

July 2023 Newsletter



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July Note

From Pastor Mark

The families we were born into have rituals and expectations that everyone knows. What are the spoken and unspoken expectations of your family? What do you feel you must do as a member of your family?

We are adopted into the family of God through baptism. As we live into the Word of God, we learn the expectations of being a member of God's family, too. As a member of God's family, what do you hold yourself accountable for? What do you think God will hold you accountable for?

Over these summer months we are discussing what it means to be synced up to God's grace in the world. To live out our baptismal vows so that Jesus doesn't become for us a nice thought but Jesus becomes a practice in our everyday lives. Jesus has been in teaching mode as we have read from Matthew chapters 9-11.

Persistence is what grows deep faith in the lives of the God's people. Persistence in doing those things that are life giving rather than life depleting.

We struggle as members of God's family to do the right thing. So many of us feel the tug and pull of competing priorities and expectations. The many choices we make each day seem daunting at times. We know what the best choice would be but we settle for the easy one, the one most comfortable, rather than the right one.

We are told we will receive our inheritance in the Kingdom of God because we fed the hungry, provided drink to the thirsty, welcomed the stranger, clothed the naked, and visited the sick and imprisoned. And, as we were compassionate and ministered to the least of these in this world, we were ministering directly to God.

Little things do matter, and God entrusts us with these. Each of us is asked to be welcoming, forgiving and loving to the sick, the marginalized, the poor, the widows, the orphans, the homeless, the disadvantaged, the hungry, and those who are different from us.

Each of us is called to tend to the family. When we use our gifts and talents to the glory of God, we are ministering to the children of the family. "Truly, I say to you, as you did this to one of least of these my children, you did it to me."

In all that you do for the children of God, look and see Jesus Christ in their faces and remember that you, a faithful servant, are filling the needs of the family of God.

God bless you in your care for God's children.

Pastor Mark



Email Pastor Mark: pastormark@sotpmail.com

July Note

From Pastor Ryan

On June 25, two of our youth, Jill Gillming, and I embarked on a weeklong service trip in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Through a Lutheran organization known as Serve Boldly that is part of Green Lake Lutheran Ministries, we engaged in several ministries throughout the week. These ministries ranged from serving meals to working at a clothing store for people who are unhoused or transitioning. We also experienced some fun, social events, and opportunities for worship. Our group was small, but youth programming at SOTP is still in transition and I am hopeful that, through sharing about our experience, the four of us who went on the trip can build excitement and a desire for more youth to go on trips over the coming years.



The next major trip will be next year's ELCA Youth Gathering. This will be the first Gathering in six years. Ordinarily, the Gathering is held every three years, but the COVID-19 pandemic shut down the one that would have originally taken place in 2021.

The ELCA Youth Gathering is an amazing event that usually involves 30,000 high school youth from across the U.S. gathering for several days of worship, service, speakers, concerts, activities, and learning. The 2024 Gathering, "Created to Be," will take place July 16-20 in New Orleans, Louisiana. Because of the cancellation of the previous Gathering, a Young Adult Gathering is being offered during that same time. The Young Adult Gathering is for ages 18-35, with programming geared toward the 18-25 age range. Registration for these events opens in September. Look for more details from me soon!

As I mentioned above, our youth programming is in transition. Starting on August 9, our high school youth group will begin meeting on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm rather than our previous Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 pm. Our numbers have been small, and I have been focusing a lot of time and attention (with the help of my amazing confirmation team) to revamp and rejuvenate our confirmation program, but starting in August, high school youth and I will spend some significant time re-visioning what our youth programming.

This month marks the one-year anniversary of my ordination. I want to take this moment to thank you all for being such a welcoming, faithful, supportive, and active faith community! I feel so blessed to be one of your pastors, and my family has definitely found a home here at SOTP. I thank you for your support and patience as I have learned more about this community and have worked to strengthen the children, youth, and family ministries of our congregation.

Thank you!

Pastor Ryan

Email Pastor Ryan: pastorryan@sotpmail.com

Link to Youth Gathering website for those interested in more information: <https://www.elca.church/gathering>

July Note

From Donna Kelly

Recently, I was listening to a radio station that plays Contemporary Christian music. The hosts put out a question and asked listeners to call in and give their answers. The question was, "If you could sit with God and ask God any question, what would it be?"

There was quite a variety of answers, as you can imagine. Some were serious and were the big questions; "Why did my loved one have to die?" "Why is there so much pain in the world?" "Why is there so much evil in the world?" "Why do we have war?"

And then there were some funny or silly questions like, "Do you have to trim your own beard?" "Or does it just not grow?" "Do you sleep?" "Are the streets in heaven really gold?"

Then there were those who responded saying that they didn't think we should ask God any questions; that we should just trust and never wonder why. The response that I thought said it best was, "I sit with God every day and ask questions."



I thought about all of this as I was driving and about all of these questions and responses. I believe that prayer is simply talking with God as I would with a close friend or family member. When I talk with friends or family, I talk and listen. We ask questions about each other and learn a lot. Asking and answering in love are part of a healthy relationship.

I often ask God questions about things I don't understand or wonder about. And usually, I find the answer. It could be in a song I hear, a movie I watch, a book I read, something someone says, a message on Sunday, the words of a child, in Scripture or in a thought that comes to me. I find the answers often come from the most unexpected places; many of those times in 'non-sacred' places. The Spirit moves in interesting ways!

So, next time you have a question you can't answer, sit with God, and ask God your questions. Then watch for God's answer to come to you and wonder at the way in which the Spirit works.

Donna

Email Donna: donna@sotpmail.com

Next Step Fellowship - July 1

Senior Fellowship for Single Seniors

This is a group for single seniors looking for community and fellowship. Whether widowed, divorced or never married, member or friend of SOTP, if you find yourself single and in these best years of your life, we encourage you to join us. People who consider themselves seniors (55+) are invited to participate.

Our first meeting was on June 10, 2023 from

12:00pm until 2:00 pm. About 18 people attended and we had lunch, got to know each other, and talked about possible activities for the group.

We will meet again on **July 1 at 11:00** at the church (bring your own drink) to discuss the results of the activities discussion and plan some future activities. If anyone would like to go out to lunch (separate checks) that day, let Phyllis Thomson know and we can make a reservation somewhere local for after the meeting.

Come and join us on July 1 and bring your ideas for ways this community can have fun, grow, and serve.

Register now: www.bit.ly/SOTPnext0723

Questions? Contacts: Phyllis Thomson, phyllisthomson@aol.com or Dave Stangle, dstangle.ds@gmail.com

 Saturday, July 1, 11:00 am

NEXT STEP FELLOWSHIP
Fellowship Group for Single Seniors



 Info & Registration: www.bit.ly/SOTPnext0723

What's More American Than Broadway - July 2

Artist Series Concert

"WHAT'S MORE AMERICAN THAN BROADWAY"

Mark Olen and his "Stars and Stripes" Orchestra will present a special evening of entertaining Patriotic and Broadway musical selections during a free concert on July 2nd at 7 p.m. at Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church, 10805 Main Street.

Sponsored by the SOTP Artist Series, **Mark Olen** has performed in prior concerts, as well as various church services at Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church. Olen

and his trumpet exhibit his versatility by performances with the American Jazz Philharmonic, Chicago Jazz Philharmonic, Ravinia Festival Orchestra, Grant Park, Elgin and Rockford Symphonies, Chicago Brass Quintet & Brassworks. He has been a soloist with Great Lakes Navy Band & Chicago Jazz Ensemble as well. Mark and the "Stars and Stripes" Orchestra will be joined by renowned soloists Alyssa Allgood and Paul Marinaro.

Alyssa Allgood is a Chicago-based jazz vocalist who has been described as "assured and daring" by DownBeat Magazine and a "model of sophisticated song interpretation" by the Chicago Tribune.

Paul Marinaro, dubbed as having "one of the most beautiful vocal instruments in the business today" by the Chicago Tribune, is a modern classic. With Chicago as his home base Paul has become one of the most in-demand and respected male vocalists and has taken his place among the top five male jazz singers active today.

Mark your calendar – **July 2, 2023 at 7PM** for a very special performance!

For more information on upcoming events, go to: www.bit.ly/SOTPARTIST

To donate to the Artist Series to help bring more events like these to Huntley go to: www.bit.ly/SOTPartist

MARK OLEN
AND HIS
"STARS AND STRIPES"
ORCHESTRA
Featuring Alyssa Allgood & Paul Marinaro

**WHAT'S MORE AMERICAN
THAN BROADWAY**

JULY 2, 2023 7:00 PM

PRESENTED BY THE
SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE ARTIST SERIES
10805 MAIN STREET, HUNTLEY
www.bit.ly/SOTPARTIST

Vacation Bible School Volunteers

Help Still Needed

Vacation Bible School is the most AMAZING program we offer that facilitates instant fun and connection for kids and leaders alike!

MORE ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Join our team today and share the message of the Gospel with hundreds of children this summer! Our theme this year is:



Ready, Set, Move! Follow Jesus Here, There, and Everywhere.

This summer our program is for kids in pre-school (must be potty trained) through 5th grade.

Register and let us know where you'd like to help out at www.bit.ly/SOTPBVBSvol23.

Contact: Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

Vacation Bible School Registration

Register by July 4

REGISTER FOR VBS BY JULY 4!

Sign up now for VBS July 10-14 from 9:00am- noon. This summer our program is for kids in pre-school (must be potty trained) through going into 5th grade.

Our theme this year is Ready, Set, Move! Follow Jesus Here, There, and Everywhere.

Register at
www.bit.ly/SOTPBVBS23

Those entering 6th grade (and older) are welcome to join us as a VBS Volunteer. Register at:



www.bit.ly/SOTPVBSvol23

Contact: Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

VBS - Snacks Needed

Drop Off by July 7th

FRUIT * DRINKS * DESSERTS * MORE

Sign up at



www.bit.ly/SOTPvbsSNACK23

Donations must be dropped off in the church kitchen by Friday July 7th.

There will be bins in the kitchen to drop items off.

Contact: Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

Christmas in July

Celebrate by Giving Gifts to ELCA World Hunger

O Holy Night. Away in the Manger. Joy to the World! It's Christmas in July at SOTP!!!!

Christmas is a time of celebration. The Christmas carols, the twinkling lights, the cookies, the joy of giving gifts. A celebration of God's ultimate gift to us: the birth of Jesus. So we're celebrating again from July 8th – 30th to share our love for others by giving our gifts to ELCA World Hunger.



On July 8th and 9th look for the Christmas tree

display. It contains ornaments for gifts like bees, pigs, goats, care for kids (like sending a girl to school, vaccinations for a child or stocking a backpack with food) or even a water well! These gifts can make a difference in the lives of families in ELCA community partners across the globe. Just pick out an ornament and an offering envelop. Place your money or check in the envelop and drop off the donation in the God's Global Barnyard "barn" at the display table, or donate "online". Hang your ornament on the tree so we see how our gifts are transforming lives, and creating hope in the lives of families facing food insecurity. **Please return all gifts/donations by Sunday July 30th.**

Donate online now: www.bit.ly/SOTPchrJUL

Register to help at our table at: www.bit.ly/SOTPxmasjul23

Contact: Becky Wright rawright48@gmail.com

Summer Parents Connect

Get to Know Other Parents

A great time for parents to connect.

Let us know you're coming, register:



SUMMER PARENTS CONNECT

SUNDAYS

- JUNE 11
- JUNE 25
- JULY 9
- JULY 23
- AUG 13
- AUG 27

JOIN THE FUN BETWEEN SERVICES 10-10:40 AM!

Register Now: www.bit.ly/SOTPsumPARENT

The graphic features a yellow background with a blue and white logo on the left, a QR code in the bottom left, and a photo of a diverse group of smiling parents on the right. The text is in bold, blue, and yellow colors.

www.bit.ly/SOTPsumPARENT

Contact: Pastor Ryan Mackey pastorryan@sotpmail.com

Summer Kids Connect

Preschool - Entering 5th Grade

Calling all kids!

Join us twice a month at
10:00 am for Summer
Kids Connect fun!

Preschool – Entering 5th
Grade

Register Now:



SUMMER KIDS CONNECT

SUNDAYS

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JOIN THE FUN
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Register Now: www.bit.ly/SOTPsummer23

QR code

The graphic features a blue background with a white wavy pattern. At the top, the title 'SUMMER KIDS CONNECT' is written in large, bold, yellow letters with a black outline. Below the title, the word 'SUNDAYS' is written in a similar style. A list of dates follows: JUNE 11, JUNE 25, JULY 9, JULY 23, AUGUST 13, and AUGUST 27. To the right of the list is a photograph of three children (two girls and one boy) holding a wooden sign that says 'JOIN THE FUN BETWEEN SERVICES 10-10:40 AM!'. At the bottom, a yellow banner contains the text 'Register Now: www.bit.ly/SOTPsummer23'. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner of the graphic.

www.bit.ly/SOTPsummer23

Contact: Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

New Member Gathering

Find Out More About Our Church Community

Join us to find out more
about our church
community.

Sign Up:

A promotional graphic for a New Member Gathering. The background is blue with white geometric patterns on the right. On the left, a magnifying glass is focused on the word 'information' on a document. Above the magnifying glass is a logo with a stylized 'f' and blue and green lines. Below the magnifying glass is a QR code with a small 'b' in the center. The text on the right is in yellow and white.

**NEW
MEMBER
GATHERING**
FIND OUT MORE
ABOUT OUR CHURCH
**SUNDAY,
AUGUST 13
3:00 PM**
Sign Up Recommended:
www.bit.ly/SOTPNMG0823

www.bit.ly/SOTPNMG0823

Contact: Donna Kelly donna@sotpmail.com

Annual Church Picnic

Save the Date!

All are invited to join us for our Annual Church Picnic at SOTP following the 10:45 am service.

* Church provides meat, buns, drinks & chips.

* Last name I-Q bring dessert.

* Everyone else bring a side.

Help needed before, during & after the picnic:

* BEFORE: Set Up

* DURING: Food/supply runners, games, face painting

* AFTER: Clean Up



The graphic features a red and white checkered background. On the left, there is a black charcoal grill with a blue funnel pouring orange chips into it. Next to the grill are two red cans and two blue water bottles. In the center, a white plate holds several buns and a burger. A QR code is positioned below the grill. On the right, there is a bowl of fresh fruit (grapes, apples, lemons), a bowl of green salad, a pot of macaroni and cheese, and a plate of cookies and brownies. The text in the center reads: 'ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 AT CHURCH FOLLOWING 10:45 SERVICE'. Below this, a list of items provided and brought is shown, followed by a sign-up link: 'Sign Up: www.bit.ly/SOTPicnic23'.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC
SUNDAY, AUGUST 20
AT CHURCH
FOLLOWING 10:45 SERVICE

- Church provides meat, buns, drinks & chips.
- Last name I-Q bring dessert.
- Everyone else bring a side.

Sign Up:
www.bit.ly/SOTPicnic23

Register

now: www.bit.ly/SOTPicnic23

Picnic contact: Sharon Little: skl55little@mac.com

Games contact: Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

Revelation 101

One Day Adult Study with Pastor Bill

The format will be the same as Bible 101, Lutheran 101 & Psalms 101: we'll meet from **10:00-2:00**, bring a sack lunch.

I look forward to being with you for Revelation 101!

Sign up now:

www.bit.ly/SOTPrevel23

Contact: Pastor Bill

Waxenberg

bwaxenberg@gmail.com





REVELATION 101

ADULT EDUCATION
WITH PASTOR BILL WAXENBERG

Saturday, September 23, 2023

10am - 2pm

Info & Sign Up: www.bit.ly/SOTPrevel23



AARRK Garden Vegetable Stand at SOTP

Fresh Produce Coming to SOTP

Fresh produce for sale weekly at AARRK Garden Vegetable Stand at SOTP before & after all weekend services June through October.

All donations directly go back to AARRK Garden, which helps the homeless get back on their feet.

- Every Saturday 3:30 – & after services
- Every Sunday 8am – after services

Contact: Ronda Shoemaker

rondapatton313@gmail.com



Flowers for the Altar

July Information

Please consider signing up to donate flowers to brighten up the sanctuary. Each arrangement will be \$52.

The bouquets are delivered from the florist for the weekend worship services. The flowers are yours to keep after the Sunday services or you can pick them up on the Monday following. The church is open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There are several ways to place an order for altar flowers. You can do so online at www.bit.ly/SOTPflower, you can also order the flowers on the church website or you can contact Diane on dem910@outlook.com. Payments can be made by credit/debit card or check/cash.



When you order the flowers, you will need to provide your name, the date you would like them, your phone number, and for whom the flowers are dedicated to or in memory of. You will receive a special offering envelope for the payment in the mail if you choose to pay by check or cash. If you have any questions, please call Diane Mollis at 224-654-6677.

Thank you for contributing to beautify the altar during our services at Shepherd of the Prairie.

Contact: Diane Mollis dem910@outlook.com

Friends Bible Study for Women

July Information

The women in Friend's Bible Study meet every Monday from 12:30-2:00 in the Willow Room at Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church. Currently the study focuses on the book of Romans and will conclude mid-July.

On July 24th, we will return to the Old Testament and study the book of Exodus. Our guide is *Be Delivered: Finding Freedom by Following God*, written by Warren Wiersbe.

Please note: there will **no Bible Study meeting on July 3rd.**

Contact: Linda Dungey lindajsd88@gmail.com



Grief Journey

For Those Mourning the Death of a Loved One

All are welcome.

Contact: Donna Kelly
donna@sotpmail.com



Preschool Registration

For 2023-2024 School Year

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open!

=> 12 slots are available for a 2-day class being offered on T/Th (for children who have turned 3 or 4 by Sept. 1, 2023)

=> 10 slots are available for a 1-day class on Wednesdays (for children who are at least 2 by Sept. 1, 2023)

=> There is also the option for your child to attend 3 days (Tuesday/Thursday and Fridays). We do highly recommend students who will be entering Kindergarten in 2024 to attend for 3 days, so they will be ready for Kindergarten the following year. Parents have been very pleased with their child's progress after having been in the 3-day class and felt the extra day was instrumental in Kindergarten preparation.

The registration fee is \$50.

Also, if you refer a new family that signs up to our program we will reduce their registration fee and yours to \$25!!!

To request more information, go to www.bit.ly/SOTPLLInfo

Contact: Jill Gillming LittleLambs@sotpmail.com

SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH

LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2023-2024
2, 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS

Request Info:
www.bit.ly/SOTPLLInfo
Contact: Jill Gillming LittleLambs@sotpmail.com

Memorial Day Parade - THANK YOU

To All Who Participated in Decorating & Walking

A BIG thank you to all that came out to help decorate our float, represent SOTP in the Memorial Day Parade this year and help us win 1st place for the second year in a row!

-Community Outreach

Contact: Tara Mackey
rtmackey10@yahoo.com



Culver's Night - THANK YOU

To All Who Worked & Ate at Culver's That Night

A great big THANK YOU for the 13 people who worked so hard at Culver's that evening to profit habitat for Humanity.

And like-wise a great big THANK YOU to all who were able to dine on that Tuesday.

Because of YOU "ALL" Habitat New Hope Partnership will receive **\$955.00** towards building another house!

Contact: Sandy Hupert
sandyhupert@gmail.com



**Habitat
for Humanity**

Public Works Luncheon - THANK YOU

To All Who Helped & Baked, Thank You!

Thank you to all that took time to donate desserts for the Huntley Public Works luncheon!

Everyone was so appreciative!

Contact: Tara Mackey
rtmackey10@yahoo.com



Upcoming Special Events

Join Us!

Now **Little Lambs Preschool 2023-2024 Registration Open**, www.bit.ly/SOTPLLInfo

Weekends **AARRK Garden Vegetable Stand**, Before & After Services

JULY

Saturday, July 1 **Next Step Fellowship**, 11 am
www.bit.ly/SOTPnext0723

Sunday, July 2 **Food Drive**, 8:30 am
www.bit.ly/SOTPfood

Sunday, July 2 **What's More American Than Broadway— Artist Series Event**, 7pm www.bit.ly/SOTPartist0702

Tuesday, July 4 **4th of July**, Church Office Closed

Friday, July 7 **Drop Off All VBS Snack Donations By This Date** www.bit.ly/SOTPvbsSNACK23

July 8 **Kicking Off Christmas in July Gifts for World Hunger** www.bit.ly/SOTPxmasjul23

July 10–14 **Vacation Bible School**,

- Volunteers sign up: www.bit.ly/SOTPVBSvol23
- Register now: www.bit.ly/SOTPVBS23

July 17 – 22 **High School Youth at Leadership Lab**

AUGUST

Weekend of August 5 & 6 **Quilt Dedication Weekend**

Sunday, August 13 **Blessing of the Backpacks / Kindergarten Blessing / Teachers Blessing**

Sunday, August 13 **New Member Gathering**, 3pm www.bit.ly/SOTPNMG0823



Week of August 14 **SEE Week**

Sunday, August 20 **Annual Church Picnic**, Noon www.bit.ly/SOTPicnic23

SEPTEMBER & MORE

Sunday, September 10 **Rally Day for Kids Connect**

Saturday, September 16 **Half National Quilt Day Gathering**

Saturday, September 23 **Revelation 101**, 10am www.bit.ly/SOTPrevel23

Sunday, October 1 **Small Group/7s Kickoff** Noon

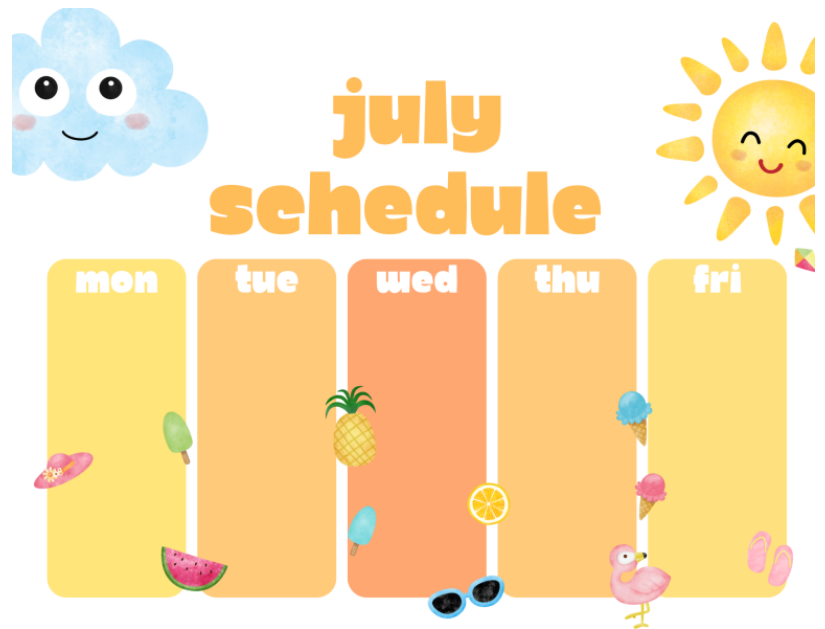
Saturday, October 7 **The Cat's Pajamas — Artist Series Event**, 7:30 pm

Regularly Scheduled

At SOTP

Sundays

- **Before & After Services** AARRK Garden Vegetable Stand at SOTP
- 9:00 am **Traditional Worship**
- 10:00 am **Summer Kids Connect** (twice monthly)
- 10:00 am **Summer Parents Connect** (twice monthly)
- 10:45 am **Contemporary Worship**
- 1:00 pm **FBW**



Mondays

- 9:00 am (3rd Mon) **Gazebo Valor Quilts**
- 10:00 am **Staff Meeting**
- 10:30 am **FBW**
- 6:30 pm **Boy Scouts Troop 200**
- 7:00 pm (2nd Mon) **Ministry Night**
- 7:00 pm (3rd Mon) **Council Meeting**

Tuesdays

- 8:00 am **Men's Coffee** at McD's by Huntley Walmart
- 9:00 am (1st & 3rd Tues), **Prairie Pointe Quilters**
- 9:15 am **AL-ANON Meeting**
- 10:00 am **Grief Journey Meeting**
- 10:00 am (4th Tues), **Barnabas**
- 6:30 pm (1st Tues), **Scout Troop 200 Committee**
- 6:30 pm (1st Tues), **Boy Scouts Patrol Leader's Council**
- 7:00 pm **Cub Scouts, Tigers**
- 7:00 pm **FBW**
- 7:00 pm **AL-ANON Meeting**

Wednesdays

- 10:00 am **God's Girls**
- 10:30 am **Women's FBW**

Thursdays

- 9:00 am (2nd Thurs), **Prayer Shawl Ministry**
- 6:30 pm (2nd Thurs), **Lions Club**
- 7:00 pm (twice monthly) **High School Youth**
- 7:00 pm **Cub Scouts**
- Times Vary **Volunteers at Habitat for Humanity ReStore**

Fridays

- 9:30 am **Sonshine Boys**
- 9:30 am (3rd Fri) **Prairie Crafters**
- 10:00 am **Women's Coffee** at McD's by Huntley Walmart
- 10:30 am **FBW**
- Noon **Help Serve Homeless Meals in Crystal Lake** (1st & 3rd Fridays, Contact: Vik Bekeris vikbek66@yahoo.com)

Saturdays

- 5:00 pm **Worship**
- Before & After Service **AARRK Garden Vegetable Stand at SOTP**

Get Involved

So Many Ways to Participate in Our Community

God's Work, Our Hands

Are you looking for ways to use your talents and participate in our church family?

Here are some ideas and who to contact for more information for each one:

- AARRK Garden – Ronda Shoemaker rondapatton313@gmail.com
- Adult Choir—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- Adventure Club—Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com
- Annual Church Picnic – Sharon Little skl55little@mac.com
- Assisting Minister (9am) – Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- Artist Series – Jane McMullen jane@sotpmail.com
- A/V Team – Mike Yndestad, mike@sotpmail.com
- Barnabas Ministry—Donna Sorensen, sorensensid@comcast.net
- Bell Choir (Adult) —Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- Bell Choir (Kids & Youth) – Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- Communion Assistants—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- Communion Set Up & Take Down—Judie Symbal, judie.symbal@att.net
- Community Outreach—Tara Mackey, rtmackey10@yahoo.com
- Counters—Ralph Wehnes, ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net
- Crafting Gifts for Sr. Citizens & Homeless Blankets—Alice Hallett, agrndmom3@gmail.com
- Greeters—Elaine Gillam, suggillam@aol.com
- Habitat for Humanity – Sandy Hupert sandyhupert@gmail.com
- Mission Team – Sandy Hupert sandyhupert@gmail.com
- Newsletter Mailing Prep—Michelle Rankin, michelle@sotpmail.com Sign up at: www.bit.ly/SOTPfolders
- Next Step Fellowship (Single Seniors Fellowship) – Dave Stangle, dstangle.ds@gmail.com or Phyllis Thomson, phyllisthompson@aol.com
- Prairie Crafters – Sue Kamphausen antiochmueller@aol.com
- Property Team—Mark Frendreis, SOTPproperty@gmail.com
- Prairie Quilters—Bev Kenny krkbjk@comcast.net
- Prayer Shawls—Jeanne Henley cjhenley2003@yahoo.com
- Public Relations—Matt Morrison matt@sotpmail.com
- Readers—Jane McMullen, jane@sotpmail.com
- Ushers—Ed Cuttle edschn28@comcast.net
- Vacation Bible School – Jill Gillming jill@sotpmail.com

- Welcome Center—Tara Mackey, rtmackey10@yahoo.com
- Worship Band (Singing & Instrumental)—Jeff Moore, jeff@sotpmail.com

Birthdays

June

1.....Allyson Berens, Bethany Bower,
Elease Chapman, Michele Miller,
Breanna Walker

2.....Greg Dowell, Barry Farnam,
Jacob Fiandalo, Kyle Lemke, Doug
Nagel, Sharon Neubauer, Pamela
Richard

3.....Joseph DeBolt, Cooper Krewer,
Tammy Sabie

4.....Jerry Bergman, Jennifer Nagel

5.....Cynthia Schoenfeld, Libby
Weston

6.....Barbara Davis, Kristen Fleener

7.....Julie Wills

8....Rob DeBlieck, William Dwyer, Richard Mundt, Fred Schimmel, Kim Stegge

9.....Krista Glosson, Les Lawrence, Katie Masters

10...Jerome Darow, Caiden Parker, Nicole Scalise

11....Rick Coffman, Jake Spencer, Arthur Uteg

12...Jadon Conroy, Elaina Hibbeler, Howard Larson, Anne Skidmore

13....Barb Doty, Lori Malczewski, Andrew Szekely, Phil Turk

14...Julie Dahlin, Jason Hunt, Andy Patel, Jamie Patel, Donna Turner

15....Gloria Beavis, McKenna Hess, Maria Michalak, Ian Walloch

16....Donna Brown, Harold Doege, Benjamin Hollabaugh, Kaia Huston, Jane McMullen

17....Jose Araoz, Karen Eckert, Sean Grady



- 18....Tom Miller, Lukas Nagel, CaSandra Reicher, Peter Walthers, Nicholas Wolf
- 19....Emily Stech
- 20....Nicholas Brown, Tom Luedtke, Roy Rankin
- 21....Jerry Christopherson, Sue Reid, Marina Rhode, Brian Rojas, Kim Satalino
- 22....Casey Bozza, Avery Michalak, Ralph Wehnes
- 23....Dolores Barry, Breanne DePorter, Rich Wille
- 24....Denise James, Logan McCabe, Dick Tabatt
- 25....Kathy Ary, Judy Below
- 26....Michelle Conroy, Delaney Krewer, Ava Ullrich
- 27....Ryan Flanagan, Ken Hoving, Jeneane Zeimen
- 28....Destry Arndt, Steve Brown
- 29....Mackenzie Ehmen, Megan Moretti, Linda Wright
- 30....Adrianna Crespo, Justin DeBolt, Anthony Lorenzo, Gavin Schlachta
- 31....Robin Bishop, Rick Hess, Donald Huntington

Weekend Serving Schedule

July 2023

		July 1/2	July 8/9	July 15/16	July 22/23	July 29/30
Counters	Mon	Doug Nagel, Diana Murphy & Marilyn Wilhelm				
Greeters	SAT 5:00 PM	Interested in Serving Here? Contact: Elaine Gillam suggillam@aol.com				
	SUN 9:00 AM	Linda & Ken Rotter	Eileen Gerald Terry Halpin	Dottie Bobzin Candy Beck	Laura Attaway Carol Engstrom	Terry Halpin Elaine Gillam
	SUN 10:4 5 AM	Bob & Carolyn Malm	Bob & Carolyn Malm	Bob & Carolyn Malm	Bob & Carolyn Malm	Bob & Carolyn Malm
Newsletter Mailing Prep		Lois Jensen, Ashlyn Rankin				

		July 1/2	July 8/9	July 15/16	July 22/23	July 29/30
Ushers Interested in Serving Here? Contact: Ed Cuttle edschn28@comcast.net	SAT 5:00 PM	Karen Eckert Lynn Meyer	Carol Hartman Sue Mattiucci	Diana Murphy Jim Murphy	Joy Nesta Barb Hoppensteadt	Peggy Lynn Loiselle Barb Hoppensteadt
	SUN 9:00 AM	WALTER LEMKE Art Ryden Chris Solem Tim Bueschel Mickey Kappel Cathy Kappel	JACK CONTI Pete Thompson Frank Cesario Carol Engstrom Cheryl Rotermund Jeff Ottens	WAYNE SCHMIDT Nancy Wilson Arja Kasper Dan Wentzlof Mike Malczewski	RALPH WEHNES George Attaway Ed & Carolyn Cuttle Jerry & Pat Darow Jeff Stangle	JACK CONTI Pete Thompson Frank Cesario Carol Engstrom Cheryl Rotermund Jeff Ottens
	SUN 10:45 AM	BOB MCDUFFEE Vik Bekeris Chuck Peterson Annika	MARK FRENDREIS Sandi Stewart Jessica Panella	DOUG NAGEL Don Koerner Judy Petropulos	VIK BEKERIS Bob Mollis Diane Mollis	MARK FRENDREIS Sandi Stewart Jessica Panella

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Treasurer's Report

As of May 31, 2023

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General Fund Report: The Unrestricted General Fund Balance is \$366,719. Total income for the month was \$59,978 and total expenses for the month was \$68,833. Approximately 4.5 months of General Fund reserves.

General Fund reserves. Mortgage Service Fund Report: The Mortgage Service Fund Balance is \$59,074. Income for the month was \$12,458. The monthly mortgage payment is \$18,807. Approximately 3.1 months of Mortgage Service Fund reserves.

	This Month			
General Fund	Actual	Budget	Difference	Percentage
Income:	\$59,978	\$78,200	(\$18,222)	-23.3%
Expenses:	\$68,833	\$77,476	\$8,643	11.2%

	Year-to-Date			
General Fund	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference	Percentage
Income:	\$392,148	\$429,500	(\$37,377)	-8.7%
Expenses:	\$394,187	\$393,732	\$455	.1%

Mortgage Service Fund

Income for Month:	\$12,458
Income YTD:	\$86,599
Payments YTD:	\$94,035
Ending Fund Balance:	\$59,074

Respectfully Submitted
Kathy McGuine
Congregation Treasurer