Leader: Donna Marie Todd
Natural Bridge Historic Hotel and Conference Center
Natural Bridge, VA

Brochures are available on the bulletin board outside Pastor's Office.

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Vice President: Deborah Midgett

Council Secretary: Ellen Wilson

Financial Secretary: Karen Sutton

Director of Music: W. Lee Hendricks

School Director: Sheila Sanchez

Parish Bookkeeper: Carolyn Moran

Parish Secretary: Anne Combes

If your mailing information has changed,
please notify the Church Office.

Thank you!

Pie Sunday Celebration

July 3, 2022



Join us in St. Matthias Hall after the Worship Service for our
Annual Pie Sunday Celebration.

We will have different kinds of Pie for everyone to taste.