

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Newsletter

September, 2018

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Finally, I had a moment to breath and write (and what an unexpected joy). In the past 10 days, we said good-bye and released into God's loving arms two members of our congregation. I know that our newsletter team is eagerly awaiting this article so that they can begin to do the work of organizing and compiling for distribution. This is my third attempt at this article. Somehow, I am hoping and thinking this third attempt is the one to send you.

You might be asking yourself, "what about the first two?" Well it ended up being a little over 2 pages and as I read over it – I had decided it was more of a sermon than an article – so look for that sermon to come to you on a Sunday morning sometime in the very near future. As for the second, I think it was my opportunity to release some of the things that have been stirring within my heart. There was one common thread however, for all three. I have been praying about and asking God to help me discern God's call for both myself and for All Saints. **Quick note – THS IS NOT a letter to drop a hint that I am looking for something different. You're not going to get rid of me that easy! I am truly discerning how God is calling each of us in our daily lives, in our congregation, and in God's mission in this community and the world.

As a pastor, I am called to the things that are obvious to all of us. Those duties include, but are not limited to, leading worship, teaching confirmation classes, visiting, and officiating at weddings, funerals, and baptisms. I am also here to help this congregation discern ASLC's calling in the community both now and more importantly into the future.

We are literally just months away from our next Annual meeting as a congregation. As a congregation, we have really struggled with our budget and finances. At the writing of this email, we are substantially short in meeting our budget needs in the amount of over \$10,000. Our giving has been down this summer by more than 4% under last year.

All of this leads me to three questions that I have been wrestling with, and I am hoping we can begin to have conversation, in order to address this in December (just 3 months away). Here are my questions:

- Who is All Saints Lutheran Church right now?
- Where would this congregation like to be in the future?
 - 10 years from now?
 - 5 years from now?
 - 2 years from now?
 - Next year?
- What do we need to do to make that happen?

Our Stewardship Sunday is coming up in September. I am hoping that you can begin prayerfully considering how God is calling you (and your family) in the life of this congregation, through time, talent and/or giving.

We were tagged by Delta's mayor one day, as he called us "The biggest little church in the county." That alone helps us to identify who we are and how we are called.

You all are such an amazing gift to me and the life of this community. I am excited to see how God will call us and lead us in the future. What an exciting time it is! Thanks be to God!

Servants together,

Pr. Paul <><

p.s. – Do you know what Luther said? "Grant that I may not pray with my mouth alone; help me that I may pray from the depths of my heart."



Council Meeting Highlights

August 14, 2018

Present: Sharon Johnson, Marilyn Liebetrau, Joel Magnuson, Don Mc Millan, Niles Riese, and Pastor Paul, Don Ranta and Wyatt Smith

After silent prayers Pastor led devotions based on the 94th Psalm.

The agenda was approved. Verbal committee reports were then given:

- Education reported that Pastor is willing to teach the children twice a month splitting his time between the kids and the adults.
- Outreach reported on the success of the Serenity Run. We had around 100 or more bikers. We were asked to be part of the run again next year and discussed the possibility of a church service for them.
- Sunday September 9 will be the service at the Chapel of the Cross in Cedaredge with a bring your own picnic lunch to follow.
- Building committee agreed to change the church cleaning day to September 29 at 8:00 a.m. when it is cooler. Save the date!!
- Worship committee had a written report and we will be changing settings on September 16 and hymns were selected for August.
- Stewardship committee reported that Del Meissler is willing to do a Temple talk for the benefit of the Church, possibly on September 9 at the Chapel and again on September 16 at our church.
- Pastor reported on his upcoming surgery and time off needed for that. He asked the council for approval of the Martinsons using the church for Lee's 80th birthday party and that request was granted.
- Old business included the Sons of Norway horse display on September 9 from 1-4 p.m. in the field behind the church.
- Joel and Pastor are pursuing the acquisition of the TV (paid for by donations) for use by Sunday schools and church functions. Joel also said he had acquired a rolling stand for the TV also.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer and the next meeting set for September 11 at 6 p.m.

Looking For a Way to Deepen Your Worship Experience?

For many people, looking at the Bible readings before Sunday helps put the message in the context of their lives. As you read the lessons, ask yourself: Is there anything in the readings that relate to your life right now? Is there anything that surprises you in the readings? Disturbs you? Try doing this and see if following this on a weekly basis strengthens your personal faith life, and deepens your worship experience.

The Lessons for Worship in September

These are the Bible readings that we will hear during our worship services this month. They are provided that you might use them for personal devotion and meditation.

Sept 2, – 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9
Psalm 15
James 1: 17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sept 9, – 16th Sun after Pentecost

Isaiah 35: 4-7a
Psalm 146
James 2: 1-17
Mark 7: 24-37

Sept 16, – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50: 4-9a
Psalm 116: 1-9
James 3: 1-12
Mark 8: 27-38

Sept 23, – 18th Sun after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11: 18-20
Psalm 54
James 3: 13-4: 3, 7-8a
Mark 9: 30-37

Sept 30, - 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Numbers 11: 4-6, 10-46, 24-29
Psalm 19: 7-14
James 5: 13-20
Mark 9: 38-50

September Bible Study

September 11, 1:00—3:00

Carolyn Goller will lead the group in a study of 1st John, 2nd John and 3rd John. We have had lively discussions and thought provoking questions. Plan now to join us at 1:00. (The Worship Committee requested the time change. They are meeting a week early so that all members can be present.)

Church Work Day September 29, 8:00 a.m.

All Saints could use some attention from our congregation to work outside and inside the church. Please bring work gloves, rakes, shovels and other garden tools. Inside work will include tasks in the kitchen as well as other rooms in the church. Lists will be developed in the next weeks. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages will be provided. Questions? See Niles or Janell.

Thanks from Guatemala!

Querida Janell:

Que alegría saber de ustedes y que bendición saber que han hecho esta recolecta para las víctimas del volcán de fuego.

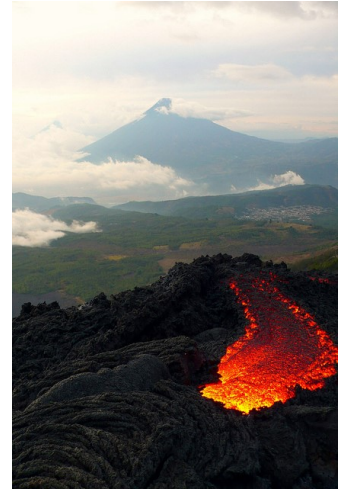
Nosotros vamos a comprar las medicinas, las vendas y todo lo que se pueda comprar para dárselos a los niños que todavía están internados en los hospitales, recuperándose de las quemaduras.

El total que ustedes colectaron \$437.00 x Q7.50, equivalen a Q3,277.50, es una cantidad considerable para seguir comprando las medicinas que estas personas necesitan.

Que Dios bendiga a todos los que colaboraron y se los multiplique. En nombre de estos niños les damos las gracias.

Los queremos y los extrañamos mucho.

pd: perdón por escribir en español, pero así puedo decir lo que siento.



(The following is my "loose" translation. Janell)

Dear Janell:

What a blessing to know that your church has been able to collect (money) for the victims of the Volcano Fuego. We are going to buy medicines, bandages and other items that are needed for the children that are still in the hospital recuperating from their burns.

You collected \$437 x the Q7.50 exchange rate of the quetzal. That gives us Q3,277.50 which is a considerable amount to buy medicine that the people need. Thank God for all of you and the multiplier of the quetzal. In the name of the children we send you thanks.

We miss you very much.

P.S I am sorry to write in Spanish, but I wanted to say how I felt

SEPTEMBER SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	2	9	16	23	30
	Communion		Communion		
Worship Leader	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul	Pastor Paul		
Liturgy Assistant	Joel	TBD	Joel	Donelle	TBD
Communion Assistant	Rick		Wilma		
Communion Bread	Elinor		Elinor		
Organist	Don	Don		Don	
Pianist	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	Olinda	
Altar Guild	Alice		Claudia		
Readers	Jesse	Claudia	Sharill	Elaine	Mindy
Ushers	Lloyd	Jesse	Don	Niles	
Greeters	Marilyn	Janell	Linda	Janell	Carolyn
Stewards	Lloyd/Erich	Claudia/ Janell	Don R/Jack	Don M/ Rick	Lloyd/Erich
Fellowship	Marilyn	Picnic Lions Pavillion		Carol	

To provide refreshments for Fellowship, please sign up on the white board by the kitchen window or call Janell, 835-3928 to say you can help! Volunteers are needed to usher and greet. Help your congregation by offering your time.

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All Saints Special Occasions for September

Birthdays:

Baptismal Birthdays: 9/5 Carol Martinson 9/18 Joyce Jensen

Anniversaries: 9/11/1982 Niles and Janell Riese



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**Please notify Pastor Paul if you or someone
in your family is entering the hospital or needs pastoral care**

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