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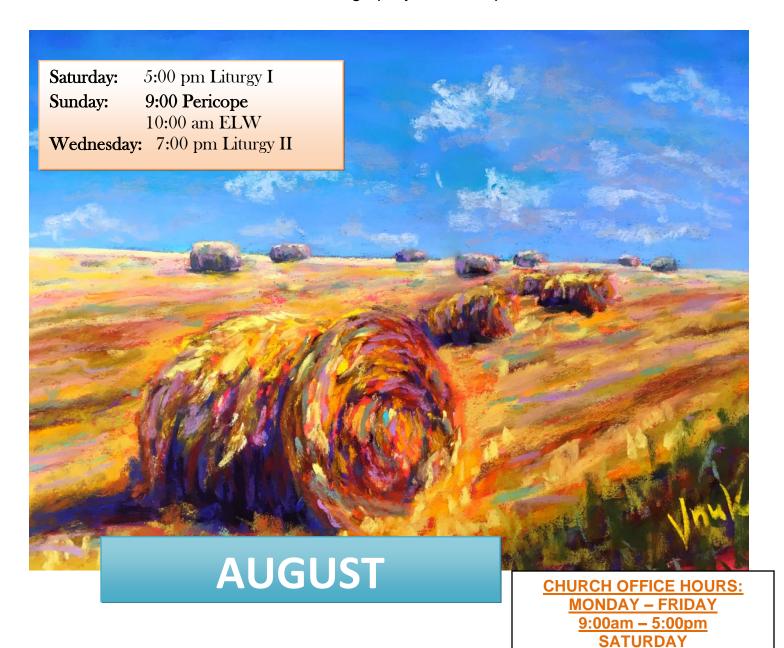
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# ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA Rev. Jas A. Mortenson, Pastor

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We, a diverse Christian family, faithful in word and sacrament strive to share in God's unconditional love through prayer, worship and outreach.





- 8-3 Kaleb Derks, Jamie Derks
- 8-4 Benjamin LaFond, Robert Osse, Jerry Wytrykus
- 8-5 Jasmine Schneider
- 8-6 Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek
- 8-11 Brooke Freimund-Raison
- 8-13 Betty Ford
- 8-14 Gina Wettengel
- 8-15 Daniel Payne, Mary Schneider
- 8-17 Kelly Polacheck
- 8-18 Jack Ugrotzi, Steve Uyhely
- 8-22 Kelly Susek
- 8-23 Nikki Grudzielanek
- 8-24 Matthew Koenig
- 8-28 Priscilla Gill, Brian St.Louis
- 8-30 Martin Kleppek
- 8-31 Trever Schneider



- 8-2 Larry and Pat Hanson
- 8-2 Jena and Lee Jastrow
- 8-5 Jill and Mathew Borchardt
- 8-5 John and Lisa Hochevar
- 8-6 Frederick and Wendy Ruhl
- 8-13 Tom and Margaret Coonan
- 8-13 Jeff and Marge Sageser
- 8-17 Mike and Susan McIntosh
- 8-21 Dan and Kay Thein
- 8-26 Jim and Patti Holzman
- 8-26 Melissa and Michael Weier
- 8-27 Julie and Jerome Dittmann
- 8-30 Gregory and Kathy Bauman



**COVER ART -**

"August" –
Original pastel painting
by Kinga E. Vnuk

Do you have an address, email, phone number or status change?

Please contact the church office to report any changes for the records.

This helps insure our files stay current. THANK YOU

# Comment Article - "Never judge others."

It is an oldie, but a goodie! Enjoy! A ship was wrecked at sea due to a major storm and only two of the crew members survived. Fortunately, they were both able to make it to a deserted island. Both were at a loss as to how best to proceed, knowing little about survival skills and techniques. They decided prayer was their only option.

But then they got competitive and decided to see which of them carried the greater favor and weight with God. So, they divided the island in half, each taking one side. This way they figured they could tell - who God graced more...

Food was the first thing necessary for survival. So, the first guy prayed for food, that he might survive. The next day he noticed fruit growing on his side of the island.

Two weeks later, feeling alone and lonely, he prayed for some female companionship. The very next morning, a woman washed up on the shore, from yet another ship disaster and wreck.

Then he prayed for more clothing and more food. And sure enough, the next morning it too washed up ashore. Finally, he prayed that they might be rescued, and sure enough, the very next day a boat appeared. He and the woman quickly boarded, ready to leave his companion on the other side of the island alone and stranded.

That's when the man heard a voice from above saying, "How dare you leave him behind." To which the man responded. I must be the better man for I prayed, and you gave to me, everything I asked for, while he has nothing.

To which God responded, "You Fool" He prayed for you day and night, that you might find food, that you might find clothing and warmth and companionship. He prayed constantly and continually that you might be rescued...all the time, asking nothing for himself. It was he whose prayers I answered.

See you in worship! I am praying for YOU!

Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday...

Pr. Mortenson





# **Special Prayers are asked for:**

Lynn Speaks
Chuck Kocourek
Joe Kotarak
Judy Salchow
Howard MacMillan
Rita Cieszynski
Benny Brown
Val Fogarty
Jerry Pavlik
Joni McDonald
Lynn Friedman
Barb Grobschmidt

Pam Kahle
Ana Rivas
Kay Thein
Katie Ruka
Jeff LaFond
Randy Meier
Debbie Maley
Carolyn Hughes
Heike Warner

Elsie Ellenbecker Bonnie Windschanz

Remember please: Rathmann family, Bishop Family, Ford Family, Guenette Family, Freimund-Raison Family, Krajnak Family. The Pastor of St. John's Oak Creek, The Pastor of Jackson Park, Milwaukee. Corby & Mike Erickson, friends of Leanne Buttke.

For Bruce the brother of Howard MacMillan...

For Sharon Brindle, sister of Joni McDonald...

For the Aunt of Jodi Heine...

For the Father of Pam Kawczynski, Pam Kahle, Suz Pitts... Jodi Heine, and the parents of Lisa Kleppek...For Nicole, the niece of John and Sandy Montague...and the niece of Mike & Sue McIntosh

For our POLICE OFFICERS, MILITARY MEMBERS, FIREFIGHTERS, PARAMEDICS, AND ALL FIRST RESPONDERS, AND FOR ALL MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES...

For all those addicted and still suffering...



### **Did You Know?**

# (This is the YEAR OF MATTHEW!) How much do you know about Matthew's gospel?

The Gospel of Matthew is the first book of the Early Christian Writings and is one of the three synoptic Gospels.

- The word synoptic means similar. Similar gospels are Mark, Matthew, and Luke.
- Matthew wishes to emphasize that the Jewish tradition should not be lost in a church that was increasingly becoming gentile.
- Traditionally attributed to the Apostle Matthew, the current scholarly view is that it was written in the last quarter of the first century by an anonymous Jew familiar with technical legal aspects of scripture.
- According to early church tradition, originating with Papias of Hierapolis (c. AD 60–130), the gospel was written by Matthew the companion of Jesus.
- The majority of scholars believe that Mark was the first gospel to be composed and that Matthew and Luke both drew upon it as a major source for their works.
- Matthew has 600 verses in common with Mark, which is a book of only 661 verses.
- There is approximately an additional 220 verses shared by Matthew and Luke but not found in Mark, from a second source, a hypothetical collection of sayings to which scholars give the name "Quelle" ("source" in the German language), or the Q source.
- Most scholars view the gospel of Matthew as a work of the second generation of Christians, for whom the defining event was the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple by the Romans in AD 70 in the course of the First Jewish–Roman War (AD 66–73).
- The community to which Matthew belonged, like many 1st-century Christians, was still part of the larger Jewish community.
- It is evident from the gospel that there was a conflict between Matthew's group and other Jewish groups, and it is generally agreed that the root of the conflict was the Matthew community's belief in Jesus as the Messiah and authoritative interpreter of the law, as one risen from the dead and uniquely endowed with divine authority.
- Unlike Mark, Matthew never bothers to explain Jewish customs, since his intended audience was a Jewish one; unlike Luke, who traces Jesus's ancestry back to Adam, father of the human race, he traces it only to Abraham, father of the Jews.



This is perhaps the oldest icon of the virgin Mary it is stored in Rome and predates the 5<sup>th</sup> century.

# August 15<sup>th</sup> is celebrated as Mary, Mother of Our Lord.

In Christianity, Mary is commonly referred to as the Virgin Mary, in accordance with the belief that the Holy Spirit impregnated her, thereby conceiving her first-born son Jesus miraculously, without sexual relations with her betrothed/husband Joseph, "until her son Jesus was born". The word "until" has inspired considerable analysis on whether Joseph and Mary produced siblings after the birth of Jesus or not. Among her many other names and titles are the Blessed Virgin Mary (often abbreviated to "BVM", or "BMV" after the Latin "Beata Maria Virgo"), Saint Mary (occasionally), the Mother of God (primarily in Western Christianity), the Theotokos (primarily in Eastern Christianity), Our Lady (Medieval Italian: Madonna), and Queen of Heaven.



# **Council Capsules**

Council approved the following matters at the July council meeting:

- Council reviewed the 3 bids for repair of the parking lot and approved the acceptance of the Poblocki paving bid (all three bids on file) for \$11,100
- A motion was approved to cancel the outdoor liturgy on Rally Day (previously approved at the
  last council meeting) but still host a picnic following the liturgy. The council will provide the
  meat and do the grilling and there will be a sign-up sheet for people to bring side dishes and
  desserts to share.
- The council discussed and approved the guidelines for the reader board on the sign which have been published in this month's Revealer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wytrykus Kleppek

All Saints Lutheran Church Council Secretary

# All Saints Lutheran Church Electronic Sign Guidelines

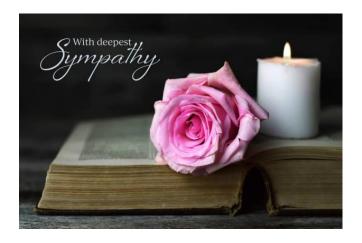
- Submitted messages should be for church business only unless approved by the council.
- A list of all standard events and holidays should be created that will be put into the sign (e.g., craft fair, special liturgies, bake sales, etc.)
- A google doc will be created for members to submit sign requests and any sign submissions
  that are not part of the standard events must be submitted to the office 14 days prior to the
  event.
- Sign color should be indicated on the submission form, but the red background should be avoided.
- Remove scroll during special events (e.g., the rummage sale) to keep the message on the entire time so passersby see it.
- Readability suggestions
  - Avoid scrolling messages (difficult for drivers to read) keep them short to keep on one screen.
  - Don't use all caps use title case to make it easier to read.
  - Use easy to read fonts avoid fancy fonts.



# Our deepest and heartfelt Sympathy to

Dawn Guenette and family on the death of Her Daughter, Rebecca.

(Blessed are they, that die in the Lord!)



# Our deepest and heartfelt Sympathy is also extended to

Lorí Rathmann and family on the death of Her Father.

Blessed are they that die in the Lord!

# **Congratulations**

To



# **Chuck and Sandy Vergetis**

(Former Members)

Who called to share the "Good News"

They are married 50 years!

And send their greetings to all the members of All Saints

From Fountain Hills - Arizona



To pull this off Brian and Lori will be asking for all kinds of help!

Please consider helping out with the

"HOW GREAT THOU ART" Fair

Get it on your calendar NOW!

Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Together: we've got this!



## **Christian Education**

There will be a Chris Ed Committee Meeting on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome! We will be preparing for Rally Day and the start of Sunday School.

### **Sunday School:**

**Rally Day 2023** is fast approaching. All children ages 4 thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to stop by between 9 – 9:45 a.m. on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** to sign up for Sunday School. During Rally Day, families can sign their kids up for Sunday School, receive their offering envelopes, visit with their classmates and do some crafts. We will start officially holding class from 8:45-9:45 am each Sunday starting **September 17<sup>th</sup>**. For those unable to sign-up during Rally Day – don't worry - children can sign up for Sunday School at any point throughout the school year.

We are always looking for youth and adults to assist with Sunday School classes, even if it is only on a substitute or "as needed" basis. If you are interested, please contact me. Many hands make light work!

### **Confirmation:**

Any Confirmands from last school year (2022/2023) that have yet to turn in their service hours, please be sure to turn your log in to the office. If you are in need of additional service hours or want to get started on your hours for 2023/2024, please reach out. We can always use extra volunteers for upcoming events such as the Church Rummage and Art Fair, as well as with work around the property.

### First Communion:

Classes will begin in October with the Celebration of First Communion the first Sunday in November. First Communion is held for those age 7 and older. Please watch/listen for details about signing up for classes as we near October.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue LaFond

moremail4sue@yahoo.com

414-897-6354 (cell/text)



# We want to give you a heads up!

First Communion Classes are open to all young people 7 years of age and up! They are also open to members of the Oak Creek Community. You do not need to be a member of All Saints to enroll your child in FIRST COMMUNION.

Classes will be held on four Saturdays in October.

Each class being 45 minutes in length.

A parent or guardian must accompany each child.

FIRST COMMUNION will be celebrated on All Saints Sunday or All Saints Day.

It is always a great learning experience for both young people and adults!

Call the church office to reserve a spot and watch for more details to come...



Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy is extended to Bonnie Freimund-Raison and family on the death of Her Mother, Catherine Freimund. Blessed are those who die in the Lord



During these summer months, we have had an influx of visitors worshiping with us. It is not uncommon for 5-10 visitors (sometimes even more) to be present with us on a given Sunday morning. Visitors have also been present with us on Saturday evenings!

Is it even desirable that visitors worship with us?

How should they be treated?

Who should reach out to them?

Does anyone ever invite them to return the next or following week?

Do you go out of your way, to greet people – you do not know.

Do you notice if they need help? A bulletin? The right hymnal for the liturgy?

Do you encourage them to commune with us? Or do you just let them fend for themselves?

Would you point out to them where the restrooms are? Or where we are in a given liturgy?

Would you consider sitting with them, so they are not alone?

Or do you find it to be more comfortable, just hanging out with the people you know and feel comfortable with?

Why do visitors not return?



- Thanks to all those who bring in food for the food pantry.
- Thanks to those who mail in offering envelopes to the church office.
- Thanks to those who purchase and arrange flowers for the altar.
- Thanks to those who LIVE STREAM for us every weekend.
- Thanks to those who purchase candles in honor or in memory of loved ones...
- Thanks too, for those who purchase bulletins...
- Thanks to Al & Elaine Kuehn for their gracious gift of wine...
- Thanks to all those who volunteer to read in worship.
- Thanks to those who usher.
- Thanks to those who greet.
- Thanks to our CPIC's!
- Thanks to those who clean up after every liturgy.
- Thanks to those who set up!
- Thanks to our liturgy committee!
- Thanks to those who sell gift cards!
- Thanks to Sue McIntosh our Financial Secretary!
- Thanks to those who cut the church grass.
- Thanks to those who fold bulletins on a weekly basis.
- Thanks to everyone who contributes articles to the monthly REVEALER!
- Thanks to those of you who read the Revealer from beginning to end!
- Thanks to Barb Schrubey for ordering Gift Cards every single week!
- Thanks to those who help out with the Rummage Sale!
- Thanks to our musicians, Kinga, and Peggy!
- Thanks to all those who visit with us!



### Financial:



The "summer slump" has hit us hard! Monies are not coming in. For the second month in a row, our expenses have exceeded the money we have taken in. Finance is looking for solutions, without much luck. We have a bare-bones budget. Which is to say there is no "fat in our budget," no wiggle-room. The council is under a "spending moratorium" and "can spend no monies" beyond our normal business expenses unless that money is specifically raised for that

purpose (like the parking lot.) Barb is only paying the regular, routine, standard monthly bills...and still we find ourselves losing money every month.

Inflation hits the church, just like it hits the gas pumps and the grocery stores, and practically the cost of everything else. Costs rise, and income is diminishing. It is a problem. The good news is that fall is coming, and we remain hopeful.

More individuals are needed and necessary on the FINANCE COMMITTEE. We must find solutions. Can you spare the time to help out your church?

How do we encourage people to give during these summer months, when people are on vacation and are not present in worship? We would appreciate positive, constructive thoughts!

Timothy Jackalone - Finance Chair

# Congratulations to Elizabeth Mariam Berg on Her Baptism.

May she grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all humankind.





# Offering Envelopes...

Hate to sound like a broken record, but - again -

If you find you need more envelopes, there is a sign-up sheet hanging on the bulletin board – that goes into the fellowship hall. Turn-around time to get you envelopes is about 1-2 weeks. They'll be waiting for you at church. Heck, we'll even mail them out to you if you'd like. Just indicate that on the sheet. Thanks...

MY RE	GULAR CH	URCH OFFERING
F	or Church Expenses	\$
F	or Missions	5
F	or Building Fund	\$

## What are pericopes in the Bible?

This Greek word used by scripture scholars refers to "a certain portion of a text." The word literally means "cut around." A pericope is "a section of text" that, if removed from the writing, could be recognized as a tradition that could stand on its own.

# Pericope Class -

The "Good News is:"

- You get to meet new people.
- There is an exchange of ideas and thoughts.
- The coffee pot is always on...
- You might learn something NEW!
- You do not have to read.
- You do not have to speak.
- You may just listen and take it all in...
- It may make the sermon and the lessons make more sense.

We meet in the church kitchen every Sunday morning at 9:00 A.M.

(You know that you are up anyway!)

And YOU ARE WELCOME to sit in!

All you need to do is grab "a church bulletin" and walk thru the door.



How hard is that?



# **GIFT CARDS UPDATE**

Please check out the new, updated Gift Card Order Form which is attached to the Revealer for this month. PLEASE consider using gift cards for ALL your grocery, gas, retail, and restaurant purchases. Keep a few cards in your wallet or purse. Use them when you go to Woodman's. How about using them when your kids are screaming to go to McDonald's? You're shopping at Kohl's – don't forget to use your gift cards! EVERYONE at church should be using the gift card program. And it does add up. So far through June, we've earned over \$1,800 in gift card profit for our church.

Last year (just so you all know) over \$3,700 was donated to help purchase our church sign.

That money came from the gift card profit for 2022.

And – again – if you have any questions on how the gift card program works here at All Saints, stop by the gift card table before or after each liturgy.

We're always happy to help answer any questions. Thanks...



Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy is extended to Karen Bishop and family on the death of Her Son, Brian Bishop of our church family.

Blessed are those who die in the Lord



How Great Thou Art - Art Fair

Will you consider baking for the bake sale?

Might you consider selling baked goods?

What about working in the kitchen? Or at the bar?

Maybe you might like to greet and welcome people.

How about working on the Raffle?

In the next couple of weeks, all the signs will start to appear. Please consider helping us out in some way or fashion.

Maybe you might consider dropping off posters at area businesses.

It is our goal to make this the best ART FAIR - ever. Talk to Brian or Lori Rathmann for more information and details...make sure you help to spread the word about Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>!



# **Liturgy Committee -**

The Liturgy Team is looking for new members!

The Liturgy team is a dynamic team of individuals who do their best to help make your liturgical experience special. We are looking for more members to add to our team. Please join us!

Current active members are Margaret Coonan, Lisa Kleppek, Joy Kubasek and Jayne Murnane. Mary Zahn can also point you in the right direction as she is an advisory member. Please feel free to come up and talk to us or leave your name and contact info with the church office and we will be sure to connect with you!

Thank you, Margaret, Lisa, Joy and Mary! You are amazing!

Your Communion Team also deserves a big 'THANK YOU!" Helen, Barb, Karen, Brittany, Judy, Tim and Elaine. Without them, who would set up communion at each liturgy?

If you would like to learn how to set up communion, talk to one of the Liturgy team members mentioned above, or leave your name and contact info with the church office.

June average attendance at liturgies-

Saturdays-17

Sundays-37

Wednesdays -14

Thank you to the following congregation members who helped with readings, communion, and plates during the month of June: Richard, Randy, Peggy T., Derk, Mary, Kathy, Dan, Jasmine S., Jodi, Dale, Bob, Rosemary, Steve, Sandy, Cindi, Linda, Kinga, Julie, Trever, Greg, Randy, Kathy B., MaryJo, Sara, Carolyn, Dick. Your help is very much appreciated!

Everyone, please give a huge 'thank you' to the Council Person In Charge when you see them at liturgies. Your council does a LOT behind the scenes.

Have a beautiful August!

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Murnane



August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Lynn Friedman August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Dale Hochevar August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Judy Wolter August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Daniel Payne

We appreciate so much the individuals that bring live streaming into your homes. Thank you, guys, you are really, truly appreciated!

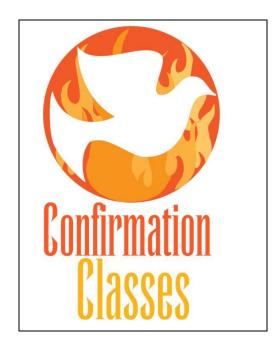
But just so you know, we would love to see you in person, to worship together, and to celebrate the sacrament together.

We long to see you, and to share the peace together...

Feel free to come and join us...there is always room at our table for you!

You are missed!

# Confirmation corner...



Calling all 7<sup>th</sup> graders, 8<sup>th</sup> graders, 9<sup>th</sup> graders and others interested of ANY AGE! Here is your opportunity to get confirmed. Yes, we have had adults sit in and participate and get confirmed! It is really cool. We love it when parents stay and participate. Sometimes grandparents stay and participate. It is awesome! The more the merrier!

All classes are 45 minutes in length.

We try and follow the school year as best as we can.

Our "weather policy" follows the Oak Creek School System. When they are closed because of inclement weather, we are closed.

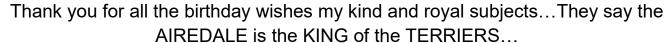
Classes will begin again in September. Remember age is not a deterrent!

Classes meet at 6:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M., and 8:00 P.M. We meet on Thursdays! The coffee pot is always on, too!

Come and join us! You will always be welcome! Call the church office at 414-762-5111 to reserve a place!







But I say, "Look out!"

"Because there is a new queen in town!"

And just so you know,

The tiara

Never weighs heavy...

On the head of the Queen!

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Can

Handle

This!

Just so you know, not every breed of dog could handle the pressure, but trust me, I've got this! Thanks to Miss Kinga, for my royal portrait.

# **Christian Stewardship**

We're still looking for that special individual to head up the Stewardship Committee.

In the meantime, Stewardship is being "handled" by the Finance Committee.

We're just reminding everyone to please try to keep current with your giving.

We appreciate all you do, but during the summer months people go on vacation, and, therefore, do not attend church as regularly. However, each month we have to pay the electric/gas bill, the mortgage, salaries to our employees, insurance, payroll taxes, etc.

Please try to keep current. And again, thank you for all you do to keep our church "solvent".





Revealer Articles are due on

Wednesday, August 23rd, by Noon.

With extending the deadline, to the Wednesday after Council meets this is a firm deadline for all Revealer Articles. You are encouraged to send them to the church office in advance if possible. Please make sure to have them in on time. Thank you.



# AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Friday and Saturday! ALL CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

Friday 9 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Saturday 9 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

- Bring your unwanted unused items
- Volunteer to help!
- There is always lots to do!
- Help to spread the word
- Stop by and check it out for yourself!
- Help us to make the August Rummage Sale a "super success!"



# **World Concerns**

<u>August project</u> will be school supplies for Oak Creek kids in need. These supplies will be distributed by the Oak Creek social workers in all Oak Creek schools. Look for the bulletin inserts for donation lists. <u>This project will go till August 31<sup>th</sup>!</u>

### These are the supplies needed:

- 24 count crayons
- Large glue sticks
- Highlighters Variety of Colors
- Washable markers
- Erasers large pink
- 2-Pocket Plastic Folders (Blue, Green & Red)
- handheld pencil sharpener
- Ultra Fine tip Black Sharpies
- Headphones wired (no ear buds)
- Colored pencils
- Post-It Notes
- Page Protectors
- Pencil Cases
- Scissors (metal blades pointed)
- Spiral 1-subject spiral notebook, (Red, Blue, and Green)
- Spiral YELLOW notebooks 3 subject wide-ruled
- BLACK, BLUE AND RED pens
- Loose leaf paper (200 pack)
- Pencils #2



We will be happy to shop for you! Consider donating All Saints Church Scrip cards for Target.

Make sure to use the bulletin or Revealer form (with your name and address completed) and give to PJ or Kinga.

These donations will be recorded on your annual giving too.

A box labeled Oak Creek School Supplies is in the Narthex. Please put your school supply donations there.

If donating Scrip cards, please complete this form and give to Kinga or P.I with this form so

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our donations are recorded under your church donations.	

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Oak Creek School Donations. <u>Please purchase scrip cards at All Saints (if possible</u>).

We get money from each store for selling their gift cards. This helps your church.

After cards have been purchased, please give them to Kinga or PJ.

They will ensure your church givings are updated.

<b>NAME</b>	 ADDRESS

Type of Scrip card	Number of Cards	Total Amount given
Target Scrip Card \$10		
Target Scrip Card \$25		



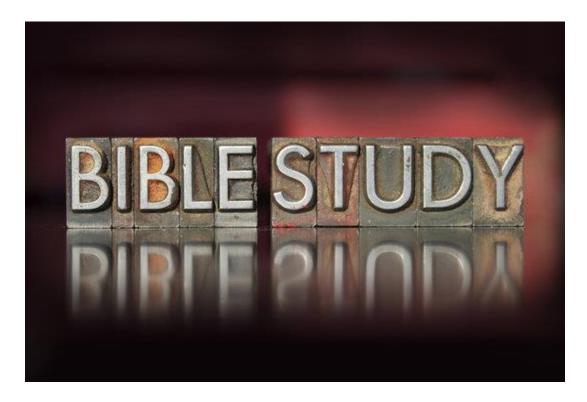


God's work. Our hands.

The Constitution Committee will meet on Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. We promise NOT to run overtime! All interested members of the congregation are welcome to attend! You would be surprised to read what is in the NEW constitution. The last time All Saints updated its constitution was the year 2008. There have been many, many changes since that time.

- WHAT constitutes a quorum?
- HOW is that number arrived at?
- WHO is a "member" of All Saints?
- WHAT is a "baptized" member?
- WHAT is a "communion" member?
- WHAT is a "confirmed" member?
- WHAT is a member who is no longer in "good standing" in the church?
- WHAT must you do to be a member in good standing?
- What must you do to vote at the Annual meeting of the congregation?
- WHO can call an Annual Meeting?
- WHAT can and cannot be discussed at a "Special Called Meeting" of the church?
- WHO can serve on the church council and WHO cannot?
- WHAT happens to this prime piece of real estate should the congregation disband?
- WHAT is pastor "called" to do?
- WHO fires and WHO hires in the church?
- HOW MANY COMMITTEES do we have to have? WHO determines that?
- WHAT is ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER?
- WHAT is the relationship of ALL SAINTS to the church-at-large?
- WHAT is a "calling committee?"

The time to become involved is NOW! NOT later!



# A New Bible Study Is Coming Your Way!

In an attempt to reach an even larger audience, and to allow for individuals who are at home and cannot get out, and to allow for people to check it out and read it at their leisure...I am going to prepare another ONLINE BIBLE STUDY. It will be posted on the ALL-SAINTS WEBSITE and on the ALL-SAINTS FACEBOOK PAGE. In order to see it and participate you must like the AII-Saints page on Facebook, or just check out our website at www.allsaintsoakcreek.org

This study is going to cover the book of Romans.

The thing I like about online Bible Studies is that I can add artwork, music, and comics, and it costs us nothing in paper or toner costs. No one has to leave home on a specific day of the week, at a specific time. You can view it when you have time if you happen to have an interest. Kinga will be the first to tell you there is a difference between the website and Facebook. More restrictions are placed on Facebook because of copyright laws. So, the website might be preferable!

Because it will be on the world wide web anyone will be able to view it and comment. The Study I did on the Psalms still has new people reading it and contacting me about it. So, watch for it! Keep your peepers open!

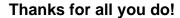


Sara reports that we really are well stocked

The only thing we really need is paper towels

And the church does not have a membership at any of the "big-box stores..."

So should you be out and about and of the mindset and have the means, we sure could use some paper towels...we go through them pretty fast.







## **World Concerns**

Events that are happening in the upcoming months...check it out!

The Committee is asking that you consider bringing in gifts of canned fruit or individual fruit containers during the month of August. All your gifts and all that you do is always appreciated!

Twelve families came to the food pantry for food "in one week"...the need continues to be great! Remember the poor and the hungry in our midst!

August 1<sup>st</sup> – Kick Off for collecting School Supplies...for kids in need.

(Watch for further details)

September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The World Concerns committee is scheduled to prepare a meal for the people staying at Fisher House.

October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 is the date of our next BLOOD DRIVE.

The Committee would like to thank those who purchased gift cards for the Police and Fire Departments: Dale Hochevar, Peggy Todryk, Betty Ford, Judy Wolter, Mary Jo Meier, Elaine Kleinhans, Helen Haworth, Dick Kahle, Jodi Heine, Doris Templin, Myrna Farell, Sue Payne, and Julie Dittmann. Thanks guys! We really appreciated your gifts on behalf of others...

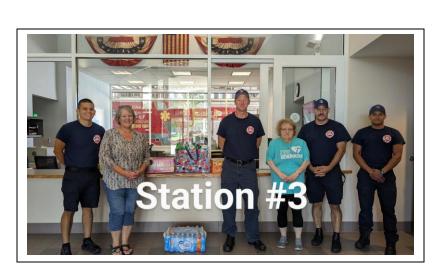
Snacks purchased for the Oak Creek Police Station and three Fire Houses were delivered by Dale Hochevar and Elaine Kleinhans. We thank them for representing our faith community.

Elaine Kleinhans

Committee Chair











# Swap & Helping Hands Board

Are you looking for a used item of some kind or have something that is too good to toss and would like to pass on to someone else? Or do you have a need for some helping hands or would like to offer your services if needed??? Give me your "Needs" and/or "Give aways" and it will be listed in the "Revealer" every month.

Do not call the church office. I, Margaret Coonan, will be organizing these services.

No monies will be exchanged.

I can be reached at 414-764-3197.

### **GIVE-AWAY:**

- 2 middle sized cat carriers
  - Exercise bike



# CONGRATULATIONS TO ANA RIVAS ON HER RETIREMENT AFTER 30 YEARS!!!



# Letters we receive: Correspondence



Dear PJ and All Saints Family,

Once again, our heartfelt thanks for all your prayers, Get Well wishes & concerns for my husband Jerry, and the passing our niece, Becky. We are so very Blessed with the outpouring of prayers from everyone.

God Bless!

Deb, and Jer Pavlik



Dear Pj,
YOU have a heart of gold.
Thank you!
Warren, Karen, and Sheryl Bishop
Jeff, Sue, Jackson, Sydney, and Ben LaFond



Dear All Saints Family,

Thank you for all that you do, even for those of us who are out of physical touch. Sure do miss everyone. I've found 2 local church clusters but have not decided to change my membership yet. Each of the clusters has aspects I like. This is a very difficult decision; and the must difficult part is leaving All Saints.

During one Sunday's service, I realized (as I was a bit sad) that I have been a member of ASLC longer than the church I always had thought of as "home". (back home in Stetlin!). Huh!

Hope and pray for all the All Saints Family - all the very best.

Love,

Leanne Buttke



# By Special Request

This wonderful cookie recipe comes from <a href="Sharon Gates">Sharon Gates</a> - Departed member of our church family

# **Cereal Cookies**

Yield: 5 dozen

### Ingredients:

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup Wesson oil
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp Vanilla
- 3 ½ cups flour
- 1 tsp Baking soda
- 1 cup oatmeal
- 1 cup crushed Cornflakes
- ½ cup nuts
- ½ cup coconut

### **DIRECTIONS**

Mix together both sugars and butter. Add oil, egg and vanilla. Blend in flour, baking soda, oatmeal, cornflakes, nuts and coconut.

Drop by tablespoon onto the ungreased cookie sheets and lightly flatten with the fork.

Bake at 350 Degrees for 12-14 minutes.

Sprinkle with powdered sugar while still hot.

\*Hint: Put cornflakes in a plastic bag and crush with the rolling pin.

Enjoy!



# Just for Laughs...

- A Woman went to the Post Office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards.
  - "What Denomination?" Asked the clerk.
  - "Oh, my goodness! Have we come to this?" said the woman.
  - "Well give me 50 Baptist and 50 Catholic!"
- As the storm raged, the captain realized his ship was sinking fast. He called out,
   "Anyone here know how to pray?" One man stepped forward. "Aye, Captain, I know
   how to pray." "Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life
   jackets we're one short."
- A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late... But please don't shove me either!"



Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ~ Psalm 100:2

The donation's folder is posted in the blue folder on the Bulletin Board. Select your dates for those special occasions or people in your lives and follow the instructions on the inside front cover.

Remember, by donating Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Candles and Bulletins you help the church budget and it is a great way to remember those special people and dates in your life.

PLEASE PRINT



# **Donations:**

<u>Date</u>	Flowers	Flowers	Bulletins	Memorial Candle	Honor Candle
July 29 to Aug 3	Vnuk	Vnuk	Zahn	Krajnak	Vnuk
August 5 to 11	<b>Open</b>	Open	LaFond	Krajnak	Thein
August 12 to 18	Zahn	Open	McIntosh	Krajnak	Ford
August 19 to 25	Vnuk	Open	Thein	Krajnak	Vnuk
Aug 26 to Sept 1	<b>Open</b>	Open	Krajnak	Vnuk	Open



 9th Sunday after Pentecost
 10th Sunday after Pentecost
 11th Sunday after Pentecost

 1 Kings 3:5-12
 Isaiah 55:1-5
 1 Kings 19:9-18

 Psalm 119:129-136
 Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
 Psalm 85:8-13

 Romans 8:26-39
 Romans 9:1-5
 Romans 10:5-15

 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
 Matthew 14:13-21
 Matthew 14:22-33

 12th Sunday after Pentecost
 13th Sunday after Pentecost
 14th Sunday after Pentecost

 Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
 Isaiah 51:1-6
 Jeremiah 15:15-21

 Psalm 67
 Psalm 138
 Psalm 26:9-21

 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
 Romans 12:1-8
 Romans 12:9-21

 Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28
 Matthew 16:13-20
 Matthew 16:21-28

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TEAM 3: August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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**TEAM 4:** August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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