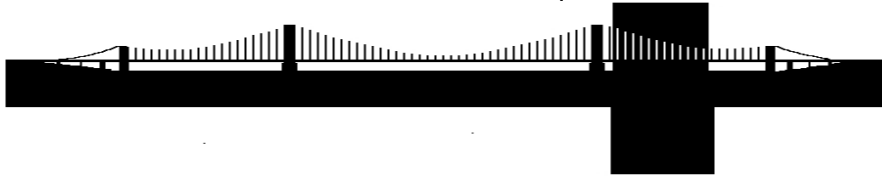


Building Bridges To God



Through the Cross of Christ

The Newsletter Ministry of All Saints Lutheran Church

EQUIPPING
THE
SAINTS

June 2014

This Month at All Saints ...



Pentecost

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 8

Please bring RED Geranium
and wear RED to church
on this day.



COFFEE HOUR

June 8

We will recognize our Graduates
during Coffee Hour.



Sunday, June 15



THRIVENT is sponsoring
a Mud Hen's Baseball
game on Friday, July 11

Look inside for
more details...



How 'big' is your church universe?

We all know that the universe (space) is huge...much larger than any of us can comprehend. We measure distance in space according to time ("light years"). In contrast, our circle of friends and family is miniscule – that 'universe' might consist of a dozen or less people.

What about your 'church universe'? Again, how big is that?

If you're thinking "All Saints Lutheran Church, Toledo OH," where your friends worship with you and we do ministry together, that, too seems pretty small!

I'd like to invite you to stretch your horizons a bit, and begin to think of your 'church universe' as including the entire Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. I know, you could (and should) include the entire Christian church on earth...but that's pretty big. Maybe too big to keep track of!

So let's settle on the ELCA. This is our church family. This is where we identify ourselves as belonging. What do you know about your family?

Here's how you might quickly become acquainted. It involves a little computer searching (don't let that put you off; I'm sure you can find a friend close to home who would work with you on this).

Get online, and search for this website: www.elca.org. From there you can look at 'News and Events,' 'Worth a Look,' 'blogs' (computer-ese for 'web-logs', information listed by any number of authors who are interested in a particular topic), 'Resources,' and 'Presiding Bishop.'

There's also an ELCA Interactive map of the world. You can see what our ELCA folks and friends are doing around the globe. Check out Somalia...South Sudan...Sudan.

Another interesting site is "Living Lutheran." On this site you can find a link to "Ask a Pastor," who will attempt to answer your most profound questions: "How did people get to be so old in the Old Testament?" or "Will we see animals in heaven?" On this site you can see one of my favorites: stories like "Church in the Neighborhood.")

There are also links to other pages, dealing with such things as the 2015 Youth Gathering in Detroit...the next churchwide assembly, scheduled for August 8-13 in New Orleans, LA., and The Lutheran, the award-winning periodical put out monthly by the ELCA.

Did you know that the ELCA is running a major capital campaign? It's called "Always Being Made New," and the ambitious goal is to strengthen the ELCA ministries for years to come (including seminaries...which need lots of help right now!).

This is our 'family,' our 'friends.' We need to get to know one another better, and to stay in touch. Start with the ELCA website, and see where else you can go to get the latest news and information.

Blessed Summer! *Pastor Rich*

COMMUNITY GARDENS

The Community Gardens are coming along nicely. We've decided to put mulch down this year to keep the weeds away so it will look much nicer. A couple of the beds are in need of repair, and that will be taken care of soon.

The care of the gardens will be more church based this time around due to lack of care of quite a few garden plots last year.

We're very excited about the new season and look forward to growing as much as we can and providing "the fruits of our labor" to the community.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

Devyne Brown ~

The Maritime Academy High School

Gail Burkhardt ~

Ohio State
w/Masters in Education

Heidi Driver ~

University of Findlay
w/Masters in Occupational Therapy

Stacey Fritsch ~

Bowling Green University
w/Masters in Arts & Counseling



New day and time for
our weekly Bible Study.

Please join us now on
Wednesday evenings
at 7:00 pm.

The LSS Food Pantry is in need of donations, so on July 13, after the Worship service, the Lady Saints will sponsor a brunch.

If we can collect \$600, Thrivent has agreed to match \$400.00!! So please save this date and help us reach our goal =)



Thrivent Financial is sponsoring a Mud Hens Baseball game on Friday, July 11 for Thrivent members. The cost for members is just \$10 (a \$26 value!!) for a picnic buffet in the Nest, the game, and fireworks following the game!

It is also Pink in the Park night. Order your tickets from your Thrivent advocate. The **deadline for ordering tickets is June 23.** Checks should be made out to West Lucas County Thrivent Financial.

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!!



2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30 Prayer 9:00 Adult Forum 9:00 S. S. 10:00 Worship	2 8:30 AA (closed)	3 8:30 AA (open)	4 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	5 8:30 AA (closed)	6	7
8 Pentecost Sunday 8:30 Prayer 9:00 Adult Forum 9:00 S. S. 10:00 Worship Coffee Hour	9 8:30 AA (closed)	10 8:30 AA (open)	11 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	12 8:30 AA (closed)	13	14 9:00 Lady Saints 
15 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Worship 	16 7:00 S.O.S. 8:30 AA (closed)	17 6:30 Ragan Woods Block Watch 7:00 Property 8:30 AA (open)	18 No Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	19 7:00 Council 8:30 AA (closed)	20	21 
22 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Worship	23 Deadline to order Mud Hens tickets 8:30 AA (closed)	24 8:30 AA (open)	25 7:00 Bible Study 8:30 AA (open)	26 Newsletter put together 7:00 Strategic Planning mtg. 8:30 AA (closed)	27	28 9:00 
29 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 9:00 Adult Forum 10:00 Worship	30 8:30 AA (closed)					

JUNE VOLUNTEERS

READER

June 1 Gretchen Schultz
June 8 Rick McCann
June 15 Dave Driver
June 22 Donnajean Stockmaster
June 29 Peg Loehrke

GREETERS

Wilma Lupe
Rick & Becky McCann
LaVerne Bussdieker
Pat Toepfer
Judy Mizer

COMMUNION PREP/ASSISTANT

June 1 Gretchen Schultz & Pam Hershberger
June 8 Roger & Lynda Meyer
June 15 Sue Slater & Judy Grimes
June 22 Bob Krueger & Mary Lou Houle
June 29 Ted & Julie Beitelschees

ALTAR

JUNE Chris Stockmaster

COUNTERS

June 1 Rose Thomson & LaVerne Bussdieker
June 8 Mary Lou Houle & Janet Caskey
June 15 Rose Thomson & Pat Toepfer
June 22 Judy Reber & Sue Merkel
June 29 Rose Thomson & LaVerne Bussdieker

OFFERING

June 1 Judy Grimes
June 8 Janet Caskey
June 15 Chris Stockmaster
June 22 Norm Merkel
June 29 Judy Reber

USHERS

June 1 Chris Stockmaster, Hassan Brown Ralph Fritsch
June 8 Bob Krueger, Hassan Brown, Ralph Fritsch
June 15 Bill Reber, Hassan Brown, Ralph Fritsch
June 22 Chris Stockmaster, Hassan Brown Ralph Fritsch
June 29 Bob Krueger, Hassan Brown, Ralph Fritsch



6/3 Eleanor Mizer

6/7 Esther Mauer

6/8 Bonnie Driver
Donna Urie
Julia Sopher

6/14 Rex Yarger

6/15 Dean Roberts

6/16 Judy Mizer

6/23 Amy Merkel

6/24 Jim Burkhardt
Tim Merkel

6/27 Nancy Klawitter



Happy Anniversary!

6/2 Ted & Julie Beitelschees - 24 yrs

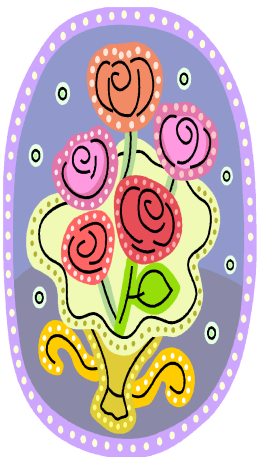
6/15 Roger & Lynda Meyer - 46 yrs

6/19 Hal & Mary Lou Houle - 45 yrs

6/26 Don & Sharon Baacke - 38 yrs

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

June Altar Flowers



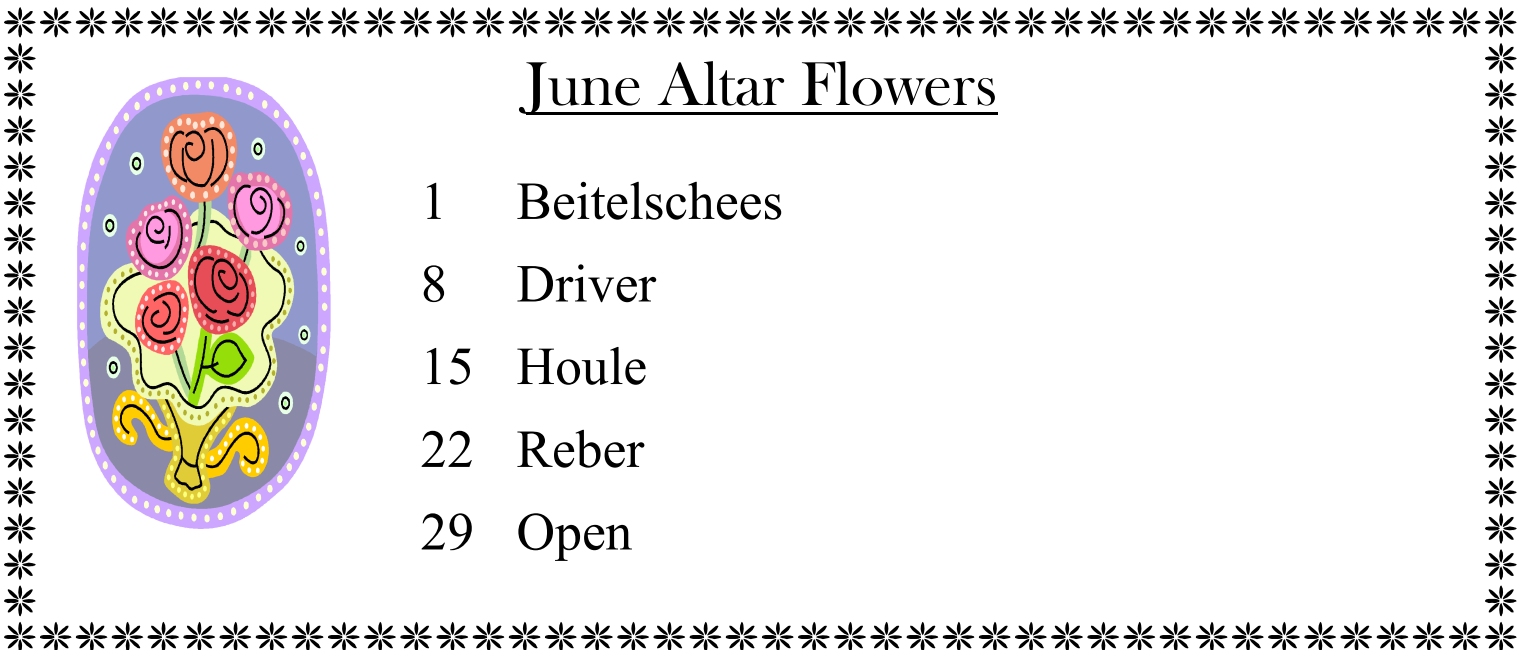
1 Beitelschees

8 Driver

15 Houle

22 Reber

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