

ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Maryville, TN

THE GOOD NEWS

June 2019 Edition



Pentecost
All of them
were filled
with the
Holy Spirit

ACTS 2:4

Sunday, June 9th



Worship Times

Sunday Morning
8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sunday School
Summer Hiatus

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PASTOR AND CHURCH COUNCIL

A Message from Pastor Rick:



When I was writing my report for the May council meeting, I realized that had reached a significant milestone in one area of ministry. In just a couple of weeks, I will be serving on staff at AFFIRM (our synod summer youth gathering) for my 25th year. While I am blessed to serve for another year, I am the lucky one. This event has been a key in the development of my faith and my sense of call since I first attended as a youth back in 1983. I started serving on staff after my sophomore year in college. Over the years, I have helped with almost every group at the event --- being in charge of 3 of the units, and also helping to direct the entire event for a few years.

One of the reasons I continue to be a part of this ministry is selfish: I am fed spiritually by working with the youth of our synod. I also do this as a way to give back and hopefully shape future leaders in the

church, both lay and clergy.

I pulled out a pad of paper this morning and came up with about 20 names of pastors I know whose call to the ministry was somehow connected to AFFIRM or one of its predecessor events. Since I obviously have not been there every year, I bet the number of ELCA pastor and deacons AFFIRM has helped produce is probably close to double the number I know.

More important the rostered leaders the event has produced is the way AFFIRM has shaped the lives of young lay people. Of people I know still active in their congregations, this gathering has helped produce university presidents (Hanover University), mayors (Hendersonville, TN), school principals, doctors, lawyers, social workers, teachers, business leaders, as well as several church council members and presidents.

AFFIRM helps young people find where their faith intersects their daily lives and equips them to make faithful decisions as they mature into adulthood.

We will have 6 young people attending AFFIRM this year. In addition to me, Kristen Walker will also be serving on staff. By supporting these young people and the youth of our synod, you are helping the church grow in both the present and the future.

Who knows? One of your future pastors could even be one of the youth attending for the first time this year.

Peace,
Pastor Rick

The St. Paul Church Council will meet monthly on the third Monday ~ 7:30pm

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A Message From the Council President

As in the past, the Council has decided to skip June for the Ministry Teams' and Council meeting.

Both will resume meeting next on July 1st.

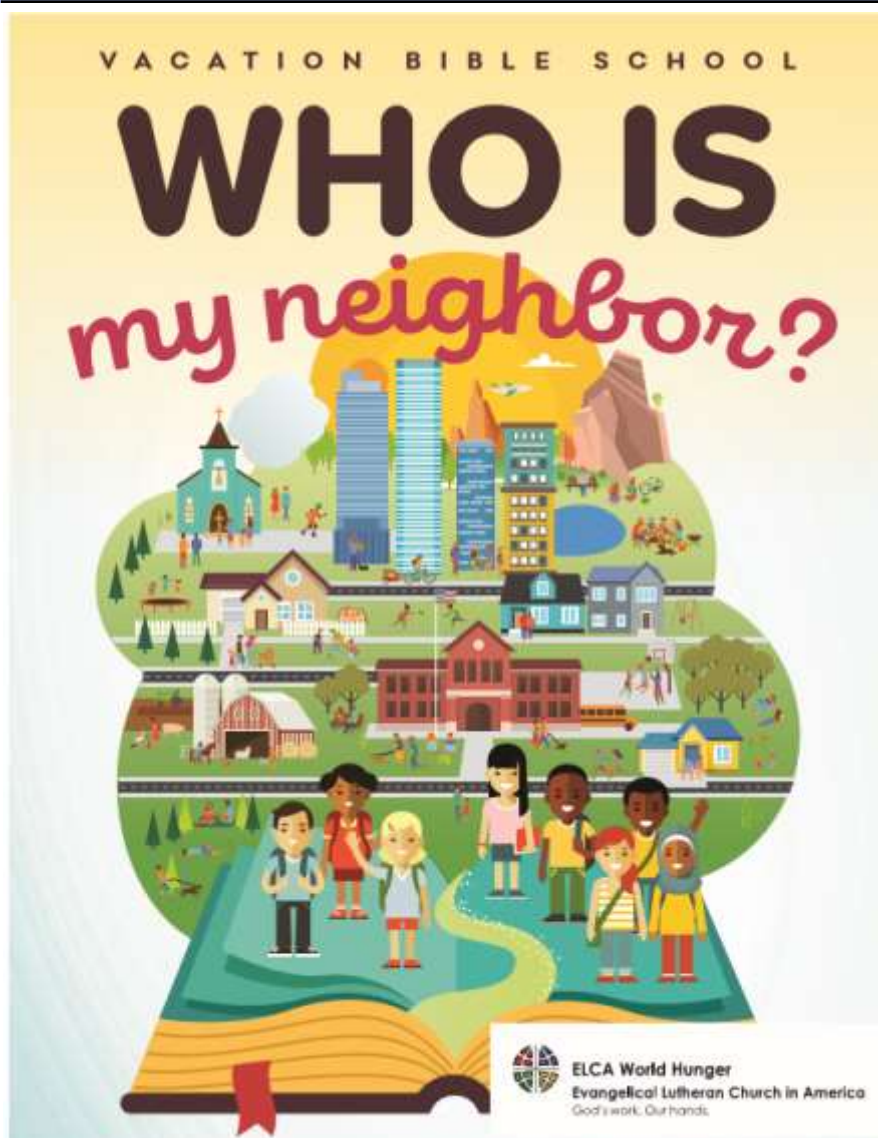
The Ministry Team's meeting begins at 6:00pm with a light dinner. This is a great opportunity for your committee to meet, enjoy a nice meal, and learn what other ministry teams have planned. I encourage all Ministry committees to participate in the meetings.

During our Council meeting May 21st, discussion included the enthusiastic response to the new magnetic name tags being worn Sunday morning. Hopefully more people are willing to wear them since they now have a magnetic back instead of the prior name tags with pins. I encourage more of you to try them out. Please remember to put them back on the board before you leave the church. A big thank you to Sue Tyler for finding and selecting the tags, Rick Anger and Perry McClellan, and Tom Sims for modifying the name tag rack and Carol Perry for putting the stickers and magnets on the tags.

Yours in Christ –Herb Perry

DISCIPLESHIP

- Coordinator



SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS

July 8th - 12th ~ 6:00pm

Join us for a light supper at 5:30 before the activities begin.

**EVERYONE is Welcome,
Invite a friend!**

Classes for ALL ages

Day 1

Theme: God loves us.

"We love because God first loved us" (1 John 4:19).

Day 2

Theme: Let your light shine.

"Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon" (Isaiah 58:10).

Day 3

Theme: No fear.

"There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear" (1 John 4:18a).

Day 4

Theme: God loves everyone.

"I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to God" (Acts 10:34b-35).

Day 5

Theme:

Building God's neighborhood.

"Each of us must please our neighbor for the good purpose of building up the neighbor" (Romans 15:2).



Congregational Health

May was Mental Health Awareness Month

Below is the resolution the SESLYO Board presented at the 2019 Southeastern Synod Assembly. **It passed unanimously!** Drew and Noah Ohsiek assisted with the writing of the resolution at the SESLYO Assembly in March.

A Resolution regarding Mental Health Awareness within the Southeastern Synod of the ELCA

Whereas, we affirm that we are all the hands and feet of Christ, regardless of any behavioral or mental challenges; and

Whereas, we recognize that among our responsibilities as members of the body of Christ is highlighting and addressing the struggles faced when dealing with mental health issues and challenges while spreading God's love and grace; and

Whereas, we are convinced that the need for treatment outweighs any financial burdens; and

Whereas, we acknowledge the effect a mental illness can have, as well as the overall distress and difficulty in functioning in daily life that occurs because of mental illness; and

Whereas, we need to be conscious of the need for a sense of community among those with mental illnesses; and

Whereas, we acknowledge that mental illnesses are not limited to the laity of the Church but affect both male and female rostered ministers, who live with depression and other mental illnesses; and

Whereas, we acknowledge that, along with our physical health, we need to be cultivating both good mental and spiritual health habits to support our overall wellbeing; and

Whereas, we also acknowledge the role mental illness and mental well-being play in all aspects of life, including our identity as Children of God; and

Whereas, we seek to remove barriers that limit the church's outreach into our communities;

therefore, be it Resolved,

that we ask the Southeastern Synod Council to establish a Mental Health taskforce to gather resources in each of the four states of our synod to assist pastors and lay members in referring those in need of mental health treatment; and

Resolved, that those resources be displayed on the Southeastern Synod website (www.elca-ses.org) and the Southeastern Synod Youth Ministry website (www.sesyouth.org) with links to various state and governmental sites, as well as nationally recognized mental health associations; and

Resolved, that we encourage each of our congregations within the Southeastern Synod to also provide those resources with links on their own congregation's websites; and

Resolved, that we encourage congregations within the Southeastern Synod, future Synod Assemblies and Southeastern Synod Leadership Convocations to provide workshops and training for both laity and rostered ministers on the care and support of those dealing with mental illness and on how to cultivate one's own good mental health.



Submitted by the Southeastern Synod Lutheran Youth Organization

LUTHERAN
MEN *IN* MISSION

presents



Annual Picnic Thursday, June 6th 6:00pm

All men of the church are welcome
to attend and bring a friend!



Smokies Baseball Game Sponsored by the Men in Mission Saturday July 13th

This annual event is open to everyone!
Purchase tickets from Rene, Perry, Jan, or Tom.
\$10 for the game and food voucher. Get your tickets NOW.

Retreat Date ~ September 27-29, 2019

An Experience that meets men where they are.

John Knox Center
591 West Rockwood Ferry Road, Ten Mile TN 37880
www.johnknoxcenter.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Talk with Tom Lindquist or call
Larry Moeller (865) 984-9040 ext 110
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In case you missed it, This is what our WELCA beach party on May 11 looked like.

Everyone who attended had a great time we had a wonderful guest speaker, Patti Austin - WELCA President of the Southeast Synod.

We will be collecting school supplies this summer for a Blount County school that WELCA is "adopting". A list of needs will be generated soon.

Our next event is not until August 24 but save the date on your calendar have a great summer.

SPAM

Adults 55+

June
Program

Tuesday, June 11 ~ NOON

"Curious George and the Holocaust"

presented by Julie Mitchell.

Lunch catered by Judy Quinton (roast beef mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, rolls, dessert, drink),
\$10 or you may bring your own.

Please pay Tim or Leslie Walker by Sunday, June 9 so we can turn in our numbers to the caterer.

Signup on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

Upcoming events

Tuesday, July 23, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at the Cumberland Playhouse and lunch at the Homestead Harvest restaurant.

Signup on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

Tuesday, August 13 ~ Picnic at the Cade's Cove Group Camping Pavilion.

ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE
Note: If you are unable to serve when scheduled, please find a replacement for that Sunday.

Duties	June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
	8 a.m.	8 a.m.	8 a.m.	8 a.m.	8 a.m.
Assistant Minister	Warren Bielenberg	Carolyn Speck	Charlie Malin	Charlie Malin	Joel Searfoss
Communion Assistants	Marianne Searfoss Steve Zrioka	Warren Bielenberg Nan Wylie	Betty Ludwig Loda Wylie	Marsha Bryant	Joel Searfoss Nan Wylie
Lector	Betty Ludwig	Marianne Searfoss	Joel Searfoss	Gail Hafner	Will Ludwig
Ushers	Alice Andrews Betty Ludwig	Tom Sims Robert Bryant Roy Johnson	Bob Trosen and Will Ludwig	Perry McClellan Roy Johnson James McMillion	Greg Wyatt and Ed Kreider
Altar Guild	Bertha Franks	Alyssa Rundle	Linda Zrioka	Marsha Wynn	Betty Ludwig
Acolyte/Crucifer		Noah Ohsiek	Hannah Rundle	Marsha Wynn	Betty Ludwig
Torch Bearers			Jan Hanes Steve Zrioka	Marsha Bryant Shari Martin	
Nursery			Carol Perry Ben Ward	Brooke Nowak Alyssa Rundle	Judy Krull Darlan Lindquist
Greeters	Greg and Dorian Caldwell	Barbara Chumley	Alice Andrews	Suzette Stauffer	Steve and Linda Zrioka
Sound Room	Joel Searfoss	Perry McClellan	Paul Rogers	Bob Block	Will Ludwig
Tellers			Jan Hanes Will Ludwig	Tom Sims David Lanzer	Herb Perry James McMillion
Flowers	Merl and Judy Krull Anniversary				Henry and Karin Bell Anniversary

FELLOWSHIP

Dorian Caldwell - Coordinator



10:30 Service Fellowship Teams

Each team is responsible for providing cookies or donuts, setting up and cleaning up the Fellowship time after the 10:30 service.

Contact Jacqueline Conzemius for more information.

June 2 Lorraine Geary, Sue Stauffer, Dorine Keeble, Patty Harmon

June 9 JB & Sylvia Johnson, Bob & Linda Ullom

June 16 Tom & Anne Sims, Kris & Rene Zimmer

June 23 Merl & Judy Krull, Elizabeth & Rick Anger

June 30 Denice & Kara Birdwell, Elizabeth Runkle

May Birthdays & Anniversaries



June 4 Barbara Chumley
June 4 Linda Turmo
June 5 Joe Abbott
June 6 Chris Ems
June 9 Frank Rutherford
June 10 Kaia Gordon
June 11 June Woodcock
June 11 Perry McClellan

June 12 Carol Perry
June 13 Mackenzie Brandau
June 13 Olivia Brown
June 14 Dawn Hutchison
June 18 Carl Bell
June 18 Alice Andrews
June 20 Virginia Frye
June 20 Beth Drane
June 22 Noah Keeble
June 23 Marianne Searfoss
June 24 Aubrey Wilson
June 24 Della Basil
June 25 Steve Zrioka
June 26 Christie Leonard
June 29 Faye Muly



ANNIVERSARIES

June 4 Gene & Virginia Frye
June 7 Larry & Carol Galyon
June 8 Merl & Judy Krull
June 15 Bernie & Pat Coddling
June 20 John & Jean Beck
June 22 Dave & Kathy Kaun
June 25 Henry & Karin Bell
June 26 Joel & Marianne Searfoss

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With the World*

Dates of Interest

Check Calendar for times and places

Council:

May 31st-June 2nd ~ Synod Assembly

Parish Life:

Wednesday's ~ Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, June 11th ~ SPAM

Thursday, June 13th & 27th ~ Creative Hands

DISCIPLESHIP:

Sunday, June 9th ~ Sunday School Planning Meeting

Sunday, June 16th - Friday, June 21st ~ AFFIRM

Summer Save the Date:

Sunday, June 2nd-9th ~ Family Promise Host Week

Sunday, June 9th ~ Pentecost Sunday

Monday, July 8th - Friday, July 12th ~ Vacation Bible School

Saturday, July 13th ~ Smokies Baseball Game