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Grace to you and Peace in the Name of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

I know it's June still and not the fourth of July. But I wanted to get a point across. When Uncle Sam says, "I want YOU". He's, of course, calling people to something bigger than himself. Jesus does the same, and I thought about finding a similar picture of Jesus with a stern look saying "I want you". But the more I thought about it, it seemed slightly irreverent. So I nixed the idea.

But we are being called. Led by the Spirit, we are being called to follow Jesus. And in this case, the call is quite specific. Each of us is being called to participate in the Farming Church Vision Idea Generation Groups that we have been offering during the Sunday School hour. In these meetings we look at some basic ideas about the Kingdom of God in the here and now, and what OSLC's role is in that. We tried meeting other times, no one bit. We managed to get in two sessions during the Sunday School hour with really great success. Good ideas, good uses of the time, good understanding of what this congregation has to offer. So those two with the one the council conducted means a total of three. It's simply not enough.

I will be offering up two more opportunities on Sundays, June 12th and 19th at 9:15 to join us. You don't have to be an official member. There is nothing to vote on. We are just counting that the Holy Spirit may work through you to have a glimpse of our vision for the future.

OSLC NEWS & NOTES



ELDERBERRIES

DEDICATION OF CROSS AND PAINTING

A dedication of the exquisite cross and painting created by Bob Graham was held Sunday, April 28. These one of a kind creations were given by the Mabel Miller family. Thank you to the family and to Bob Graham for sharing his God-given talents and love for Our Saviour Lutheran Church and its members.



FIFTH SUNDAY SERVICE AND PATRIOTIC LUNCHEON

The Worship Service for June 30 will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 am. In anticipation of next year's 25 anniversary of the beloved hymnal, *With One Voice*, our worship will be service music and hymns exclusively from that hymnal. Following the service, there will be a July 4th celebration of hot dogs with all the fixings and a sing-a-long of patriotic songs. You can also show your patriotism by wearing red, white, and blue (casual, of course).

Mark your calendars to attend this special Worship Service and celebration luncheon and invite your family and friends to join us also.

Also bring LOTS of loose change. We will have our first noisy offering to help defray Operation Christmas Child shipping costs.



On May 16, the Elderberries were treated to a delightful meal of curry chicken, garlic rice, a vegetable medley, and banana/jack fruit spring rolls prepared by our hand bell director and friend, Melodie Capole, and her sous chefs Hannah Havens, Kay Black, Linda Hill, and Elizabeth Shealy. Melodie is from the Philippines and explained to the group that the meal they were about to eat



was an authentic Filipino meal made from all fresh ingredients. She explained that her grandmother had taught her to cook using only fresh ingredients. She used various spices along with fish sauce and oyster sauce in making her spread for the vegetables. Melodie lost her grandmother two years ago, but everyone agreed that she would have been very proud of Melodie's cooking skills.

Plans are to have Melodie come to our September 19th meeting to discuss her life in the Philippines, how she learned English, and how she came to the US and became involved in the military.



Is there is something I can do to get you to sign up? Bribe you. Shame you. Cajole you. Name it. We have embarked on a two year process that has these meetings as its lynchpin.

I get the feeling that the prevailing attitude is “meh” rather than “I have SOOOOO wanted to come, but haven’t been able. If your feeling has been the latter and you still cannot make the 12th or the 19th, let me know and we’ll set a private appointment.

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Lance



COMMUNICATION REMINDER

You on Facebook? Follow us on Facebook. Got a phone? Make sure your on the Calling Post. Have an email address? If you aren’t getting the Evine, we don’t have it—please provide. Not getting the Grapevine? Well, I guess you won’t see this. (We’ll run this in the announcements for a while).

JUNE MINISTRIES

FLOWERS

June 2 *Gary & Kay Black*

9 *Sandy Graham*

19 **Need Volunteer*

23 **Need Volunteer*

30 *Bill & Linda Hill*

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

June 2 *Howard Hughes*

9 *Marie Lybrand*

16 **Need Volunteer*

23 *David Griffith*

30 *Gail Marcum*

JUNE

S.S. SUPERINTENDENT

Barney Keitt

NURSERY MONITOR

Kay Black

USHERS

Chief *Chris Boland*

Beth Boland

Jason Powell

ALTAR GUILD

Caroline Raszewski
& **Need Volunteer*

ACOLYTE

**Need Volunteer*

CRUCIFER

**Need Volunteer*
(6/9 and 6/16)

OFFERING PICKUP

Frank Yonce

TELLERS

Beth Cleland &
**Need Volunteer*

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Bill Aull

GREETERS

Wayne & Marie
Lybrand
Gail Marcum

Chris & Beth Boland

Robin Henderson

**Need Volunteer*

LAY READERS

Howard Hughes

Wayne Lybrand

**Need Volunteer*

David Griffith

Bill Hill

JULY

Isma Boland

Isma Boland

Gail Marcum

Steve Nivens

Isma Boland

Wayne & Marie
Lybrand

Henry Henderson

None needed

Albert Drafts

Horace Meetze &
Doris Wessinger

Jason Powell

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Ann Satterwhite, Council Secretary
May 2019

- 6,280 was pledged to Lutheran Services Carolinas.
- Food gift cards were sent to our seven college students during exam time to let them know they are in our thoughts and prayers.
- The beautiful cross and painting created by Bob Graham, and given by the Mabel Miller family, was dedicated on April 28, 2019.
- The Building Maintenance and Property Improvement (BMPI) Team recommended repairs/maintenance for the outside painting of the church, repair of windows in the Sanctuary and Bell Room; roof repairs; and lighting replacement in the Sanctuary. The total will be \$24,438.48. Council approved and a Called Meeting of the Congregation was held on May 19, 2019 for approval of these expenditures. The recommendation from Council to expend these funds from the BMPI fund was unanimously approved.
- June 30th will be the next "Fifth Sunday Service" and will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Special Music and a patriotic luncheon will follow the service.
- Graduation Sunday will be on June 2nd to honor Claire and Adam Fingerlin.

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

From April 28-May 26

Sunday School— 20

Sunday Worship— 57

NOT YOUR USUAL GRAPEVINE ARTICLE

Jennifer Kitchens, daughter of the late Craig Jumper, approached the church last month. As she is handling the estate after Margaret Jumper's passing, she has found that Margaret and Craig own two burial plots at Woodlawn Cemetery. As Woodlawn still possesses its own plots to sell, they are not interested in buying them back. Please pass this information to anyone you feel may be interested. Description and pricing follow:

Woodridge Memorial Park
138 Corley Mill Rd, Lexington, SC 29072
2 spaces: Evergreen 2, Lot 142, Spaces 3&4 , Monarch vaults

Seller will pay the \$150 transfer fee. Seller can not split. Both plots & vaults have to be purchased.
Price \$4500.00, Current value of Woodridge lots--\$8880.00

Contact Jennifer Kitchens 910-6190-7467
jenniferkitchens@mac.com

Summer is upon us and circles will either not be meeting or meeting for socializing. Hope to have more in August as school begins and schedules change. Please be thinking about possible leadership possibilities as your current officers agreed to serve this second term for only one more year. If you have any suggestions or are interested yourself, please contact any of the following officers:

2019 Officers w/contact info:

President Linda Griffith

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(phanfland@gmail.com) 348-2820

Treasurer Ann Satterwhite

(annsatterwhite2@gmail.com) 530-6249

Secretary Kelly Heid

(kheid@sc.rr.com) 312-2706

A nominating committee will be named soon; therefore, if you are willing to serve, please contact Linda Griffith. Would like to request one member from each circle.

I really appreciate Beverly, Rebecca, and Kay stepping up and attending our Synodical Convention at St. Stephen/Lexington in June. We'll be making a report on our attendance in the July Grapevine.



2019 OSLC-WELCA Calendar

June 7-8 SC-WELCA Synodical Convention
St. Stephen (119 N Church Street,
Lexington)

October 6 **NOTE....this will probably be**
changed since this is HOMECOMING
SUNDAY

*3-5 PM Joint Circle Meeting (Officers Elected)
Devotion/Prayer-Lydia
Refreshments-Cameron

October 20 OSLC-WELCA Sunday

December 1 11:45 AM Executive Board
Meeting immediately following
Worship Service (Circle Leaders
with Unit Officers)

Opening Prayer: Isma Boland

CIRCLES MEET

Cameron – 2nd Monday at 10 AM at the Church

Lydia – 2nd Monday at 6 PM at member home

Rebekah – 1st Monday at 10 AM at Church

CAMERON CIRCLE

We will not meet during the summer. Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 9.

COMMEMORATION PROFILES

Ruth Nicholson

The Lutheran Church, as part of its worship, celebrates the lives of notable Christians of the past. Our hymnal provides a calendar (pp. 15–17) for us to follow which recognizes these individuals on the anniversary of their deaths.



June 1

**Justin, martyr at Rome
(c.100 - c.165)**

Born into a pagan family of Samaria, Justin became a devoted student of philosophy. His search for truth resulted in his conversion to Christianity, after which he taught at Ephesus and Rome and wrote treatises in defense of his religion. He and several of his students were denounced in Rome as Christians. When they refused to make a pagan sacrifice, they were beheaded.

June 5

**Boniface, Bishop of Mainz,
missionary to Germany, martyr
(680-754)**

Born an Englishman, Boniface is remembered best in Germany, for it is there that most of his life's work took place. As a young priest, Boniface went to Rome to ask the pope's permission to be a missionary to the German people. He spent the rest of his life preaching and setting up church organization there. He died at the hands of pagans during a missionary journey among the Frisians.

June 9

**Columba, Aidan, and Bede,
renewers of the church**

Columba (c.521 -597), Aidan (died 651), and Bede (673-735) kept Christianity and learning alive in the British Isles during the Dark Ages. A nobleman from Donegal, Columba founded churches and monasteries in his native Ireland before establishing a monastery on the island of Iona near Scotland. From that location he and his followers accomplished the conversion of Scotland. Aidan, also Irish by birth, was sent from Iona to the island of Lindisfarne. From there he made many journeys to do mission work on the English mainland. It is said that he died of grief after the murder of his Christian friend and patron, King Oswald of Northumbria. Bede, often referred to as "the Venerable Bede," was one of the finest English scholars of his time. He wrote on many subjects but is best remembered as the author of Ecclesiastical History of the English People. Unlike Columba and Aidan, Bede never traveled far from his home monastery. His religious writings include the Latin words of ELW #393 ("A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!").

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Faith, Mt Tabor, and OSLC are joining forces again for a great VBS series, ROAR! The program will be July 21st to 25th. Nightly schedule will be:

5:15 Dinner

5:40 VBS for kids begins

6:20 Adult VBS begins

7:20 Adult VBS ends

7:40 VBS for kids ends

Pastor Lance will be leading the adult series. If you have children, grandchildren, neighborhood kids to invite Registration forms are in the Cameron Hallway. There is also a sign-up sheet for the adults. Particularly important to sign up if you plan on enjoying the meals.

GRAPEVINE QUIZ

(Answers on page 10)

Whew! It real hot real fast around here. We hope you'll be able to get in some time at beautiful Lake Murray sometime soon. (Or another body of water for our more distant readers!). Bodies of water sounds like a good quiz topic. Let's splash on in!

1. Genesis 2 describes a single river that flows out of Eden that splits into 4 rivers. Two of these rivers we still talk about today. What are they? (Pick two)

A. Tigris
B. Nile
C. Euphrates
D. Double Hump-i-Crooked Letter-Crooked Letter-i-...
2. Joshua 1 refers to the "Great Sea". What do we call that body of water today?

A. The Atlantic Ocean
B. The Persian Gulf
C. The Mediterranean Sea
D. Quail Hollow Swim Club
3. In that same chapter, the Israelites pass through another body of water, like they did in Exodus. What is its name?

A. The River Jordan
B. The Sea of Reeds
C. The Dead Sea
D. Soggy Bottom Creek
4. Jesus walks on water in Matthew 14 (and in other Gospel accounts). What body of water is it? (It is NOT listed in the chapter, but you should know this)

A. The Dead Sea
B. The River Jordan
C. The Sea of Galilee
D. Lake Murray, of course!

5. In Acts 28, Paul and other prisoners are being transported by sea. There is a shipwreck. They land on an island and Paul has another misfortune. What happens?

A. He's bit by a snake
B. He's stung by a scorpion
C. He's challenged to a fight
D. He loses his scratch-off Lotto cards

BONUS: Based on the Italian River, someone becoming or returning to this Christian Faith tradition is said to be "crossing the Tiber". What tradition is it?

ELCA PRESS RELEASES



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

- 4/29 Statement from ELCA presiding bishop addresses synagogue shooting
- 5/09 Lorna Halaas elected bishop of the ELCA Western Iowa Synod
- 5/16 Laurie Larson Caesar elected bishop of the ELCA Oregon Synod
- 5/17 Michael Rinehart re-elected bishop of the ELCA Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod

THANK YOU

Our Saviour Families,

Thank you so much for the beautiful Easter Lily and also the Christmas and Valentine bags of “goodies.” Thanks so much for remembering me.

Love & God Bless,
Marie Shealy

Pastor Henderson,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to assist in paying for our school lunches for the students. This is such a blessing to all of us. We cannot thank Our Saviour Lutheran Church enough. You guys make us so happy.



SRAA

Dear Fellow WELCA Retreaters,

Thank you for including us on your Spring Retreat to Isle of Palms in May. It was a lot of fun! It was one of the most eventful and memorable weekends for both of us. We know, what happened on the retreat stays on the retreat.

With many thanks,
Melodie and Hannah

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all the cards and phone calls I received after my surgery. Each one of them helped to brighten my day.

Also, I want to thank WELCA and members of the congregation for the delicious meals that were brought to me.

I thank Pastor Lance for his visits and prayers.

Delores Hopkins.

Dear Our Saviour,

Thank you for the gift card that you sent at the time of final exams. That was very thoughtful and kind.

Hannah Havens



LUTHERAN SERVICES CAROLINA UPDATE

We asked, you gave—seems to be a theme around here. Thank you for all those who pledged or gave outright gifts to the Lutheran Services Carolina Capital campaign. In total this congregation is supporting this ministry to the tune of \$6280! Thank you, OSLC!

MORE OSLC NEWS & NOTES



RAZBERRIES

Don and Patsy Horton will be hosting this month's Razzberries' monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. on June 8th at Zorba's Restaurant in Irmo. It is located in the Seven Oaks Shopping Center at the corner of St. Andrews Road and Bush River Road. Please call Don Horton at 606-1514 or email at donh227@sc.rr.com no later than Wednesday June 5th so that reservations can be confirmed at the restaurant. We are looking forward to another great get together with no business being discussed. Anyone wishing to join us will be welcome to attend. Just let Don know. See y'all on and before the 8th of June.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



We are starting off early this year collecting items for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. We will be highlighting different types of items each month, between now and November.

For June we are collecting "TOYS." Examples are: small stuffed toys, balls, beads, dolls, ribbons, miniature cars and trucks, yoyos. Remember these have to fit in a "shoebox" size container, along with many other items. A collection box will be in the Cameron Hallway.

Many of these items can be purchased at Dollar Stores and at Walmart. Look for bargains!

We will do noisy offerings on June 30th and then again in November to help with shipping costs of the shoeboxes. So start saving your change now!

Our 2019 goal is to pack 150 shoeboxes. If you need a personal shopper, see Loleta Keitt.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

There will be no community lunch in June, July, and August. We will resume in September.

LUTHERAN MEN

Lutheran Men will not meet during the summer. Our next meeting will be in August.

GOD'S HELPING HANDS

God's Helping Hands has a need for jello, peanut butter, and crackers. In addition, there is a need for sugar, canned peas, juice, and toothpaste. Items may be brought to the church and placed in the boxes which are located in the Cameron Hallway.

SAVE THE DATE

Welcome/Welcome Home Sunday will be October 6, 2019. You all know what a great time this celebration is—great worship, wonderful fellowship, and long tables full of delicious food. Please make sure you have this date on your calendar as we gather together to give thanks to God for the history, life, and future of this congregation.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those listed below have special prayers needs at this time. We keep the entire congregation in our prayers at all times, but sometimes special prayers are needed. If your name is on the list or you have added someone's name and they no longer need to be on the list, please contact the church secretary so the name can be removed.

Inez Black
Isma Boland
Lindsey Capps
(niece of Barney & Loleta Keitt)
Greg Chapman
Jeannie Chapman
Dolores Hopkins
Beth Martin Koin
(friend of Barney & Loleta Keitt)
Merna Long
Anne Moye

Mary Riddle
(sister of Jeannie Chapman)
Marie Shealy
(Morningside Ret Ctr., Apt. 131)
Danny Stocker
(son of Mary Stocker)
Blair Tidmarsh
(son-in-law of Jeannie Chapman)
Heyward & Doris Wessinger

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Melba Murphy	6/02
Lucy Hughes	6/09
Steve Rucker	6/10
John Satterwhite	6/10
Sue Drafts	6/16
Susan Bush	6/17
Ruth Nicholson	6/17
Gerry Wiedemann	6/17
Barney Keitt	6/19
Justin Taylor	6/26
Bill Hill	6/29

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Gary & Kay Black	6/01
Heyward & Doris Wessinger	6/03
Meredith & Beth Cleland	6/25

Please Note: if there are any errors or omissions in birthdays or anniversaries, notify the church office. We want to make sure our records are correct.

GRAPEVINE ARTICLES

If you have articles, reports and/or pictures that you or your group would like printed in the next Grapevine, please send them to the Church Office on or before Monday June 24.



ANSWERS: 1, A. Tigris & C. Euphrates; 2, C. The Mediterranean Sea; 3, A. The River Jordan; 4, C. The Sea of Galilee; 5, A. He's bit by a snake; BONUS: Roman Catholicism

MAY PICTURES



WELCA RETREAT



Rebekah Circle enjoying their May Lunch Outing at Cafe Strudel in Lexington, Monday, May 13, 2019



Silent angels breakfast at SRAA

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 21st—July 25th

See inside on page 6 for Details!

This epic African Adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life!

