

NEWS AND NOTES

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ALTAR FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Randy and Bobbi Brown in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary.

THE PATRIOTIC SERVICE IS TODAY! We are following our "Celebration Schedule." Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:15 AM on the north end; 1 blended worship service at 10:30 AM at the north end; and the meal following in the south fellowship hall. The meal is a picnic luncheon. Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, condiments, and drinks are provided along with congregation supplied salads, side dishes and desserts! See you there!

OUR MITE SUNDAY CHALLENGE IS TODAY! There are 3 boxes for collection: Men, Women, and kids under 18. Who will win!??? On the national level (2023-2025 biennium) out of 31 grants; 9 have been paid in full, and 6 partial payments have been paid. The MO District just had their convention this past week, so new grants will be made available soon for publication.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! Alyvia & Ben Bass and their children Clay and Hudson, Kennedy Howell, Sue Polonus, David Ross and Jan Sparks and her great-granddaughter Mikyla McKenzie.

PORTALS OF PRAYER The new Portals of Prayer have arrived and been distributed throughout the church. You are welcome to take a copy home to use as a devotional guide.

A NOTE FROM PASTOR DAVE. I am taking a six Sunday sabbatical from July 7th through August 11th. I have arranged coverage of our Sunday services by guest preachers/worship leaders. For Sundays July 7th and 14th, it will be Pastor Paul Peckman; for Sundays July 21st and 28th it will be Pastor Bill Marler; and for Sundays August 4th and 11th it will be Pastor Mickey Wilkey. Pastoral coverage for emergencies and funerals will be covered by Pastor Jerry Markel. In case of an urgent pastoral need you may also call your elder or contact the church office, (417) 833-3749.

OUR CALL COMMITTEE IS BACK AT WORK. Please pray for them as they reach out to the LCMS Missouri District to acquire a new call list of candidates, begin narrowing the list to the most promising pastors, and conduct phone interviews to arrive at two or three to recommend to our voter's assembly. A special Voter's Meeting will likely be scheduled for mid to late August.

RE-COMMITMENT CARDS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO YOU AS A REMINDER. Last December you had the option of completing a "Re-commitment card," stating your 2024 stewardship commitment of time, talent, and treasure. These cards were brought forward and dedicated to the LORD at that time. We have held them in reserve, but now they have been returned either to your church mailbox or mailed to you via USPS for your review. Please take this opportunity to rejoice in your faithfulness to these commitments or, if you have fallen short in any, to re-commit and complete your promises to the LORD in the remaining six months of this year. All glory be to our Triune God!

CHRISTMAS PARTY IN JULY IS COMING UP! The Board of Outreach is sponsoring a Christmas Party in July next **Monday, July 8th at 6:30 PM.** ALL are invited! We ask that you bring a dish to pass for a festive supper. We will then be making jump ropes and fishing kits for the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes sponsored by Samaritans Purse. Please mark your summer calendar and join in the fun! JOY WITH A PURPOSE!

OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN TO SERVE BY BRINGING THE OFFERING FORWARD:

Parents who would like their school-age children to carry the offering forward during the traditional (8:30 AM) worship services should email or call the church office 417-833-3749 and provide Sabrina or Jennifer the child's name and dates available. This will allow the church office and Elders to maintain a list of dates and children's names who want to participate. The goal is to offer more opportunities for children to be involved in the worship service. Parents will decide if their children can perform the task without assistance. If a child needs assistance, a parent should plan to support them during the service. An Elder will be there should he be needed to answer questions or provide guidance.

HELPERS NEEDED Our Quilting Ministry needs helpers to tie quilts. If you can tie a knot, then you are eligible! You are also welcome to take the quilts home to complete at your convenience. This is a fantastic ministry that has helped give joy and show Christian love to hundreds of thankful people. Please contact Donna Markel, Betty Garton, Carole Jones, or email Sabrina in the church office at faithlutheransec@gmail.com if you can help fill this need.

FROM OUR OPEN ARMS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN OZARK Once again Open Arms has an urgent need for full-time and part-time teachers, as well as substitutes. If you or someone you know would be willing to apply for one of the positions available at the Open Arms Center, please immediately contact Director Kim Overstreet at koverstreet@mchsi.com, (417) 429-5116 or (417) 582-0067. Thank you!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ADULT EDUCATION OPEN FORUM TODAY: Cody Jeffries will lead a special open forum for anyone interested in Adult Education, in the gathering room in the north end, during the education hour. The purpose of this forum will be twofold: (1) to discuss ideas for future adult education topics members of our congregation are interested in studying, and (2) to serve as a general Q&A where members can ask any questions they have about the Bible, Lutheranism, or Faith in general that they might not usually get the chance to ask in a typical Adult Education class (which is usually more narrowly focused on a specific subject). We look forward to hearing your ideas and fielding your questions then!

SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH STUDY Harold Tscherny leads this study for 6th -12th grade students on Sunday mornings during the education hour. It is held in classroom FC-4 (the game room).

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL meets each week at 9:45 AM in the Peters Family Life Center, rooms 1 & 2.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS Pastor Jerry Markel leads a Bible class on Thursday mornings at 9 AM. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall. For the most up-to-date schedule, please check the church calendar at www.flc-s.org. The calendar can be found under the "Activities" tab in the "Calendar" section.



COMMUNITY AND OUTREACH

← **CROSSLINES FOOD PANTRY** Faith Lutheran is signed up to volunteer at Crosslines every 3rd Tuesday of each month. Shifts can be split: 8:30 – 11:15 AM or 11:15 AM – 2:00 PM. Please contact Kim DeLuce with questions, or to schedule the time you can help out with this incredible organization. The next volunteer opportunity will be Tuesday, July 16th.

SPRINGFIELD LUTHERAN SCHOOL SEEKING PART-TIME FOREIGN LANGUAGE OR ASL TEACHER Springfield Lutheran School is seeking a part-time foreign language or ASL teacher for the 2024-2025 school year. They are looking for an individual to fill a part-time teaching position in either American Sign Language (ASL) OR a foreign language. They are anxious to provide students with rich opportunities to learn about other languages and cultures! Interested applications should contact SLS at (417) 883-5717 or sls@rlcmail.org.

JOB OPENING REDEEMER NIXA PRESCHOOL is looking for a new Preschool director. This is a part time position in the mornings. For more information please contact Redeemer Nixa 417-725-4288.

LUTHERAN FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES is still in need of diapers (size 3 and up), wipes, diaper cream, tearless baby shampoo, and baby lotion. Can you help? We have a basket for baby supplies in the narthex. Thank you!

VBS PROGRAMS AROUND THE COMMUNITY If you were unable to attend our VBS at Faith or would like to get even more Christian education for your kids Trinity will have their VBS July 8-12th. For more information, please contact Trinity Lutheran Church, Springfield, MO.



<u>Discipleship</u>			<u>Returning God's Gifts</u>	
Communicant:	155		Plate offerings and tithes:	\$6,082.00
Baptized:	168	47.2%	(E-Tithe) Direct Deposit	\$1,335.00
		of the		
		52 Sundays	Total Gifts Last Week:	\$7,417.00
		in 2024		
<u>Attendance</u>			<i>Weekly financial needs 2024</i>	\$4,923
Sun. 8:30 AM Svc.	68			
Sun. 11:00 AM Svc.	41			
Online	13			
			ABUNDANCE Last Week	\$2,494
Total in Person:	109		ABUNDANCE for Year	\$2,170

Stewardship in Time and Talents Serving in the House of the Lord

Thank you for your servant heart ❤️	<u>This Sunday</u> <u>(6/30) Patriotic Service</u> <u>10:30AM</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u> <u>(7/7)</u>
Elder/Deacon: (8:30 AM)		Jim Garton
Elder/Deacon: (11:00 AM)	Joye McElwee	Joye McElwee
Proclaim Service:	Tyson Bourbina	Leann Eden
Altar Guild: (8:30 AM)		Kevin Wuench
Altar Guild: (11:00 AM)	Kevin Wuench	Carol Bourbina
Lector: (8:30 AM)	Amy Jeffries	Frank Kukal
Acolyte: (8:30 AM)		Grace Meyer
Greeter: (8:30 AM)		Vicki Kukal
Greeter: (11:00 AM)	Leah Meyer/Yvonne Cordell	Carol Bourbina
Children's Message	Mr. Wil Meyer	Pastor Paul Peckman
Mowers:	Cathy Bowman	Richard Wilson

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Those Grieving Loss of Loved Ones:

Joe Lee and his family for the death of his father, Kyle Lee

Liz Blackburn and her 3 young children for the loss of her husband Scott (Dear friends of the DeLapp and Kraus families)

Jaretta Holt for the loss of her mom Virginia (neighbor of Brenda Owen)

Eugene Everson and his family for the loss of his wife Doris (dear friends of David Moliga)

Stan Dulin and his family for the loss of his wife Sylvia (good friend of Brenda Owen)

Homebound:

Nancy Engelking

Gene & Isabell Ervin

Wanda McCann

Teresa Murphy

Betty Wessler (Spring Ridge Assisted Living)

Mary Ellen Wolf (Castlewood Senior Living)

Those Afflicted with Cancer

Bryan White, friend of Judy Ehлке (neck cancer)

Tom Ronk, good friend of Duane and Marit Parker (starting cancer treatments)

Carolyn Zell, friend of the Bensons (pervasive cancer)

Sarah Tessaro, 3rd grade teacher at Springfield Lutheran School (colon cancer)

Pastor Gary Griffin, retired pastor from Immanuel in Lockwood (stage 4 neuroendocrine cancer)

Marlys St. George, sister of Frank Jones

Pastor Tim Jones, nephew of Frank & Carole Jones

Jorene Brooks, daughter of Joye and Karen McElwee

Health Petitions:

Cliff Vest (recovery from hernia surgery)

Betty Wessler (recovering from COVID)

Wilma Gomes (recovering from oral surgery)

Terri Pribek and Laura Coggins (teachers at Open Arms who will be undergoing surgery soon)

David Moliga (chronic pain)

Sue Johnson, friend of the Bensons (various medical issues)

Melissa Gammel, niece of Kerrie Salvador & Sharon Crunkleton (recovering from heart surgery)

Angela Hardison, niece of Marie Isbell

Mary Ellen Wolf, hospice care

James Wantlend, family of the Markels (brain aneurysm)

Arlo Buerck, grandson of Pastor Dave and Jan Benson (ITP)

Helenea Porter, preparing for back surgery

Lukas Shook, grandson of Loeta Shook

Thomas Jeffries (special needs)

Praise & Thanks Petitions:

God's provision for our congregation through generous offerings.

Mission Petitions:

Rev. Jim & Kim Bartok, My Church – Ozark

Rev. Dr. Ross Shaver and Family in the Dominican Republic

Rev. Mark Hunsaker-Church Planter in the LCMS Texas District

Joe Lee – Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Area Coordinator

Open Arms Early Childhood Development Center – Ozark

Good Samaritan Ranch and Laura's Home

Crosslines, Rare Breed & York Elementary – Springfield

Hillcrest High School student body, parents, faculty & staff

Preparing for Ministry at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Nathan & Chrissy Tritch

Steven, Lori, David & Timmy Steingraber (sister of Leann Eden)

Birthdays:

Amanda Bonner 7/1

Amanda Edmonds 7/2

Randy Brown 7/4

Josh Bonner 7/5

Pastor Dave 7/7

Anniversaries:

Ben & Marie Johnson 6/25 (35 years)

Randy and Bobbi Brown 6/30 (40 years)

Wil & Diane Meyer 7/2 (52 years)

Carl & Donna Rader 7/2 (42 years)

Eugene & Isabell Ervin 7/3 (70 years)

Randy & Daphne Smith 7/3 (41 years)

Pastor Dave and Jan Benson 7/7 (45 years)

PRAYER CHAIN If you would like to receive prayer chain emails, please send your name and email address to Joye McElwee.

BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR LUNCH TODAY!

A graphic for a patriotic event. The background is a red and blue wooden plank wall. There are several stars: a large white star in the center, a red star to the left, and a blue star to the right. A small American flag on a wooden stick is positioned diagonally across the center. The text is arranged in a schedule format.

PATRIOTIC SUNDAY
CELEBRATION SCHEDULE
SUNDAY, JUNE 30TH

9:15 AM
EDUCATION
HOUR

10:30 AM
COMBINED
WORSHIP
SERVICE

POTLUCK LUNCH TO
FOLLOW
HAMBURGERS AND
HOT DOGS PROVIDED

A graphic for a Christmas party in July. The background is white with a snowflake pattern. There are pine branches, red and gold ornaments, and a small white gift box with a gold ribbon. The text is centered and festive.

MONDAY, JULY 8TH
6:30 PM

Christmas
in July Party

THE BOARD OF OUTREACH IS SPONSORING A CHRISTMAS PARTY IN JULY!

ALL ARE INVITED!

WE ASK THAT YOU BRING A DISH TO PASS FOR A FESTIVE SUPPER. WE WILL THEN BE MAKING JUMP ROPES AND FISHING KITS FOR THE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOXES SPONSORED BY SAMARITANS PURSE. PLEASE MARK YOUR SUMMER CALENDAR AND JOIN IN THE FUN!

JOY WITH A PURPOSE!

MORE DETAILS TO COME



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FAITH THIS WEEK?

TODAY – June 30th PATRIOTIC SERVICE Celebration Schedule

9:15 AM – Adult Education Open Forum

– Youth Bible Study (FC-5)

– Children's Sunday School (Peters Family Life Center, Rooms 1 &2)

10:30 AM – Combined Worship (Nouth Sanctuary)

11:30 AM – Patriotic Picnic Potluck Luncheon (South Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, July 4th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

NO BIBLE CLASS

Next Sunday, July 7th

8:30 AM – Traditional Worship with Communion (South Sanctuary)

9:45 AM – Adult Open Forum

– Youth Bible Study (FC-5)

– Children's Sunday School (Peters Family Life Center, Rooms 1 &2)

11:00 AM – Contemporary Worship with Communion (North Sanctuary)

PLEASE LET US KNOW

Please call the church office (417-833-3749) or email faithlutheransec@gmail.com if you:

- Have a new address, phone number, or email
- Are sick, facing a surgery, or hospitalization
- Are unable to attend worship
- Would like to add to our praise & thanks petitions
- **Are in need of prayer**

