

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS



PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH
3650 West 106th Street
Carmel, IN 46032
www.pilgrimindy.org

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Worship
 7 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
 Monday-Thursday

8 a.m.-noon
 Friday

Church Office(317) 846-2221

Church FAX(317) 846-3590

Preschool Office(317) 846-6132

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Members of the Pilgrim Call Committee have interviewed three candidates and are in the process of inviting two of them back for face-to-face interviews. We will keep you posted.

REVISED SUMMER WORSHIP TIME

The Worship Committee and the Board of Elders have amended the summer worship schedule. **Beginning June 4**, the second service will be held at **9:30 a.m.** rather than **10:45 a.m.** The first service schedule will remain unchanged at 8 a.m. Pilgrim will resume the regular schedule with the second service at 10:45 a.m. in September.

SPECIAL EVENT FOR GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS

You are invited and encouraged to attend one of our New Member Orientation sessions in June. There are two options for attending and both sessions will be held after the 9:30-10:30 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, June 4** and **Sunday, June 11**. Each session will begin at approximately **10:45 a.m.** These sessions, led by Pastor Rudy and Pilgrim leadership, will be an opportunity to learn more about our congregation, ask questions you may have about Pilgrim or Lutheran doctrine and teaching, and, if you desire, to initiate membership in the congregation. Attending does not obligate you to become a member. If you have interest in attending or have questions, **please email or phone the church office** at (317) 846-2221 or pilgrim@pilgrimindy.org

WHEN CALLED UPON TO HELP WITH FUNERAL DINNERS

Long time WELCA members have noticed recently that the calling list for funeral dinners is shrinking. Since all Pilgrim women are WELCA members, it is our desire to include all women on our call list. If you are called (usually unexpected timing) and it is not convenient to provide a dish to share, please feel free to say "no, not at this time." Thanks in advance for your generous donations and help.



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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a caring Community called together in ministry by the Holy Spirit through the Gospel and the Sacraments to: believe in Jesus Christ as Savior, worship the Triune God, and serve God by proclaiming the Gospel, joyfully celebrating our God-given gifts, and loving and serving our neighbors with Jesus as our example.

**PILGRIM LUTHERAN
CHURCH STAFF****Interim Pastor***Rudy Mueller***Education Director***Gloria Worth***Preschool Director***Amy Tucker***Youth Directors***Jenny Pitts**Gail Powell***Cantor to the Congregation***Sarah Gran Williams***Director of Music for****Children & Youth***Gail Powell***Handbell Director***Kevin Donley***Assistant Treasurer***Donna Drew***Office Manager***Debbie Collins***Set-up & Custodial Assistant***Matt Worth***Maintenance***Mark Wylie***Pilgrim's Progress Editor***Lee Ann Roeder**leeann.roeder@me.com***FROM THE ELDERS**

Julie and I recently made the trek to West Lafayette to pick up our son Ryan from Purdue University. We arrived, assisted



in packing his clothes, and then moved all of these items down three flights of stairs to our waiting vehicles. Did I mention the futon, refrigerator, and desk? It was most certainly a long day of packing, moving, and loading. Several things came to mind as we were packing him up to come home; the renewal of daily relationship with our son, the avoidance of rain which was forecast for that day, and the realization that I did not have one more flight of stairs left in my legs. I was also reminded that as parents, we unconditionally love and support our children, take joy in their successes, comfort them in failure, and there truly is nothing that we expect in return.

That is true of our Heavenly Father as well. As Lutherans, we believe that through the grace of God, we have been made whole by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ who died for our sins. In Paul's letter to the Romans, he says that all have been made right with God through their faith in Jesus Christ for everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence (Romans 3). Paul goes on to say that our sins have been forgiven by this free gift of grace from God through Christ Jesus. In his second letter to Timothy, Paul reminds us that God called and saved us not because of what we have done, but because of his own purpose and grace, which was known to Him before the beginning of time and revealed to us through Christ (2 Timothy 1). Lastly, in Ephesians, we are told that it is through Christ that all come into the presence of the Father, and become members of the family of God (Ephesians 2).

As I father, I have a good understanding of unconditional love and commitment to one's children, but it is beyond my own understanding the sacrifice that God made in order to redeem us. We truly have a compassionate God who loves us unconditionally and has brought us into relationship with Him through Jesus Christ.

Jim Williams

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FROM THE PASTOR**Pentecost Greetings.**

June will kick off the summer with two festival Sundays – the Feast of Pentecost on June 4, and the Feast of the Holy Trinity on June 11.

Pentecost marks the fiftieth day of Easter, the day that celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit's work is to keep us connected to Christ and to empower us in our mission and ministry in the world.

The Holy Trinity is the only day of the liturgical calendar that celebrates a doctrine. I know, strange isn't it? But having just heard the story of Jesus (December – June 4) -- from his birth to his ministry, to his cross and victory over sin and death, and finally to the gift of the Holy Spirit – we are now called to live that story out in our daily living. In the waters of Holy Baptism, where water was poured over us in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we were joined to Jesus' death and resurrection. Our story is joined to his, and his story becomes ours as daily we give ourselves away and daily we are restored to life by the power of the Spirit.

As we begin, therefore, the long season of green Sundays (Sundays after Pentecost, sometimes called 'ordinary time'), we begin remembering that we belong not just to a community called the church, but to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Our worship this summer will be simpler, reflecting the more casual nature of the summertime (when the living is easy ☺). We will be reading Matthew's gospel, as well as the letter of Paul to the Romans. Our worship times will be at 8 and 9:30 on Sundays; we will continue the 7 pm vespers and Holy Communion on Wednesday nights.

As we move into June we will continue the *Holy Conversations* around same-gender marriage. A number of workshops have already been held, and more are scheduled. I like to call them holy conversations because they provide opportunity for the Holy Spirit to work among us and empower us toward fuller mission in the world. It is also hoped that we will learn the varied experiences that shape each us and our thinking.



And, of course, the *Call Committee* will continue working, interviewing candidates with prayer and conversation. I am confident that God is working to send the right pastor for Pilgrim for this day and age.

Don't forget *Vacation Bible School*, July 17-21. The theme this year is "The Jesus Way," based on Ephesians 5.1-2: *Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

This won't be a quiet summer around Pilgrim. Christ is alive and working in our midst and in our world. We will gather around him weekly in worship. There will be marriages and vacations and an organ dedication in September to which we can look forward. "We're going to party, come and sing along!"

Peace, Rudy

Interim Pastor

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PILGRIM...

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2017!

It's that time of year when many of our young people have successfully completed a program of study. We are so happy to remember and congratulate these young people and their achievements. On **June 11, 2017, following the 9:30 a.m. service** we will host a Graduate Reception in the Narthex. Please plan on staying that morning for a piece of cake and the opportunity to personally congratulate our very own Pilgrim grads!



High School Graduates

Jacob Ryan Campbell (Carmel High School); **Delaney Marie Hatfield** (Fishers High School); **Vanessa Marie Kuechler** (Center Grove High School); **Kurt Nicholas Roeder** (Zionsville High School); and **Elizabeth Rose Schumacher** (Traders Point Christian Academy)

College Graduates

Patrick Murphy (Purdue University); **Aaron Powell** (University of Evansville); **Andrew Powell** (Wabash College); **Benjamin Worth** (Marian University)

Advanced Degree

Caleb Fischer (Yale University, PhD. in Microbiology)

(If we've missed anyone, please let us know and we'll run their names in the August Pilgrim's Progress!)

SACRED THREADS MEETING

Sacred Threads will meet **Tuesday, June 6** at 10 a.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THE JESUS WAY—BE IMITATORS OF JESUS



VBS—July 17-21—is one quick paced week of fun learning about God's great love for us! We invite children who are 4 years of age by June 1, 2017 up through children entering 6th grade. If your child is entering 7th grade they may participate as a camp counselor! Registration is on Page 8. Get them in quickly as we are filling up the spaces. Be watching for a list of donations we will need to make this a special week.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE EVENTS

Take me out to the ball game...

On **Monday, June 19**, Pilgrim Men's Chorus will be singing the *National Anthem* at the Indians' Baseball game. The game against the Toledo Mud Hens starts at **7:05 p.m.**

We have blocked 100 seats. The tickets are \$14.50 each. Please sign up on the sheet on the credenza under the TV. We are not doing on-line tickets this year, as we were very scattered last year. By doing this we can

Pilgrim members and friends enjoyed an old-fashioned baseball game and a German inspired pitch-in meal in 2016.



have a strong Pilgrim section—much more camaraderie. Please make a check out to Pilgrim Lutheran Church and give it to Paul or Phyllis Swanson, or Gwen or Rich Knipstein no later than **Sunday, June 4**. We will pick up and pay for the tickets on June 5 and distribute them on Sunday, June 11 and 18.

Buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jack—well, actually peanuts, popcorn and hot dogs for \$1. And remember to wear your Pilgrim T-shirt if you have one, and if you do not please wear something red. See you in the stands. **Let's be 100 Strong for Pilgrim!**

...AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE FUTURE EVENTS

- **CONNER PRAIRIE CONCERT – THE BEATLES – SATURDAY, AUGUST 12:** Watch for sign up information. We will be reserving tables at this event.
- **OCTOBERFEST/OLD FASHIONED BASEBALL GAME—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7:** John Williams will be looking for team member sign-ups starting in June.

SUPER SENIORS JUNE LUNCHEON

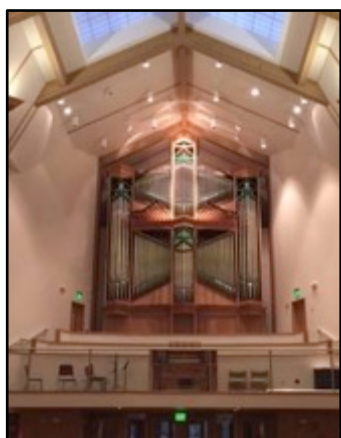
A Common-Sense Guide for the Selection and Use of Nonprescription Medicines

Do you find yourself bewildered when you walk down the medicine aisles of your favorite drug store looking for a remedy for your cold, hay fever, headache or whatever else may be ailing you? If so, you're not alone. There are literally hundreds, if not thousands, of remedies on those shelves, each claiming to be exactly what you need. How do you decide which to buy? If you're like many of us, you'll likely choose the one that you heard or saw being advertised on TV or in a magazine. This, of course, is exactly what the manufacturers of these products want you to do. In reality, however, over-the-counter remedies aren't that complicated. All that's needed to put *you* in charge of the decision instead of the advertisers is a little information.

Plan to attend the **Tuesday, June 20 Super Seniors luncheon** when Lynn Willis will give us the keys to making rational – and speedy – decisions about over-the-counter medicines. You'll be surprised at how easy it actually is to choose among all those products.

Lunch will be provided. Please sign up on the sheet on the credenza, and remember to encourage friends from Pilgrim who were unable to attend the kick-off luncheon to join us. Also, feel free to invite non-Pilgrim friends.

Please note that Super Seniors will not meet in July due to VBS needing the Fellowship Hall. Watch the bulletin, Narthex TV and the August Pilgrim's Progress for information on our August activity.



CELEBRATE PILGRIM'S NEW ORGAN

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 7 p.m.

A short **Service of Dedication** where we will dedicate the organ for its use in our church.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 7:30 p.m.

Organ Dedication Concert with Todd Wilson, world-renowned organist and professor at the Cleveland Institute of Music. This will be a gala affair with a wine and hors d'oeuvres reception afterward. This concert is when the community gets to hear this organ for the first time, and members of the local chapter of the American Guild of Organists, the workers and

families of John-Paul Buzard Organ Builders, other area church musicians, and donors to the organ fund campaign will be there. All Pilgrim members are invited to this event to proudly share our instrument with the community!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 7:30 p.m.

Pilgrim friend and renowned Lutheran organist/composer/hymn festival leader **David Cherwien** will present a **Hymn Festival for the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation**. We are promoting this with the I/K Synod and central IN Lutheran churches and we hope this will be a hallmark event for churches celebrating the Reformation this fall. For Pilgrim our Reformation celebrations this year are less historical re-enactment and celebrate where we are now given our new organ and the music making potential it brings.

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Submissions for this feature are intended to highlight accomplishments and noteworthy events made by members of our congregation. Please email submissions to leeann.roeder@me.com.

Congratulations to **Anna Nelsen**, Carmel High School Class of 2018, on being inducted into the National Honor Society in April. Anna also was selected as a Greyhound Kickoff Mentor (GKOM) for the 2017-18 freshmen students.

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

SUNDAY SUPPORT FOR OUR LOCAL GENNESARET FREE CLINICS

"God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday" will be September 24, a day of service opportunities where our congregation will participate in activities that benefit our surrounding community and deepen our connection to the world around us.

As preparation for "God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday", **we need your help** to collect items to prepare "hygiene kits" for our local Gennesaret Free Clinics. **Our goal is to collect enough items to create 200 kits!** Items needed include:

- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush (singles)
- Dental floss
- Soap bars
- Shampoo
- Razors (disposable singles)
- Deodorant

All items should be travel size (i.e. small) and can be purchased at local Walmart, Target or similar stores. Donated items can be deposited in the **specially marked collection bin** in the church lobby located under the donuts table near the monitor screen. All donations must be received by **Sunday, September 17, 2017**. Then, join us on Sunday, September 24 after 10:45 a.m. worship to help assemble kits in quart-sized zip-lock bags. Questions? Contact Dan Murphy, Mark Tisdale or Carol Dahoney

WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH PILGRIM'S FOOD PANTRY?

For many years, Pilgrim has sponsored an in house food pantry serving those in need in our community. In partnership with the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank, we began fully stocking our shelves in 2015 while supporting them with volunteer hours and monetary gifts.

Unfortunately, we began to notice the gifts we offered were being misused at times, and the safe and equitable distribution of goods was hard to maintain. In January 2017 we changed our hours from open when the church office was staffed to set hours to provide more personalized service and ensure fair distribution. Since enacting these new procedures, we have seen a dramatic drop in people using our pantry to the point where continuing to staff it was not a good use of resources.

We have decided to close our pantry at this time.

As children of Christ, we continue to be committed to helping those in need. We have an opportunity to assist children in Hamilton County who would normally receive free and reduced lunches during the school year. Throughout the summer, organizations in Carmel, Noblesville, and Fishers will be packing boxes for families which will include food to make breakfast and lunch. These boxes will be picked up at various locations in Hamilton County by families normally served in school.

There are several opportunities to support this mission. First, specific food donations are being accepted (see full list below). Donations may be brought to Pilgrim's pantry and will be delivered to HCHFB. Second, monetary donations can be made to support this program. Log on to www.hchfoodbank.org/online-giving for more information. Third, volunteers are needed in various areas. Check the HCHFB website at www.hchfoodbank.org/volunteer to see where you might be able to serve.

Thank you for your continued support of our neighbors in need!
(Pilgrim Social Ministry Committee)

Summer Lunch Food Items Needed

Please try to buy **POP TOP CANS** when available

No glass please

Tomato soup	Canned oranges
Low sugar cereal	Jarred applesauce
(e.g. Cheerios—full sized boxes	Small bottle ranch dressing
Chicken noodle soup	Small bottle mustard
Individual instant oatmeal packs	Small bottle honey
Vegetable soup	Boxed graham or wheat crackers
Ramen noodle cups	Small jar peanut butter
Mac and cheese cups	Jelly squeeze bottle
Instant potato pouches	Granola bars
Canned carrots	Small pretzel packs
Canned black beans	Instant rice pouches
Canned peas	Chicken pouches (cans acceptable)
Canned peaches	Tuna pouches

CHILDREN'S CORNER

It's June and summer is here. Let the fun begin! This is the time of year we may be thinking of all the things we want to do:

- Sleep late
- Play all day
- Hang out with friends
- Eat popsicles
- Catch fireflies
- Go swimming



And the list goes on.... One of the things some of you may have the chance to do is to take a boat ride out on a lake or even the ocean! Have you ever read the story about the time Jesus and his disciples were caught in a bad storm? (Matthew 8: 23-27, Mark 4:35-41 or Luke 8:22-25) Jesus' friends in the boat were really afraid. They were sure the boat would turn over and they might drown in the swirling water.

And where was Jesus all this time? He was asleep in the boat (he must have been super tired)! His friends had no trouble disturbing his sleep; they woke him up and asked him to please do something. Jesus did calm the storm and then said to his friends, "Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?" (Mark 4:40)



All of us are afraid from time to time. Maybe we are afraid of storms, or the dark or spiders! Or maybe certain situations bother us like a new school or moving to a new neighborhood. And even the world we live in can feel very scary at times. Jesus doesn't say that we will never be afraid, but he does tell us that he will always be with us to help us and to give us courage to face our fears. Good news, I think, how about you?

What things make you afraid? Maybe think about those things right now. Then close your eyes and tell Jesus about the fears you have recalled in your mind. Ask Jesus to give you courage to face those fears of yours; and don't forget to thank Jesus for being with you always.

A friend of Jesus' and a gospel writer named John wrote these words of Jesus' down for us to remember..."Take courage; I have conquered the world!" (John 16:33) This is a good verse to say aloud or to yourself if you find yourself feeling afraid.

Happy Summer from Mrs. Worth

VBS Enrollment Form

July 17-21, 2017 • 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Name of Parents _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____ Cell (mom) _____ Cell (dad) _____

In case of an emergency and parents are not available, please contact:

Name _____ Cell _____

Children must be 4 years of age by June 1, 2017, to attend VBS.

All ages up through those children entering 6th grade are welcome to attend.

Students entering 7th grade and higher may volunteer to be camp counselors (Adults, too).

Name	Gender	Age	Grade Entering in fall <i>Preschoolers list birth date; must be 4 by June 1, 2017.</i>	Allergies/ Special Needs
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

We do our best to put children together per parent request but it does not always work out as we set our groups. Please understand if we unable to fulfill your request and trust your child will still have a wonderful experience.

We ask for a supply fee at the time of registration:

\$30 per child for non-members and \$20 per child for Pilgrim Lutheran Church members.

Registration and checks may be dropped off at the church office or mailed to:

PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH
3650 West 106th Street
Carmel, IN 46032

Please register no later than **JUNE 30, 2017.**

We need to be sure we have enough supplies to accommodate our campers!

Questions: contact Gloria Worth, Director of Christian Education
(317) 846-2221, ext. 1226, or gloriaworth@pilgrimindy.org.

Thank you!

PILGRIM LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL & PARENTS' TIME OUT



It cannot possibly be May already! My first school year as the director has flown by! I have tackled so many new experiences that before I couldn't even imagine doing. I have had successes, and also made note of things I would like to change, or do differently next year. I have been so fortunate and am very grateful for the fantastic group of ladies who work at Pilgrim Lutheran Preschool. We are a close-knit bunch and it shows by how much fun we have working together each day. I am also so grateful for the wisdom and support of all the members of the Preschool Board! They always were available with encouragement and wonderful advice. Thank you!



We finished our year with a spring program (May 11 & 12). As you can imagine, a lot of hard work is put in by the students, teachers, and especially Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Worth to put on the show! Sarah Williams and Gloria Worth have brought lots of new ideas to our music and movement classes. The Spring program was an emotional one for the parents of



our graduating 4s and 5s. It is a bittersweet time of year. We are so proud and amazed with how much the children have learned and grown, yet it is hard to say goodbye. All of the 4s and 5s students receive "yearbooks" at the end of the school year which are really giant scrapbooks full of art projects, photographs, schoolwork, and wonderful preschool memories. They truly are amazing and the



teachers all put in hours of work to get them completed before the end of the school year!

We will start our summer day camp on Tuesday, May 30, and our last day will be Friday, June 30. During our camp we will draw, color, paint, read, sing, dance, and play! We hope to spend a lot of time outside. Our summer camp is more laid back and a great way to keep busy and have fun with family and friends! Currently we have only a few openings for fall. If you know someone who is interested, please have them call the school at (317) 846-6132. The 2017-2018 school year will begin with a Meet the Teacher day on August 30, and the first day of classes will be August 31.

Thanks again to all of you who support our ministry to our young children and their families in our congregation and our community. Please continue to keep us all in your prayers.

The self-portraits above were created by members of the 4s class.

In His Service,
Amy Tucker

JUNE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

8 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

JUNE 4, 2017

Jim Durst	ELDER	Jim Williams
Alex & Nathan Wade	ACOLYTE	Anna & Kayla Nelsen
The Wade Family	GREETERS	The Nelsen Family
Denny Licht	LAY ASSISTANT	Noel Schilling
Jim Durst	A/V COVERAGE	Mark Tisdale

JUNE 11, 2017

Kathy Bloom	ELDER	Dave Blase
Will Kelleher	ACOLYTE	Nolan Elser, Cooper Sims
The Kelleher Family	GREETERS	The Elser and Sims families
Mike Przybylski	LAY ASSISTANT	Emma Williams
N/A	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Jim Williams
N/A	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Marla Murphy
Steve Bloom	A/V COVERAGE	Mark Tisdale

JUNE 18, 2017

Kathy Bloom	ELDER	Gwen Knipstein
Max Shurr	ACOLYTE	Aaron Donley
The Shurr Family	GREETERS	The Donley Family
Karin Veatch	LAY ASSISTANT	Tammy Donley
Steve Bloom	A/V COVERAGE	Mark Tisdale

JUNE 25, 2017

Jim Durst	ELDER	Kelly Brown
Marla Murphy	ACOLYTE	Tony Guedel
The Murphy Family	GREETERS	The Guedel Family
Frank Bates	LAY ASSISTANT	John Williams
Jim Durst	A/V COVERAGE	Mark Tisdale

Aletha Schumacher	ALTAR GUILD	Aletha Schumacher
Jodie Williams	CHANCEL VOLUNTEER	Pat Hanson
Dave Runkel	USHERS	Chris Konow, Dan Saler Barb Geraghty, Dan Murphy
	COFFEE SET UP/CLEAN UP	

WEDNESDAYS

7 p.m.

JUNE 7, 2017

ELDER
Dave Blase
LECTOR/CANTOR
Sherilyn Kindig

JUNE 14, 2017

ELDER
Kathy Bloom
LECTOR/CANTOR
Sherilyn King

JUNE 21, 2017

ELDER
Dave Blase
LECTOR/CANTOR
Sherilyn King

JUNE 28, 2017

ELDER
Jim Williams
LAY ASSISTANT
Eileen Hintz

JUNE 2017 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
				8a I-K Synod Assembly 9a Preschool Camp 9:15a MOMs Group 9:30a Large Print 6p Jazzercise	8a I-K Synod Assembly 9a Preschool Camp 4p Piano Lesson	8a I-K Synod Assembly 8:30a Jazzercise 12p United Church of God
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
8a Worship & Holy Communion 9:30a Worship & Holy Communion 10:45a New Member Orientation	9a Preschool Camp 6p Jazzercise	9a Preschool Camp 9:30a Large Print 10a Sacred Threads 11:30a Large Print lunch 1:15p Staff Meeting 4p Oboe Lesson 7p Board of Elders 7:30p Poetry Plus	9a Preschool Camp 9a CCPL Program 2:30p CCPL Mobile Library 6p Jazzercise 7p Evening Prayer w/Holy Communion	9a Preschool Camp 9:30a Large Print 6p Jazzercise	9a Preschool Camp	8:30a Jazzercise 12p United Church of God
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
FATHERS' DAY 8a Worship & Holy Communion 9:30a Worship & Holy Communion	9a Preschool Camp 3:30p Piano Lesson 6p Jazzercise 6:30p Indians Game 7p Evangelism & Communications	9a Preschool Camp 9:30a Large Print 12p Super Seniors 1:15p Staff Meeting 4p Oboe Lesson 7p Board of Directors	9a Preschool Camp 9a CCPL Program 11:30a Piano Lesson 2:30p CCPL Mobile Library 6p Jazzercise 7p Evening Prayer w/Holy Communion 7:30p Congregational Life	9a Preschool Camp 9:30a Large Print 6p Jazzercise	9a Preschool Camp 4p Piano Lesson	8:30a Jazzercise 12p United Church of God
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JULY 2017 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 8a Worship & Holy Communion 9:30a Worship & Holy Communion 9:30a Fine Arts Committee	3 3:30p Piano Lesson 6p Jazzercise	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY OFFICE CLOSED 8a Jazzercise	5 11:30a Piano Lesson 2:30p CCPL Mobile Library 6p Jazzercise 7p ELW Evening Prayer Vespers 7:30p Combo Group	6 9:30a Large Print 6p Jazzercise	7 4p Piano Lesson	8 8:30a Jazzercise 11p Follstad Birthday Party
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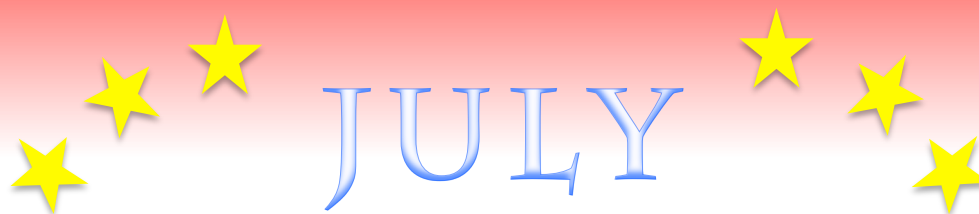
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Ben Veatch	1	
Mike Roeder	2	
Jack Kelleher IV Charlotte Konow Nancy Schenkel	4	
Rick Hanson Robert Schumacher	5	Kristen & Trip Kelleher
Brian Bowen	8	
Susan Meyer	9	
Lyla Pike	10	
	12	Jess & Lisa Denger Steve & Carol Hatfield
Kathy Bloom Aaron Powell Andrew Powell	13	Denny & Karen Licht
	15	Tony & Pat Guedel
	16	Laura & Ron Peeters
Rosemary Day Nathan High	18	
Chris Konow	19	
Trinity Dorn Sarah Williams	21	
Grant Coons	22	Chris & Jody Konow
Tess Hawkins-Wilding Luke Miller	24	Steve & Colleen Nobis Steve & Gloria Worth
Colleen Nobis Steve Nobis	25	Kevin & Laura Fischer Matthew & Jennifer Nelsen
	26	Don & Mary Jane Newby
Harrison Hawkins-Wilder Fran Willis	28	Brad & Annemarie Allen
Alayna Pabst	30	



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Kathy Ransford	1	Dick & Mary Kay Snyder
Andy Shilling	2	
	5	Dick & Sundy Hughes Beth & Josh Kuechler
Maxine Lempke	6	
Susan Maul	7	Jason & Jamie Follstad
	8	Dave & Judy Hunden
Tony Guedel Steve Witte	11	
Laura Peeters	12	John & Sarah Williams Jr.
Christian Follstad	14	
Alexander Rinderknecht	15	
	16	Michael & Ashley Eddie
Steve Hatfield Kayla Nelsen	17	
Noah Berg Gwen Knipstein	18	
Evelyn Kramer	20	
Ella Hatfield	23	
Audrey Griffiths Mike Przybylski	24	
Margie Fougeron	25	
Charlotte Lippert Gail Powell	26	Kevin & Tammy Donley
George Ransford	28	
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I will be your light and you
shall reign with Me forever.

And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb...People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. [The Revelation to John 21:22-26]

I am writing this reflection in a quiet corner of the O.R. Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg, South Africa. After a week with the 12th Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation in Windhoek, Namibia, about which I wrote in last month's newsletter, I am waiting for the next leg, the long 18 hour middle leg, of my journey home. As I sit here in South Africa, I cannot help but think about the troubled history of this country and the amazing ways in which it has risen through and beyond those troubles. Namibia, where I spent the last week, had its own terrible experience of apartheid and oppression until the country gained its independence in 1990. Both countries still face challenges, of course, but somehow knowing what they went through to get where they are inspires me, humbles me, especially in the afterglow of the LWF assembly.

For a week now I have been surrounded by, accompanied by, welcomed and inspired by, Lutheran Christians from more than 90 countries, north and south, east and west. We sang together, broke bread and sipped wine together, debated with and challenged one another. We shared stories from our contexts, some painfully heartrending, others healing and heart-stirring. We engaged deep Bible study and heard startling, disturbing, and inspiring keynotes about crucial challenges that we face globally. We stammered through conversations in the hallways and over meals, overcoming language and cultural barriers to laugh and cry and chat about things deep and shallow and everything in between.

In some ways, these seven days in Windhoek, have been a foretaste of the feast to come. Across cultures and languages and significant differences of perspective on important issues, the glory of God was our light, the Lamb our lamp. And the people, Lutherans from across the globe, brought into that bright light the glory and honor of the nations as we bowed together in worship and rose together in obedience to Christ crucified and risen for the life of the world.

I wonder how this vision might shape what we do across this synod and in each of our local communities. What if we let the light of the Lamb

shine into the shadows of our life together so we could see who is missing or who has been pushed to the edges? What if we then moved out in the power of the Spirit to meet these folks where they are, whoever they are? What if we found ways to make space in our life together for their particular (and often different) gifts, and invited them to bring the glory of their "nation" into our life together in the lamplight of Christ?

I suspect that we'd misunderstand one another, at least for a while, over our different languages, habits, and perspectives. We'd find our own perspectives, traditions, and habits challenged in uncomfortable ways. But, I do believe that, in the power of the Spirit, along the way we'd begin to discover the richness and depth and unanticipated joy that anticipates the unending joy of finally and fully living in the city that has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

Thanks be to God!
+Bishop Bill Gafkjen

For reports and photos from the 12th Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation in Windhoek, Namibia, follow this link:
<https://www.lwfassembly.org/en>