



ST. ANDREW'S Lutheran Church

AUGUST 2021

Where everyone has...

A Place at



ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COLUMBIA, SC

Welcome New Members & New Staff Members!

We are glad they have joined our St. Andrew's Family!

Look inside to find out more about our new friends.



MEET AND GREET OUR NEW

STAFF MEMBERS...

Sunday, August 8, 2021

11:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

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NEW STAFF MEMBERS



NANCY GIBBONS

I've been singing in the Lutheran church ever since I was an angel in the Christmas play at four years old. My first memory of children's choir was learning "A Mighty Fortress" "bulwark" and all!

Through the years I've directed church choirs of all ages and stages, served as director of the Dutch Fork Choral Society and associate director of the Arpad Darazs Singers, and taught public school music. Many wonderful (though yes, hot and sticky) summer days have been spent at Lutheridge Music Week, with two of those years as a clinician in contemporary music.

Married for 34 years, Rick and I met while singing together in a community choir. I'm from New Jersey, he's from Pennsylvania, but South Carolina has been our home since 1988. We have three grown children: Susanna is married and lives in Omaha, NE, where she teaches

high school chorus; Catie is a Spanish teacher at Pleasant Hill MS, sings at Trinity Cathedral, and lives nearby in Lexington; Geoffrey teaches middle school chorus in Chapin, is married to Paige and they have the cutest baby ever, our granddaughter Reagan!

As a church musician I am dedicated to communicating the Word of God through music. I believe that as we create music together with our choir and our whole church family, we grow in faith and make a loving offering to Christ. With all that said, I'm excited and thankful to be serving at St. Andrew's!

Hello! I am Paige Gibbons and I am so excited to be the new Youth Ministry Associate at St. Andrew's! I am originally from Charlotte, NC and grew up attending St. Luke's Lutheran Church. I attended Appalachian State University to receive my bachelor's in music therapy and practiced music therapy in behavioral health settings until recently when I took a step back to stay home with my daughter.

In college, I spent 2 summers as a counselor and 1 summer as an area director at Lutheridge and met my husband, Geoffrey, there. I cannot wait to use the skills I learned working at camp again in this new position! In my free time I love to read, run, cheer for the Carolina Panthers, and spend time outside.

I am looking forward to getting to know all of your families and fostering a love for God, Church, and a strong Christian community in your children!



PAIGE GIBBONS

NEW MEMBERS



We are excited to join the St. Andrew's family! Bryan works for the Lexington County Sheriff's Department as the Resident Deputy of Gilbert/Summit and Susanne is a special education teacher in Lexington School District One. Tyler is 7 months old and was recently baptized at St. Andrew's. We look forward to meeting new friends and joining in fellowship.

Bryan, Susanne and Tyler Senn

We are so excited to be joining the St. Andrew's family! We are both lifelong Lutherans and have been living in the Columbia area for 3 years now. We met when we were counselors at Lutheridge and the mountains hold a special place in our hearts. Geoffrey teaches middle school chorus at Chapin Middle School and Paige is a part time music therapist at Three Rivers Behavioral Health and will be working with the middle and high school youth at St. Andrew's. We welcomed our daughter Reagan in December of 2020 and we can't wait to raise her in a Christ centered community!



Geoffrey, Paige and Reagan Gibbons



The Canniff-Kuhns are rejoining us after living in Greensboro, NC the last four years. Jesse and Lindsay were here for a few years when Jesse was in seminary, and they are beyond excited to be back. Jesse serves as campus pastor at Gamecock Lutheran, the Lutheran campus ministry for the Columbia area. Lindsay teaches high school math at Lexington High School (and is always happy to help out kids - or parents - who are struggling in math). Witten begins Kindergarten this year at Brennan Elementary, and Landry is in preschool at Good Shepherd Lutheran.

Jesse, Lindsay, Whitten and Landry Caniff-Kuhn

NEW MEMBERS

Mary and Hank Shore moved to Columbia in February of 2019, when Mary became the Rector and Dean of Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. Mary is an ordained ELCA pastor and was a professor of New Testament and an Associate Dean at Luther Seminary before she and Hank moved to Brevard, NC, in 2013, where Mary was called as pastor of Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Hank is retired from jobs in photography, office support, and baking! He enjoys writing science fiction stories, playing Trivia, and taking ironically themed photos. Mary and Hank own a home in Brevard and are in the mountains whenever time permits.



Frank and Mary Shore



Cindy has been an Administrative Assistant and Office Manager for non-profits on and off for the past 12 years, including two other ELCA churches. She is currently working as the office manager at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Irmo. She moved to SC from Winston-Salem NC in January 2020 to live closer to her son and his family. She also has two daughters, both living in Milwaukee WI, with their families. She has three grandsons, Alex, Freddy, & Will. Cindy is originally from Ohio and has lived in 7 states during her lifetime. She has a chihuahua named Sweet Pea who is 9 years old. She enjoys quilting, reading, playing with her grandsons, movies, and playing with Sweet Pea.

Cindy McManus

PASTOR'S PAGE



So, you don't like the ELCA? I think most of you know that ELCA stands for Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. That is our national institution of which we are a part. Our constitution states that we belong to the larger church and as such are committed to supporting it and are entitled to the benefits of such a church. The "larger church" oversees seminaries and seminarians, provides pastors and deacons, reaches out across the world with hunger relief and other ministries, sends missionaries across the globe, includes social ministries such as Lutheran Services of the Carolinas which oversees such important programs as refugee services, and so much more.

Like a family, if we are in, we are in completely. We give our gifts to the Synod, and some of those go to the national church. We ask the same of our members. If you are in the family, you are in completely.

Now, that said, I recognize that there are positions that the national church takes on social issues with which people may not agree. There are social statements. These statements do not mean that in order to be a Lutheran you must take this or that stance. They simply mean that through our governing body, and the processes of election, discussion, debate, and voting, the church leadership has arrived at a position and articulates it in a social statement. There are also statements by leaders such as our national Bishop which she is allowed and encouraged to make as the head of our church. You don't have to agree with her, just as you don't have to agree with me. Please note, the social statements or pronouncements from our bishop or others do not come from the pulpit. The pulpit is different. I enjoy engaging people in discussions and can even say bolder statements in for instance a Sunday School class or a Bible study, statements that I would not make from the pulpit. Finally, there are also articles in publications such as Living Lutheran which are under the direction of the editor and a board.

You don't have to agree with every statement, position, or article to be a part of this church. I certainly do not. I might agree with some positions but would prefer a more "pastoral" or cautious approach. The problem becomes that our headquarters are far away in Chicago, or our Synod headquarters downtown. What I encourage of anyone is that you learn about your church. Don't simply read a headline or two or believe what someone might post about your church. Go to the ELCA website. Go to the Synod website. Just google ELCA or South Carolina Synod ELCA. Read. Learn. Question. Then, if you have concerns do not be afraid to respond. There are numerous "contact us" buttons. I confess, one of my frustrations with the national church is that I have sometimes not received a response from an email. However, that does not stop me from writing from time to time.

We are in this together. We are a family of God living under one roof at St. Andrew's. Just like families we are allowed to have a variety of opinions and are asked to honor and respect all respectful and honorable opinions. You are also invited to respond to me about this article! Email me or call. I promise, I will get back to you!

WORSHIP

EXTRA, EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT!

After much debate, discussion, handwringing, and over 35 years of two services, the Worship Team, with the encouragement of Council has decided to move to ONE SERVICE!

Starting September 12th, we will worship together at 10:30.

Sunday School will be at 9:30.

Why was this decision made? It was made out of a desire for stronger, meaningful, and complete COMMUNITY in our church. Will this allow us to know each other better? To rejoice and worship as one? It is the hope that this decision will encourage greater attendance. That is the primary overriding reason for this change.

Mark your calendars now!

PLEASE NOTE: If in case of Covid and the recent increase in cases a separate non-singing service must continue to be offered we will address that at that time.

*Come,
Rejoice
in the
Lord!*

FINANCE

St Andrew Lutheran Church Statement of Income and Expense

June of Fiscal Year 2021

Fund: 01 - General

	June Actual	2021 YTD Actual
Current and Benevolence Giving	\$ 37,325.04	\$ 235,017.16
Expenses	\$ 45,213.13	\$ 242,879.90
Expenses under (over) <u>Giving</u>	<u>\$ (7,888.09)</u>	<u>\$ (7,862.74)</u>
Current and Benevolence Giving	\$ 37,325.04	\$ 235,017.16
Budget	\$ 47,881.16	\$ 296,526.96
Giving (under) over <u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ (10,556.12)</u>	<u>\$ (61,509.80)</u>

Debt Retirement Fund Balance as of 1/1/2021	\$ 17,500.82
Funds received in 2021	\$ 15,256.00
Thrivent Principal Payments in 2021	\$ (24,007.82)
Thrivent Interest Payments in 2021	\$ (624.18)
Current Debt Retirement Fund Balance	<u>\$ 8,124.82</u>

Outstanding Thrivent Loan Balance as of 1/1/21	41,332.59
Principal Payments in 2021	<u>(24,007.82)</u>
Current Outstanding Thrivent Loan Balance	<u>17,324.77</u>

The principal and interest payments on the Thrivent loan are paid from
the Debt Retirement Fund and are not part of the Budget

- For complete minutes please contact the office.
- Devotions were led by John Bass.
- Minutes approved.
- The nominating team for council was named with those going off council on the team.
- Discussed meeting in person next month.
- Council discussed a video from Mike Ward on stewardship, and our present stewardship position in the church.
- Council affirmed the decision of the Worship Team to move to one worship service at 10:30 (see article)
- Discussed the possibility of donating the church van to a non-profit. A report on the condition of the van was received from Robbie Derrick. The van is worth about \$5500. It needs approximately \$2000 in repairs. It costs the church \$1300 a year to maintain. We use it rarely. Any such donation would have to be approved by the congregation.
- Referred to Property Team the request for \$1400 for wifi/internet upgrade equipment to be installed by Bert LaSalle.
- Closed with prayers.

Dear SALC Church Family,

On behalf of the children at E. E. Taylor Elementary School, thank you for your generous donations of school supplies to the School Supply Drive. Your gifts of money went toward the purchase of book bags.

All of your gifts are greatly appreciated as they are an investment in the lives of these young children. I have had the great pleasure of seeing and being with these children in their daily school routine. I know firsthand these children are smart, engaged, disciplined and polite.

It is my fervent belief that the children at E. E. Taylor deserve every opportunity and advantage we can provide them to encourage their continued growth and future success.

Thank you for joining me in this endeavor.

God's Peace,

Kristine Thompson

EDUCATION

DISCIPLES BIBLE STUDY

DISCIPLES BIBLE STUDY is on leave of absence until the “end of the summer” – date to be determined. We just finished up the book of DEUTERONOMY. Beth Mullins shared some her thoughts below:

I love history and anthropology and sociology. Mostly, though, I love to learn new things and believe that it is far better to learn in a group than on my own. So, I am a big fan of Pastor Trump's weekly Bible Study, which just completed an in-depth look at Deuteronomy. We had a great group of folks who met via Zoom each Wednesday to discuss and (try to) understand the rules set in motion by Moses during his farewell speech to the Israelites. Why and how do the ideas behind these rules apply to us in a modern society? (It's rare in today's world to find an ox roaming around the neighborhood. But, thanks to Bible Study, we now know what to do if we happen upon one.) Honestly, a lot of the rules ended with a stoning of the violators, and Jesus did teach us to NOT do that, but, I appreciated the conversations we had that always ended up with us knowing that even though we may deserve punishment, grace is poured on us and we are held and loved by God. I give thanks for this group that has been an important part of my week AND my faith. It's amazing to have “aha moments” together and I encourage all who like to hear stories and truths that don't make it into the lectionary to please join us!

—Beth Mullins

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL will continue to meet this summer at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 885 2910 5196

1-646-558-8656 to dial in (audio only)

RETIRED AND RESTLESS BIBLE STUDY

Join us in the church conference room every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month to discuss the upcoming Bible readings for that week. Faith, fellowship, and friendship abound!

IN THE MEANTIME

This month we will meet at Steel Hands Brewery on Sunday, August 29 at 6:00 p.m. This is a time to come together to talk about faith in daily life as we discuss a current event or news article. For more information, contact Deacon Sandra or Pastor Trump. Please join us!



FELLOWSHIP



WELCA welcomes all the Ladies of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Our next meeting will be September 1, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This meeting will be a salad and dessert meeting.

We have joined the two circles. Now we will need a new name for this circle. All suggestions are welcome!

Please come and join us and help us begin a new successful year!

Any questions, please call Sharon Berger (803-331-7938)

YOUNG HEART

We will be meeting the 3rd Thursday of each month. We are planning some exciting things to do this year. The August gathering will be on August 19. We will leave from the church at 10:30 and will carpool to the SC Archives for a guided tour. After the tour we plan to have lunch at Harbor Inn on Two Notch Road. Consider joining us and invite your friends to join you. Please watch the bulletins for any updates.

Please RSVP to Bobbie Bell by August 16th.

(803-360-5115)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

AUGUST 19—SC Archives Tour 11:00 a.m./Leave church at 10:30 a.m./Lunch afterwards

SEPTEMBER—Apple Picking

OCTOBER— Lunch at the Trump's Home

FELLOWSHIP

LUTHERAN MEN



Please join the Lutheran Men for the Sixth Annual Night Out at the Ballpark set for Saturday, August 14th to see the Columbia Fireflies at Segra Park.

- The game begins at 6:35 p.m. and there will be fireworks after the game.
- The ballpark is family friendly, so bring everyone!

- Tickets will be \$10. Lutheran Men will sponsor a hot dog, bag of chips and a soft drink for all tickets sold!
- Parking is \$4 (last we know).
- We need all tickets purchased by the end of Sunday service, August 1st.
- Please see Darrick Williams (or any Lutheran Man) if you want to purchase a ticket.
- Tickets will be provided closer to the date.

*“Take me out to
the ballgame.
Take me out to the
crowd.”*



Your blood saves lives! The Red Cross is in need of blood donors. If you could give blood, please consider coming to our church to donate. Every donation saves 3 lives! Please consider donating blood to the American Red Cross during this time of need on **Tuesday, September 28, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** The Red Cross will be bringing the Blood Bus for donations and it will be located in the front parking lot. Donating blood will take

thirty minutes to an hour. If you are an experienced donor, you can register with the Red Cross app or online at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org). To make an appointment, please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter: AndrewsLuth. Or you can email, text or call Joe Casey at josephwilliamcasey@gmail.com or 803-556-8263 to set up an appointment if you are a new donor. Walk-ins are welcome!

FELLOWSHIP

YOGA



August marks the latter half of summer—a time of warmer temperatures, relaxed schedules, adventures and trying new things. Join us as we invite some variety into our yoga practices and celebrate this last hoorah of summer. No prior experience necessary. An all-levels class. All are welcome.

Mon, Aug 2 (6:00-7:00 PM)

An in-person practice at SALC

PEW YOGA with Pr. Linda Anderson & Vicky Saye Henderson

An in-person class at church. While we will experience a full yoga practice, this class will feature asanas experienced in seated positions in a pew or chair, and in standing positions using a pew railing or back of a chair. If someone would like to join our practice from home, we will happily include them virtually on Zoom, as well. Care will be taken to space appropriately and mask up until situated and stationary on our mats. Practitioners are also welcome to keep their masks on during their practice.

Mon, Aug 9 (6:00-7:00 PM) on Zoom

Upper Body Focus with Pr. Linda Anderson

While our practice will address the whole body, there will be a special focus on head, neck, shoulders, upper and middle back, core, arms and hands.

Mon, Aug 16 (8:30 PM) on Zoom

Restorative Yoga & Mini-Nidra with Vicky Saye Henderson

A great way to prepare for bedtime, this practice features a sequence designed to activate your “rest and digest” mode, inviting your autonomic nervous system to reset and your spirit to rejuvenate.

Mon, Aug 23 – (6:00-7:00 PM) on Zoom

Lower Body Focus with Pr. Linda Anderson

While this practice will address the whole body, there be special focus on lower back, hips, legs, knees and feet.

Mon, Aug 30 (6:00-7:00 PM)

An in-person practice at SALC

PEW YOGA with Pr. Linda Anderson and Vicky Saye Henderson

An in-person class at church. While we will experience a full yoga practice, this class will feature asanas experienced in seated positions in a pew or chair, and in standing positions using a pew railing or back of a chair. If someone would like to join our practice from home, we will happily include them virtually on Zoom, as well. Care will be taken to space appropriately and mask up until situated and stationary on our mats. Practitioners are also welcome to keep their masks on during their practice.

FELLOWSHIP



YODA RULES

Greetings and Salutations,

On August 31, 2021, we will meet to discuss more episodes from Star Trek: The Next Generation. We will be watching and discussing "Hide and Q" from Season 1 and "Q Who" from Season 2. You can stream Star Trek: The Next Generation on Netflix and Hulu. We'll discuss the parallels between Q's temptations of Commander Riker and a few stories of temptation from the Bible.

The Yoda Rules group, like our school kids, have a Summer Reading book to read: Lamb. We plan to discuss this book at our September meeting.

[Yoda Rules Link](#), Meeting ID: 854 8861 6811 Passcode: FN2187



COLLEGE AGE COOKOUT AT THE TRUMPS'

This event is for young adults who are entering college, current college grads, or are of college-age. Before folks head back to school, we want to get together and reconnect. It'll be a low-key night of food and fellowship and we'd love for you to make an effort to join us! Pastor Jesse Canniff-Kuhn, the new campus pastor at USC and a new member of St. Andrew's, will be joining us as well.

RSVP to sholland@salutheran.com or 803-269-9659

525 Woodrow Street
Columbia. SC 29205
Monday, August 9 at 6 pm

Quilters

Our talented quilting group meets each Thursday from 9:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m. in the “quilting room” at church. Come by and see the magic. If you are interested in quilting, please call Mari at the office(803-772-6034) and she will put you in contact with the right person.



Announcements

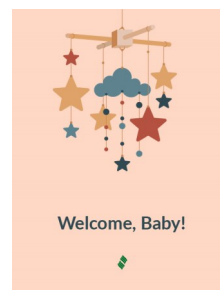
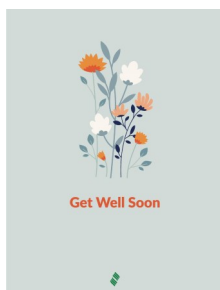
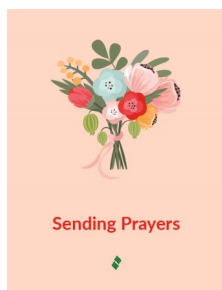


ST. ANDREW'S WOMEN'S RETREAT AT LUTHERIDGE NOVEMBER 19-21, 2021

All women of the church are invited to join in on this fun weekend away together. We have reserved a large house at Lutheridge and now need a plan for our time away. If you would like to serve on a planning team, please contact Sandra Holland at sholland@salutheran.com or 803-269-9659.

A Service of LEXINGTON MEDICAL CENTER

Send your well wishes to loved ones and friends in Lexington Medical Center. Click on the link below and follow the easy instructions. A card will be personally delivered by a Lexington Medical staff member or volunteer. This service is FREE!



<https://www.lexmed.com/patients-visitors/send-well-wishes/>

Thank you for all your donations that made
Camp Impact a success.
The Family Promise families are very grateful!



SOCIAL MINISTRY



The Courage Center and Faith Community Team Up to Crack Down on Access to Prescription and OTC Meds

Safe Medication Disposal to Destroy Pills, Patches, Liquids, and More

LEXINGTON, SC - The Courage Center (TCC) is launching a new collaboration with Lexington faith-based organizations as part of their *Courage Over Stigma* campaign, targeting six Lexington County drug overdose “hotspots” to reduce access to unused, expired, and unwanted medications through distribution of [Deterra® Drug Deactivation System Pouches](#).

The [easy-to-use pouches](#) contain organic activated carbon that, when mixed with water, deactivates unused, expired, or unwanted medications at home. Additionally, Deterra’s plant-based pouches prevent harmful drugs from entering landfills and water systems.

“We’re excited to collaborate with our friends in the Midlands faith community through this Partner ship made possible by the SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS),” said Brock Sansbury, TCC Deputy Director. “Statistically, one-third of people ages 12 and older who used drugs for the first time began by using a prescription drug for non-medical purposes. Oftentimes, individuals who misuse these drugs get them from family, friends, or the home medicine cabinet. The Courage Center is working hard to reduce the stigma of addiction and to reduce this type of access.”

The Courage Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit that provides one-on-one recovery coaching and peer support services at no cost to our participants. We are the only Recovery Community Organization (RCO) in South Carolina focusing specifically on adolescents ages 14-18, young adults ages 19-26, and families. Our programs and recreation take place at 860 Park Road, and administration and expanded programs are located at 5205 Augusta Road, both in Lexington. Reach us at (803) 369-3905 or www.CourageCenterSC.org.

St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church will partner with The Courage Center to help reduce access to unused, expired, and unwanted medications. **Here is how you can help:**

- Stop by the church and pick up pouches and information sheets
- Share information and pouches with friends and families

Let’ make a difference in our community and show them we care!

FOLLOW AND TAG US

Facebook: [@CourageCenterSC](#) Instagram: [@CourageCenterSC](#) Twitter: [@CourageCenterSC](#)

LUTHERIDGE EXPERIENCE



I've wanted to take my children to Lutheridge for several years. Last year we didn't go anywhere due to the pandemic, so I made it a point to go this year. We chose to go the week of July 4th, since it's my favorite holiday. It was my first trip alone with the kids that wasn't to visit my family, so I was a little nervous about that. However, as soon as I pulled into the parking lot, I immediately began to meet the other families. I couldn't get over how friendly everyone was! I also realized that I was the only single parent there, and we were the only family that had never been there before. However, the very first meal, I was reminded of what our own Pastor Trump always says, that there's always "a place at the table," when a very kind family asked us to sit with them and be their tablemates for the rest of the week. I was so relieved! It was the friendliness of these awesome people that reminded me of the kindness in the world that sometimes seems to be lacking.

Lutheridge also made a gigantic impact on William. I'm sure this week at Vacation Bible School he has told many of you about his adventures there. The kids met in a "Kid's Camp" daily for three hours. I, of course, was a bit worried about Elena, and how she would be accommodated. However, they did a great job with her. She loved the music, and being around all of the other kids, which made me happy. William participated in every activity, from playing "gaga ball" with other kids, to climbing the rock wall, and enjoying the Bible stories each day. The story that really stuck with him was "Jonah and the Big Fish." Whenever he had a question about scripture, the great Pastor Will was there to answer him. He cried on the last day, when it was time to leave.

If you haven't had the opportunity to go to Lutheridge, you might want to seriously think about going. I have spent years hearing how fun it is, and what a special experience it is. I already know that we will be going back next year. We met amazing people, learned more about our faith, and experienced wonderful things together. As many of you know, it really is a special place.

—Amy Thomasson



BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

Aug 6 William Thomasson

Aug 8 Kevin Eubanks

Aug 8 Benjamin Taylor

Aug 10 Deborah Slice

Aug 13 Linda Hughes

Aug 14 Carroll Robinson

Aug 14 Aubrey Shaw

Aug 19 Carole Amick

Aug 20 Mary Lynn Fulmer

Aug 20 Shirley Sanders

Aug 22 J. Michael Coleman

Aug 23 Carl Bartlett

Aug 23 Mike Beeler

Aug 23 Matthew Hawkins

Aug 23 Larry Thompson

Aug 24 Larry Young

Aug 25 James Ann Sheley

Aug 26 David Bruce

Aug 26 Phillip Jenkins

Aug 26 Peyton Player

Aug 29 Abby Frye

Aug 29 Curtis Murphy



*We rejoice with Geoffrey and Paige Gibbons
upon the baptism of their daughter,*

Reagan Lee Gibbons,
*and we welcome the family as they become
members of our church.*

PRAYERS AND MEMORIALS

FRIENDS & RELATIVES

- Corbett Anderson, nephew of Amy Vickers and grandchild of Mike and Susan Beeler.
- Stephen Finger, friend of Jan Bass
- Sandra Ouzts, sister of Debra Ouzts
- Sally Thompson, sister-in-law of Patsy South
- Janette Gardner, aunt of Vickie Barfield
- Phil Johnson, cousin of Vickie Barfield
- Mark Bogard, cousin of Theresa Henry
- Ernie Davis, friend of Lee Bowling
- Jimmy Asbill, son of Shirley Swanson
- Bonnie Seibert, cousin of Jada Mitchell
- Sharon Hixon, friend of Vern Free
- Edna Wheeler's granddaughter, Emily Wheeler
- Mike Chase, cousin of Vicky Henderson
- Frances Dyches, sister of Bobbie Bell

HOMEBOUND

- Sarah Cook
- Jackie Darby
- Linwood Swittenberg
- Shirley Sanders
- Pete Cox

MEMBERS IN EXTENDED CARE

- Adrian Trexler, The Brian Center
- Madge Bartsch, Generations of Chapin
- Mitch Mayer, Lexington Extended Care
- Jim Chapman, Lowman Home

MEMBERS WITH PRAYER CONCERNS

- Allen Semones, cancer treatments
- Tom Henry, cancer treatments
- Jenny Land, cancer treatments
- Susan Young, recovering at home
- Bob Venturella, Lexington Hospital
- Sharon Guest, Prisma Richland

IN OUR PRAYERS...

Larry Young upon the loss of his mother, Betty Young on Tuesday, July 21, 2021. Please keep Larry and his family in your prayers at this difficult time.

MEMORIALS

- In honor of Debra Ouzts' birthday on July 30, 2021, given by Kristine Thompson and Drake Riley.
- In memory of Martha Ferguson, given by Shirley Suttle.
- In honor Brian Haley for community service, given by Kristine Thompson and Drake Riley.
- In memory of Martha Ferguson, given by Nancy and Brent Abercrombie.

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER



WORSHIP TEAM

ALTAR GUILD HELP NEEDED:

As you can imagine, a lot of preparation happens prior to Sunday mornings so that our services are meaningful and worship-filled. Pastor Trump prepares a sermon, Jenny Walrath and others prepare to lead the worshipers in music, many other people read the lessons and assist in worship leadership but there is a “behind the scenes” ministry that you may not be aware of ---The Altar Guild. Certain things must happen in order for worship to come together-- preparing the bread and wine, changing the paraments on the altar, lectern, and pulpit to reflect the current liturgical season, polishing the silver, filling the baptismal font with water, ordering all the supplies, etc. Would you be willing to serve in some small way to enhance worship? This would also be a wonderful way for a family to learn and serve together. Contact Sandra Holland at sholland@salutheran.com or Joyce Shealy at t_shealy@bellsouth.net if you are interested in being a part of this meaningful ministry.

USHERS NEEDED:

We need a few good men and women to help with ushering at the 9:30 a.m. indoor service and 10:30 a.m. outdoor service. Any date you can spare would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Layne Birdsong @ LayneBird@aol.com.

CEMETERY TEAM

Looking for recommendations for professionals for the following:

- **Painting all wrought iron**
- **Spreading dirt**

Any VOLUNTEERS or suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

Contact:

Bobbie Bell @ bbell58617@aol.com, Layne Birdsong @ LayneBird@aol.com
or David Britt @ d_britt@bellsouth.net

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



THE BABIES ARE BACK!

We have a new crew of babies who will be using our nursery and now we need some folks to help take care of them! If you would like to volunteer to help in the nursery, please contact Kelly Williams at moses3611@yahoo.com or Deacon Sandra at sholland@salutheran.com.

MUSIC MINISTRY

HANDBELL CHOIR. COULD IT BE FOR YOU?

Handbell Choir will return to its pre-pandemic glory starting in mid-September. We were fortunate during the past 18 months to have some small groups meet to ring, but now it's time to get all three octaves of bells ringing again-- and if you know what I'm talking about when I say "octaves," chances are good that you're a candidate to become a bell ringer! If you can read basic music notation, we'll teach you the rest! Each bell needs a ringer, so we may not be able to do it without you. Interested? I'd be happy to talk with you and answer any questions you may have! You can find me at the organ or piano after worship on Sunday, or email me at jwalrath@salutheran.com.

—Jenny Walrath, Director of Music Ministries



PROPERTY TEAM

HELP! Property team volunteers for weekly yardwork are dropping like flies. If you will please volunteer to help with one or more tasks at least one time a year to keep our grounds green and serene, you can make many people happy! Please contact Beth Mullins @mullins417@hotmail.com, or Mari Frye @officemgr@salutheran.com.

TEAM REPORTS

COVID TASK FORCE TEAM

AND THEY BROUGHT THE CHILDREN TO JESUS

Covid continues. Unfortunately, the numbers have gone back up considerably in Lexington and Richland counties. That is the bad news. The good news is that everyone over the age of 12 can be vaccinated. However, there are those children, as well as other individuals who are at greater risk. If it were not for them, we could simply say that the onus is on the individual to not get sick. The choice is yours whether or not you get vaccinated or risk hospitalization and even death. We must continue to ask those who are not vaccinated and who therefore are much more capable of spreading the virus to wear masks. While we care about all people and know that masks protect the unvaccinated, it is not our job to police your health. It is our job to help protect the whole community and to follow the medical experts and scientist who are at an almost 100% agreement on procedures that should be followed.

—Covid Task Force

PROPERTY TEAM

- CHOIR ROOM upgrade has been approved by Council with funds to be solicited for this project. Volunteers will be solicited to do the painting.
- Two trees were removed outside the Adult Sunday School Wing. Both were rotting and dangerous limbs were falling.



Look at page 20 for opportunities to volunteer.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH



Youth- (7th-12th graders)

Sunday, August 15

11:30 a.m. – National Youth Gathering 2022 Information session for rising 9th-12th graders and their parents. Come with your questions. We will be registering the group in October.

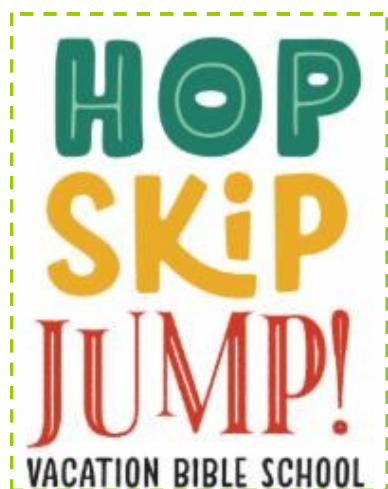
6:00-8:00p.m. – Supper and kick ball youth kick-off at Pastor Trump's house.



Little Lutherans Pool Party

Sunday, August 29 - Little Lutheran Families Pool Party. Watch for more details.

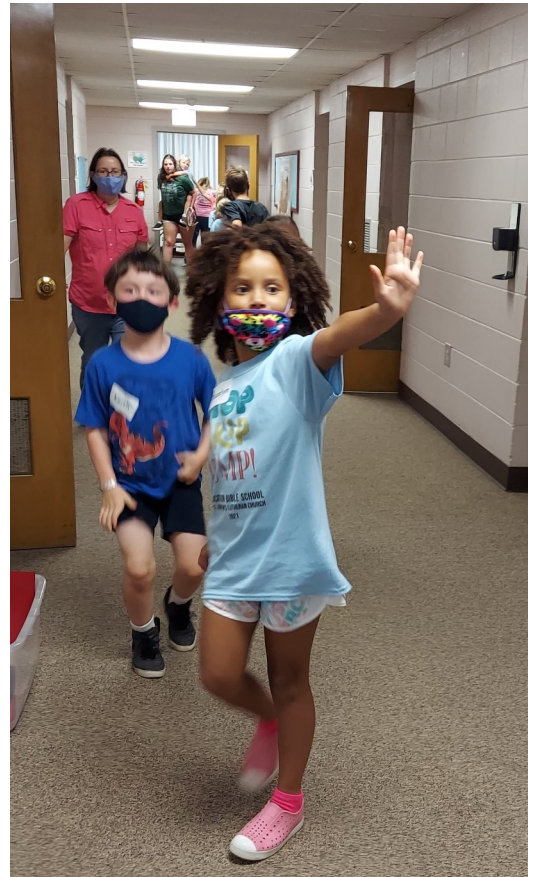
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



*Thank you to all who made this
year's VBS a big success!
Fun was had by all!!*



EDUCATION



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



THANKS BE TO GOD!!!

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

August 1

Lay Assistant: Jay Folk

Reader: 9:30—Sharon Berger

10:30—Beth Trump

Council Collections: Robbie Derrick,
Paul Osmundson

Grounds: Bryan Potts

Recycling: Claire and Layne Birdsong

Alter Guild: Bobbie Bell, Theresa Henry

Ushers: 9:30 – Mari Frye, Brian Haley

10:30 – Curtis Amick, Beth Mullins,
Steve Metze

Counters: Bobbie Bell, Sharon Berger

August 8

Lay Assistant: Beth Mullins

Reader: 9:30—Mary DeHihns

10:30—Darrick Williams

Council Collections: Mary Lynn Fulmer,
Whanna Bouknight, Beth Mullins

Grounds: Layne Birdsong, Justin Varco

Recycling: Josh and Pauline Cruse

Alter Guild: Beth Mullins

Ushers: 9:30—Layne & Claire Birdsong

10:30—Mari Frye, Brian Haley

Counters: Sharon Berger, Mary Ann Jacobs

August 15

Lay Assistant: Phillip Jenkins

Reader: 9:30—Tom Henry

10:30—Anna Berger

Council Collections: Robbie Derrick,
Paul Osmundson

Grounds: Jason Godfrey, Beth Mullins

Recycling: Claire and Layne Birdsong

Alter Guild: Bobbie Bell, Theresa Henry

Ushers: 9:30—Robert Luther, Paul Osmundson

10:30—Layne & Claire Birdsong,
Steve Metze

Counters: Bobbie Bell, Susan Beeler

August 22

Lay Assistant: Pat Gagliano

Reader: 9:30—Theresa Henry

10:30—Steve Slice

Council Collections: Robbie Derrick,
Paul Osmundson

Grounds: Jay Folk, Ron Walrath

Recycling: Claire and Layne Birdsong

Alter Guild: Bobbie Bell, Theresa Henry

Ushers: 9:30—Curtis Amick, Beth Mullins

10:30—Robert Luther, Paul
Osmundson, Steve Metze

Counters: Sharon Berger, Anita Murphy

August 29

Lay Assistant: Kasarah Boiter

Reader: 9:30—Sybil Long

10:30—Deborah Slice

Council Collections: Robbie Derrick,
Paul Osmundson

Grounds: Tom Bane, Chris Land

Recycling: Claire and Layne Birdsong

Alter Guild: Bobbie Bell, Theresa Henry

Ushers: 9:30—Layne & Claire Birdsong

10:30—Mari Frye, Brian Haley

Counters: Bobbie Bell, Susan Beeler

CALENDAR

August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 a.m. Adult Zoom SS 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship	2 6:00 p.m. In Person Yoga at the church	3	4	5	6	7
8 9:00 a.m. Adult Zoom SS 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship 11:30 a.m. New Staff Member Meet and Greet	9 6:00 p.m. Yoga Zoom	10	11 11:00 a.m. Retired and Restless	12 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting	13	14 6:35 p.m. Lutheran Men Fireflies Baseball Game
15 9:00 a.m. Adult Zoom SS 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship	16 8:30 p.m. Yoga Zoom	17	18	19	20	21
22 9:00 a.m. Adult Zoom SS 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship	23 6:00 p.m. Yoga Zoom	24	25 11:00 a.m. Retired and Restless	26	27	28
29 9:00 a.m. Adult Zoom SS 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship 6:00 p.m. In the Meantime	30 6:00 p.m. In Person Yoga at the church	31 6:15 p.m. Yoda Rules				



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