



THE LION OF ST. MARK'S

JUNE 2017

A message from Pr. West is elsewhere in the newsletter. Can you find it? Can you find the typo in it? Let him know!



ALL-CHURCH ICE CREAM SOCIAL!



PENTECOST SUNDAY, JUNE 4

We are serving ice cream in the courtyard immediately following the 9:30 service!!

Who's invited? YOU ARE!

Enjoy ice cream cones or sundaes, good conversation, and fellowship.

Awards will be distributed for Sunday School attendance winners!

Milestone Ministry



On Sunday, May 14, four very special couples were held up in prayer during the second service in the Nave and served a special meal in Fellowship Hall afterwards. Why? Because they had attained that special status of being married for 50+ years.

Carl & Audrey Albright, Ron & Grace Arner, Skip & Gloria Greevy, and Wes & Sarah Young were those so honored. They and their children and grandchildren were invited to join them and many came.



At the luncheon, the couples shared pictures of themselves from early in their marriage received framed "Tree of Life" prints and a certificate indicating an improvement, made in their names, at St. Mark's.

ANNUAL ALL-CHURCH PICNIC VENUE CHANGE!

PICNIC LOCATION IS NOW PAVILION #4 IN INDIAN PARK!

The wind storm in May brought a tree down on top of "our" pavilion by the river. Montoursville Chamber quickly called us to offer another venue...Pavilion #4 it is!

This is the big one with "Indian Park" displayed on the side, that you can see from the beltway. Take Park Road one block south (closest to Broad Street) of the Chamber building, then follow the road all the way around to your left.

WE'LL SEE YOU THERE ON JUNE 11TH AT NOON!!

Bring a dish to share, outdoor games (if you wish), a friend, and a hearty appetite!

Church
Picnic



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Council Notes

- The congregation council met on Monday, May 15 in the Crossways room.
- ◆ Election of officers: Harold Hershberger, President; Mel Wentzel, Vice-President; Jackie Kinney, Treasurer; Karen Boone, Secretary
 - ◆ Accepted the minutes with amendments and the reports as presented
 - ◆ Approved the summer worship schedule: Sundays at 9:30 AM, June 4 through September 3, and Saturdays at 6:00 PM, beginning June 3
 - ◆ Agreed to postpone the youth service to a later date in 2017
 - ◆ Briefly discussed the Transition/Call progress.
 - ◆ The Constitution must be updated.

Parish Register

- ✠ The memorial service for Larue B. Dieter, who died January 24, 2017, was held on Sunday, May 7, 2017. Pastor James E. West presided.
- ✠ Hugh O. Byerly, who died May 5, 2017, was interred on May 12, 2017, by Pastor James E. West.

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STAFF OFFICE HOURS

Pastor: The Rev. James West
 Sun-Wed 8 a.m.-1 p.m. & by appointment
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 Sun - Thurs 5:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Parish Musician: Donna Elkin
 Sunday mornings & Thursday evenings
Financial Secretary: Graydon Yearick
 Mon & Wed 8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
Youth & Family: Bernadette Jones
 Wed., Thur., Fri 12—3 p.m.,
 Mon. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m.—1p.m.
Youth & Family: Michele Owen
 M, Tu, W, F 10 a.m.—2 p.m.
Secretary: Laura Schreckengast
 Mon-Fri 9 a.m.—1 p.m.

PRAYER CHAIN



One of the things which we can do as members of the Body of Christ is to support and encourage one another by naming persons and causes in prayer. We do this every Sunday when we are together in worship, and we can do this individually at home as well. We try to have an up to date list of names in the bulletin and the Prayer of the Church, but things happen that don't fit our publication schedule.

Whenever a person or cause needs to be named in prayer, please contact Kathy Kolb at kathy@kolbnetworks.com, and also the church office at stmarks@stmarkswilliamsport.org. Laura in the office will take care of listing the person or cause in bulletin and elsewhere, if it is appropriate to do so. Kathy will pass the names and causes along to persons who volunteer to serve in the Prayer-Chain. Sometimes a reason for the request for prayer may be given, other times only a name – depending on what is appropriate in a given situation. Please send a note to Kathy to become a Prayer-Chain volunteer. Sometimes we can help one another with physical assistance, but every time we can help one another with prayer.

Can you spare a few moments for that?

Lutheran Shared Ministry

LSM is Lutherans from congregations in the greater Williamsport area praying, proclaiming, caring, connecting, sharing, and serving in Christ's name. LSM presents October's School of Religion for adults (25 yrs.), leads the annual Catechetical Retreat for tweens (17 yrs.), and seeks new means of outreach and communication in order to more effectively advance the mission of Christ's church in this community.

LSM meetings are open to leaders and laypersons from our local Lutheran congregations. Their next meeting is Tuesday, July 25, at 6:00 p.m., at St. Luke Lutheran Church.

Acolytes



JUNE SCHEDULE:

June 4	Evan, Makensi, & Jonah
June 11	Grace & Dylan
June 18	Annika & Ashton
June 25	Dawson & Stefan

Creation Corner Column

"Connecting People to Nature" is the theme for the June 5th World Environment Day (WED), encouraging us to personally adopt a motto of "I'm With Nature". Since the 1970s this global platform, and its different yearly theme, has helped raise awareness for taking action on urgent environmental issues, thus safeguarding nature. The question for us is this: Is our natural heritage at the heart of our identity, as a nation, state, county, city, municipality, bioregion, etc.

The WED website www.worldenvironmentday.global provides toolkits, multimedia, news, theme information, etc. The international Environmental Sabbath initiative ("Give Earth a Rest") began in 1985, and was launched by a World Conference of Women. It is raised up yearly the first Sunday of June (June 4, 2017).

DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSIONS TO:

**Please observe these deadlines.
Last minute entries cause delayed printing
and late hours.**



**...Saturday,
June 12th**



**...Sunday,
June 11th**

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Fourth of July Celebration Needs You!

Year after year hundreds of people enjoy our July Fourth celebration on the front lawn and in the Nave. It has grown to be our largest outreach to the community each year. Please consider joining with us as we honor God and country on this special day. Many hands will make for light work.

The Outreach Committee is now collecting needed supplies. Please consider donating any of the following items.

- Bags of individually wrapped candy (Smarties, Tootsie Rolls, Blow Pops, Suckers.)
- Fruit Snacks
- Bags of popping corn
- Bottled water in 8 oz. and 16 oz. sizes
- Lemonade and Ice Tea mix
- Snack size plastic bags
- Trinkets / Kiddie prizes



Money to purchase additional supplies not donated (hot dogs, rolls, condiments, popcorn oil, bags, etc.)

Donated items can be placed in the tub in the Narthex. Checks can be made payable to St. Mark's with the memo line designating July Fourth Celebration. Thank you for any help you can give. Speak to a member of the Outreach Committee to volunteer that day or for additional information.

FAMILY PROMISE HONOR FOR PASTOR (PE)

On May 13, 2017 FAMILY PROMISE OF LYCOMING COUNTY celebrated volunteers and pastors at a pancake breakfast at First United Methodist Church. In attendance from St. Mark's Lutheran Church were Pastor Elkin, Tom and Becky Miller Pryor, Deb Buckman and Tim and Deb Maggs. St. Mark's received a certificate of appreciation. This certificate is in honor of all volunteers at our church who make this program possible.

Pastor Elkin was also recognized for his years of services on behalf of Family Promise and, most recently, his many hours of work on the PROMISE HOUSE the newest FP project. He has spent many hours dry walling, painting, hammering, etc. in order to renovate an older double dwelling located on Park Place. Our church council approved the purchase of a brick bearing the inscription In Honor of Pastor Elkin that will be incorporated into one of the brick walls in the new Promise House.



YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY



This school year is quickly drawing to a close but our St. Mark's young folks are still doing all sorts of things – I have often said our group of younger people is small but mighty!

A case in point Sadie Wentzel has been nominated for a Ray of Light award on May 20 for her performance in "Once Upon A Mattress" – Sadie also performed in Godspell directed by Bernadette Jones. Twin sister Taylor worked backstage for Godspell and is also performing on French horn with the Williamsport Youth Symphony Brass Quintet May 21 at Lycoming College Honors Hall.

Both girls were named to the honor roll at Loyalsock Township along with Grace and Jonah Schreckengast. James Newcomer was listed on the distinguished honor roll at WAHS. Hannah Hausmann was named to the high honor roll and brother Ben was on the honor roll. The high honor roll at Williamsport Area Middle School included Sean Jensen- pretty impressive!

In addition, Hannah Hausmann is a member of the Williamsport HS Odyssey of the Mind Team which will be going to Michigan State Uni-

versity to compete in the World Finals. Their topic is "It's About Time, Omer" – you figure it out – I am baffled but wish Hannah lots of luck in the event.

Owen Gair, our budding Gene Krupa, had the opportunity to play drums with The Exchange, an arts organization from Bloomsburg, when they visited his school – nice work!

One of our more mature members, Charles "Skip" Greevy was awarded the True North Award from North Central Sight Services – the award recognizes his long-standing support and commitment to the agency's mission.

Tomorrow is Mother's Day and I would like to add two personal items –many years ago I attended a Junior League conference in Colorado and Harold took care of the home front – I had been given a keyring as a farewell gift and it said "What is home without a mother?" Pam picked it up, read it and said "A terrible place!"

And finally a quote from an unknown source – "Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while but their hearts forever!"
Happy Mother's Day to all!

– *Joyce Hershberger*



Baseball Fans



ALL FAITHS NIGHTS 2017

In June & July, there are two opportunities for a group from St. Mark's to attend a Crosscutters game at BB&T Ballpark.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 7:05 pm
VS. WEST VIRGINIA

MONDAY, JULY 31, 7:05 pm
VS. WEST VIRGINIA

At \$5 per ticket (savings of \$3) our group would be seated together in Stadium Reserve seating and welcomed on the scoreboard during the game! Discount coupons are included for 10% off all purchase in the Sawmill Team Store.

Sign-up sheets are outside Bernadette's door. You must sign up and have your money to Bernadette by June 11 for the first game and July 23 for the second.



YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY (cont.)

NAVY UPDATE

Jacob Schreckengast is at Boot Camp at Great Lakes, Illinois. He will be graduating on June 23rd.

Mail can be very encouraging through this challenging time. If you want to write, Laura sends him mail every day and will send any notes or cards with her daily letter. Or if you'd like to mail him a letter directly, here is his address (plain envelopes are encouraged!):

SR SCHRECKENGAST, JACOB, K.
SHIP 06 DIV 200
3510 ILLINOIS STREET
GREAT LAKES, IL 60088-3119

FYI: "SR" stands for Seaman Recruit; Ship 06 is not really a ship, it's the barracks where his group lives!

The Schreckengasts appreciate your prayers and support for him!



SUMMER CONFIRMATION

CAMP for our students is held this July 10—12, (Monday—Wednesday).

Our students, Jonah, Ashton, Owen, Amalie, Gabriella, and Elizabeth, will spend three days with Pr. West and Bernadette as they learn more about our Lutheran faith, the Bible, the Holy Land, worship, our community, and St. Mark's, itself.

These three days are always an exciting time around the church, beginning at 8:45 in the morning and ending about 5:00. They enjoy snacks, lunch, and fellowship; go on field trips to St. Anthony's and the American Rescue Workers; finishing on Wednesday with a special event for them, their families and mentors.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Many thanks to everyone who continues to donate items for our OCC collection. Our shoeboxes are on their way to being filled with gifts for boys and girls throughout the world. Take a look at the shoebox in the narthex which is filled with our monthly donations to date ~ activity books, tissues, washcloths, soap, knit hats, sunglasses, stuffed animals, watches, and toothbrushes are a fabulous start to creating a special Christmas memory. A special thank you to Beth Miller who has graciously offered to knit scarves for OCC. They will certainly be a wonderful addition to our shoeboxes. Thank you, Beth!

In June, we are collecting "Activities" ~ jump ropes, yo-yos, matchbox cars, small balls (no super balls please), etc.....

These items may be placed in our red, OCC bin located in the narthex. Thank you for your continued support!



what's cooking

⇒ **Lunch'n'Fellowship:** It's a cook out! If you can, bring a summery dish to go with that and join us on Wednesday, June 21, to share in the fun, food, & fellowship!

⇒ **Cooking Tip:** *From Paula Deen "Remember, y'all, it's all about the prep. Take away the stress by doing the prep the night or day before. You'll look like a star."*

Calling all teens!

Sunday, June 25
at 6 pm

Bring a treat and
join us!



THIS & THAT

FUNDRAISER

On the morning of Tuesday, April 18, the home of Rob (music director at Messiah), Cathy, Annie (student at Penn State), and Ben (WAHS) Byham was completely destroyed by a fire...they lost all their possessions and their dog, as well as their home. Church and friends rallied and had them in an apartment by that night. But, their need goes on. Messiah planned the following event as a fundraiser to meet those needs:

Table Trivia for Rookies Saturday, June 17 6:00 p.m.

Messiah Lutheran Church, 324 South Howard Street, S. Williamsport
(Corner of Howard Street / West Southern Avenue)

\$8 for single player, \$15 per couple

Proceeds benefit the Byham Fire Fund.

Bring your own team of 6 players or come and join one of our teams! Attend for a night of fun and fellowship to raise funds to help the Byham family.



Grace to you and peace,

I enjoy June because it holds so much promise. This is perhaps why so many weddings also happen in June. You might remember, as I do, those endless days of Summer. June is also the month for graduations and giving thanks for dads. There's a lot going on this month.

There is also something new going on. Change is in the air. Like commencement exercises, the Transition Team/Call Committee begins their work of discernment with you. The Committee met for the first time and this was the prayer that began our work together.

From the Lutheran Book of Worship—Evening Prayer, p. 153

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

It is good and right that we begin our work together by trusting in the promises given to us through our Lord. Here is another prayer that is appropriate for the month that we honor fathers. "Abba, Vater. Amen." Here's my translation of it: O God, Happy Father's Day!

Pray for me as I pray for you, always,

in Christ Jesus,

Pastor James West

Postscript: Did you find the typographical error?



OUTREACH MINISTRY

Meal Packaging Success!



The Outreach Committee extends a heartfelt thank you to the congregation and our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the community who donated funds and their time in packaging 20,144 meals on April 29, 2017 that were distributed to the

Central Pennsylvania Food Bank, The New Love Center and Redeemer Lutheran Church at no cost to the people they serve. The Central Pennsylvania Food Bank distributes food to the United Churches Food Bank and other charities in response to ending hunger in our area.

We are grateful for the monetary assistance of the New Love Center at St. John Lutheran in Jersey Shore, the St. Luke Fund at St. Luke Lutheran in Williamsport, Thrivent Financial and countless others who made personal contributions. Wegman's and Frito-Lay donated hot dogs, rolls and snacks that were made available to the volunteers.

Special thanks is given to the many folks at St. Mark's who came in earlier that week to unload three thousand pounds of ingredients for the meals, label bags, tape boxes, set up all the areas for executing the event, donate food, assist in the kitchen, work the five assembly lines for up to two hours, load 93 boxes of meals into trucks and return all areas used to their original purpose.

It was gratifying to see so many members of all ages work together to make this event a success.

We received many compliments on our planning and the ease in which people could navigate our beautiful building. We have been encouraged to host an event again in the future. Please continue to pray for ways in which food insecurity can be addressed in our area and in the world. See the next article for one way you can help.

There is No Vacation from Hunger

Did you know that one in five children in the Greater Williamsport Area is considered food insecure? With schools no longer in session, a burden to provide those extra meals that were eaten at school is placed on food insecure families with children. Summertime sees the Food Bank go into overdrive filling requests for a three-day supply of food.

During the month of June please consider filling a grocery bag with non-perishable food items and placing it in the bins in the Narthex. Any assistance you can give is greatly appreciated by the staff and volunteers of the United Churches Food Bank and the families they serve.

Save the Date

Red Cross Blood Drive

The Outreach Committee in conjunction with the Northcentral Pennsylvania Red Cross will host a blood drive in Fellowship Hall on Friday, July 21, 2017 from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM. More details will be available in upcoming Sunday bulletins and in the July Lion.

Free Community Supper

All Are Welcome



Redeemer Lutheran Church

Thursday, June 8, 2017

5:30 – 6:30 PM

OUTREACH MINISTRY

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS CURRENTLY NEEDED:

Jell-O & Pudding	Tuna Helper	Cake Mix & Frosting
Sugar & Flour	Spaghetti & Sauce	Noodles
Pizza Mix	Macaroni & Cheese	Condiments
Cookies	Pancake Mix & Syrup	Desert Mixes
Beef Stew	Canned Fruit & Juice	Chicken Helper
Soups	Tea/Coffee/Cocoa	Hamburger Helper
Canned Vegetables		Oodles of Noodles

Hours are: 9:30 - Noon
on Mondays for delivery.

Tuesdays/Thursdays from 10-3
clients by appointment only
570-322-1657

Castellano Center 320 Park Ave.,
Williamsport, PA



WE STILL NEED YOUR STUFF!

Summer is getting into full swing and with that come those summer projects of decluttering. If you are finding items you no longer need or want, the Women of St. Mark's will gladly accept them for their Fall Bazaar. Please be sure all donated items are clean, in good condition and working properly. If possible pack your items in small boxes that can be moved easily. Several small boxes are available in the Bazaar Room for your use.

This year's Fall Bazaar will be Saturday, September 9, 2017.

Your help in donating items, setting up Fellowship Hall and working the event will make it a success.

Contact Shirley Hill or Becky Miller Pryor with questions.



Our 24 hour Devotion Line

is available to encourage you in your relationship with God. Devotions are under three minutes and change weekly.

Call 570-322-5762 anytime!

DANIEL'S CLOSET

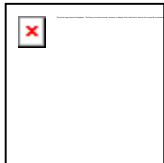
Summertime is here and so is the need for shorts, tops, and other lightweight clothing in good condition. Summer accessories and shoes in all sizes from infant to adult are also needed. The greatest needs are for children's clothing and shoes and sneakers for children and adults.

June's outreach is scheduled as follows:

Drop-Off at Redeemer Lutheran Church is Thursday, June 22, 2017 from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm.

Michele Owen has graciously offered to take any clothing brought to St. Mark's to Redeemer.

Distribution is Saturday, June 24, 2017 from 9:00 am – 11:00am.



We are still collecting stamps and they can be placed in the basket in the narthex. The stamps are used in various activities for those in rehabilitation and physical therapy.

Tags are collected all year round and are donated to the Ronald McDonald House which helps with their cost of maintenance, electricity, etc. Tags can be dropped off in the narthex or in the clear container in Fellowship Hall.



THANK YOU!

Dear Becky & Michele,

Good job ladies! What a wonderful outreach for you to host the meal packaging event, and how heartwarming to see folks of all ages and stations in life working together for the common good. You did a splendid job coordinating the event. May God bless you with grace & peace as you continue to use your gifts to be a blessing to others!
~ Kathy Wither

Dear St. Mark's Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for allowing the Music Club to hold its annual program in your beautiful sanctuary. The evening was a success. The evening was a success. We felt very welcome. Your staff, Laura, Lou, and Donna, provided assistance so graciously. It is so wonderful that you provide such an outreach to our community.

Musically yours, Leatha Kieser, Program Chair.

Dear St. Mark's Members,

We were truly honored to be part of the Milestone Wedding Anniversary celebration. The church service was most meaningful and the luncheon was an absolute delight. Our family agreed the menu was perfect and Fellowship Hall looked amazing. Many thanks to the Jones Family for all their time and energy to make the meal so special.

Many thanks for helping to make our 50th anniversary so special.

In His Name, Charles "Skip" & Gloria Greevy.

Thank you for the special celebration for our 50+ years of marriage. Spending time with other couples also celebrating this Milestone was wonderful, realizing we met a terrific accomplishment.

The meal, served by the Jones family, was delicious.

We certainly were treated by everyone with

the same dignity we received 50+ years ago (when we had no idea how long we would be together). WOW! We made it to 50 years. Now to add many more.

~ Ronald & Grace Arner

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful celebration we had with you worshipping, and then recognizing four devoted couples. Thank you for making it so special for all of us!! Every detail so carefully executed, and a meal that was delightful and delicious! We are grateful for the friendships and the fellowship, and for including us as part of such a lovely day!

God bless you! Barbara & Bob McCullough

Many thanks again to our St. Mark's family for all your ongoing prayers, love, support, and cards over the past months. Phil recently completed his chemo treatments and is doing well. There are still some tests and procedures coming up, but hopefully he will soon be back to Church on a regular basis and be totally cancer free – thanks be to God!

~ Phil and Barb Thomas

I would also like to thank the Monday morning money counters for being so faithful these past months as well when I was not able to be there all the time. Shirley Kinney, Cheryl Williams, Harold Hershberger and Bob Campbell did a great job – thanks team!

And another thank you....to all those who delivered Christmas and Easter flowers to our shut-ins: Connie Shaible, Shirley Kinney, Shirley Hill, Bob Campbell, Bev and Carl Hieber, and Becky Pryor. The visits as well as the flowers mean so much to those who cannot get to Church. Thanks again.

~ Barb

Happy Anniversary

6/14 Steven & Randa Bieber

6/18 Charles & Ann Kuntz

6/18 Gary & Shelby Weber

6/20 Daniel & Diana Zeigler

6/21 John & Brenda Bower

6/23 Kenneth & Donna Elkin

6/23 James & Susan Newcomer

6/28 Andrew & Vicki Hausmann

6/30 Harold & Joyce Hershberger

Special Concerns List

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 Williamsport, PA 17701

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 & Nursing Home—Room 547
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 Montoursville, PA 17754

Ed Richner
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 1900 Ravine Rd.
 Williamsport, PA 17701

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

6/1 Andrew Sims
 6/2 Katy Elkin
 6/2 Evelyn Bastian
 6/3 Grace Arner
 6/3 Edward Barone
 6/3 Sean Jensen
 6/7 Breanna Bower
 6/8 Jeffrey Kneedler
 6/9 Ryan Goertz
 6/9 Douglas Schmit
 6/10 Kenneth Elkin
 6/10 Jennifer Robertson
 6/10 Heather Snyder
 6/12 Alex Clokey
 6/15 Kambriana Bieber
 6/15 Ruth Sherlinski
 6/16 Wanda Fortin



6/17 Nathan Edler
 6/17 Norma Lehman
 6/18 Carl Knowlden
 6/18 Kelli Travis
 6/19 Christina Raup
 6/20 Brandon Fortin
 6/22 Cheryl Williams
 6/23 Taigen Thorne
 6/23 Tali Thorne
 6/24 Liam Elkin
 6/24 Nathan Fillnow
 6/24 Robert Helm
 6/25 Ernestine Doane
 6/27 Kristin Lynn
 6/28 George Poliska
 6/30 April Clark
 6/30 Emily Welker

JUNE 2017

Thursday June 1, 2017
FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING
 9:00am Morning Prayer

Fri June 2, 2017
FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING
 9:00am Morning Prayer

Sat June 3, 2017
FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING
 6:00pm Saturday Evening Service

Sun June 4, 2017
FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING ends
9:30am Holy Communion
 10:30am All-Church Ice Cream Social
 & Awards
 6:30pm Youth Music Rehearsal

Mon June 5, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 9:45am Staff Meeting

Tue June 6, 2017
 8:00am City Pastors Breakfast
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 6:00pm Worship & Music

Wed June 7, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 6:30pm Bible Study in Middle Lounge

Thu June 8, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 10:30am Publicity Committee
 5:30pm Redeemer Community Meal
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal & Picnic

Fri June 9, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 10:30am Christian Ed (Wegman's
 Cafe)

Sat June 10, 2017
Council Agenda Due
 10:00am 2nd Saturday
 6:00pm Saturday Evening Service

Sun June 11, 2017
9:30am Holy Communion/Youth
Sunday
 12:00pm Annual Church Picnic - Indian
 Park
 6:30pm Youth Music Rehearsal

Mon June 12, 2017
Lion Article Deadline
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 10:00am Staff Meeting and Luncheon

Tue June 13, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer

Wed June 14, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 6:30pm Bible Study in Middle Lounge

Thu June 15, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer

Fri June 16, 2017
Synod Assembly
 9:00am Morning Prayer

Sat June 17, 2017
Synod Assembly
 6:00pm Saturday Evening Service

Sun June 18, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
9:30am Holy Communion
 5:30pm VBS
 6:30pm Youth Music Rehearsal

Mon June 19, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 9:45am Staff Meeting
 5:30pm VBS
6:30pm Council Meeting
 7:00pm Wmspt. Dog Training Club

Tue June 20, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 5:30pm VBS

Wed June 21, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 12:00pm Lunch 'n' Fellowship
 5:30pm VBS
 6:30pm Bible Study in Middle Lounge

Thu June 22, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 4:00pm Daniel's Closet Drop-Off
 5:30pm VBS

Fri June 23, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
 9:00am Morning Prayer
9:20am Lion Crew

Sat June 24, 2017
 Int. Interim Training
 9:00am Daniel's Closet Clothing Givea-
 way
6:00pm Saturday Evening Service

Sun June 25, 2017
500th Anniv. of Presentation of
Augsburg Confession
9:30am Holy Communion
 6:00pm Teen Movie Night
 6:30pm Youth Music Rehearsal

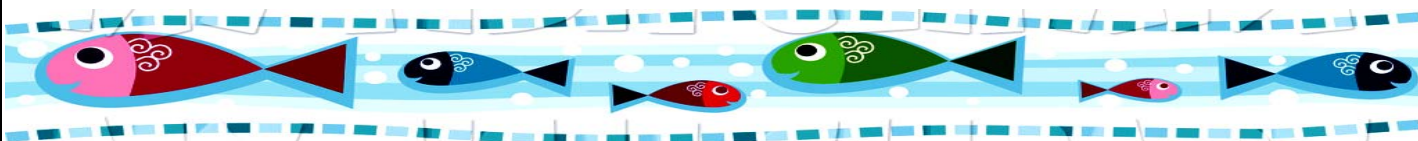
Mon June 26, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 9:45am Staff Meeting

Tue June 27, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 11:30am Little Lambs Liaison

Wed June 28, 2017
 9:00am Morning Prayer
 6:30pm Bible Study in Middle Lounge

Thu June 29, 2017
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Fri June 30, 2017
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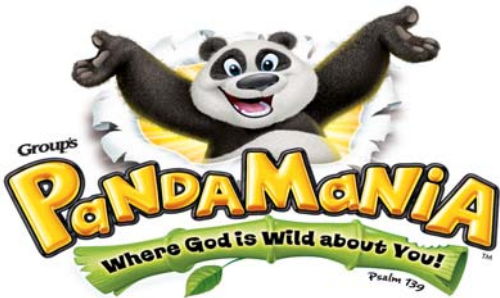
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