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Pastor's Message

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16

August is here and it continues to be hot.

July brought us eight days of temperatures in excess of 100 degrees, even as high as 105 on the 23rd. We finally received a little rain and better temperatures on July 26, 2022. But as we were all praying for rain, our neighbors to the north received ten or twelve inches which caused massive flooding and at least one death.

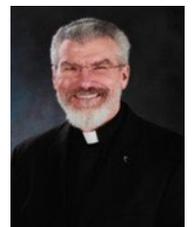
With the long dry spell and extremely high temperatures, I was concerned for the people required to work in the outdoor conditions. Electrical grids were overloaded and air-conditioning units were failing causing repair personnel to work in the heat for many hours. Some people do not have air conditioning or their electric has been shut off. Many of our elderly neighbors are struggling to pay for medical issues and food and have to live without the comfort of the A/C in order to survive. There are other creatures from wild birds to deer and domestic livestock that are affected by the heat and lack of water. We certainly cannot control the weather outside, so what can we do? How do we let our light shine and what is our light?

Our light is the work God calls us to do in order that our neighbors are taken care of and do not suffer. God's will is for us to love our neighbor as our self and that is to help others find the comfort we have, the nourished bodies with food and water. When we do this we give glory to our Father in heaven. Some things we can do to help those who suffer in the heat and dry days is to give them some relief through a refreshing drink.

When you see someone working in the heat, offer them something to drink. If you are near a store or gas station you might purchase some Gatorade or water and give to them. You could carry some extra bottled water in your vehicle and hand it to them, or that person with the sign on the side of the road. You could invite someone to have a light lunch with you in a cool fast food establishment. Consider checking on your elderly neighbor, and possibly buying a fan for them if needed. You could also set a container of water outside your home for the wildlife to drink and the birds to bathe in to cool off.

Don't hide your lamp under a basket, let it shine, let it shine.

Peace to you in Christ Jesus,
Pastor David



FINANCIAL UPDATE

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Scott Soell
- 4 Beverly Boehm
- 5 Lindsey Plochberger
- 7 Ladine Heidbreder
- 8 Peyton Stubinger
- 9 Julie Griffin
- 14 John Loesch
- 15 Marlene Carlson
- 15 Nicole Benne
- 16 Kambry Pistel
- 17 Ashley Meyer
- 18 Lindsey Carrel
- 18 Michael Linhardt
- 18 Tinleigh Strobel
- 18 Delores Vlach
- 19 Kaysen Garner
- 22 Davin Pistel
- 24 Lucas Plochberger
- 24 Frank Pascoe
- 26 Harley Enowski
- 26 Michael Elliott
- 26 Jordan Russell
- 29 Barbara Carrel
- 29 Arabella Ferrell
- 29 Mandy Miller
- 29 Craig Stubinger
- 30 Jake Thompson
- 31 Marshal Schroeder

Month/Day	Attendance Phys./Virtual	Offering
<i>JULY 05</i>	<i>102 / 122</i>	<i>\$3,664.00</i>
<i>JULY 12</i>	<i>76 / 112</i>	<i>\$4,535.31</i>
<i>JULY 19</i>	<i>63 / 131</i>	<i>\$1,414.00</i>
<i>JULY 26</i>	<i>94 / 114</i>	<i>\$3,267.00</i>
<i>JULY 31</i>	<i>92 / 120</i>	<i>\$2,399.00</i>

Additional Income:

Some of the old technology items from upstairs was recently sold for \$125 to the Jefferson City firm, "In The Groove" This money will go to the Video Streaming account for future needs.

Welcome and Blessings

Announcing the birth of **George Henry England**, the son of **Luke and Miranda England**. George Henry was born on July 5, 2022 at 3:54 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital weighing 9lbs and measuring 21 inches in length. Proud grandparents John & DeeDee Loesch are so excited. Congratulations from your church family at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on the Hill.



Continued prayers for healing. Shawn Stoermer, Barbara Hickey, Vanessa Pyatt, Jahanna Koestner, Julie Carel, and Donna Viles



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

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|------------------------------------|------|-----------------|
| 1 Mitchell and Laura Plochberger | 2009 | |
| 2 Mike and Diane Kalaf | 1975 | |
| 6 Frank and Kay Pascoe | 1967 | 55 Years |
| 9 Larry and Debby Koestner | 1969 | |
| 16 Eric and Mary Beth Koestner | 2003 | |
| 19 Bob and Pat Collins | 1956 | |
| 19 Les and Kathryn Linsenbardt | 1962 | 60 Years |
| 27 Pastor Ed and Carole Merckel | 1977 | 45 Years |
| 27 James Crabtree and Sarah Gordon | 2016 | |

Ask the Pastor

Question: Does God want us to be poor?

Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." Matthew 19:21

Answer: No, No, Absolutely not!

Notice that Jesus does not command the young, rich man to do this but says, "If you want to be perfect" do this. No one but our Christ can be perfect. Jesus knows he will be unable to give up his riches and makes the point we are not to put all of our effort in gathering wealth for our own sake.

The chief tax-collector, Zacchaeus, who was rich, said to Jesus, "Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.'" Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house.'" Zacchaeus did not give everything, he gave half, and yet Jesus commended him and blessed him.

Paul, writing to the church of Corinth tells them, "The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'"

Note, scripture says: "give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

There are people in this world that, for one reason or another, are unable to support themselves or their families. The reasons are varied, and range from the mentally and physically challenged to those aged very young and very old who are unable to work. Then there are people who have brought poverty, and the inability to work, on themselves through alcoholism, drug addiction, and other factors. No matter what the reason or cause, they are in need of help, and God does not tell us to judge their actions. God simply tells us to love our neighbor as our self and to do unto them as we would have them do unto us.

In the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy, we read: "Give to him, and don't have a stingy heart when you give, and because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you do. For there will never cease to be poor people in the land; that is why I am commanding you, 'You must willingly open your hand to your afflicted and poor brother in your land.'" Jesus repeats this when he says the "Poor will be with you always."

It is not necessary to give all you have and become poor. But as one who has plenty you are able to help those who are poor by God's grace and mercy. In the sermon you heard on the last Sunday in July, God did not condemn the rich landowner for having a full barn, God condemned him for wishing to hoard all the excess God had given him instead of sharing the vast abundance with his neighbor.

Remember, Paul told the Corinthians, "God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

Grace and Peace to you,
Pastor David

Congregational Council Meeting, July 11, 2022 **Respectfully submitted by Frank Pascoe**

† A regular monthly meeting of the Congregational Council of St. Paul's ELCA Church met on July 11th, 2022, at 6:00 pm. Present were members President Zola Finch, Frank Pascoe, Delores Vlach, Laurie Koestner, Stacy Bubach, Dan Tschirgi, and Mitchell Plochberger. Absent were members Jana Thompson (attending VBS at Trinity Russellville and Kathy Meller, ill). Also present were Pastor David Viles and Church Treasurer, Kay Pascoe.

† The meeting opened with a prayer and devotion by Pastor Viles. His devotion focused on a scripture from 2 Corinthians 9:8: "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work."

† Approval of the Council minutes of June 6th was offered by Stacy Bubach, seconded by Dan Tschirgi and approved via voice vote. Church Treasurer Kay Pascoe presented a 4-page "Statement of Financial Position", which was reviewed by the Council members. Questions regarding fund balances were answered and Pastor Viles explained numerous requests the Church receives for financial charity.

† Pastor Viles presented a summary of his June activities. He requested no travel mileage reimbursement for June. He detailed six community and church meetings, five personal visits and consultations, and nine administrative activities, including two baptisms, and preparation of the June Epistle and of four worship bulletins.

President Finch called upon the various Committee Chairpersons to present their monthly reports:

Evangelism: Chairperson Delores Vlach thanked Donita Stubinger and the Junior Lutherans for hosting the July Fellowship hour, and David Russell for the delicious cinnamon rolls. She discussed her committee's ongoing plans for Family Day which will be September 11th. A noon pot-luck dinner is planned, with games and activities before and after. She requested volunteers to help plan the day and hoped we could have new activities in addition to those of previous years. She hoped our Family Day would be appealing to our Church family as well as to a broader community. Council members offered suggestions to have the event offer a broader appeal.

Technology: Chairman Dan Tschirgi reported on the various technology items recently sold for \$125 to the Jefferson City firm, "In The Groove". The following discussion focused on clearing out any remaining unused items from the Church balcony area. Dan noted with appreciation Bill Gerth's work in the balcony technology site.

Worship & Music: President Finch asked several questions regarding any ongoing problems or issues with the sound system and music on Sunday mornings. There are continuing issues with the glitches in the sound system and microphones, which are continually being addressed. Pastor Viles reported the Committee will not meet in July, but hymns have already been selected for July-August. Planning will continue for Advent season.

Parish Education: Chair Laurie Koestner offered a new idea for the children attending Sunday worship. This would be a "Children's Church". This would immediately follow the children's sermon in the regular service. The children would leave the sanctuary and follow the leader of the children's sermon into the Sunday School area. There they would participate in a child's version of the regular Sunday service. In other words, replicate a regular service in several areas. This would not be done on communion Sundays, but on one other Sunday each month. Laurie's suggestion prompted numerous questions from the Council members, and she thought that it might be attempted for several months to gauge its appeal and success.

Church Improvement: Mitchell Plochberger was warmly congratulated by various Council members for the successful Congregational Meeting of July 10th, which gave approval to the funding of the

basement & kitchen remodeling project. He said that he had spoken to the contractor, Matt Bridges, who was excited to get it underway. Work will probably begin just after the October Chili Supper. The church is, of course, waiting on delivery of the windows, doors, and other necessary materials. All of this will take patience and coordination. The Council discussed at some length the issue of new keys for all parishioners who want and need them. Careful and planned explanation of the total process is deemed to be necessary for the entire Congregation. How to achieve this was discussed by all. Mitchell and members discussed the hope for ongoing contributions for the remodeling project. WELCA is, of course, set to make major contributions for specific kitchen items, perhaps a new stove and dishwasher.

Stewardship & Finance: Chairperson Stacy Bubach broached the topic of storing the Church's financial records. They must be retained for seven years according to the IRS. Presently in the home of the Church Treasurer, Stacy would like them to be placed in a safe and secure place in the Church. There are several places this might be. A secure and locked fire-proof filing cabinet in the Church is deemed most desirable. Moving the records, reviewing, and establishing the permanent place, and the timing to finish, was discussed. Stacy would like all this to be done before the August Council meeting. At this point, President Finch suggested involved Council members meet at 5:30 for the August 8th Council Meeting, to begin the general task of reviewing materials in the present Library.

Mutual Ministry: Pastor reported no July meeting for this Committee. Their primary concern was to continue to develop and to implement ideas for promoting the Church's Blessing Box. Pastor displayed several colorful small posters which will be placed in the Lohman Post Office and other area locations. A spot of the Church's Facebook page will also display them.

President Finch noted that one of the current responsibilities of the Mutual Ministry Committee is to undertake annual evaluations of the Church's paid staff. This currently involves only the Pastor, the Church Office Secretary, and the Church custodian. She asked the Council to discuss a more modernized, real-time evaluation on an ongoing basis with a summary provided to the Stewardship Committee for consideration at budget time. After general discussion, Council members voiced no objection to this change in procedure.

Old Business: The President noted no Old Business.

New Business: There was discussion of the amount of cleaning that will be required during and after the basement and kitchen renovation of the Church. It was generally agreed that the best solution will be to hire a cleaning firm to undertake possibly multiple cleaning sessions during and after this project is completed. The Church Improvement Committee will monitor and arrange for this service as needed as the project advances. The Council agrees that the church should be as clean as possible when the remodeling is finalized.

The President called for the meeting's adjournment at 8:16. The Pastor led the group in a recitation of the Our Father for the closing.

Chili Supper 2022: Marlene Carlson

Yes you read that right!! October 2nd, 2022 will be this year's date for the Annual St. Paul's Chili Supper. After not being able to have it for the last 2 years, we look forward to continuing with the tradition of our annual event. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend and to help bring items and work. Please let Marlene Carlson (690-0117) or Kathy Meller (782-4788) know as soon as possible if you will be unable to help. Also remember that we will also have a Country Store in conjunction with the Chili Supper. We look forward to October 2nd and having this opportunity to be able to socialize with our family, friends and neighbors.

Mobile Food Pantry: Audrey Bunch



Way to go Mattson & Oliver

The July 12th Mobile Food Pantry was held at Trinity Lutheran Church parking lot, serving 152 families with 475 people in those families. Some of the items given out at the mobile were: produce boxes containing (apples, broccoli, corn on the cob, grapefruits, milk, and spinach) cans of soda, cinnamon rolls, fresh produce, mushrooms, peaches, pineapple, strawberries, salads, salad bowls, and frozen chicken quarters.

Volunteers from St. Paul's were Rosemary Heidbreder, Dan Tschirgi, Mattson and Oliver Stoermer, Gary and Audrey Bunch. The next Food Pantry will be August 9th at 1:00 P.M.

STARS:

St. Paul's STARS met on July 13 with 32 in attendance. After a delicious picnic style lunch, we enjoyed



a very interesting program about Quilts of Valor presented by Kathy Shoemaker and Linda Martien. Linda is the Missouri State Coordinator for the Quilts of Valor Foundation and lives in Mexico. She gave us the history of the organization, explained how veterans are chosen, and showed slides and instructions for quilt construction. A wide variety of valor quilts were displayed by Kathy and Linda and



we were pleased to have Jenetia Gibler join us and share Ebby's quilt of valor which was constructed by a quilter from Columbia. Linda also surprised us with 4 quilt sewing items for door prizes which were won by Donita Stubinger, Helen Girard, Rosemary Heidbreder and Jeannette Fischer. Thank you Gary Bunch for his expert grilling of hotdogs and brats. Thanks also to our techie expert (aka Pastor Viles) for setting up the slide projector equipment. We will not meet in August as we all need a month off to rest. However, our meetings will resume on September 7 and we have interesting and informative programs planned for the fall months.



Margaret Circle — Erika Gerth

Margaret Circle members will meet at the church on Tuesday, August 2nd, 6:30 PM, for fellowship and the study of God's Holy Word. Kathryn Linsenbardt will host, and Erika Gerth will lead the Bible study. All women of the church and their friends are welcome. Please let Kathryn or Erika know if you will attend.

Jr. Lutherans: Donita Stubinger



David Russell has quit asking me how to make cinnamon rolls now that the church has gotten a sample of his tasty treats. David perfected his technique and rolled out 110 cinnamon rolls. David and Trish placed them in the pans – they turned out perfect. The smell of them baking on Sunday morning for the 4th of July celebration brought several down to the fellowship breakfast to enjoy. Thank you so much Dave & Trish, Rosemary Heidbreder, Audrey Bunch and Glen Stubinger for helping out our Jr. Lutheran with this worthwhile project for our church to enjoy.

Jr. Lutherans graciously thank Roger Pennell for the awesome demonstration of his military career of many years serving in the U.S. Army.



It was an interesting adventure for the Jr. Lutherans to learn about marking the graves of our military veteran's graves in the cemetery.

What a great history lesson for our future leaders. We want to especially thank Roger for his idea to grill the hot dogs for supper. We appreciate

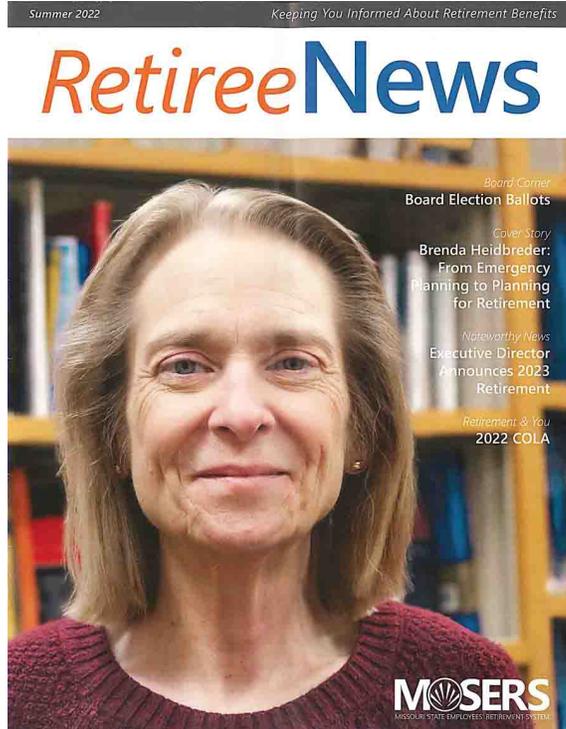
Audrey and Gary Bunch for pitching in and helping out to grill them. If you get a chance, tell those Jr. Lutherans how great, our cemetery looked for our 4th of July celebration and the wonderful job they did.

WELCA

The 4th of July food stand was very popular this year. Everyone enjoyed homemade pies, cookies, cream puffs, brownies, along with the big delicious hot dogs, drinks, and the much sought-after root beer floats. Our total profit was \$1,400.80 - expenses were \$115.20, Thrivent contributed \$250.00. It was so nice of Doug Starr, owner of Tropical Sno to donate all his proceeds of \$135.00 to the church. We especially thank everyone for all the donations of food and drinks and everyone that helped to make this event go over so well.

Marlene Carlson held a brief meeting on July 10th after the Church congregational meeting to discuss plans for the annual chili supper coming up on Sunday, October 2, 2022. Ten women attended to discuss prices of the food and the menu. It was decided to leave prices and menu the same as it was the previous two years before this event was hit by COVID. Please mark your calendars to attend.

Brenda Heidbreder Retired: Excerpts taken from Mosers RetireeNews.



Congratulations Brenda from your family at St. Paul's Lutheran church on the Hill.

Brenda Heidbreder, daughter of Ladine Heidbreder, retired after 42 years and 5 months from the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), Formerly known as the Disaster Planning and Operations Office.



Prior to her retirement, Brenda was the longest serving, living employee of the Missouri Department of Public Safety. She began her career fresh out of college in the summer of 1979 in what started out as a part-time job.

She said, "I couldn't have gotten into a better dream job. There was never a dull moment;" she explained. "It was such interesting work, and we are an agency that

got to help people and help them succeed...I don't feel like I was ever confined at my desk with one job;" she explained. Brenda enjoyed traveling to every nook of Missouri and believes she likely now knows at least one person in every county".

According to the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency, Brenda was the first woman to obtain the position of Nuclear Civil Protection Planner. When she first started in her position, there were no computers, only electric typewriters. The agency was on call 24/7 and would take turns, a week at a time, on call.

Now, Brenda is looking to the future and making plans for her retirement. She now has big dreams of traveling throughout her retirement, saying, "My bucket list is to do a cruise of the Mediterranean;" She also wants to work on her golf game and take up crocheting." [Blessing to you with that bucket list!](#)

4TH of July Patriotic Worship Service and Celebration

The church and the community enjoyed a fabulous time at this year's 4th of July event on Sunday, July 3rd. The morning began with our traditional patriotic service as we recognized local veterans who proceeded down the aisle with American Flags while Pastor David read the poem, "I AM A VETERAN by Andrea Christensen Brett.



In the evening our parking attendants situated 145 cars in grassy areas of the hill as well as designated spaces in the parking lot for handicapped or others who needed easy access. The basement was filled with workers selling SuperDogs on buns, lots of pies, and other desserts as well as cold drinks.



We also had Doug Starr, owner of Tropical Sno, who sold Sno-Cones at a reduced cost to those wishing to beat the heat. Doug also graciously donated all his proceeds of \$135.00 to the church. We look forward to his return next year.

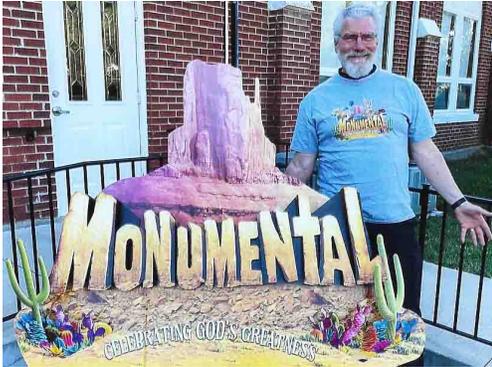
Kathy Meller sang the Star Spangled Banner perfectly with her star studded voice as everyone stood with hand on hearts facing out flag pole. Then we enjoyed a wonderful show of fireworks supplied by the Lohman Lion's Club, the City of Lohman, Xtreme Auto Body

and Paint, and the Farmers Bank of Lohman. Thank you all who worked hard to put the celebration together and worked in all the areas. Those who donated so many delicious desserts, cooked super dogs and worked together in the kitchen preparing everything to be sold. A special thanks to Bonnie Britt who graciously and happily worked the cashier table and put up with Pastor for three days in a row. Thanks to Marvin Bubach for mowing the hill. And to Roger Pennell and his help in staking the ribbons, and directing traffic in and out. Special thanks to Travis Zumwalt and his crew for their pyrotechnic expertise in setting off the fireworks. Dave Boyce for setting up the sound equipment and playing a list of great music. A super-duper thanks to everyone not mentioned for all you do at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



VBS at Trinity Lutheran Church in Russeville

We had a wonderful turnout at Vacation Bible School this year with lots of children who learned about God's love and presence. The theme was Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness. Pastors David Viles from St. Paul's, Ed Merckel from Trinity, and Philip Rullman from Russellville Methodist were on hand to lead the opening lessons about Joseph and how God guided him from slavery to be the second highest ruler in Egypt to help people survive the famine. St. Paul's had nine children attend, wonderful!



Jr. Lutherans are invited to the home of Chris & Liz Russell for a swim party to be held on August 14 at 3:30 pm. Parents and grandparents are welcome as well as anyone else who would like to come and enjoy the fun.

Our Annual Family Day will be on Sunday, Sept. 11. Everyone from age 1 day to 100+ years is invited. This is an Evangelism, community event, so invite your friends and relatives and neighbors. We will have our potluck dinner at noon. If you would like to be on the planning committee, we would love to have you. Please, see Delores Vlach (573)782-4882.

Congratulations to Stacy and Chris McNamar on their wedding



Stacy and Chris were married at St. Paul's church on July 2, 2022 with Pastor David officiating.

The Maid of Honor was Jessica Stoermer and the best man was Jamie Robinson.

A special seat of honor was set in place for Stacy's mom to be present at the marriage of her daughter in spirit from her home in heaven.

The first reading of Proverbs 3:3-6 was read by Aunt Audrey Bunch and the second reading of 1 Corinthians 13 was read by Chris' mom Donna McNamar.



Congratulations to Marlene Carlson from your family at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



Marlene Carlson is the recipient of the 2022 Melvin Jones Fellow award from the Jefferson City Host Lions Club. Lions Club International Foundation and the Melvin Jones Fellowship Lions around the world are united by a great spirit of giving and dedication to helping others.

The Melvin Jones Fellowship is the highest form of recognition that a Lion can receive for their charitable work.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND RAISER FOR BASEMENT & KITCHEN REMODEL

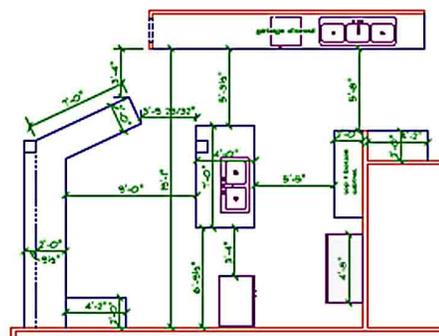
Amount	Donor	Amount
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\$74,600.00		\$71,980.00
\$73,695.00	Richard & Rosemary Heidbrader \$4,600	\$68,550.00
\$70,000.00		\$65,120.00
\$66,839.00		\$61,690.00
\$63,405.00		\$58,260.00
\$59,975.00		\$54,830.00
\$56,545.00		\$51,400.00
\$53,115.00		\$47,970.00
\$49,685.00		\$44,540.00
\$46,255.00		\$41,110.00
\$42,825.00		\$37,680.00
\$39,395.00		\$34,250.00
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\$32,535.00		\$27,390.00
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\$29,105.00		\$20,530.00
\$25,675.00		\$17,100.00
\$22,245.00		\$13,670.00
\$18,815.00		\$10,240.00
\$15,385.00		\$6,810.00
\$11,955.00		\$3,380.00
\$8,525.00		
\$5,095.00		
\$5,000.00		
\$1,665.00	Don Buchta \$5,000.00	

Women of the ELCA
\$40,000

Hugo & Gertrude Strobel
\$25,000.00

Fundraiser for Basement & Kitchen Project

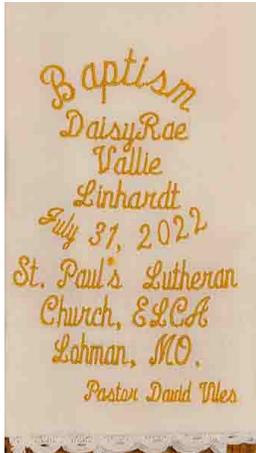
The current total received for the basement and kitchen remodel is currently at \$74,600.00. Hopes and dreams for an expanded kitchen and new equipment have been ongoing for years. Now those dreams are on the cusp of coming true. The new floor plan will create a lot more space to cook and work while also having a better arrangement for serving. Please contribute whatever amount you can joyfully give. Work should begin soon after the Chili Supper.



New floors will also be installed in both the Fellowship and Friendship halls. As well as new ceiling tiles and a better cooling duct for the kitchen.

Another Great Baptism and New Member Welcome

July 31, 2022 was a perfect day with overcast skies and cooler temperatures, and it was made even more perfect with the baptism of DaisyRae Vallie Linhardt and her father Ryan Linhardt rejoining the congregation of St. Paul's. DaisyRae was perfect and so at peace in the Lord that she barely woke while the water was poured on her head in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.



Buddy Pack Giveaway: We are planning another school supply give away for this summer where our community churches can come together and help Russellville area kids get ready for school. This year we are asking the teachers to distribute the school supplies again, It has been difficult to find a date for a picnic and give away. We are hoping we can get back to something festive again next year. A list of needed school supplies has been divided between the churches to collect. Along with these items churches may collect backpacks for the kids and any other school supplies people want to donate. Let's try to collect our supplies by Sunday August 21st. St. Paul's Lutheran Church has been requested to collect hand sanitizer, Ticonderoga or other brand #2 pencils, and wide ruled notebooks.



High School Graduation: Laura Frasher wrote: Luke Tuttle Frasher graduated with honors from Decatur Heritage Christian Academy on May 20, 2022. He will attend Calhoun Community College and the University of Missouri to major in Sports Broadcasting. We enjoyed visiting with our home town family and friends at his open house on July 2 in Lohman. Thank you for all your prayers and support of Luke over the years. We thank God for his good health and successful high school career, and pray for continued good health and happiness the rest of his life.

Calendar of Events and Schedules

August 2nd, Tuesday: 9:00 am Worship and Music Committee Meeting.

August 2nd, Tuesday: Election Day, Make your vote count

August 2nd, Tuesday: 6:30 pm Margaret Circle will meet in the Church basement.

August 2nd, Tuesday: 6:30 pm Ministerial Alliance Meeting at St. Michaels Catholic Church.

August 8th, Monday: Church Council meeting at 6:00 pm in the youth room upstairs.

August 9th, Tuesday: Food Pantry Volunteers at Trinity Lutheran in Russellville at 1:15 p.m.

August 14th, Sunday: 3:30 p.m Jr. Lutherans will meet for a swim party at Chris & Liz Russell's home.

August 16th, Tuesday: Basement reserved for Lohman City Council meeting at 5:30 p.m.

August 17th, Wednesday: Mutual Ministry will meet at 5:00 pm in the church basement.

August 26th, Friday: Epistle Deadline for News and Articles.

Bulletins are normally printed on Wednesdays.

Pastor David normally plans Fridays as his day off.

Usher Schedule

Aug. - 07	Jana Thompson	Dan Tschirgi
Aug. - 14	Delores Vlach	Frank Pascoe
Aug. - 21	Laurie Koestner	Stacy Bubach
Aug. - 28	Kathy Meller	Mitch Plochberger

Acolyte Schedule

Aug. - 07	Volunteer
Aug. - 14	Volunteer
Aug. - 21	Volunteer
Aug. - 28	Volunteer

Greeters Schedule

Aug. - 07	David Russell	Trish Russell
Aug. - 14	Frank Pascoe	Donald Weber
Aug. - 21	Audrey Bunch	Gary Elliott
Aug. - 28	Devin Koestner	Jerry Koestner

Readers Schedule

Aug. - 07	Delores Vlach
Aug. - 14	Frank Pascoe
Aug. - 21	Marie Scheperle
Aug. - 28	Marlene Carlson

Song Leader

Aug. - 07	Kathy Meller
Aug. - 14	Kathy Meller
Aug. - 21	Kathy Meller
Aug. - 28	Dan Tschirgi

Audio / Video Technician

Aug. - 07	Dan Tschirgi
Aug. - 14	Dan Tschirgi
Aug. - 21	Dan Tschirgi
Aug. - 28	Roger Pennell

Organist

Aug. - 07	Zola Finch
Aug. - 14	Zola Finch
Aug. - 21	Zola Finch
Aug. - 28	Kathy Meller

Communionware for the Month

Carol Elliott and Marie Scheperle

Communion Assistants

Aug. - 14	Devin Koestner
Aug. - 28	Laurie /Jerry Koestner

Altar Flowers for the Month

Marlene Carlson

*** Communion Days noted in Yellow**