

### Vacation Bible School

In the setting of Ancient Egypt, a fun and exciting week of VBS is being planned for June!

Together with archaeologist, Colorado Smith, and some wise Egyptian animals, each day participants will uncover clues and work together to solve mysteries. Those findings will help the children to determine God's plan for Moses, as well as the plans and purposes He has for each one of us. There will also be lots of games, crafts, and snacks for the children to enjoy.



June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Children aged 3 through those just finishing 5th Grade are invited to attend.

Contact Michel Williams for information or to register.

### **Congratulations Graduates!**

Congratulations to all of our graduates! These are the names submitted to our church newsletter. If you would like your child's accomplishment highlighted in the August newsletter, please send their information to the church office at office@AllSaintsByron.org.

- Masyn Brown graduated from Byron Middle School and will attend Byron High School.
- Connor Harn graduated from Rockford University with a degree in Computer Science.
- Allison Lawler graduated from Illinois State University with a
- Bachelor's Degree in Education. She has accepted a position at DeKalb High School as a Humanities Teacher.
- Jay Adams will graduate June 9 from Rockford Career College from their Welding Program.

Sunday Worship - In-Person 9:00 a.m. **Recorded Service available on our Facebook Page and** Webpage at 10:30 am.

**Responding to the Gospel** to carry out God's mission

"Let God grant what is in your heart and fulfill all your plans."

**PSALM 20:4** 





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> Deadline for the August Saintly News is July 14 Please send articles to Rebecca Presson

Dear Friends:

What a joy it is to have finally arrived solidly in spring... the flowers blooming, the sound of lawn mowers in the air, the sight of birds nest tucked away in a safe place!

Our Sunday school year has just come to an end – thank you to Heather and Nate Brown and their daughter Rory,



Malerie Busche, Michel Williams, and Jean Whipple who help make our Sunday school and confirmation program such high-quality events. Thanks also to Carolyn Niederer and Joy Bliton for your willingness to substitute as needed! We appreciate Steve Reid and Steve Jones for leading their Bible studies and are grateful to the people who attend the Monday and Wednesday Bible studies taught by me. Special thanks to Jean who is stepping down as confirmation teacher after 4 years of teaching. Dan Danielowski and I will be the teachers for confirmation this fall.

Our Wednesday afternoon Bible studies take a break over the summer, however our Monday Bible study (held via zoom...so you don't even need to leave your house!) will continue throughout the summer as well as the Tuesday evening Bible study here at the church. Additionally, every Sunday morning we gather for a time of worship and learning (and fellowship). Learning is a lifetime journey, a lifetime joy!

Vacation Bible School is another opportunity for inviting your friends and neighbors with grade school aged children to join us here. There is more information about that week, held in June, in this newsletter as well. The kids (and adults) always have a great time – and, again, it allows folks to get to know some of the wonderful people here at our church.

I pray that God will work through each of us to help others know of God's love!

In Christ, Pastor Janet Wold

### **2023** Confirmands

On May 21, four young ladies affirmed their baptism during the worship service.

Congratulations to Masyn Brown, Myla Draheim, Mia Girten, and Selene Peterson on completing this important step in their faith life. Also pictured: Jean Whipple and Pastor Janet Wold.



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Check the calendar for changes to the Bible Study schedule.

Monday Afternoon Bible Study, facilitated by Pastor Janet Wold, continues via Zoom at 1:30 pm. This is a study and discussion of the following Sunday's Gospel lesson. A link to the Monday afternoon Bible Study is included in the Thursday announcement's email. Feel free to join us! If you need a Zoom tutorial, Pastor Janet will help you with that. If you do not have a computer, you can join via telephone at the number included in the announcement's email.

### Tuesday Night Bible Study,

facilitated by Steve Reid, will continue through the summer at 7:00 pm in Conference Room #310. This Bible Study is digging deeper into devotions, and the meaning of them.

Wednesday Afternoon Bible

**Study**, facilitated by Pastor Janet Wold, will be on hiatus until the Fall.

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible** 

**Study**, facilitated by Steve Jones, will be on hiatus until the Fall.

### June Sunday Scriptures

June 4 The Holy Trinity Genesis 1:1--2:4a Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

**June 11** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Hosea 5:15--6:6 Psalm 50:7-15 Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

June 18 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Exodus 19:2-8a Psalm 100 Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35—10:8

June 25 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Jeremiah 20:7-13 Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39



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### July Sunday Scriptures

July 2 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42

**July 9 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Zechariah 9:9-12 Psalm 145:8-14 Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Isaiah 55:10-13 Psalm 65:9-13 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Isaiah 44:6-8 Psalm 86:11-17 Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

**July 30** 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 1 Kings 3:5-12 Psalm 119:129-136 Romans 8:26-39 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52



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### **May Council Highlights**

- \* Mortgage giving did not meet the budgeted payment for April.
- \* Spring Clean-up was well attended, and much was accomplished, both inside and outside of the church building,
- \* New tankless water heater was installed in the small coffee kitchen.
- \* Sunday School will conclude on May 21.
- \* VBS is scheduled for the week of June 19-23.
- \* Tickets for Timber Lake Playhouse production of '9-5' on July 30 will go on sale in June.
- WELCA is planning a bratwurst lunch fundraiser for June 25 to raise funds for batteries for the emergency lighting.



Worship Totals	Online Viewers	In- Person	Total	Sunday School	
April 30	152	105	257	25	
May 7	136	67	203	22	
14	80	68	148	18	
21	90	102	192	15	
Totals	458	342	800	80	
Average	114	86	200	20	

## Library News

The last two books of the series. "Firstborn" by Karen Kingsbury will be added to the first three books on the library cart. If you like following a family through several books, you'll enjoy this series.

*Family*, book 4 - While searching for his son, John Baxter looks for a way to tell his other children the truth about the secret he has kept from them their entire lives. At the same time, a sensational Hollywood trial brings Dayne and Katy together again. This time it is in a very public way. Just when it seems they have a chance at love, doubts and presumed scandals push them further apart than ever. In the midst of this crisis, one truth is clear for all of them never in their lives has family been more important.

*Forever*, book 5 - Katy Hart is thrilled about her future with Dayne. But as she plans a wedding and looks for a house on the shore of Lake Monroe, she receives tragic news and she and the Baxter family must travel to Los Angeles to sort out their options. When paparazzi hound them, Luke wrestles with feelings that have troubled him for nearly a year. Ultimately, the Baxter's must pull together one last time in an act of love to help Katy and Dayne find what they've always been looking for - a chance at forever.

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### WELCA (Women of the Evangelical Church in America)

# Women ELCA

WELCA is holding a Bratwurst sandwich sale (with chips and cookie} on June 25<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are on sale now for \$7.00 each and need to be purchased in advance. The monies will be put toward the purchase of batteries for the church's emergency lights. The sandwiches will be available for pickup after the church service on Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup>. See Marlene Roberts or other WELCA members for tickets.

Looking ahead to our fall collection for Lutheran World Relief. This year we will be collecting school supplies. A list of needed items will be included in the August newsletter. The Quilters group is currently sewing denim school bags to be used in

this school kit collection. The denim fabric was donated to us by First Lutheran Church in DeKalb, IL.



## **Book Club**

The Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday June 27 at 1:00 pm. This month's selection is *Seven Perfect Things* by Catherine Ryan Hyde. This is a story about joy, where to find it, how to know it when you see it, and the courage it takes to hang in to it once you have it.

The selection for the July 25 meeting at 1:00 is *Brides of Alaska* by Tracie Peterson. Surviving the rugged frontier of Alaska is a daunting task. But even in that hostile wilderness, God allows the tender flower of love to bloom. Follow the adventures and romances of Julie, Beth, and Rita, women of different generations who share a common home.



## **Timberlake Playhouse Outing**

Mark your calendars for July 30<sup>th</sup>. All members are invited to attend afternoon matinee of "9 to 5" the musical at Timberlake Playhouse in Mt. Carroll, IL. We will offer an optional stop for dinner after the play at "Crooked Roof" in Lanark. Cost of dinner is not included in the play ticket price.

The show begins at 2pm. Duration is 2.5 hours. We will carpool from All Saints to Timberlake Playhouse, dinner and back. We will depart All Saints promptly at 12:45pm. Ticket prices are \$25.00 per person. Tickets are non-refundable.

There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for the following:

- 1. Number of tickets you wish to purchase
- 2. Are you available to be a driver
- 3. Are you in need for a ride.

Annette Leombruni Jones is coordinating this outing. Tickets can be reserved through Annette beginning June 1. Tickets will be issued on July 30 after church service or prior to departing for Timberlake Playhouse. A car pool schedule will be finalized and posted on the bulletin board July 23. If you have questions, contact Annette.

### Quilters

The quilters plan to meet on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at the church at 9:00 am. The number of finished quilts to send to Lutheran World Relief is getting bigger every month. LWR sent encouraging words of thanks to all the quilters as the need for quilts continues to grow. The time we spend together goes by quickly as we work. It is a time of service and fellowship. We will gladly accept donations of sheets or fabric that you have. Thank you!



### The GATHERING

The GATHERING will meet at 9:00 am on June 13<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to join us for fun, fellowship, and food!



### **Email or Address Change?**

Send it to the Church Office! It is important for us to keep our church records up to date and be able to keep open our lines of communication with you. If you have moved recently, please send your new address to the church. If you have not been receiving a weekly email from All Saints, that means we do not have your email address on file. Please send your email address to the church office so you can be included in these important mailings.



### **Memorial Golf Play Day Honoring Jonathon Knodle**

Serenity Hospice and Home will be holding their Annual Jonathon Knodle Memorial Golf Play Day. This event honors the life of Jonathon Knodle, the son of Lynn and Doug Knodle, who died in 1990. He was cared for by Serenity Hospice (formerly Ogle County Hospice) in the final months of his life. Both Doug and Lynn became passionate volunteers for Serenity following his death, and Lynn is now the CEO.

The Golf Play Day has raised over \$325,000 for Serenity Hospice & Home, helping them to provide the highest quality care to patients and their families. Proceeds from this year's Golf Play Day will specifically support Serenity's pediatric care. Serenity is one of the few hospices in the area who accepts pediatric patients.

The Golf Play Day will be held on Saturday, June 17th, at Prairie View Golf Course, located at 7993 N. River Road, Rt. 72 & German Church Road, Byron, IL. Check-in begins at 7:00 am and the shotgun start is at 8:00 am. There will be a best ball scramble, on course contests, raffles and more. People can register online at https://golfplayday.cbo.io. For more information, call Serenity Hospice and Home at 815-732-2499.

### **April Financials**

			Actual	Budget			Budget
Budget Items		Item Description	April	April	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Total 2023
Revenue		General Fund	\$17,453	\$16,772	\$70,810	\$67,088	\$201,264
		Mortgage	\$987	\$1,247	\$4,228	\$4,988	\$14,964
		Other Giving	\$532	\$834	\$2,653	\$3,336	\$10,008
		Total Revenue	\$18,972	\$18,853	\$77,691	\$75,412	\$226,236
Expenses	1000	Mission Support	\$1,474	\$1,167	\$3,244	\$4,668	\$14,004
		Other Outreach	\$25	\$519	\$2,473	\$2,076	\$6,228
		Total Outreach	\$1,499	\$1,686	\$5,717	\$6,744	\$20,232
	2000	Ministries of the Congregation (Non Salary)	\$1,095	\$1,117	\$3,705	\$4,474	\$13,404
		Ministries of the Congregation (Salary and Benefits)	\$11,957	\$11,294	\$46,949	\$45,190	\$135,528
		Total Ministries	\$13,052	\$12,411	\$50,654	\$49,664	\$148,932
	3000	Total Building (Non Capital)	\$2,288	\$2,714	\$10,405	\$10,859	\$32,568
		Total Expense	\$16,838	\$16,811	\$66,776	\$67,267	\$201,732
		Mortgage Principal and Interest	\$1,246	\$1,247	\$10,587	\$4,988	\$14,964
		Other Building Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Total Building Capital	\$1,246	\$1,247	\$10,587	\$4,988	\$14,964
		Total Expenses (Capital Plus Expense)	\$18,085	\$18,058	\$77,363	\$72,255	\$216,696
Net		Net for Month/Year (Revenue Minus Expense)	\$887		\$328		
		(Under)/Over Budget for Month/Year	\$27		\$5,108		

### Synod Assembly - June 16-17, 2023 Augustana College in Rock Island, IL

Congregations and Rostered Ministers are invited to attend the 2023 Synod Assembly: Be the Body! Outside of doing the business of the synod, registrants will be engaged in continued conversation about how we are called to be the body of Christ as individuals and as congregations. These conversations will continue the work that was started at the 2023 Congregational Resourcing Event. All Saints will be represented by Jean Whipple, and Alan and Pastor Janet Wold.



SYNOD ASSEMBLY JUNE 16-17, 2023

### The Parables of All Saints



Stewardship is vital to the health and growth of a congregation. However, stewardship is not confined to monetary donations. It is also the time, talents, and energy expended by our congregation to carry out the good things we do! Last year we began showing videos, or "Parables" of all the good things happening at All Saints. We're planning to do this again this year with new videos. If you have a particular subject or event you would like highlighted in a video, please contact Kay Johnson. **In Our Prayers** 

Health & Healing Kathy Burrows Phyllis Coffman Jim Coffman Sharon Provencher Sandi Reid Kit Reif Dylan Sproule Cindy Yoakum Dennis Reid **Richard McCabe** Mike Gordon Will Heindrick Bruce Roller Keith Padgett Ann Frerichs Tom Lombardo Francis Stevenson Margie Myer Ernie Leombruni **Kevin Nickels** Alex Crawford Dick Sabin Bobbie Chisem Jennie Sanchez Jan Liljeberg John Kirchner Paul Keifter Mason Sasso **Rick Uhdholtz** Susan Caruso Lee Joyce Billie Jean Hartman Cliff Thompson Jim Carson Mindy Vanatter Beth Brandt Robert Reif Jim Bowers AI Ewert Judy Owens Cassandra Davis Joe Quisler Martha Love Dave Kaye Pat Jacobs

<u>Shut Ins</u> George Davis Lori Pederson Doris Swedberg Mary Whitmer

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