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Grace and Peace to you from God our Father and Our Lord, Jesus Christ!

I came across something interesting in my reading while preparing for Vacation Bible School. We were going to be talking about the Blessed Virgin Mary and I wanted to make sure the class understood that, as Lutherans, we have a good understanding about how we treat Mary and all the other Saints. The Twenty-first Article of the Augsburg Confession titled “Concerning the Cult of Saints” is our go-to reference for that. So I looked it up.

Now Charles V, Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire, had a problem. Luther’s teachings had been gaining traction over the past decade and the split between the Roman Catholics and the then-called Evangelical Church was creating a problem of disunity in the Empire. And Charles V did not need a divided Empire. He was fighting off the invading Ottoman Empire, and he needed a united Empire to do it well. So he called the Catholics and the Evangelicals (that’s what the early Reformers called themselves) together so that the Evangelicals could present in a formal way what it is they really believe. His hope was that the differences might get ironed out in some way. (They didn’t.)

So in their presentation on the Saints, the Evangelicals said, “Concerning the cult of saints [our churches] teach that saints may be remembered in order that we imitate their faith and good works according to our calling. Thus, the emperor can imitate the example of David in waging war to drive the Turks [Ottoman Empire] from our native land.”

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OSLC NEWS & NOTES



ADVENT SUNDAY SCHOOL

If you missed our Adult Vacation Bible School with Mt Tabor and Faith, don't worry. Pastor Lance's class on the themes and art of the Four Feasts of the Incarnation—The Annunciation, The Visitation, The Nativity and the Epiphany—will be given this coming Advent during the Sunday School Hour. Even if you are not a regular participant in the Sunday School Program, please make plans to attend. Here is just a small fraction of the art presented.



ATTENTION ALL LADIES OF OSLC

Hope you can join us to honor Elizabeth Satterwhite and celebrate her upcoming marriage in October to Parker Johnson.

A vertical invitation card for a Bridal Shower Brunch. The top and bottom are decorated with white hydrangea flowers. The text is centered on a dark background. It reads: "Join us for a BRIDAL shower BRUNCH honoring ELIZABETH SATTERWHITE Saturday, August 3rd | 11:00 am Fellowship Hall | Our Saviour Lutheran Church 1500 Sunset Boulevard West Columbia, South Carolina Lovingly hosted by Church Friends Regrets only: (803) 397-0503 mlybran@aol.com Elizabeth is registered at Bed Bath & Beyond and Crate & Barrel".

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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.

That last sentence got me thinking. First of all, it is true. The Emperor can imitate David in defending his people and land from invasion. But it's also a nice little bit of trying to curry some favor with the Emperor by making him look like the greatest king Israel ever had.

There's a LOT of talk about division and people wanting to use religion in politics one way or another. And whether you say "Jesus would feel this way about transgendered people" or "Jesus would feel that way about the border", then somebody comes back and says to you to keep religion out of politics and the fighting goes on.

What's my point? I'm not sure. It's something along the lines of this. People are divided. Often are. Politics matters. Religion matters. We are complicated beings. Don't let it get you down. God's Spirit was there at the Augsburg Confession. And God's Spirit is with us today. It's all okay.

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Lance



AUGUST MINISTRIES

FLOWERS

Aug 4 *David & Linda Griffith*
 11 *Howard & Sandra Hughes*
 18 **Available Dan & Pam*
 25 *Hanfland*

GREETERS

Gary & Kay Black
Steve & Beverly Nivens
Sylvia Ford
Robin Henderson

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Aug 4 *Isma Boland*
 11 *Gail Marcum*
 18 *Gail Marcum*
 25 *Caroline Raszewski*

LAY READERS

Kelly Heid
Caroline Raszewski
Sylvia Ford
Marie Lybrand

AUGUST

S.S. SUPERINTENDENT

Barney Keitt

SEPTEMBER

**Need Volunteer*

NURSERY MONITOR

Sue Drafts

Kay Black

USHERS

Chief Gary Black

**Need Volunteer*

Jim Garner

Jason Powell

Bill Hill

Wayne Lybrand

ALTAR GUILD

Kay Black & Rebecca Fingerlin

Isma Boland & Melba Murphy

ACOLYTE

Jason Powell

Isma Boland

OFFERING PICKUP

Jim Garner

Loleta Keitt

TELLERS

Theresa Garner & Beth Cleland

**Need Volunteers*

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Bill Hill

Frank Yonce

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Ann Satterwhite, Council Secretary

NO REPORT

NO COUNCIL MEETING IN JULY

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

From June 31-July 28

Sunday School—21

Sunday Worship—64

MINISTRIES TO FILL

We are more than halfway through the year. It is a good time now that you have a better understanding of the rest of your 2019 to see if you can meet your congregation's needs.

Sunday School Superintendent

September

October

January 2020

Tellers

September (2 needed)

November (1 needed)

December (2 needed)

Ushers

September (chief needed)

December (1 needed)

January 2020 (1 needed)

Flowers

August 18

September 29

October 6

October 20

November 24

December 1

December 8

Lay Readers

October 27

December 29

Worship Assistants

September 1

September 22

September 29

October 27

December 24

December 29

January 5, 2020

January 26, 2020

Greeters

November 24

December 24

December 29

Acolyte

September

October

December

January 2020

School will begin soon and Claire and Adam will be off to college. Where did this summer go?

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First, let's thank Caroline Raszewski (chair/Lydia); Elizabeth Shealy (Cameron); and Jean Hopkins (Rebekah) for volunteering to serve on the Nominating Committee this year. They will be approaching members asking for their prayerful consideration to serve as an officer of OSLC's WELCA for 2020. The four of us currently serving have served a three year term and need a break. Please consider serving when asked or call one of the committee members and let them know YOU ARE WILLING TO SERVE! How great would that be if four ladies just volunteered!!!!

I hope all of you who have e-mail received your color copy of The Ripple with the total Convention coverage! If not, let me know and I'll get you a copy. Again, thanks to Beverly, Rebecca, Claire, and Kay for attending! Hope you'll consider attending next year!

As the Circles begin to organize for the fall, please let me know when I might be able to attend one of your meetings before I go out of office. It's been a pleasure serving as your president!

2019 OSLC-WELCA Calendar:

- 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 9 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 the church



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.



August 11 **Clare, Abbess of San Damiano** **(1194-1253)**

Born into the Italian nobility, Clare rejected two offers of marriage, choosing instead a life of poverty and piety. It was after St. Francis preached in her home town that Clare, at age eighteen, left her family to seek a less worldly life. Francis found a refuge for her with Benedictine nuns, and soon Clare helped to establish a new Franciscan women's community near the church of San Damiano in Assisi. The new order, known as The Order of Poor Ladies, or The Poor Clares, was devoted to prayer and austerity. The pope gave the Clares permission to live entirely on alms given to them, with no property of their own. Clare led them resolutely for forty years and inspired other women of her time to lives of religious devotion.

August 14 **Maximilian Kolbe, martyr** **(1894-1941)**

Son of poor Catholic parents in Russian-occupied Poland, Raymond Kolbe entered a Franciscan seminary at age sixteen and took the name Maximilian. Further studies

Rome led to his ordination as a priest in 1918. Father Kolbe returned to Poland to teach at a seminary, and in 1927 he founded a monastery near Warsaw on land donated by a Polish prince. In the 1930's Father Kolbe established another monastery in Nagasaki, Japan, which survived World War II and still serves as a Franciscan center. After the Nazi invasion of Poland, Father Kolbe and his fellow Franciscans sheltered refugees, many of them Jews. The Nazis arrested Father Kolbe in 1941, imprisoned him in Warsaw, and later moved him to Auschwitz. Following a prisoner's escape in July, 1941, the concentration camp authorities ordered ten men to be starved to death in retaliation. When one of those, a married man with children, pleaded for mercy, Father Kolbe volunteered to take his place among the ten. After several weeks of starvation, he was executed by lethal injection. Pope John Paul II's official declaration of Father Kolbe's sainthood was witnessed by the man whose life he had saved at Auschwitz.

August 14 **Kaj Munk, martyr** **(1898-1944)**

Orphaned at age six, Kaj Munk was adopted by Christians who made sure that he got a good education. He became a Danish Lutheran pastor and served a very small parish, but his influence spread throughout Scandinavia. In his plays, sermons, and patriotic writings, Munk predicted the victory of Christian faith over adversity. The Danish resistance movement circulated his writings to encourage opposition to Hitler. The Nazis arrested Munk in 1944, and he was found shot to death soon after. His martyrdom only added to the determination of those resisting German aggression.

GRAPEVINE QUIZ

(Answers on page 10)

If you were at VBS, you learned that one time astrology worked—when the Magi saw the star. Not really looking to promote astrology here, but “Happy Birthday” to the Leos. Lions are our quiz this month.

1. In Judges 14, Samson kills a lion and a strange thing happens to its remains. What happens?
 - A. Bees build a hive in the carcass.
 - B. Ants strip the carcass to bones in a day.
 - C. Birds take it away piece by piece.
 - D. This question is gross.
2. In 1 Samuel 17, David tells this man that he has fought lions and bears and that qualifies him to fight Goliath.
 - A. His father Jesse
 - B. His brother Abinadab
 - C. His king Saul
 - D. Tucker Carlson
3. Fill in the blank from Ecclesiastes 9. “But whoever is joined with all the living has hope, for a living ____ is better than a dead lion.”
 - A. Lion
 - B. Dog
 - C. Tree
 - D. What?
4. In 1 Peter 5, Peter writes a warning that this entity is prowling around like a lion wanting for someone to devour.
 - A. The devil
 - B. Sin
 - C. Opportunity
 - D. Tigger

5. Revelation 5 is where the title “the Lion of Judah” is ascribed to this person. Who is it?

- A. The apostle John
- B. The seventh Angel
- C. Jesus
- D. Simba from the Lion King

BONUS: Based on passages from Ezekiel and Revelation, each Gospel is assigned an animal as its symbol—which Gospel is symbolized by the Lion?



ELCA PRESS RELEASES



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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- 7/25 New hymn selected for “God’s work, Our hands,” Sunday
- 6/19 Michael Lozano elected bishop of the ELCA Northwestern Pennsylvania Synod
- 6/18 Leila Ortiz elected bishop of the ELCA Metropolitan Washington, D.C. Synod

THANK YOU

Pastor Lance & OSLC Family,

Heyward and I want to thank all of you for the many acts of kindness and love shown to us during our unexpected time in the hospital and our recovery. Your cards, calls, visits, and the delicious foods were so appreciated. We still feel your concern and prayers. Thank you!

Pastor Lance, your visits and prayers were very special and we want to thank all of you for the warm welcome back. What a Blessing!

Heyward & Doris

Dear Our Saviour Friends,

Your thoughts and prayers for me during my heart and cancer surgery are greatly appreciated.

God Bless,
Danny Stocker



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.

In August we are collecting "Clothing for Girls & Boys." Examples are: socks, T-shirts, underwear, small blankets, etc. 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 a noisy offering again on September 29 and again on December 1 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.

MORE OSLC NEWS & NOTES



LUTHERAN MEN

The biggest meeting of the Lutheran Men in Mission is "Ladies Night" at Shealy's Bar-B-Q in Batesburg-Leesville.

Date: August 20th

Time: 12 noon (Please note the time change)

All men of the church are invited and bring our special lady with you.

RAZBERRIES

Razberries will meet Saturday, August 10th, at 6:30 p.m. at The Kingsman Que and Brew, 924-C East Main Street (Augusta Highway) in Lexington. Howard and Sandra Hughes will serve as hosts for this month's get-together. Please RSVP to Sandra at 803-622-6191 or smhughes@sc.rr.com no later than Wednesday, August 7th, so reservations can be confirmed at the restaurant. All are welcome to join us!

GOD'S HELPING HANDS

God's Helping Hands has a need for flour, vegetable oil, jelly, and boxed Mac & Cheese. Items may be brought to the church and placed in the boxes which are located in the Cameron Hallway.

MEMORIALS AND GIFTS

Below is an updated list of the needs/wishes of the Church to assist families with memorial/gift donations in memory/honor of loved ones.

- Commercial stainless steel sink for kitchen
- Digital, programmable outdoor sign
- Better storage for superfrontal paraments
- Parlor furniture
- Artwork above the upholstered chairs in the narthex
- Hallway lighting fixtures
- Playground expansion and soccer goals
- Shower facilities installed for OSLC to qualify for an emergency shelter site
- Fontanini nativity scene wise men figurines
- Additional stools for the kitchen

Additional suggestions are welcome and should be given to Elizabeth Shealy to share with the M&G Team.

THRIVENT SHOE DRIVE



A new school year is just around the corner. We're teaming up with Samaritan's Feet to host a national Back to School Shoe Drive. Stop by Alan K. Hyatt – Thrivent Financial, 1909C Augusta Highway, Lexington, SC 29072 between August 1-31 and donate a pair of new athletic shoes for children. Short on time? Every \$20 donated will buy one pair of shoes and help a child start the school year with confidence. Questions? Find details at our website connect.thrivent.com/alan-hyatt or contact Dawn Hyatt at dawn.hyatt@thrivent.com or 803-957-3073.

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
Greg Chapman
Jeannie Chapman
Margaret Chapman
(sister of DeLeon Wallace)
Dolores Hopkins
Merna Long

Gwen Matthias
(sister-in-law of Jane Wallace)
Jimmy Moore
(brother of Linda Griffith)
Anne Moye
Marie Shealy
(Morningside Ret Ctr., Apt. 131)
Jerry Turnipseed
(friend of Steve Rucker)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Kelly Heid	8/06
Nikki Setzler	8/07
Jane Wallace	8/09
Robin Blocker	8/10
Herman Shealy	8/17
Gail Marcum	8/18
Elizabeth Urban	8/21
David Griffith	8/23
Marie Shealy	8/23
Loleta Keitt	8/28
Wendy Manos	8/29

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Theresa Garner	8/04
Steve & Beverly Nivens	8/05
Don & Patsy Horton	8/08
Chris & Beth Boland	8/10
David & Linda Griffith	8/11
Howard & Sandra Hughes	8/13
Bill & Linda Hill	8/31

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 August 26.



ANSWERS:
 1, A. Bees build a hive in the carcass; 2, C. His king Saul;
 3, B. Dog; 4, A. The devil; 5, C. Jesus; BONUS: Mark is the
 lion. (Matthew is the human, Luke is the ox, John is the
 eagle.)

JULY PICTURES



Claire and Adam were each presented with a bible. These unique editions were in our narthex for several weeks for members of the congregation to highlight their favorite passage as a sendoff for Claire and Adam



Razberries NC Wine Country Weekend



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Our collection is among the largest non-government archives in South Carolina. It holds over 3,500 cubic feet of records related to Southern and Caribbean Lutheran synods, churches, other organizations, ministers and church staff. In addition to paper collections of manuscripts, reports, blueprints and other materials, we also have microfilm, photographs, artifacts, and various forms of multimedia.



If you are a southeastern Lutheran looking for cool old stuff, please feel free to call us and make an appointment. We are on the road a lot, looking for new additions for our collection, so appointments have proven to work best.

History is made everyday. Come see it at the Crumley Archives.

From the Facebook page of the James R. Crumley Jr Archives