

ST. STEPHEN SCROLL

St. Stephen Lutheran Church is a community of believers, saved by the grace of God, who are called to:

- *share his love through words and actions;*
- *welcome others into the family of Christ.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ –

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Even though the temperatures outside are still in the 90's, it is starting to feel a bit like fall around here. There are telltale signs popping up everywhere. The days are getting shorter. The children have all returned to school. There are school buses on the roads, and college students in their dorms. I even saw a Christmas tree display in a store this week, but we won't go there just yet!

As the lazy days of summer wind down, it is time to begin gearing up for all sorts of activities here at Saint Stephen.

On Sunday, September 11th we will kick-off our new year of Sunday school with the annual Rally Day breakfast. Then on Sunday, September 18th at 9:00 am, we will officially begin our 2011-2012 Sunday school year with classes for everyone. Tammy and the other teachers have a wonderful year of learning, fellowship, and fun planned. You won't want to miss a moment of it.

Another fellowship and learning opportunity I would like to encourage the ladies of Saint Stephen to participate in is a monthly Ladies Bible study. We will meet the 1st Wednesday of every month (September 7th, October 5th, November 2nd, and December 7th at 10:00 am in the Courtyard room. I have our first Bible study planned, but we will take some time during our first meeting to discuss what the group would like to study this year.

Starting in September there will be monthly youth group meetings for children from kindergarten through 3rd grade. Our first gathering will be Sunday, September 25th. We will get started after the 10:00 am worship service concludes and end at 1:00 pm. Please bring a sack lunch to this meeting so no one has to survive on children's sermon gummies alone. After lunch we will come up with a cool name for our group, play some games, do a craft or two, learn about God, and have lots of fun. Our other meetings for this year are tentatively set for Sundays, October 16th, November 20th, and December 18th.

Since arriving at St. Stephen, I have had many wonderful experiences from knitting with the prayer shawl group, to leading worship, teaching Sunday school and first communion classes, playing Mary during VBS, tagging along on Golden Sneakers' outings, partaking in delicious meals, and trying to be helpful on church work days. Each activity brought its own unique joys and fellowship opportunities. I encourage each of you to try participating in something new this year. If you haven't been to Sunday school in a while, join us. If you haven't visited with the families at the Ronald McDonald House, try a visit. If you haven't helped with worship leadership in a while, carry the wine or the bread to the altar during the offering. If you haven't hung out with the kids in a while, try hosting a youth group event.

There are many exciting things happening in our Christian community. I look forward to seeing you there.

In Christ –

Pastor Kerri



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McFarland**
**Pastor Emeritus,
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America.*

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Evangelical Lutheran

Worship

Church-wide Yard Sale Will Benefit ELW Hymnal Campaign

Plans are underway for a church-wide yard sale on **Saturday, September 24, from 9 am until 1 pm**. Proceeds from the yard sale will benefit the ELW hymnal campaign. We are requesting donations of all sorts of items for the yard sale, including household items, toys, tools, furniture, and more. *We are not planning to include any clothing.* Volunteers are needed to cover a wide range of tasks -- a sign-up sheet is in the narthex. To be successful, we will need everyone's help -- from advertising to pricing to working the day of the sale. Please see the sign-up sheet for specific tasks where your help is needed. All congregation members are encouraged to get involved.

Although the yard sale will benefit the ELW hymnal campaign, we are still accepting donations as well for the remainder of our 200-book goal (\$4500). As of August 21st, we are able to purchase **88** hymnals. Special envelopes are available with a place to designate hymnals purchased in memory or in honor of loved ones. **Cost is \$22.50 per book.** Our progress is being tracked on the bulletin board in the Gathering Area. Hymnals will be ordered soon. **We will begin using Setting 10 in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnal on September 11th.**

St. Stephen's Financial Status

I wanted to bring our financial situation to everyone's attention. Through the month of July, our total income was \$78,396 while our total expenses for the same period have been \$99,583. Therefore, we have a net loss of \$21,187. We have been able to manage by using funds we carried over from last year. We are current on all of our bills. However, we have not yet been able to pay any of our benevolence to the Synod.

Our primary disconnect is our monthly mortgage. Our plan for this year was to pay the mortgage out of the building fund. Year to date, we have made \$12,380 in mortgage payments. Our monthly mortgage payment is \$1505. We have sufficient funds to continue to pay for the mortgage in this manner approximately half way through next year. Then we will have to start paying the mortgage out of the general fund.

Please consider this information when you are contemplating your giving to the church.

Regards,
Pat Markley, Finance Chairman



Sunday School Volunteers Needed!

Sunday School Rally Day and breakfast is tentatively scheduled for 9:00 am on September 11th. However, **we still need 2 teachers**. If you are willing to help educate a group of exciting, eager students, please see Tammy Utley, 964-8546. No teaching experience required! Team teachers are also welcome!

Please keep in mind that attendance at St. Stephen drops during the summer when people are on vacation and there is no Sunday school. During this time, paying our church's bills is more challenging. If we cannot provide a Sunday school, the church attendance may stay low, and paying our bills may become impossible. Educating our children about their faith is important for *their* lives, but it is also important to the viability of our church. Please prayerfully consider this.

Confirmation Class 2011-2012

Confirmation students will be diving into God's Word and memorizing three things: the Ten Commandments, The Lord's Prayer and the Apostles' Creed.

It will be helpful and appreciated if the congregation will ask the students questions about what they are learning as the year progresses.

Please also check out our classroom. There are hand-made posters to help the students, and I would love to hear suggestions and feedback.

In Christ's love, *Glenn Eisenbrey*

Golden Sneakers Potluck & Planning Meeting

The Golden Sneakers senior group will be having a potluck and planning meeting on Wednesday, September 21st at noon in the fellowship hall to share some fellowship and plan outings for the year. Please plan to join us, and bring a dish to share. Feel free to bring a friend. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Area so that you can let us know that you are coming. If you have questions, please contact Ellen Ullom, 762-0775.

Prayer Shawl Ministries Start Again This Month

There is a Prayer Shawl Ministries meeting this month on **Tuesday, September 6th**. We have lunch, (bring your own), at 12:30 pm, and we will start the meeting at **1:00 pm**. All are welcome. If you need more information, please contact Carolyn Elsing at 502-254-5402.

Stewardship Committee Forming

Pr. Em. Tom Swasko will chair and lead the stewardship committee. There will be a **meeting of the stewardship committee on Sunday, September 4th at 11:30 am** after the worship service. Anyone who would like to help is welcome to come.

Going Away Party for Marian Gerwick

Marian Gerwick will soon be moving to Washington state to be with her daughter. There will be a going away party provided by her family in the fellowship hall on **Sunday, September 11th following the 10:00 am worship service**. All are invited!

Sean Morris Would Like To Hear From You

Sean Morris has been deployed to Iraq in the army. He would love to hear from you while he is away. His address is

**149th Garrison Command
Atten: Sgt. Sean Morris
APO AE09342**



Write & let him know that you support him! Though this is going to Iraq, the postal rate is the same as in the USA. One stamp will get a 1-ounce card or letter there.

Former Members Walter & Martha Gaestel Celebrating Their 67th Anniversary

Walter & Martha Gaestel, who regularly attended Sunday morning worship service at St. Stephen before they moved to North Carolina a couple of years ago, will be celebrating their 67th wedding anniversary on September 14th. They would love to hear from you. Their address is

5705 Fayetteville Rd
Cottage #4103
Durham, NC 27713

(FYI, that day is Walter's birthday too.)

ICE Habitat for Humanity Build

Our second weekend of support for this project was August 12th and 13th. The number volunteering was not what it was for our first weekend in July. The rehab is moving forward at a good pace. Most of the siding will be completed by the time this report is printed. Then the inside work will begin. Hopefully the heat will dissipate, and our **September 16th/17th weekend** will be conducive for many of us to volunteer. If you have not been a part of his outreach, please consider joining this group of community builders. No building skills are necessary, just a willingness to learn and maybe a little sweat. Please watch for information in the bulletins leading up to the September weekend. We hope to have a bigger turn out as the work continues. All monetary donations to this effort should be labeled "ICE Habitat for Humanity". Place them in one of the love envelopes in the chair racks, and put in the offering collection plate. If you have questions, please contact Rod Firquin, 231-2901.



The Hunger Walk

Recently we heard about Peter walking on water, and now it is your turn (sort of)! The annual 5 km (3.1 miles) Hunger Walk to benefit Dare to Care Food Bank and the World Food Program will be on Sunday, September 18th starting at 2:15 pm. The course will cross the 2nd Street Bridge and return to Festival Plaza. Saint Stephen is putting together a team of walkers. We already have 4 folks who plan on lacing up their walking shoes for this worthy cause. There are registration forms on the table in the gathering area. With every \$25.00 we raise we will be providing 100 meals to struggling area families. Come join us as we "put hunger on the run."



Annual Hunger Awareness Dinner To Be Held At St. Stephen

Saint Stephen will be hosting the 13th annual James O. Leach Hunger Awareness Dinner at 7:00 p.m., Saturday September 17, 2011 in the fellowship hall. Adult tickets are \$6.00 and children's tickets (12 and under) are \$3.00. You are also encouraged to bring a canned protein item like tuna or peanut butter.

The dinner, held the night before the annual Community Hunger Walk, aims to raise awareness about the increasing level of hunger in our community.

The money collected is divided between the Fern Creek Highview United Ministries and the Dare To Care Community Hunger Walk. The food items go directly to Fern Creek Highview United Ministries.

For tickets, contact Fern Creek Highview United Ministries at 762-9608 or e-mail execdir@fchum.org

Operation Christmas Child



Our shoebox collection for Operation Christmas Child was kicked off at the Christmas in July event on July 24th, and so far, we have collected 17 boxes for children in disaster areas war zones, and areas of extreme poverty. We are continuing to collect filled, decorated shoeboxes **through Sunday, November 20th**. This year, you may even want to participate in the new program to follow your box around the world by donating \$7 online for shipping for each box. Go to samaritanspurse.org/occ and fill out the Follow Your Box form. Print out the custom girl/boy label that they e-mail to you and affix it to the top of your box. Drop off the box at St. Stephen by Nov. 20th. When the shoe box has been shipped, you will receive an e-mail from Samaritan's Purse notifying you of the country destination of your box. If you are not participating in the Follow Your Box program, you may pick up a brochure with attached shoebox label on the display table in the Gathering Area. On that table, there are also sheets with suggestions for filling your box as well as those items that should be avoided. Have fun with it!

Special Offering for Social Ministry & FCHUM Report

Our quarterly offering collection for social ministries and FCHUM in August yielded **\$656.65**. As a reminder, the offerings received will be divided, with 75% for direct support of the Fern Creek Highview United Ministries (FCHUM) <http://www.fchum.org/> and 25% for other social ministry activities, like our monthly visits to the Ronald McDonald House. Thank you for helping us with our congregation's commitment to service.



Many Needy Kids Receive School Supplies

Fern Creek Highview United Ministries was able to give **814** children each a backpack full of school supplies as a result of this summer's school supply drive. St. Stephen supplied **187.5** lbs of these supplies. Many thanks to all who contributed.



Red Cross Blood Donations

Thanks to all who were able to donate blood on July 31. There were 12 individual who volunteered and 10 successful donations. While this is lower than what we normally donate, for a summer event the Red Cross staff was appreciative of all donations, as the summer is lowest donation period. We hope to have another donation drive before the end of the year. Please consider giving blood if you have not previously given, and if you have given in the past, watch for more information as the date is finalized.



Preparing for Your Greatest Journey

In an effort to help you achieve peace of mind in preparing for your death, your greatest journey, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and the South Central Conference of the Indiana-Kentucky Synod are sponsoring a seminar on

Saturday, September 24th, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at
Ascension Lutheran Church
1725 Shelbyville Road
Louisville, KY 40245

Topics include advanced directives, funeral preplanning, "Letter to my spouse", estate planning, and legacy. The cost is \$10.00, which is donated to the seminary of your choice. Lunch & material are provided, compliments of Thrivent. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. Call 244-1856 or ascensionlouisville.org.



Why do you go to church?

A church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. "I've gone for 30 years now", he wrote, "and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons. But for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the pastors are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all."

This started a real controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher: "I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this... They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If she had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!" When you are DOWN to nothing.... God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible!

Thank God for our physical AND our spiritual nourishment!

The Silent Sermon

A member of a certain church, who previously had been attending services regularly, stopped going. After a few weeks, the minister decided to visit him. It was a chilly day. That evening, the minister found the man at home all alone sitting by a blazing fire.

Guessing the reason for his minister's visit, the man welcomed him, and led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited. The minister made himself at home but said nothing.

In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, he took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

The host watched all this in quiet contemplation. As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then its fire was no more.

Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The minister glanced at his watch and chose this time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it began to glow once more, with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the minister reached the door to leave, his host said, with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your fiery sermon. I shall be back in church next Sunday."

Author Unknown

News from the 2011 Churchwide Assembly in Orlando

Hello, fellow brothers and sisters in Christ,

Attending the 2011 Churchwide Assembly in Orlando was an uplifting experience, but it always feels good to come home. I rarely ventured outside during the event because **a.** I was too busy, **b.** it was beastly hot and humid in Orlando, and **c.** someone told me that there was an alligator living in the lagoon not too far from the parking lot.

I checked the site statistics for our "[Companionable Conversations](#)" blog and was delighted to see that 721 people viewed it during the course of the week. If you haven't had a chance to read it yet, we have decided to keep it active and add thoughts now that we've returned to Indiana and Kentucky. I am going to post some more photos and videos, so please check it occasionally in the coming weeks. I am grateful for those who contributed to the blog: Bishop Bill, Pr. Rudy Mueller, Kate Knoerzer and Christopher Burrus.

The worship services were inspiring and exhilarating, and the ELCA Global Mission young adult musicians offered songs and energetic dances from around the world. Among other things, I enjoyed getting to know some of our own voting members a bit better. On Friday, Bishop Mark Hanson introduced the newly-elected bishops since the last churchwide assembly so I was happy to see our Bishop Bill walk up to the front. I was also intrigued and in awe of the gorgeous work of nationally-known contemporary textile artist Linda Witte Henke, whose work had a gallery of its own in the worship space. Ms. Henke currently lives within the mission territory of the Indiana-Kentucky Synod.

Among the decisions and discussions at the assembly were:

- **Approval of the [ELCA Malaria Campaign](#)**
- **Adoption of the [social statement on genetics](#)**
- **Approval of holding churchwide assembly every three years instead of two, beginning after the assembly in 2013**
- **Discussed and acted upon the [LIFT proposal](#), "Living Into the Future Together," a plan to connect the structure of the church more closely to its mission**
- **Approval of a resolution on [bullying](#)**

ELCA Secretary David Swartling reported that since the 2009 Churchwide Assembly, the ELCA has lost only approximately 5% of its congregations, leaving over 10,000 congregations on its roster, a comforting and reassuring number.

You will hear more from us in the coming weeks and months as we work to unwrap and disperse all the information, plans and ideas that we gathered during our week in Orlando.

Glorifying His name,

Danielle Burrus (Director of Communications for the Indiana-Kentucky Synod)

Note: See [ELCA.org](#) for more information on each of the bulleted items above.

St. Stephen Lutheran Church Congregation Council Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2011

The regular meeting was called to order by council president, E. Kobiska. Members present: C. Markley, E. Kobiska, C. Miller, R. Sarson, J. Morani, Pr. K. McFarland.

A quorum was established and the meeting was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. M/S- J. Morani/C. Miller to accept as presented. Carried.

Pastor's Report: Pr. Kerri

1. Pr. McFarland reported that Pr. Em. Tom Swasko will chair and lead the stewardship committee. Thanks to Pr. Swasko for taking on this important role as we strive to meet the financial responsibilities of the church.
2. The VBS staff expressed their thank you to Kim Thonen for her work during the VBS week. M/S- C. Miller/E. Kobiska to purchase a \$100.00 Visa gift card and present it to Kim as a token of our appreciation for her dedication to the church. Carried.
3. Pr. McFarland noted the National ELCA convention this week in Orlando. Check out the convention web site at ELCA.org
4. Pr. McFarland will be starting a "little kids" group for those under 4th grade age. Watch for information as this group gets up and running. Will meet one Sunday a month after worship.
5. Pr. McFarland plans to start a women's Bible study this fall/winter during the day. If you would be interested, please let her know.
6. An evening Bible study is also under consideration. Please let Pr. McFarland know if you are interested.

President's Report: E. Kobiska

1. The attendance was reviewed. Through last weekend the average is 99 in attendance.

Financial Reports:

1. June and July Treasurer's reports were presented. Questions about website hosting and Kwik Cleaning line items. See the reports printed at the end of the minutes. M/S- J. Morani/C. Miller to accept the June and July Treasurer's reports. Carried
2. Financial Secretary's Report was presented for June. Giving is reported to be higher in 2011 when compared to this time in 2010, but continue to be short of projected budget needs. M/S- R. Sarson/C. Miller to approve as presented. Carried
3. Financial Chairman reported the quarterly budget receipts and expenditures. The chairman reported as noted in the above report giving is behind budgeted amounts which impacts every item in the budget. There was concern expressed about covering the monthly mortgage. P. Markley, financial chairperson, will submit a letter concerning this issue for the newsletter. Pr. McFarland will seek a financial committee member to address the congregation concerning the financial strength of the church. M/S-J. Morani/C. Markley to accept the report. Carried

Church Committee Reports:

Finance: C. Markley

1. Recommendation from the finance committee to transfer \$500.00 per month of the \$650.00 monthly rental of the house to the building fund. Currently, there is a balance of \$9,000.00 in the rental property account. Only a second was needed-.E. Kobiska. No discussion. Carried.
2. Recommendation from the finance committee to transfer a one-time lump sum of \$2,000.00 from the rental house account to help pay benevolence. Only a second was needed- E. Kobiska. No discussion. Carried.

Evangelism: R. Sarson

1. Committee meeting on August 22. Time to be announced.
2. Planning event for "shepherds" in the fall. Watch for information.

Stewardship:

1. Pr. Em. Tom Swasko will chair the stewardship committee.

Fellowship: C. Miller

1. Sunday School rally day will be Sept. 11 with a breakfast.
2. The kitchen supply list will be filled by end of August.

3. Fellowship is in need of a leader/coordinator. If interested, contact Pr. McFarland.
4. No September meeting scheduled.

Worship and Music

1. Yard sale is scheduled for September 24. Watch for much more information on this event. Proceeds to help purchase the new worship hymnals.
2. We will begin using Setting 10 from the red worship hymnal on Sept. 11.

Property and Grounds

1. Fairview Homemakers complained about AC in the courtyard room. Chair to investigate.
2. Believe all roof repairs have been made.
3. Volunteers are needed to mow on a weekly basis and some work needed to pick up sticks and small limbs. Also, the flower beds need to be weeded.

Christian Education

1. Sunday School rally day, September 11.
2. Still confirming teachers for Sunday School. Interested contact Tammy Utey.

Social Ministries: J. Morani

1. Successful blood drive. 12 persons presented and 10 donations were completed. We are planning another drive in November. Please consider giving the gift of life at the next blood drive.
2. Ronald McDonald House sent a thank you note to the youth of the church for their donation from the car wash. Look for it posted on the youth news board, and there is also a copy of it on the Gathering Area bulletin board.
3. One new volunteer attended the monthly ministry to Ronald McDonald House. Please sign up to help support this effort.
4. Books are still being collected for donation to the Ronald McDonald House. Please drop them off in the office.
5. Thanks to all for the very successful donations to the Christmas in July event. The school supplies were distributed through FCHUM prior to school beginning. We also have a good start on the Christmas Box effort. Again, Thanks.

Youth

1. We are in need of a junior youth leader for the 4th through 8th grade students. Please contact Pr. McFarland if you are interested. The Senior youth group has not been active due to the low number of those aged students.

Special Committees: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

M/S- J. Morani/C. Miller to adjourn. Carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: P. Markley

June 2011 Regular Bank Accounts

	Republic Checking	Memorial Acct.	Social Ministries	Bldg. Fund	General Savings
Beginning Balance	2011.91	596.13	179.85	16,844.65	3,691.00
Deposits	9,730.03	0	0	0	0
Disbursements	10,247.18	0	0	1504.56	0
Interest Income	0	0	0	0	4.31
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0
Adjustments.	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Balance	1,494.76	596.13	179.85	15,340.09	3,695.31

July 2011 Regular Bank Accounts

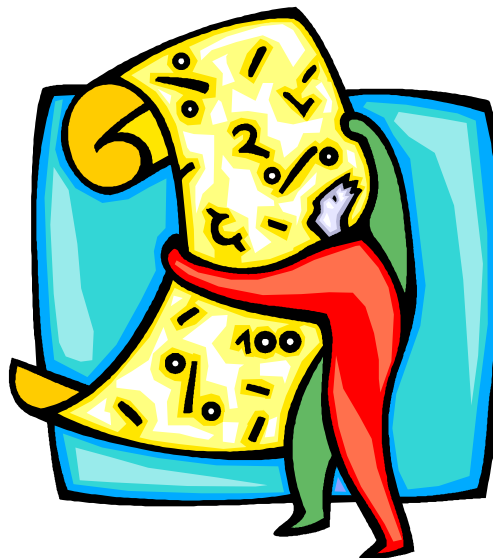
	Republic Checking	Memorial Acct.	Social Ministries	Bldg. Fund	General Savings
Beginning Balance	1494.76	596.13	179.85	15,340.09	3,695.00
Deposits	10,580.95	875.00	0	0	0
Disbursements	10,983.53	0	0	1505.56	0
Interest Income	0	0	0	0	2.20
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0
Adjustments.	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Balance	1,092.18	1,471.13	179.85	13,834.53	3,697.51

Financial Secretary's Report: B. Wise**June 2011 Month Year to Date (YTD)**

Sunday School	0	135.30
Church-loose	1,318.25	8,634.25
Church-envelopes	6,800.00	48,074.00
Sub total	8,118.25	56,843.55
Flowers	288.00	755.00
FCHUM	0	831.00
Use of bldg.	140.00	1,240.00
Reimbursements	861.00	1,623.50
Misc	23.00	307.80
TOTAL	9,430.25	61,600.85

Total Income	2010	2011
Jan	12,358.79	9,998.40
Feb	10,555.71	8,573.55
March	9,084.99	10,034.10
April	11,871.35	11,927.80
May	12,025.69	11,636.75
June	7,500.51	9,430.25

Building Fund month= 25.00 YTD= 1,815.00

**The Sign**

A priest and a pastor from the local churches are standing by the side of the road, pounding a sign into the ground, that reads:

"The End Is Near! Turn Yourself Around Now -- Before It's Too Late!"

As a car speeds past them, the driver yells,
"Leave us alone, you religious nuts!"

From the curve they hear screeching tires and a big splash.

The pastor turns to the priest and asks, "Do you think the sign should just "Bridge Out"?"

September 2011 Servants of the Church

Saturday - 5 p.m.					
	9/03/11	9/10/11	9/17/11	9/24/11	10/01/11
Lector	Pat Hayden	Ron Griffin	Patti Klumb	Clifford Klumb	Rev. Tom Swasko
Deacon	Linda Craig	Pat Hayden	Linda Craig	Pat Hayden	Linda Craig
Worship Coordinator	Pat Hayden	Clifford Klumb	Rosemary Griffin	Patti Klumb	Rhonda Troutman
Sunday - 10:00 a.m.					
	9/04/11	9/11/11	9/18/11	9/25/11	10/02/11
Lector	Joe Kirschbaum	Ellen Ullom	Herb Warren	Rod Firquin	Olivia Utley
Ushers	Steven Sarson	Rev. Joe Kiser	Herb Warren	Rod Firquin	Steven Sarson
	Rita Sarson	Chuck Ullom	Pat Markley	Jim Brotzge	Rita Sarson
Acolytes	Sophia Samora	Cole Summers	Sabrina Samora	Adam Utley	Kaitlyn Kiser
Communion Table	B. Zimmerman	Kay Bunner	Steven Sarson	B. Zimmerman	Michelle Sarson
	P. Zimmerman	Michelle Sarson	Rita Sarson	P. Zimmerman	Herb Warren
Communion Deacon	Rev. Joe Kiser	Steven Sarson	Rod Firquin	Kay Bunner	Cheryl Markley
Nursery	Cheryl Markley	Connie Miller	Michelle Sarson	Tammy Utley	Jennifer Kiser
Worship Coordinator	Rod Firquin	Brenda Firquin	Paul Kiser	Pat Markley	Steven Sarson
For this season:	before 09/11	before 09/18	before 09/25	before 10/02	before 10/09
Grass Mowing	Needed*	Needed*	Pat Markley	Needed*	Needed*

* See sign-up sheet on bulletin board in Gathering Area.

God's blessing to these September birthdays:

Chuck Ullom	1	Ruth Scheuring	7	Walter Gaestel	14
Merribeth Waskom	1	Juanita Carstens	8	Barry Mills	16
Adam Utley	2	Kimber Miller	8	Grace Summers	18
Rick Davis	3	Evangeline Seifert	8	Nicole Emberg	25
Ellerie Seifert	4	Paul Kiser	10	Buddy Zimmerman	25
Jan Neukam	5	Deb Leard	11	Linda Craig	26
Travis Acuña	6	Michael Sprowl	11	Toni Mitchell	26
Larry Faue	6	Cindy Sprowl	13	Ella Markley	29



We celebrate with these couples having September anniversaries:

Rev. Joe & Judy Kiser	(4th/1965)
Tom & Jan Neukam	(21st/1974)
Pete & Julie Gall	(23rd/1952)
David & Denise Wigginton	(25th/1982)



August Sanctuary Flower and Candle Donors

August Sanctuary Flower Donors

- 7th— The Warren family in memory of Regina's grandmother
 14th - Megan Thonen & Dustin Crume & family in honor of Autumn's 1st birthday
 21st - The McFarland family in honor of Jack's birthday
 28th - The Firquin family in honor of Zach's birthday

*The cost to provide altar flowers is \$20.00.

August Sanctuary Candle Donors

- 14th - Jennifer Summers in honor of Elaine Peterson's birthday
 21st - Kim Thonen & family in honor of Autumn Grace's birthday
 28th - Kim Thonen & family in honor of Kathy Crider's birthday

*The cost to provide the sanctuary candle is \$2.00.



September 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 8:30—Weight Watchers 5:00—Holy Communion
4 10:00—Holy Communion 11:30 Stewardship Committee	5 Labor Day	6 9:00 - 2:00— Fairview Homemakers 12:30—Prayer Shawl Group 6:30—Worship & Music	7 10:00—Ladies Bible Study TBD—Choir Rehearsal	8	9	10 8:30—Weight Watchers 5:00—Holy Communion
11 9:00—Sunday School Rally Day 10:00—Holy Communion, ELW Setting 10 begins 11:15—Marian Gerwick's Going Away Party 11:30—Congregation Council Meeting	12 6:00—Daisy Troop	13 9:00 - 2:00— Fairview Homemakers	14 TBD—Choir Rehearsal	15	16 8:30 - 3:30— Habitat for Humanity Build	17 8:30—Weight Watchers 8:30 - 3:30— Habitat for Humanity Build 5:00—Holy Communion 7:00—Hunger Awareness Dinner
18 9:00—Education Hour 9:15—Altar Guild 10:00—Holy Communion, Chicago Folk Service 12:30 - 4:30—The Hunger Walk	19 4:00— Evangelism Committee	20 9:00 - 2:00— Fairview Homemakers 5:30—Finance Committee	21 Noon—Golden Sneakers Potluck & Planning Meeting TBD—Choir Rehearsal	22	23 	24 8:30—Weight Watchers 9:00 - 1:00—St. Stephen Yard Sale 5:00—Holy Communion
25 9:00—Education Hour 10:00—Holy Communion 11:30 - 1:00—K - 3 Youth Group	26 6:00—Daisy Troop	27 9:00 - 2:00— Fairview Homemakers 5:00—Ronald McDonald House	28 TBD—Choir Rehearsal	29	30	

Newsletter

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Worship Services
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM
Education Hour, 9:00 AM



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October 2011 Servants of the Church

Saturday - 5 p.m.	10/01/11	10/08/11	10/15/11	10/22/11	10/29/11
Lector	Rev. Tom Swasko	Pat Hayden	Ron Griffin	Patti Klumb	Clifford Klumb
Deacon	Linda Craig	Pat Hayden	Linda Craig	Pat Hayden	Linda Craig
Worship Coord.	Rhonda Troutman	Ron Griffin	Pat Hayden	Clifford Klumb	Rosemary Griffin
Sunday - 10:00	10/02/11	10/09/11	10/16/11	10/23/11	10/30/11
Lector	Olivia Utley	Rev. Joe Kiser	Brenda Firquin	Paul Kiser	Tammy Utley
Ushers	Steven Sarson Rita Sarson	Rev. Joe Kiser Chuck Ullom	Rod Firquin Jim Brotzge	Herb Warren Pat Markley	Steven Sarson Rita Sarson
Acolyte	Kaitlyn Kiser	Reagan Morris	Sophia Samora	Cole Summers	Sabrina Samora
Comm. Table	Michelle Sarson Herb Warren	Steven Sarson Rita Sarson	Buddy Zimmerman Peggy Zimmerman	Jason McFarland Jack McFarland	Michelle Sarson Herb Warren
Comm. Deacon	Cheryl Markley	Rev. Joe Kiser	Steven Sarson	Rod Firquin	Kay Bunner
Nursery	Jennifer Kiser	Cheryl Markley	Connie Miller	Michelle Sarson	Tammy Utley
Worship Coord.	Steven Sarson	Rita Sarson	Herb Warren	Rod Firquin	Brenda Firquin
For this season:	before 10/09	before 10/16	before 10/23	before 10/30	before 11/06
Grass Mowing	Needed*	Needed*	Needed*	Needed*	Needed*

* See sign-up sheet on bulletin board in Gathering Area.