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GOSPELFEST

Byron's GOSPELFEST, the opening ceremonies of ByronFest, is quickly approaching. It will be held on Thursday, July 13th at 6:30 pm at *Generations at Neighbors*, formerly *Neighbors Rehabilitation Center*.

Local musicians from the area are invited to sing and cakes and pies are needed for the Ice Cream Social.

Sign-up sheets are on Bulletin Board #2 with specific information about donating baked goods.



GOSPELFEST

Lord, we praise your name!

Everyone Loves a Parade!

The outreach committee is organizing an entry in the ByronFest parade. The parade takes place on Sunday, July 16th and begins at 2:00 pm. The Praise Band will perform on the float and we plan to have a few other All Saints ministries taking part. We are looking for volunteers to walk with the float and hand out pencils and information about All Saints to the crowd lining the parade route. The parade route starts from behind the elementary school and ends at 3rd and Market streets. If you would like to join us, please contact Carolyn Niederer by email: rjn2cjn@comcast.net or Pam Kultgen at pamelakultgen@yahoo.com or call 815-985-1948.



VBS Recap

VBS was well attended with at least 22 children attending each day. Led by LOMC counselors, the theme this year was "Fingerprints, Our Mark on God's Creation". The children enjoyed the activities which included Bible stories, crafts, snacks, lots of music, and games. Again this year we collected children's books to donate to the Rockford Literacy Council and received many donations for this cause. Thanks to the many daily volunteers and those who provided donations of snacks, craft supplies, and money, which helped make this week a great success! Thank you to Thrivent for an Action Grant which helped offset the cost of this program.



Sunday Worship 8:00 and 10:30 am
Whole Family Education Hour

Responding to the Gospel
to carry out God's mission



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Deadline for the August
 Saintly News is **July 14**

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A Note From Pastor Janet Wold

Dear Friends,

I hope you are enjoying the longer days and warmer weather of summer. What a treat it is to have a low humidity day with a warm breeze – opening up the house, turning off the air and maybe even eating dinner outside. These are the days we dream of when we were stuck inside with sub-zero weather and snow and ice! I'm glad I live in a climate where there is a change of season – it makes me appreciate the beauty each season has to offer.

I also hope you are taking some time for vacation. Not everyone will get a chance to get away – but taking some time for rest – for “re-creation” is important, as was modeled for us by God. When we take time to just stop... we can reconnect with our families, friends, ourselves and most importantly, God! Worship is an important part of that “re-creation” time - what better place to connect with God and hear what God is saying to me than in a worship service?

As we prepare to celebrate Independence Day, may we remember our *dependence* on God's gracious love and forgiveness. May we always remember to take time out to praise him and to praise the world around us.

God's blessings to you in these summer days...

In Christ –

Pastor Janet Wold



30th Annual Northern Illinois Synod Assembly Recap

Nine members of All Saints attended the 30th Annual Synod Assembly in Rock Island, IL on June 16 and 17. Attendees were Pastor Janet and Alan Wold, Stephanie Crawford, Theresa Fitzsimmons, Jacob Fitzsimmons, Audrey Adams, George and Sue Davis, and Kay Johnson. This annual gathering is led by Bishop Jeffrey Clements and was attended by over 500 people from the churches of the Northern Illinois Synod. All Saints' first pastor, Pastor William Nelson, was recognized on his 50th Anniversary of Ordination during a special presentation on Saturday. Pastor Janet was also recognized for her 30th Anniversary of ordination this year.

Two resolutions were passed: **R-1 Lutheran Social Services of Illinois Celebrating 150 Years of Ministry: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Northern Illinois Synod designate 2017 for special recognition and celebration of LSSI within the Northern Illinois Synod and its congregations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the congregations of the Northern Illinois Synod be encouraged to host a LSSI event or gathering during LSSI's 150th anniversary year.

R-2 To Maintain Foreign Assistance and Domestic Safety Net Programs:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern Illinois Synod encourage its members to urge the White House, Illinois senators and representatives, and Congress to fully fund foreign assistance programs and social safety net programs as it works on the 2018 budget.

Voting members for the Synod Assembly are elected at our annual meeting in January each year. It's a wonderful opportunity to see the church at work at the Synod level. Please prayerfully consider attending the 2018 Synod Assembly, which will be held June 15th & 16th.

Tuesday Night and Wednesday Afternoon Bible Studies

The Tuesday night and Wednesday afternoon Bible Studies are not meeting during the summer months and will resume next fall.



June Council Highlights

- Heard giving is keeping up with expenses for the first time
- 22 Children are signed up for VBS, which began June 12
- Lowes has measured for new blinds being provided by WELCA fundraising
- Heard worship will be lead by lay leaders during Pastor's vacation in June and August
- Heard Timber Lake Playhouse outing was well attended
- Heard recommendation to move screens in sanctuary to make exit door easily accessible

Synod-In-kind Donation

Thanks to those who contributed to All Saints donation to the Synod project to help foster families with smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. We received a Thrivent Action Grant which gave us a good start for the project. We sent a box to the Synod Assembly with three combination smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, four carbon monoxide detectors and eight smoke detectors. Also we were able to include three gift cards of \$10 to help families with supplies for their foster child.

Quilters

The quilters plan to meet on Thursday July 6th from 9 to 11 am at the church. Our work continues to make comforters for people in need. Most of our quilts are donated to Lutheran World Relief. With donations from many other churches in the United States, the quilts are distributed to disaster areas all over the world. The need for quilts, personal care kits and school kits grows every year. Please join us on the first Thursday of the month whenever you wish. The two hours go quickly as we prepare materials for quilts, tie three layers together and bind them.



Crossroads Blues Society

The All Saints Blues Concert Series is taking a break for July due to the holiday weekend. The performers for upcoming concerts will be announced soon!

Sunday Scriptures

July 2 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

July 9 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm 145:8-14
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost

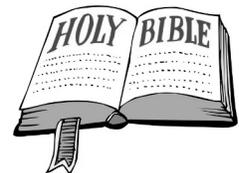
Isaiah 55:10-13
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52



Please Clip & Save for your reference



Youth NEWS

July 2017

Meet once a month on Sundays, at All Saints Lutheran (ASL)

LOMC Summer Camp... The summer brochure is in the narthex, pick one up and look at all the camps that are available for Kindergarten – 12th grade. Are you creative, like to sing, or adventurous? Are you a younger camper and only want to stay for a few days? Do you like Hogwarts, mysteries, sports, horses? There is a CAMP just for you. Grab a Summer Brochure and register today .

ELCA Youth Gathering - June 27-July 1, 2018 Houston Texas

The ELCA Youth Gathering is a ministry of the church wide organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to, with and for high school-aged youth and their adult leaders. The Gathering event takes place Wednesday to Sunday – and includes opportunities for worship, service, fellowship, study and holy play.

The 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering will help young people understand that they are called, through their baptism, to follow Jesus' way of the cross. They will return to their home communities and serve Christ crucified by:

- Living among God's faithful people,
- Hearing the word of God and sharing in the Lord's supper,
- Proclaiming the good news of God in Christ through words and deed,
- Serving all people, following the example of Jesus,
- Striving for justice and peace in all the earth.

COST:

Registration is \$350 per person including adults. Food is an additional \$30 per person per day. Bus Trip \$300.00....Housing costs of \$150.00....Spending money \$25 per day.....Total amount needed to raise for each person is \$1075.00.

Sept. 15, 2017 – Registration opens and early bird rate begins. A \$150.00 deposit required.

If you would like to chaperone an event please let Audrey know.

Our Mission statement:
Seeking God, Serving Others & Having Fun!

Audrey Adams, All Saints Youth Leader

S.T.A.T.I.C

Students Taking Action Together In Christ

Library News

If you'd like some light summer reading, the following Debbie Macomber novels are just the thing.

The Blossom Street series.

- ◇ *The Shop on Blossom Street* - The yarn store in Seattle is owned by Lydia who teaches knitting to beginners. The first class "How to Make a Baby Blanket" (directions included) is taught to three women: Jacqueline wants to knit something for her grandchild hoping for reconciliation with her daughter-in-law. Carol's blanket is a message of hope for her final attempt to conceive. Alix knits her blanket as a court-ordered community project.
- ◇ *A Good Yarn*, donated by Marlene Roberts - Four women find comfort as they knit socks (directions included). Lydia is happily falling in love until Brad's ex-wife reappears. Divorcee Elise has lost her life savings and is living with her daughter who wants to meet her father. Bethanne's husband left her for another woman. And, Courtney is a depressed and overweight teen whose grandmother drags her to senior's swim sessions and knitting class.
- ◇ *Susannah's Garden*, donated by Marlene Roberts - Fifty year old Susannah returns to her recently widowed mother's home in Washington to help her cope with living alone. After returning to the house, the garden and her girlhood friends, she regrets the choices she made and the path she had taken.
- ◇ *Twenty Wishes* - Thirty-eight year old Anne Marie is childless and a recent widow. She owns a busy bookstore on Blossom Street but still feels empty. A group of widows begin a list of twenty wishes of things they had always wanted to do but never did. Her list includes learning to knit, falling in love again, and doing good for someone. An important relationship begins when, while volunteering at a school, she meets an eight year old girl who helps her complete her list of twenty wishes.
- ◇ *Summer on Blossom Street* - Lydia offers a new class in her knitting shop called Knit to Quit for those wanting to quit something and start a new phase in life. Phoebe is trying to get over a man. Alix and her husband want a baby, so she's trying to stop smoking. Bryan needs help with the stress of running his family's business. And Lydia and her husband have a defiant twelve-year old foster child.
- ◇ *Hannah's List*- On the anniversary of the death of his wife, Dr. Everett receives a letter Hannah had written him. She doesn't want him to be alone the rest of his life and has listed three women she wants him to consider: her cousin, a chef who owns a cafe' on Blossom Street, her oncology nurse, and a third whose name is not familiar. He spends time with each finding he's a man who needs the completeness only love can offer.

Finance Report

Budget Items	Item Description	Actual May	Budget May	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Total 2017
Revenue	General Fund	\$16,024	\$14,333	\$78,666	\$71,667	\$172,000
	Mortgage	\$2,572	\$2,083	\$9,456	\$10,417	\$25,000
	Other Giving	\$1,496	\$2,110	\$7,594	\$10,552	\$25,326
	Total Revenue	\$20,092	\$18,527	\$95,717	\$92,636	\$222,326
Expenses	1000 Mission Support	\$984	\$1,250	\$4,775	\$6,250	\$15,000
	1000 Other Outreach	\$53	\$467	\$1,561	\$2,333	\$5,600
	1000 Total Outreach	\$1,037	\$1,717	\$6,336	\$8,583	\$20,600
	2000 Ministries of the Congregation (Non Salary)	\$1,462	\$997	\$4,269	\$4,987	\$11,969
	2000 Ministries of the Congregation (Salary and Benefits)	\$13,166	\$11,210	\$54,269	\$56,048	\$134,515
	2000 Total Ministries	\$14,628	\$12,207	\$58,538	\$61,034	\$146,484
	3000 Total Building (Non Capital)	\$2,253	\$2,529	\$12,112	\$12,646	\$30,351
	Total Expense	\$17,918	\$16,453	\$76,986	\$82,264	\$197,435
	3000 Capital Mortgage Principal and Interest	\$2,074	\$2,074	\$10,371	\$10,371	\$24,891
	3000 Capital Other Building Capital	\$1,762	\$0	\$6,832	\$0	\$0
	3000 Capital Total Building Capital	\$3,836	\$2,074	\$17,203	\$10,371	\$24,891
	Total Expenses (Capital Plus Expense)	\$21,754	\$18,527	\$94,188	\$92,635	\$222,326

THE GATHERING

The GATHERING will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 am on Tuesday July 11. Bring your craft project to work on, or just come to enjoy the fellowship and fun! **Thank you!** I would like to thank all and everyone for the scarfs, hats, shawls and lap robes. They are so very appreciated and the need is ongoing. Keep up the good work. God Bless, Gloria Olsen

Book Club

Book Club is on hiatus until the fourth Monday in September, the 26th. We will begin with *Return to Me* by Lynn Austin. The group gathers together to discuss the selections in the Fellowship Hall at 1:00 pm.

WELCA

The women of WELCA would like to thank everyone at All Saints for helping us reach our goal to purchase new window blinds for Fellowship Hall. The installation will be scheduled soon. Again thank you for your donations! Next meeting: September 16 - Breakfast brunch in the fellowship hall at 9:00 am with meeting to follow.

Dinner with Dr. Mark Jacobson

The Nursing Project – Tanzania is hosting a dinner with Dr. Mark Jacobson, director of the Arusha Lutheran Medical Center Nursing School on Thursday, July 20, 6pm – 8pm at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Dixon.

The event is open to anyone interested in hearing about the current nursing school program and supporting The Nursing Project – Tanzania as they raise funds to build a much needed new nursing school building.

Worship Attendance				
	8:00	10:30	Total	Sunday School
May 28	57	38	95	n/a
June 4	54	45	99	n/a
11	51	42	93	n/a
18	50	57	107	n/a
Total	212	182	394	n/a
Average	53	46	99	n/a

A buffet dinner will be served from 6pm – 7pm and the program will begin at 7pm. There is no charge for the meal and an offering will be taken with all donations going to the building of the new school.

RSVPs are appreciated but not required to gerickson@nisynod.org. Questions about the event can be directed to the same email.

In Our Prayers

Health & Healing

John Cassens
Al Olsen
Jim Reif
Skip Richardson
Marlene Roberts
Blanche Schroeder

Mary Dummer
 Juanita Williams
 Duane Burnett
 April Roos
 Bill Brown
 Pamela Newman
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July 13

GospelFest

July 16

ByronFest Parade

VBS Was a Blast!



Office Hours - Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, and Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.