



ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

JUNE
2021

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Dear Congregation,

First of all, I want to thank you for your kind words to me about how I have made a difference in your life, for the sake of the Gospel. This kindness, this compassion means so much to me. It has been hard to say goodbye – but necessary. For, if you will see me still as your pastor, this will impede the work of the Lord and you will not come to trust and respect the ministry and leadership of the new leader who is coming – the individual whom our Lord will send to St. Luke's Lutheran Church. This new pastor will feel God's call to serve here at St. Luke's and he or she will continue the work God has planned for this congregation.

Also, I think I may need to clarify -- I am taking a "Leave from Call". This means that I am not retiring from ministry, only taking a leave from ministry for a time, to care for my mom and family. It may be that one day, I will feel called to serve a congregation again; But for now, I will be caring for my family.

I also wanted to share with you that we have an offer for the sale of our home and will be moving out of state to Nebraska. Justin has sold the Funeral Home to a wonderful man named James Schwartz. He plans to keep the name of the Funeral home as Myers-Durboraw Funeral Home. We feel so thankful that God guided us to this decision and to the exact person who will do a wonderful job caring for those who are grieving. James has been married to Michelle for 22 years and they have two daughters (ages 18 and 15). James is a strong believer. This was important to us. To be a Funeral Director, who has a deep faith, means that you feel God's presence, holding and helping a family through the greatest loss and heartbreak they will experience as they place their loved one into God's power and salvation. It means that you bring the presence of Jesus and the compassion of God to those families. We not only respect James Schwartz, but we also like him and feel very strongly that God will bless this new leadership.

We will be moving to North Platte, Nebraska on June 21 and have bought a rancher home where my mother will live with us. Justin will be a funeral director at a funeral home there in North Platte. This is where my mom grew up. Over the years, we went out every summer to see my grandparents. It is still a very special place to our family.

I thank God for the blessing of the work for His kingdom that we have accomplished together. I will miss you, but as I have shared, a church is more than the pastor. The Church is the Body of Christ. May God's love bless your hearts and your actions with His Grace --

In Christ our Lord – Pastor Anne Durboraw

Message from your Council President

Dear friends in Christ,

I am sure that there are a lot of questions regarding what will happen after Pastor Anne leaves St. Luke's. Our priority right now is to focus on having a good "Goodbye" for Pastor Anne and letting her know what she has meant to us all these years. As you know, her last service will be on June 13th. Bishop Gohl will be preaching on June 20th at 10 am and we will have a goodbye celebration immediately following that service. While our focus should be on Pastor Anne right now and saying out goodbyes, I do realize there is some anxiety about what happens next. I will give more details going forward, but I want to let you know that Council is working with the Maryland/Delaware synod throughout the process and Bishop Gohl is in the process of identifying an interim Pastor for St. Luke's. If one cannot be identified or in place by June 27th, we may have a Supply Pastor(s) until an interim is found. I know this is a turbulent time in our Church. God will guide us through and will provide for us! I will give monthly updates in the Newsletter as information becomes available. God bless,
Kristen Page



Olivia Gugliuzza

Mary Ann Galandak

Abby Kinloch

Our Confirmation Teacher has a big smile on her face because these 2 young ladies completed their confirmation instruction. On Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd Olivia and Abby confirmed their faith with their family present.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome Marcia Andersen and Cheryl Pon to our congregation! Marcia and Cheryl both live at Carroll Vista in Taneytown and already enjoy participating/leading our Bible Studies.



- 1st Elizabeth Delaney
- 5th Aubrey Storey
- 6th Eric Matteson
- 7th Becky Stem
- 8th Steve Keeney
- 9th Sydney Helphenstine
- 9th Wyatt Cross
- 10th Wayne Barnes
- 10th Sharon Jenkins
- 13th Hazel Rectanus
- 13th Larry Mendenhall, Jr
- 14th Deacon Parrish
- 15th Henry Bukszar
- 16th Larry Mendenhall, Sr
- 17th Stacey Waskiewicz
- 18th Gail Hooper
- 19th Joanna Grimes
- 20th Sarah Ryan
- 22nd Thelma Lee Thompson
- 23rd Will Jordan
- 26th Cody Cashman
- 28th Brady Gray
- 29th Ona Martin



- 1st Sandy & Phil Gugliuzza
- 8th Cheryl & Steve Keeney
- 9th Thelma Lee & Sonny Thompson
- "70 Years WOW!!!
- 11th Cathie & Jimmy Luetje
- 15th Terry & Trish Valentine
- 22nd Stacey & Ralph Bassler
- 30th Amy & Todd Leckron

You did it!
Congratulations



Glenn Durboraw

**Graduated from US Navy basic bootcamp.
He is now station in San Diego for A School Training.**

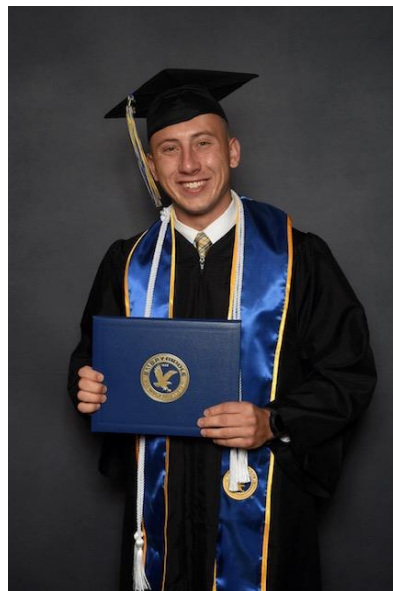
His parents Justin and Pastor Anne are Navy Proud!

Jackson Eaves

Graduated May 7th from the Air Force.

serving as a Fighter Pilot

**He is the grandson of
Bob & Mary Ann Galandak's grandson**



Braden Holmes

Graduates from Francis Scott Key High School June 1st

**He plans to major in Engineering and will start at Carroll
Community College in the Fall.**

CHURCH CALANDER

Tuesday, June 1 st – Fellowship Committee Meeting	3:00pm
Council Meeting in Fellowship Hall	6:30pm
Wednesday, June 2 nd – Bible Study via Google Meet	6:30pm
Friday, June 4 th – Youth Group Outdoor Movie Night	7:00pm
Saturday, June 5 th – Celebration of Laurie Penn's Life	1:00pm
Sunday, June 6 th – Worship Service	9:00am
Sunday School and Confirmation Class	9:45am
Wednesday, June 9 th – Bible Study via Google Meet	6:30pm
Thursday, June 10 th – Women of ELCA Meeting/Bible Study	11:30am-1:00pm
“Soles for Souls”	
(Remember to bring used shoes for collection)	
Sunday, June 13 th – Worship Service	9:00am
Pastor Anne's last sermon	
Confirmation Class	9:45am
Friday, June 11 th – Youth Group Outdoor BBQ at the Selby's Hours	6:30pm
Wednesday, June 16 th – Bible Study via Google Meet	6:30pm
Sunday, June 20 th – Coffee with Pastor Anne	
Worship Service Lead by Bishop Gohl	10:00am
Social on Church Lawn with box lunch	11:00am
Wednesday, June 23 rd – Bible Study via Google Meet	6:30pm
Sunday, June 27 th – Worship Service	9:00am
Wednesday, June 30 th – Bible Study via Google Meet	6:30pm

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

JUNE, 2021

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

ENDING DATE FOR THIS YEAR IS JUNE 6, 2021. WE WILL RETURN IN THE FALL ON SEPTEMBER 12 FOR RALLY DAY. WE ARE APPRECIATIVE OF THE SUPPORT OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY AS WE MADE OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM AVAILABLE AND SUCCESSFUL FOR OUR CHILDREN TO GROW IN THEIR FAITH WITH DEDICATED TEACHERS AND BY TAKING ALL PANDEMIC PRECAUTIONS.

WE WILL BE IN NEED OF A 3RD AND 4TH GRADE TEACHER. IT IS EXTREMELY REWARDING TO WATCH OUR CHILDREN LEARN AND GROW TOGETHER. IF YOU CAN HELP IN ANY WAY, PLEASE CALL JOYCE AT 410-374-1955.

THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO PLANS FOR VBS THIS SUMMER. HOWEVER, WE ARE LOOKING INTO AN OUTSIDE ACTIVITY FOR ALL. INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

WELCA:

WELCA IS A GROUP OF LADIES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DIFFERENT CONGREGATIONS IN OUR AREA THAT SUPPORTS MINISTRIES OF MOBILIZING WOMEN TO ACT BOLDLY ON THEIR FAITH IN JESUS. THE GROUP SERVES OTHERS IN NEED, ADVOCACY, STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP WITH ONE ANOTHER. OUR CONGREGATION HAS FORMED A WELCA GROUP AND WE HAVE HAD BIBLE STUDIES AND IMPLIMENTED PROJECTS TO HELP THOSE IN NEED.

WE HAVE CONTINUED THE SERIES ON WOMEN OF THE BIBLE AND JUST CONCLUDED A STUDY, CONDUCTED BY MARCIA ANDERSON, ON ESTER. WE WATCHED A MOVIE ON ESTER, ONE NIGHT WITH THE KING, AND CONCLUDED WITH A DISCUSSION.

Next gathering is June 10th from 11:30am-1:00pm

Bring a used pair of shoes to donate for "Sole for Souls"

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY:

OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY THAT BEGAN DURING LENT IS LED BY MARY ANN LECKRON AT 7 P.M. AND IS CONTINUING EVERY WEEK. THE FORMAT IS THE AFRICIAN BIBLE STUDY THAT MANY OF US HAVE ENJOYED WITH PASTOR ANNE. THE LINK IS BELOW:

meet.google.com/xfs-xkoo-dbg

or you can Join by phone

(US) +1 302-314-6557 PIN: 797 919 610#



COMMUNITY GARDEN

"To feed the hungry"

**3273 Hawks Hill Road
New Windsor MD**

**Contact Theresa Hebron
443-340-6198**

Community of St. Dysmas

We are still collecting anonymous letters written to members of the St. Dysmas community. A package of letters is sent at the end of each month. We are having a good response so please take time to write a letter. Pastor Susan, who runs the program emailed "I hear from the community that letters like this are what's keeping them going as this lockdown continues on so long. Bless you for being a blessing to them". This is an easy way to encourage fellow Lutherans during this challenging time of COVID. For additional information, please contact the Church office or Kristen Page pagealt@yahoo.com 301-524-51

Remember collecting!

Every Sunday for

Union Bridge Food Pantry



***Food
Pantry
Needs***

ST. LUKE'S YOUTH GROUP



**Last month the Youth Group put together
48 personal care kits for
Lutheran World Relief.**

Thank you to all who donated!

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

Planned for Friday, June 4th starting at 7:00pm

Movie starts at 8:30pm

Pizza, chips and drinks will be provided. Feel free to bring additional snacks.

Make sure you bring a lawn chair.

OUTDOOR BBQ at the SELBY'S

Dinner and outdoor games. More information to follow.

THERE WILL BE A JULY NEWSLETTER

**If you wish to submit information for the July Newsletter, please have to Beth King
by June 23rd.**