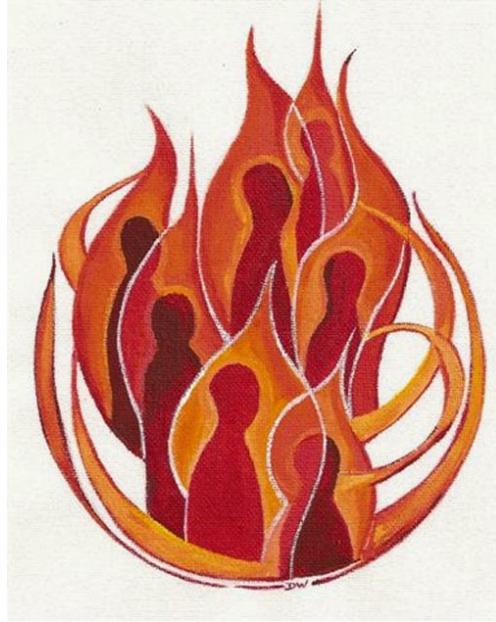


JUNE MAST



PENTECOST

June 5

9:30 am, One service

Congregational Meeting, June 12

STREAM SERVICES OR WATCH SERVICES:

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CHALLENGE

Summer Challenge

Most of you have received the letter about our budget shortfall. The problem is that we need to cover our expenses. Just like your budget has tightened because of inflation, so have expenses at the church. So, for the summer, I'd like to propose a challenge. No, a competition really. It's a way we can fill in some of our budget gaps. We're not asking that you spend more, it's more like redirecting your funds.

So each week this summer, I am asking that congregation members give up a little something. Maybe it's a meal out, or that gallon of ice cream you placed in your shopping cart; whatever the cost, we ask that you take those funds and add them to the collection basket. Think about getting all your family members to participate.

Working together, we can close that budget gap by the end of summer!

Pizza and Bunco Night
Friday, June 3 - 6:00
\$5.00 each player



For those of you who have never played, this is a fun and easy game for all ages to enjoy.

We will be ordering Pizza and will have ice cream after the game.

Please sign up in the church hallway. We will need to borrow card tables too, so tell us if you are able to bring one that night.

Questions? Call Cathy Erickson

From the Music Director



Sometimes, I get 'writer's block' if you will, and can't decide what to share in my monthly MAST article....this was one of those months. So, I thought I would ask God to help me; I leafed through my bible until I was compelled to stop. I landed in 1 Corinthians, chapter 9, where we hear Paul speaking about his 'obligation' to proclaim the gospel! We get a sense that Paul is proud to be 'entrusted with this compelling commission' that he is certain has been laid upon him. Have we not been entrusted with that same commission?

We leave a building every Sunday under a stained glass window that reads, "Go in peace, serve the Lord". In all of our thoughts, words, and deeds during the week, proclaiming the gospel should be integrated into all of those things. We, as disciples of God, are given opportunities each and every day to proclaim his word to others, we just have to be faithfully alert enough to notice those opportunities. Paul goes on to write that in his proclamations to those in Corinth, he has made himself 'a slave to all, so that I might win more of them'.

It is the long season of Pentecost.....the green season of growth in the church; so go out into God's mission field and proclaim his name in all that you do. 'Win more of them' and be proud to boast, as Paul was to do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that all people may share in its blessings!

Mary Monroe

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 14-17, 2022



THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE



The Mutual Ministry Team recently fielded a question about the doors in Fellowship Hall. We hope this can answer some of the members concerns.

Over the years, the congregation and staff have expressed frustration over the inability to access the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall because of the deterioration of the locks. This led to a review of the physical security of the Sanctuary and its contents. Discussion about lock replacement required an inspection of all the doors. The beautiful sanctuary doors were not being replaced. The Sanctuary doors will continue to serve our community for many years to come.

Upon an inspection of the Fellowship Hall doors, we discovered years of neglect and lack of preventive maintenance caused the wooden double doors to break down and rot. The Emergency Exit Doors at the rear of Fellowship Hall and the kitchen were no longer serviceable. The doors were rusted out and did function as emergency exits. In order to provide a safe environment for our congregation and our guests, these doors need to be replaced to current Life Safety Code (National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code 101). The doorknobs and dead bolts were removed. The Emergency Exit Doors were equipped with panic bar locks. The remaining Fellowship Hall doors were also upgraded to panic bars in order to meet the current Life Safety Code.

Putting a good lock in a bad door does not increase the safety or security of our property. Both needed to be changed. The replacement of any fire door / exit door must comply with current National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Codes. These are the codes that the Fire Department and Lord Of Life's insurance company follow. On a Sunday in May, between the services, the Glynn County Fire Department did an unannounced walk through of the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall with Dave Erickson. This was not an inspection. The purpose of their visit was to understand the layout of the buildings, so they can be better prepared should an emergency arise.

As a side note, while the new doors were expensive, the current price for the doors has increased by fifty one percent, and the manufactures estimated production time is eight months.

Other areas of property concern include:

Heating and air conditioning maintenance: In May, we had all our units inspected and serviced. Upon inspecting the air handlers under the Sanctuary, it appears that rodents have eaten into a 25-foot piece of flex duct. Estimates are still pending.

Tree work: We were unable to schedule the removal of the dangerous dead and diseased trees that were identified by the arborist in the fall. Funds were not available to start this project.

Water heater in Fellowship Hall: The current water heater appears to be on its last legs. We are looking into replacement costs. The water heater is in the attic above the kitchen and bathrooms. If the heater starts to leak, we will need to replace the insulation and tiles.

Fellowship Hall refrigerator (near the fire exit): Running intermittently and not defrosting correctly. A service tech needs to be dispatched.

Outside water well: The well is drying up. The current pump is no longer able to maintain pressure to properly operate the irrigation system. We are exploring options.

To pay for these items, several property fundraising dinners are going to be planned. More information to follow.

As we start this summer season, please keep the church foremost in your heart and mind. Any additional giving towards the general upkeep of the property, or to a specific area of need, would greatly appreciated. As always if you have a question, or concern, please let the church office or any property committee member know.

Thank you,
The Property Committee

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

JUNE 12

On June 12th after the Sunday service, Lord of Life will have its semi-annual congregational meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect new council members to fill the seats being vacated.

We need your presence and participation. Plan to come.

Come, Let Us Pray

Join us around the altar on Wednesday evenings, at 7:00 PM, where we pray through our church directory and bulletin for each individual listed.

If you have a prayer request, please let Dona know so she can pass it along to the group.



“Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others.” Saint Augustine (354-430)



Esther Circle

Esther Circle will not meet over the summer. Continue to be inspired by the women in the Bible and those around you each day.

We will meet again in September on the second Monday of the month.

June, 2022

BIRTHDAYS

Pat Schwandt, June 11
 James St. Clair, June 22
 Steve Kipp, June 25
 Jack Amie, June 28
 Barney Wehunt, June 28

WEDDING

James & Patrice Perry, June 7
 Warren & Kate Boyer, June 10
 Fred & Ginger Defoe
 Joan & Robert Wiley, June 19
 Chelsea & B.J. Hilton, June 26

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JUNE 12 (after the service)			1. 9 am, Open Sewing 7 pm, Let Us pray	2 Noon, Mary Martha lunch at King & Pprince	3 6:00 pm, Bunco Night	4 9:30 am, Water-colors
5. Pentecost 9:30 am Worship CONFIRMATION	6	7	8 9 am, Open Sewing 7 pm, Let Us pray	9 Manna House	10	11 9:30 am, Water-colors
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19 FATHERS DAY 9:30 am, Worship	20	21 Summer Begins	22 9 am, Open Sewing 7 pm, Let Us pray	23	24	25 9:30 am, Water-colors
26 9:30 am, Worship	27	28 10 am, Book Club	29 9 am, Open Sewing 7 pm, Let Us	30		

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Remember we have a Congregational meeting on June 12 at which time we will elect open council seats. We will also give updates on activities at the church and will welcome your ideas. Please be there.

One item we will discuss is church finances. I'm sure you have seen our recent appeal letter. We will be looking for ideas on closing this gap and possible fund raising.

I hope you were able to make the reception for our recent high school graduates. It was a wonderful event and it was an honor to recognize these young adults as they leave high school and continue in their education or careers. Thanks to Fellowship committee and all who contributed food.

As we enter summer we will be returning to one service at 9:30. I'm look forward to seeing people I typically don't see. See you there.
Travel safe.

Blessings
Tony



REMINGTON ACADEMY 5 YEAR OLD GRADUATION



On Sunday, June 5, we celebrate Pentecost. Remember to wear RED.

Season of Pentecost

We are currently in the long season of Pentecost. This season is also known as, "**Ordinary Time.**" *The period between Pentecost and the beginning of Advent is called ordinary time or counted time.*

From Advent to Pentecost, we celebrate what God has done to inaugurate the new creation through Christ's finished work. In the season after Pentecost, we celebrate what God does to empower us to live out the Gospel day to day and week to week in the context of our ordinary lives.

Note the connection between the word "*ordinary*" and the "*ordinal*" (counted) numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.). Ordinary time is "counted" time.

Rather than moving from season to season, in Ordinary Time we move simply from Sunday to Sunday. Each Sunday stands on its own, and is counted as the Xth Sunday after Pentecost.

During this season, we are called to live out the Gospel day by day, one day at a time, not only in the notable experiences of life, but also in the mundane.

Ordinary time provides us a perfect canvas on which to portray how God works through us in daily life, in our families, our work, in our relationships with our neighbors, in our communities and in the world, in our care for creation, in our recreation and leisure activities.



MANNA HOUSE



The Lord of Life members team will provide a bagged lunch and iced tea for Manna House on Thursday, June 9..

Needed are 6-8 members at 9:00-11:30 AM to help prepare a lunch, to assemble bags, and make iced tea. Gloves are provided.

Also needed are 3-4 members from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM to hand out the prepared lunches and iced tea.

The community has come together to provide everything needed to prepare a bag lunch consisting of sandwiches, chips, etc. and ice tea served in lidded cups.

See you Thursday, June 9, at 9:00 AM for kitchen crew or 11:00 AM to help hand out bagged lunches! Please let Virginia Lensch know if you plan to help.

Manna House is located at 1408 G Street, Brunswick, GA.



A patriot picnic will be held on Sunday, July 3, following our service. Wear red, white and blue!

Chef Bud will be preparing hamburgers and hot dogs and asks that members bring a side dish or dessert. A sign up sheet will be posted later in June.



Lord of Life Literary Society

At our May meeting, Book Club members decided to keep reading and discussing our book selections throughout the summer.

Our next meeting will be the fourth Tuesday of the month, June 28, at 10:00 AM, in the Fellowship Hall. Hostess and book are pending.

All members are welcome to join us each month or drop in when you can.

A great book should leave you with many experiences, and slightly exhausted at the end. You live several lives while reading. –William Styron

Happy Reading!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

From the Pastor's Desk -

"If someone asked you what Lutherans believe and what is a Lutheran, what would you say?"

That question has been asked of me for many years. And it was posed to a bible study group of mine a couple of years ago. I also posed the question to the group, why do you go to this church? What do you say? So, I pose it to you all. *Why do you go to Lord of Life* What do you say to that question?

A few years back I was at a conference and was asked that same question was asked of us, "why do we go to ...said church? And what is ELCA?" What I learned at that conference that year was that we are all given a chance at some point in our day to profess our faith and talk about Jesus to someone, say someone asks us where do we go to church and then they may ask why there? Do you have a quick answer, or do we have a long-drawn-out answer? What we learned is called an *elevator speech*. Think of it this way, you get on an elevator could be anywhere), but you notice that someone sees the shirt that you are wearing that has, Lord of Life Lutheran church and they ask about the church, but you notice they are getting off on the 5th floor. You only have 5 floors to answer.

So how do you do an elevator speech? Easy remember these 2 things: 1. What is the one thing YOU are most passionate or impressed with about the church? 2. What one thing do YOU think will most interest your listener?

Next this is to summarize into 15 words or less why you are so passionate about the church and what makes YOU give your time and energy?

The last thing is to put all this together in a statement of about less than 50 words that can make in 20 seconds or less. Your elevator speech can be adapted depending on your perception of the person you are addressing.

So, what am I asking you to do with all of this? I think it's important to have one when in certain situations.

Have fun,

Your Brother in Christ,

Pastor Bob

Pastor Bob.

