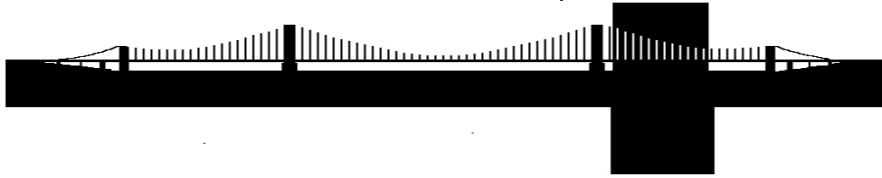


Building Bridges To God



Through the Cross of Christ

The Newsletter Ministry of All Saints Lutheran Church

EQUIPPING
THE
SAINTS

July 2014



Friday, July 4
OFFICE CLOSED



Friday, July 11
Mud Hen's Baseball Game
Sponsored by THRIVENT

Sunday, July 13
Brunch and
Pound Auction
to benefit



Feed Your Neighbor.

LSS Feed Your Neighbor Program.
Hosted by Lady Saints.

PLEASE JOIN US!



Thursday, July 31
FUNdraiser at Max & Ermas
to benefit our
Annual Drive Thru Nativity.
Look inside for more details...

In defining freedom and liberty... July 2014

...it helps to listen to those who are most familiar with their absence.

This month our nation celebrates its independence and all that it means. For some, our national celebration means little more than a day off...grillin' and chillin' with friends and family...maybe watching some fireworks. Fair enough! For others, it involves displaying the flag and watching a parade. Okay.

My personal 'July 4th goal' this year (in addition to the above!) is to read and reflect on our contemporary struggle to be free. And to do that, I instinctively turn to one of our great American Christians – not Thomas Jefferson or George Washington, but a preacher by the name of Martin Luther King, Jr. Listen to his words on achieving freedom:

“In the process of gaining our rightful place, we must not be guilty of wrongful deeds. Let us not seek to satisfy our thirst for freedom by drinking from the cup of bitterness and hatred. We must forever conduct our struggle in the high plane of dignity and discipline.”

Acknowledging that we are never *fully* free, none of us...how do we conduct ourselves in our search for a fuller freedom? Not by depriving others of their liberties (so their lives are forced to fit our definitions and expectations)...but by disciplining ourselves to afford others the dignity that we believe God has granted to each human being.

At the core of our beliefs about God's relationship with his creation lays the understanding that “God so loved the world...” God *dignifies* his creation by redeeming it from death and destruction. God *loves* the world (let's be clear: that includes not only people, but the environment, too!) “...so that he gave his only-begotten Son...” In love, God gives. God doesn't take away (deprive). In love, God provides, shares, nourishes, saves.

Compare that with our human inclination to make others conform to our expectations prior to offering them love or extending the fruits of freedom. From positions of power, we say to others, “*If you do this (and don't do that), I'll give you the freedom you long for.*”

As Christians, we're continually met with situations where we must decide how we will act in the lives of others. I encourage you, this month, to carefully consider how you might love others (starting with your family and those who are closest to you) as God loves the world – extending dignity *and freedom* to all. And in the process, we will honor God, the source of all true liberty. Happy Fourth of July!

In Christ,
Pastor Rich

SPONSORED BRUNCH TO BENEFIT LSS ~ FEED YOUR NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

Lady Saints is sponsoring a Brunch after church on Sunday, July 13, 2014 to benefit the **Feed Your Neighbor** program at Lutheran Social Services of Northwest Ohio. *Lynda Meyer will be our celebrated Auctioneer.*



There will be a “**Pound Auction**” after our brunch. A pound of sugar, bird seed, nails, peanut butter, buttons, crayons, vegetables, candy or ???? – Whatever your clever mind can think up!



We hope you will donate for the fun it will provide. Please sign up on the Poster in the Narthex, or just bring a beautifully or interestingly wrapped gift and join in the fun. You will be able to bid on the wrapped surprises, try to guess the contents, and outbid your friends for the unknown contents!! Remember, it’s for a good cause.



FORUM ROOM MAKE-OVER

The Forum Room will be out of use from July 14-19, as we are having it painted and new flooring put in.

“Sassy Saints”

We are calling ourselves the Sassy Saints and we’d like to invite all the women of the congregation to lunch and fun conversation!

*July 23 at 11:30 a.m. @ Clara J’s
219 W. Wayne St., in Maumee*

Please RSVP to Kathy Yarger by July 21
Hope to see you there!!

CHECK OUT THE BULLETIN BOARD!!

2014 EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AT ALL SAINTS

- Community Garden-Fix Boxes
- Neighborhood Summer Party
- Outside Clean up: Fall
- Hayride
- * Trunk or Treat
- * Christmas Decorations (Inside & out)
- * Drive Thru Living Nativity

Please sign up to help with the planning & implementing of these activities...we need YOU!



"All Saints Drive-Thru Nativity FUNdraiser"

THURS., JULY 31 @Max & Ermas 1391 Arrowhead Rd., Maumee

20% of your sales will go to the Drive Thru Nativity.
Valid on lunch, dinner & carryout.

Thank you for your support!

Please use flyer/ticket below.

★ All Saints Church Living Nativity FUNdraiser ★

Present this ticket to your server and 20% of your sales will benefit the organization listed above

★ **MAX & ERMA'S** ★

Max & Erma's Maumee
1391 Arrowhead Road
419-887-1682

Visit MAXANDERMAS.COM to view our menu & learn about our Good Neighbor Rewards™ program.

Proceed donation does not include gift certificate sales.

MAX & ERMA'S

PRESENTS

★ All Saints Church Living Nativity FUNdraiser ★



**THURSDAY,
JULY 31ST 2014**

20% of your sales will benefit the organization listed above. Valid on lunch, dinner & carryout.

Thank you for your support!

Flyer distribution on Max & Erma's property is prohibited and will result in the forfeiture of your organization's entire donation.



**** Reminder ****

MUD HENS GAME
Sponsored by Thrivent

Friday, July 11

Picnic in The Nest

Fire Works after the game

It's also "Pink in the Park" night so wear PINK!

All Saints Boutique

Since there is no rummage sale this year...

An expanded feature at the Quilt Show... Nov. 8 & 9, 2014!

Save these items for resale ~ (everything in good condition please)
purses, jewelry, scarves, hats, books, "fancy" glassware.
No clothing or items in poor condition.

Bring them to church and place in box under coat rack. If you have
any questions, please call Diana Burkhardt at 419 866-8365 or
Gretchen Schultz at 419 893-1097.



SAVE THE DATE:

December 20 & 21

All Saint's Annual Drive Thru Nativity.

*This year we will have live camels
along with other nativity animals!!*

July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8:30 AA (open)	2 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	3 8:30 AA (closed)	4  Office Closed	5
6 8:30 Prayer 9:00 Adult Forum 9:00 S. S. 10:00 Worship	7 8:30 AA (closed)	8 7:00 Property 8:30 AA (open)	9 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	10 8:30 AA (closed)	11	12 9:00 Lady Saints  <small>Women's Fellowship</small>
13 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Worship Brunch and Pound Auction to support LSS ~ Feed Your Neighbor program	14 8:30 AA (closed)	15 8:30 AA (open)	16 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	17 7:00 Council 8:30 AA (closed)	18	19
20 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Worship	21 7:00 S.O.S. 8:30 AA (closed)	22 8:30 AA (open)	23 11:30 "Sassy Saints" lunch at Clara J's No Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	24 Newsletter put together 8:30 AA (closed)	25	26 9:00  <small>MEN'S BREAKFAST</small>
27 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Worship	28 8:30 AA (closed)	29 8:30 AA (open)	30 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	31 DTN FUNdraiser @ Max & Ermas 20% of your meal sales go to this event. 8:30 AA (closed)		

JULY VOLUNTEERS

READER

July 6 Jim Burkhardt
July 13 Ted Beitelschees
July 20 Rex Yarger
July 27 Sue Merkel

GREETERS

Bev Rose
Cheryl Sopher
Nancy Klawitter
Rosa Linda Brown

COMMUNION PREP/ASSISTANT

July 6 Jim and Diana Burkhardt
July 13 Ted & Julie Beitelschees
July 20 Bill & Judy Reber
July 27 Norm and Sue Merkel

ALTAR

JULY Rose Thomson

COUNTERS

July 6 Rose Thomson & LaVerne Busddieker
July 13 Mary Lou Houle & Janet Caskey
July 20 Rose Thomson & Pat Toepfer
July 27 Judy Reber & Sue Merkel

OFFERING

July 6 Rose Thomson
July 13 Janet Caskey
July 20 Chris Stockmaster
July 27 Norm Merkel

USHERS

July 6 Chris Stockmaster, Hassan Brown Ralph Fritsch
July 13 Bob Krueger, Hassan Brown, Ralph Fritsch
July 20 Bill Reber, Hassan Brown, Ralph Fritsch
July 27 Chris Stockmaster, Hassan Brown Ralph Fritsch



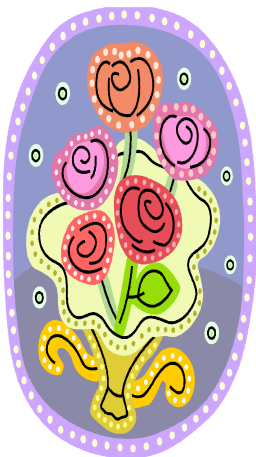
- 7/3 Julie Beitelschees
- 7/6 Lori Case
- 7/7 Donnajean Stockmaster
- 7/21 Chris Stockmaster
- 7/22 Tom Schultz
- 7/27 James Henderson



7/15 John & Irene Weygandt ~ 21 years

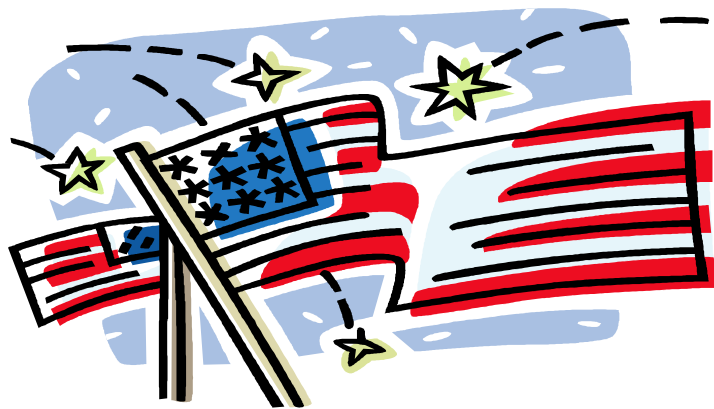
If we've missed your Birthday or Anniversary this month, please notify the office so we can correct our records.

July Altar Flowers



- 6 Judy Mizer
- 13 Open
- 20 Wilma Lupe
- 27 Open

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