



ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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DEB NOLL, MINISTER

We celebrate God's love and forgiveness by living the Word and sharing the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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ST. PAUL "MESSENGER"

JULY ~ 2023

¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." John 4:13-15

Dear Friends in Christ,

Welcome to July! Summer is in full swing.

Summer reminds me of the many years Dick and I escaped the heat spending time on or in water. Our pontoon boat, docked at Delaware State Park, was our weekend get-a-way. On it we would cruise down the lake feeling the wind on our faces and the mist from the water. We felt the rise and fall of a wake from a passing speedboat pulling behind a skier having his/her own experience with the water. We would drift into a cove, set anchor, and listen to the quiet splashing of water pushing against the shore. On trips to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, we appreciated the beauty of the waters of Lake Michigan and Lake Superior. When I think of summer I am drawn to water, as I think many of us are.

As I write this article, I am thinking of Matthew's gospel lesson for Sunday; Jesus says, "whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward," I am thinking of Shipwreck Sunday coming up in September, and I am thinking of Vacation Bible School.

Vacation Bible School will take us on a High Seas Adventure exploring the mighty love of God through lessons from the book of Acts. During the five days of VBS the youth will learn: God's word is true; God's word is comforting; God's word is surprising; God's word is life changing; and God's word is for everyone. Embark with us on our High Seas expedition, July 9th through July 13th.

Water is the source of all life. A glass of cool, refreshing water is my drink of choice, especially on a hot day. It satisfies my thirst more than soda, tea, or any other beverage. The text above from John's gospel reminds us, "Everyone who drinks [earthly water] will be thirsty again." Jesus offers us a drink of water by which "[we] will never be thirsty [again]." The woman asks for a drink of this water. We, too, are offered and given that same life-giving water.

We receive this water in Holy Baptism. We receive this water in believing Jesus Christ is Savior and Lord. If you are appreciating water as a source of cooling and refreshment this summer, remember to splash in the spring of water that gushes up to eternal life, and give God thanks and glory for this gift of life, now and forever.

In Christ's Love,
Minister Deb

**ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023 ~ 7:00PM**

Attendance: Minister Deb Noll, Tom Carey, Mary Coldren, Nathan Cowan, Jane Follas, Amy Gibson, Jan Grieser, Laurie Laird, Natalie McClelland, Jake Orwick, Tom Marquart, Mike Stoltz, Bart Welte, Jenny Welte, Tammy von Stein

CALL TO ORDER – Laurie Laird

Chairperson, Laurie Laird, called the meeting to order at 6:58pm, and opened with a review of our 2023 Book Study, “Grounded in Prayer” (Week 3 – Days 1 - 3). Written by Brent W. Dahlseng.

The May 9, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes approved as written.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Checking account balances as of May 31, 2023

Current	\$147,222.20
Building	\$4,770.50
Improvement	\$1,205.00
Missions	\$7,148.00
Special Projects	\$39,546.73
TOTAL	\$199,892.43

Savings - General Memorial \$8,852.18

- Account balances for May 2023 and current profit & loss statement comparing budget vs. actual were reported along with May checks written. Contributions to the Current Fund as of May 31, 2023, totaled \$113,297.02 vs. a budgeted \$83,031.79. Expenses for the same period totaled \$92,493.39 vs. a budgeted \$70,940.19.

TRUSTEES REPORT – Natalie McClelland

- New man door installed on storage barn.
- New sliding bolt lock installed on overhead barn door.
- Parish Board decided to throw out church–owned inflatables and a water slide (due to poor condition) and rent these items for special events, since rental includes liability insurance.
- Renter's insurance for parsonage purchased through Steiner & Granger in Bluffton; annual premium \$350 for coverage of \$50K.
- One of the glass sidelights at the church entrance shattered on May 22. Bigelow Glass stopped by to measure and order a replacement panel, estimated at \$606 (allow 10 days for arrival). Since the deductible is \$1,000, we won't submit a claim. Deputy Ritter investigated, took pictures, and a report was filed.
- The remaining 2 (of 12) chairs were received and placed in sanctuary on June 8.
- A new basketball hoop was installed in the parking lot near the pavilion.
- Estimates were collected on parsonage bedding items from ReStore, Rettig Brothers, and Flag City Furniture.
- Carpet cleaning of Fellowship Hall will be prior to August 15th.

MINISTER’S REPORT – Respectfully Submitted, Deb Noll, Synod Authorized Minister

Word for Thought: ³¹ [Jesus] said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” (Mark 6:31)

Jesus sent the disciples out to minister to the people. They returned and told Jesus all they had done and taught. Jesus encouraged them to get away to rest. God planned for God’s people to rest from their labors. This summer, take time from your labor to rest thank God for Sabbath relaxation and restoration.

Activity Since Last Council Meeting

Worship and Member Contacts

- Sunday morning worship services x 8
- Dinner with Member x 1
- Home-bound Communion x 1
- Member Telephone/Text Conversations x 4
- Baptismal Parents' Meeting x 1
- Sacrament of Holy Baptism x 2
- St. Paul Women of the ELCA x 1
- Outreach Committee x 2
- Choir x 2
- Graduation Party x 1
- Cards (Anniversary, Birthday, Sympathy, Thinking of You) sent x 10
- "Jokers" Card Group x 4
- Youth Board x 1
- Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting x 1

Church Related Activity

- Synod Authorized Minister Cohort Zoom x 1
- Worship @ The Good Samaritan x1
- Central Conference Ministerial Gathering @ First Lutheran, Tiffin, Ohio x 1

Continuing Education

- Stephen Minister Continuing Ed @ St. John Lutheran Church, Cardington, Ohio x 1

Upcoming Events

- Astronomy Night for 4-H Club (Dick presents), June 30 weather permitting
- Vacation Bible School, July 9 thru 13
- Baptism of Jordan Gillespie, July 16
- Central Conference Ministerial Gathering Pot-Luck, July 16
- Confirmation Class Make-Up Day, July 25
- Community Meal and "Chalk Talk" Artist Visit, August 15
- Shipwreck Sunday, September 17 – Theme: "Amazing Grace"
- Clinical Pastoral Education Wednesdays October 4 to December 6 by Zoom 10:00am–3:00pm

Vacation Request

- July 5, 6, and 7 (Wednesday thru Friday)

YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR REPORT – Amy Gibson

- Confirmation Class Make-Up Day will be July 25 in the afternoon.
- ReFuel BBQ fundraiser went well, and a total collection amount will be posted in the NOTF. Good reviews on the menu change. Amy expressed her gratitude for all the additional assistance offered up for this fundraiser.
- Campfire will now be held on Friday, June 30.
- Summer Extravaganza is scheduled July 1 and 2.
 - July 1 – Zoombezi Bay (waterpark)
 - July 2 – Assisting at the Parsonage with the Adopt a Bedroom project.
- Several youths have signed up to volunteer for VBS.
- ReFuel will meet on July 16.
- July 30 there will be a movie night outside, weather permitting. If raining, it will be held in Fellowship Hall.

- August 6 is confirmation Sunday.
- ReFuel will meet August 16 and August 27, with a back-to-school water bash being held on the 27th.
- Amy continues training for the Youth Gathering Mission Trip 2024 through the Youth Discipleship Network monthly meetings, along with classes online.
- There will be a meeting sometime in August for the Youth Gathering Mission trip to meet and get everyone introduced to it and solidify will be attending to register everyone by end of September. The gathering will be July 16–July 20.
- Confirmation makeup will be held July 25, with Confirmation Sunday being held on August 6.
- Amy has family coming in from Colorado on July 25 and will not be here.

PARISH EDUCATION – Amanda Price

- VBS planning underway, shirts are being made. There is a meal donation sign up list in the Welcome Space for the meals. Looking into renting a bouncy house for the final day of VBS.

OUTREACH – Tammy von Stein

- Donuts for Dads will be on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 18.
- Cleaning out upstairs and storage area to make room for the round tables that were approved for purchasing in the May Council meeting. To make room will need assistance from Trustees.
- Chalk Talk Planning for August 15 is underway. Flyers will be passed out locally and Minister Deb has also passed along these flyers to the Central Conference Churches.
- Shipwreck Sunday, September 17 planning a potluck after service with Outreach providing brat sandwiches and ice cream bars from Dietsch’s. Planning a service of music.

OPERATIONAL ISSUES –

Old Business

- There will be a make-up day planned for Congregational Directory.
- Laurie provided the church bell results from the survey taken at the Semi-Annual Meeting. Results noted that majority were in favor of looking into building a 4-foot-tall pillar to mount the bell. A committee will need to be formed to start researching this option and report to Council.
 - Survey Results:
 - Build 4-foot-tall pillar to mount – 39
 - Larger 3-legged fixture – 8
 - Do nothing – 9

New Business

- Idea was brought forth to Council to have automatic door opener installed for the church entrance for handicap accessibility. Council will explore this as further.
- Jan brought forth options for a new software presentation for church service. Council was in favor to move forward with a new system, but the first step would be to purchase a new computer. The current computer running the presentation system today is over 10 years old and is outdated for any new software.
 - Tom Marquart made a motion to purchase a new laptop to support a new presentation software, Mike Stoltz seconded, Council approved.
- Next Council meeting Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURN

- Meeting was adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer at 8:28pm

Tammy von Stein, Recording Secretary

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR JULY 2023

SENIOR CHOIR DIRECTOR: Lisa Gossman
PRAISE TEAM DIRECTOR: Jan Grieser
HANDBELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Tammy Robinson
AUDIO VIDEO: Jacob Orwick and Marty Grieser
ALTAR GUILD: Judy Rettig – cover
WEBSITE COORDINATOR: Chelsea Boehm

PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

Nadine Boehm — nadineb@thewavz.com or 419-722-6370
Pam Hoffman — pkhoffman87@gmail.com or 419-358-1682

HOSPITAL STAYS

It is important to the church that we support you through illness and hospitalizations. If you are admitted to Blanchard Valley Hospital for an overnight stay we would like to know.

If you are planning an admission to any hospital, please call the church office at 419-326-3535 to let us know the date you are entering and how long you anticipate staying.

At admission to BVH, *planned or unplanned*, you (or your spokesperson) will be asked several questions,

1. Religion: this may be asked at pre-registration or at admission along with your address, phone number, etc. Please give our denomination.
2. If you wish to be on the Hospital Directory and the Religion List. These questions will be asked of you (or your spokesperson) during the “Consent to Treatment” process. Please answer “yes” to both.

In order to protect your privacy the hospital does not routinely call the church to tell us you have been admitted, unless you specifically ask them to call us. We depend on you or your family to let us know if you have been admitted.

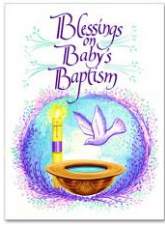
If you have been in the hospital for a day or two and have not been visited, please ask your family or nurse to contact the church office.

A new federal law greatly restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals. As a result, the pastors and church office may not know that a member of the church has been admitted to the hospital. If you are hospitalized and would like to notify the pastor, it is important that you or a member of your family inform the church office as soon as possible at 419-326-3535 and the secretary will contact the pastor.

PERSONS ST. PAUL HAS PRAYED FOR DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2023: Bill Bateson; family and friends of Rev. Hugh Daley (*friend of Dick & Deb Noll*); Kanon Dodge (*grandson of Ruth Lamberjack*); Britt & Amy Gibson family; Mark Hoffman (*Mike’s brother*); Mike Inbody; Daryl Ingram (*Mike’s brother*); family and friends of Bob Isenbarger; Judy Lambright (*wife of a co-worker of Tom Valentage*); Karla Markle (*friend of Marcia Russell*); Kyle McDowell; family and friends of Mike Mock (*friend of Minister Deb and Dick*); family and friends of Jeff Rickenbacker (*friend of Bob Coldren*); Matt Robinson; Randy Snyder (*Lee Laird’s brother-in-law*); all military personnel including — Griffin Hartman, Lance Leisure, Brycen Lucius, Justin Rieggle, Nate Sheets, Colin Tobin, and Alex vonStein — Songambele Lutheran Church; Navajo Lutheran Mission School, Rock Point, AZ; Hancock County Religious Education; and Mission Possible for Haiti.



Congratulations to Logan and Sophie Sheets for the birth of their daughter, Benson Evangeline. Benson was born on Wednesday, June 21st. She weighed 6 pounds and 11 ounces. Kreg and Chris Sheets are Benson’s proud grandparents and Vera Sheets and Barb Martin are her great grandmothers.



On Sunday, June 11th we welcomed Elsie Mae vonStein and Isaac Joseph vonStein into membership at St. Paul by Infant Baptism. Elsie was born on July 21, 2021 and Isaac was born on February 21, 2023. May blessings be with Elsie and Isaac as they begin their baptismal journey. Sponsors for Elsie are Dalton and Aubry Ream and sponsors for Isaac are Nate and Lauren Etlar.

Thank You ~ Thank You ~ Thank You ~ ~

Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church, **Thank You** for all your support the church has helped my family through a lot as of late. Without your support I would not be all who I am today. Thank you so much. Love you,
Mason Smith

Minister Deb's Office Hours:

- Monday – Day Off
- Tuesday – Work from Home, Evenings at Church, as necessary
- Wednesday – 9:00AM — 5:00PM
- Thursday – 9:00AM — 5:00PM [afternoons reserved for scheduling home visits]
- Friday – 9:00AM — 5:00PM
- Saturday – 8:00AM — NOON
- Sunday – Worship / Visitations / Catechism
- * * All are subject to member's needs and emergencies.
- * * Available by phone [419-560-1988 cell]
- * * e-mail address: dnoll2347@gmail.com

THE JULY SEWING DAY WILL BE ON TUESDAYS, JULY 25th from 9:00AM – 2:00PM. Come all of the time or part of the time. We assemble quilts for Lutheran World Relief. If you can tie a knot, use scissors or pin material together, we'd love your help with this important ministry! Please bring a dish to share for lunch. . **[There were 12 ladies at the Tuesday, June 27th sewing day and 10 quilts were assembled along with 6 quilts that were brought in making the total of 71 quilts completed. Thanks to all who attended. WELCA]**



ST. PAUL YOUTH RECYCLES — St. Paul youth has put a container in the Welcome Space to collect USED print cartridges from your printers. So, don't throw those cartridges away anymore, put them in the container and we will recycle them and make a few bucks in the process. Everyone wins! Anyone is welcome to place cartridges in the container.



HIGH SEAS ADVENTURE ~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — Summer is quickly approaching and the Parish Board is working hard to plan this year's vacation bible school. It will begin on Sunday, July 9th — Thursday, July 13th from 6:30PM – 8:00PM — with a light meal served at 6:00PM. We are looking for any volunteers who would be willing to help with stations and lead the kids around. We are so thankful for such a great congregation that always helps out and makes our VBS so great! Thank you! Amanda Price

EXPLORING THE HIGH SEAS with some water-related Science fun with Mr. Noll. Admiral Dick will share fun Science demonstrations with hands-on activities during the Sunday School Hour on Sunday, July 9th. Come join the fun as the Admiral helps us set sail on our High Seas Adventure VBS.

We are again blessed to offer an evening meal to the children, teachers, helpers, and parents attending VBS. The food for the meals is being generously provided by church organizations. We are in need of items for the snacks, cookies and punch. Please sign up to help with these donations on the papers in the welcome space. Thank you for your help to make this a great experience for everyone.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES FOR JULY

Saturday, July 1st and Sunday, July 2nd — Summer Extravaganza

Sunday July 2nd – helping with Adopt-A-Bed at the parsonage

Sunday, July 9th – Thursday, July 13th – High Seas VBS — 5:45PM – 8:00PM

Sunday, July 30th – ReFUEL Movie Night — 6:00PM – 8:00PM



Our church will again be helping to cook noodles at the Arlington Village Festival on Friday, July 21st from 2:00PM – 10:00PM. There is a sign-up sheet on the Information Counter in the Welcome Space for 2-hour time periods. Christine Kemerley will be there all day also. This is a wonderful service where our church can be seen helping in the community.

St. Paul Outreach Committee Focus Statement for 2023

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:9–10

The St. Paul Outreach Committee will be using this Bible verse in 2023 to focus our efforts on needs closer to home. As a body of believers in Jesus we want to come alongside people in our community who are in need. That way we can do what Paul calls “carrying each other’s burdens.” (Galatians 6:2) Relying on God’s strength, we listen, we empathize, we help where we can, and we can also pray for them. We can look for ways to “do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Paul says that when we do so, we fulfill the law of Christ: to love God and love our neighbor as ourselves. The burdens of life can be heavy, but praise God, he’s given us our church family to lighten the load. If you know of a “neighbor” who could use some help, please let us know and we’ll prayerfully consider what we as a church family can do to help.

Adopt-a-Bedroom Campaign

Thank you to everyone who donated furnishings or funding for the Parsonage Adopt-a-Bedroom Campaign. The youth will be placing the furniture, making the beds, and having a good time on Sunday, July 2nd. Adults are welcome to join our youth with this mission project, and ReFuel with refreshments upon completion of a job well done. It is with sincere hope and prayer that the parsonage will be a source of hospitality to out-of-town guests of our members and for those finding themselves with an immediate need of housing. Thank you again for all the support you have given this project.

There is a **REVISED LIST** [as of 6-23-2023] for the St. Paul Outreach Challenge on the Information Counter in the Welcome Space. Save the list and bring some sunshine in someone's life. Send a card, note, or give someone a call to let them know you are thinking of them!



**Community Meal and Guest Artist Presentation
Tuesday Evening August 15, 2023
St. Paul Lutheran Church**

Community Meal at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall
Elva's "Chalk Talk" at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

The Outreach Team and the St. Paul Women of the ELCA are planning an evening of free food and entertainment for our members and community. The evening will be enjoyable to young and old alike. The menu for the meal includes Chicken Croissant or Hot Dog Sandwich, Salad, Fruit, Cookies and Beverage. Following the fine-dining experience will be the featured attraction for the evening: Chalk Talk artist Elva Hurst. The entire evening is free, but if you are motivated to make a donation to help off-set expenses for the evening, Natalie or Elaine will be happy to receive your gift with thankful hearts.

I have had the privilege to visit Elva's Barnyard Art Studio in Lancaster, Pennsylvania on multiple occasions. I always am amazed at how Elva brings her Mennonite Heritage and her Faith Journey to life through her "Chalk Talk" art. Her presentations have brought both laughter and tears as I have been drawn into the picture, the story, and the music while she draws. She brings you into her chalk drawings in a similar way Bob Ross did with his paintings. If you appreciate the art of Bob Ross, you will definitely appreciate Elva Hurst.

I encourage you to come eat, and be entertained by an experience you will not forget. Tickets are necessary for the meal, to help manage the count. Reservations for the meal close on Thursday, August 6th. Watch the News of the Flock for ticket availability, or call the church office or my cell (419-560-1988) to place your tickets on hold.

Please join me in welcoming Elva Hurst to St. Paul,
Minister Deb

For Your Information

ELCA Commission on a Renewed Lutheran Church (CRLC): At the 2022 Churchwide Assembly the ELCA church council was called to establish the Commission on a Renewed Lutheran Church (CRLC) to reconsider statements of purpose for the church and its organizational structure. The commission will present its findings and recommendations to the 2025 Churchwide Assembly in preparation for a possible reconstituting convention.

Adam Sornchai, the pastor at St. John Lutheran Church, Cardington, was nominated, and selected to serve on the Commission, along with 34 other individuals.

More information on the Commission and a timeline for their work can be found at www.elca.org/CRLC

I invite you to review the site, and share with me any questions or suggestions you may have for the Commission, and I will forward them on to Pastor Sornchai. The first meeting of the CRLC will be July 13th-15th. Pastor Sornchai welcomes prayers for himself and fellow members embarking on this task.

If you are interested in reserving the Fellowship Hall, Sanctuary or Pavilion for a wedding, reception, family reunion, graduation, or other event, please contact the church office at 419-326-3535. If the date is available, you will be given a rental agreement to read and sign. Council is requesting that this be completed by all members and non-members prior to using the church facilities.

CAN YOU HELP ME OUT? I try to keep the church records up to date with names, addresses, phone numbers, marriages, separations, births, and any other member events. If you have any information regarding your family that needs to be updated please provide me with that information. You can either leave a note on the church office desk or call the office at 419-326-3535.

Thanking you in advance, Jane Wilch

2023 Daily Bible Readings

The Year of Story is the Northwestern Ohio Synod's theme for 2023. Each year, Bishop Daniel Beaudoin encourages Church leaders and congregations to engage in daily Bible reading. The readings this year will walk readers through "The Story of Jesus." Together, let us read His story and ponder what God's Word reveals to us. The list of readings for the entire year may be found at:

<http://nwos-elca.church/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-Bible-Reading-Guide.pdf>

The readings for July are:

July 1	<i>The Mission of the Seventy</i>	Luke 10:1-12
July 2	<i>Woe to Unrepentant Cities</i>	Luke 10:13-16; Matt 11:20-24
July 3	<i>The Return of the Seventy</i>	Luke 10:17-20
July 4	<i>Jesus Thanks the Father</i>	Luke 10:21-24; Matthew 11:25-27
July 5	<i>The Lawyer's Question</i>	Luke 10:25-28; Matthew 22:34-40; Mark 12:28-34
July 6	<i>The Parable of the Good Samaritan</i>	Luke 10:29-37
July 7	<i>Jesus Visits Mary and Martha</i>	Luke 10:38-42
July 8	<i>The Lord's Prayer</i>	Luke 11:1-4; Matthew 6:9-13
July 9	<i>Perseverance in Prayer</i>	Luke 11:5-8
July 10	<i>Encouragement to Pray</i>	Luke 11:9-13; Matthew 7:7-11
July 11	<i>Jesus and Beelzebul</i>	Luke 11:14-23; Matthew 12:22-30; Mark 3:22-27
July 12	<i>The Return of an Unclean Spirit</i>	Luke 11:24-26; Matthew 12:43-45
July 13	<i>True Blessedness</i>	Luke 11:27-28
July 14	<i>The Sign of Jonah</i>	Luke 11:29-32; Matthew 12:38-42
July 15	<i>Concerning Light</i>	Luke 11:33; Matthew 5:14-16; Mark 4:21
July 16	<i>The Sound Eye</i>	Luke 11:34-36; Matthew 6:22-23
July 17	<i>Jesus Denounces Pharisees and Lawyers</i>	Luke 11:37-54
July 18	<i>The Yeast of the Pharisees</i>	Luke 12:1-3; Matthew 16:5-12; Mark 8:14-21
July 19	<i>Whom to Fear</i>	Luke 12:4-9; Matthew 10:26-33
July 20	<i>Sin Against the Holy Spirit</i>	Luke 12:10; Matthew 12:31-32; Mark 3:28-30
July 21	<i>The Help of the Holy Spirit</i>	Luke 12:11-12; Matthew 10:19-20; Mark 13:11
July 22	<i>Warning Against Greed</i>	Luke 12:13-15
July 23	<i>The Parable of the Rich Fool</i>	Luke 12:16-21
July 24	<i>Do Not Worry</i>	Luke 12:22-32; Matthew 6:25-34
July 25	<i>Concerning Treasures</i>	Luke 12:33-34; Matthew 6:19-21
July 26	<i>Watchful Slaves</i>	Luke 12:35-40
July 27	<i>The Faithful and Unfaithful Slave</i>	Luke 12:41-48; Matthew 24:45-51
July 28	<i>Divisions</i>	Luke 12:49-53; Matthew 10:34-36
July 29	<i>Interpreting the Times</i>	Luke 12:54-56; Matthew 16:1-4
July 30	<i>Settling with Your Opponent</i>	Luke 12:57-59
July 31	<i>Repent or Perish</i>	Luke 13:1-5

July 2023 Birthdays

Saturday, July 1 st	Hannah Keene
Monday, July 3 rd	Andrew Follas
Monday, July 3 rd	Brady Griggs
Monday, July 3 rd	Chad Ward
Monday, July 3 rd	James Wolford
Tuesday, July 4 th	David Wolford
Wednesday, July 5 th	Gayle Smith
Thursday, July 6 th	Britt Gibson
Friday, July 7 th	Nolan Boehm
Friday, July 7 th	Jon Russell
Saturday, July 8 th	Sally Valentage
Monday, July 10 th	Alexis Griser
Thursday, July 13 th	Sarah Lucius
Friday, July 14 th	Jennifer Frommer
Saturday, July 15 th	Easton Boehm
Saturday, July 15 th	Matthew Frommer
Saturday, July 15 th	Ethan Loetz
Saturday, July 15 th	Chris Sheets
Saturday, July 15 th	Jessa Ward
Sunday, July 16 th	Scott Grieser
Monday, July 17 th	Qais Habib
Tuesday, July 18 th	Monique Carman
Tuesday, July 18 th	Wyatt Smith
Tuesday, July 18 th	Kimberly Trout
Thursday, July 20 th	Cole Snyder
Friday, July 21 st	Charlie Grieser
Friday, July 21 st	Toni Loy
Friday, July 21 st	Elsie vonStein
Saturday, July 22 nd	Laurie Laird
Sunday, July 23 rd	Bob Coldren
Sunday, July 23 rd	Mike Stoltz
Sunday, July 23 rd	Gary Wilson
Monday, July 24 th	Abigail Edmiston
Monday, July 24 th	Grant Welte
Tuesday, July 25 th	Deb Best
Tuesday, July 25 th	Christopher Clark
Wednesday, July 26 th	Ryan Robinson
Thursday, July 27 th	Becca Ludwig
Thursday, July 27 th	Kreg Sheets
Thursday, July 27 th	Megan Smith
Friday, July 28 th	Jacob Henson
Friday, July 28 th	Jean Ludwig
Saturday, July 29 th	Roger Freed
Saturday, July 29 th	Ron McDowell
Sunday, July 30 th	Brent Grieser
Sunday, July 30 th	Erica Habib
Sunday, July 30 th	Harlow Hankins
Sunday, July 30 th	Mason Smith



July 2023 Anniversaries

Saturday, July 1 st	Craig and Denise Durliat – 28
Monday, July 3 rd	Harold and Dawn Bower – 25
Friday, July 7 th	Cody and Hannah Rader – 11
Saturday, July 8 th	Steven and Jeanine Reichley – 34
Saturday, July 8 th	Michael and Amy Rettig – 23
Sunday, July 9 th	Chad and Whittany Hirschy – 12
Tuesday, July 11	Mike and Cheryl Lentz – 37
Friday, July 14 th	Nathan and Abby Norway – 6
Sunday, July 16 th	Steve and Natalie McClelland – 46
Friday, July 21 st	Mitch and Jenna Wilson – 5
Saturday, July 22 nd	Cameron and Elizabeth Haley – 17
Tuesday, July 25 th	Britt and Amy Gibson – 8
Thursday, July 27 th	Dan and Kelly Settlege – 21
Friday, July 28 th	Doug and Mary Coldren – 50



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 YOUTH Summer Extravaganza Saturday, July 1 st and Sunday, July 2 nd
2 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:00AM Traditional Worship / Communion 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion Youth Mission Day / Parsonage	3 9:00AM – 3:00PM Church Office Hours	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY Church Office Closed – Holiday	5 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> Wednesday, July 5th – Friday, July 7th – Minister Deb and Dick on Vacation </div>	6 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers”	7 Church Office Closed – Vacation	8
9 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:00AM Traditional Worship / Communion 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion 12:30PM – 3:30PM Fellowship Hall reserved for Boehm Reunion	10	11	12	13	14	15
Vacation Bible School – “High Seas Adventure” – Sunday, July 9th through Thursday, July 13th – [6:00PM – Light Meal] — 6:30PM – 8:00PM						
16 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:00AM Traditional Worship / Baptism of Jordan Gillespie 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion 6:00PM – 8:00PM ReFUEL	17	18 7:00PM WELCA Meeting	19 7:00PM Congregational Council Meeting	20 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers”	21	22
23 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:00AM Traditional Worship 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion	24	25 9:00AM – 2:00PM Sewing Day 1:00PM – 4:00PM Make-Up classes for Confirmation students	26	27 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers”	28	29
30 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:00AM Traditional Worship 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion 6:00PM – 8:00PM YOUTH / Movie Night	31	LECTOR: Paul Hartman ALTAR GUILD: Judy Rettig – cover ORGANIST: Lisa Gossman				