



Faith Friends & Family Announcements and News for July 29-August 11

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please lift up in prayer this week:

† Members—Ellen Milne, Darrell Neves and Janice Taschner.

† Friends and family—

Harriet, Todd Barriklow, Carol Coyer, Kay Coker, Chris Cotter, Terrie Becker, Brian Fent, Allyson, Heather, Erin, Al, Sai, Jeanne Hicks, Emily, Rod Kaschner, Eshwar Lingamgunta, Jenn Leitch, Brian Johnson, Meredith, Jeanne and Leonard, Johnathon Manitta family, Loretta Milne, Bethany Robison, Karen Smiley, Jean Smith, Scott & Lisa Seeley, “Little Zee” (3 yr. old daughter of a friend of Brenda Kopf’s), the White family and Max Whitmyer.

† Our mission partner congregation—Lansing Redeemer Lutheran Church

† Those in military service—Jon Schoepf, Lani Yearicks, Landon Belanger Melody and Adam Wright and Joe Galvin.

† Samaritas children who seek adoption. Pray for each to be adopted and for Jesus to be their lifelong friends

NORTH/WEST LOWER MICHIGAN SYNOD PRAYER PARTNER

July 29: As Jesus calls us to be one, even as he and the Father are one, please include Rev Kristina Truhan and the congregation of Faith Lutheran Church of Saginaw, Michigan in your prayers of intercession this week.

August 5: As Jesus calls us to be one, even as he and the Father are one, please include Rev. Robier Schmidt and the congregation of Our Saviour Lutheran Church of Saginaw, Michigan in your prayers of intercession this week.

NEXT TWO WEEK'S CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 29th

10:00 a.m. Worship/Baptism

Monday, July 30th

Tuesday, July 31st

Noon Study in Pastor's office: All are welcome!

Wednesday, August 1st

7:30 a.m. Men's Study

9:30 a.m. Quilters

6-8 p.m. Decorating for VBS

We are looking for help to turn our church into a shipwrecked island for VBS. Stop by and help if you are able.

Thursday, August 2nd

5:30 p.m. Golf League

Friday, August 3rd

7:05 p.m. Faith Goes to the Lugnuts Game

Saturday, August 4th

Sunday, August 5th

10:00 a.m. Worship/

11:15 a.m. **Quarterly Meeting**

Immediately following meeting please stay if you are able and help set up the Sanctuary for VBS.

11:30 a.m. Worship Committee

5:30 p.m. Beer & Hymns at Williamston Pub & Grill

Monday, August 6th

5:30 p.m. VBS Dinner (must be registered in advance)

6:00-8:00 p.m. VBS

Tuesday, August 7th

Noon Study in Pastor's office

5:30 p.m. VBS Dinner (must be registered in advance)

6:00-8:00 p.m. VBS

Wednesday, August 8th

7:30 a.m. Men's Study

9:30 a.m. Quilting and Samaritas ACTION

5:30 p.m. VBS Dinner (must be registered in advance)

6:00-8:00 p.m. VBS

Thursday, August 9th

11:30 a.m. Caregivers Support Group

5:30 p.m. Golf League

5:30 p.m. VBS Dinner (must be registered in advance)

6:00-8:00 p.m. VBS

Friday, August 10th

Saturday, August 11th

Sunday, August 12th

10:00 a.m. Worship/VBS Sunday



Wednesday night meals and classes will begin on Wednesday, September 12th. The meal sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Please take a look and sign up your group or committee.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offering

Year to Date as of 6/30/2018

July 15, 2018

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| Loose Cash | \$ 23.00 |
| World Hunger | \$ 50.00 |
| Lugnut Tickets | \$ 462.00 |
| General Fund | \$3045.00 |
| Cabaret Tick. | \$ 850.00 |
| Noisy Offering | \$ 138.00 |
| Parish House | \$ 50.00 |
| Vision 2020 | \$ 500.00 |
| Subtotal | \$5123.00 |
| Simply Giving | <u>\$ 0.00</u> |
| Total | \$5123.00 |

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| Income | \$144,094 |
| <u>Expenses</u> | <u>\$154,214</u> |
| Net | \$ (10,120) |

July 22, 2018

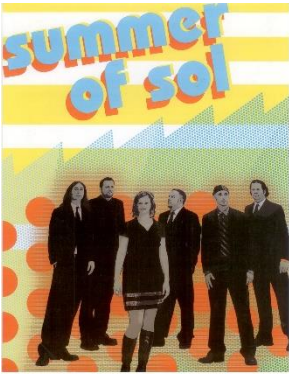
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Next Quarterly Meeting is
Sunday, August 5th following worship



QUARTERLY
Meeting

COMMUNITY PICNIC



ANNUAL COMMUNITY PICNIC

Plan to join us for our Annual Community Picnic on Saturday, August 25. Join us for fun, food, music, games and fellowship!

Volunteers are needed to make this day happen. Please see the sign-up sheets in the narthex.

WAYS TO HELP

D&W in Williamston is participating in "Direct Your Dollars"

Place your entire receipt in the D&W box in the narthex and help us earn money for the church. Please direct any questions to Pastor Ellen



Parish House Updates/News

To help enable independence and encourage important life skills for budgeting and planning meals, we will be collecting gift cards to Meijer and cash donations for the youth for groceries. They have been working on these skills and we will continue to work with them as they move here beginning next week. Donations can be given at the regular offering time in a separate envelope marked "Groceries".

Sixty Plus or Minus friends, mark your calendars for our summer lunch get-togethers! The 4th Wednesday of each summer month, we will gather for lunch and fellowship at Coral Gables, so make a note of our last summer meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Aug. 22! We will order from the menu and share our summer experiences.

Regular 4th Wednesday programs resume on Wednesday, September 26, at 11:30, in the church social hall when Peggy Crum will present "Eating Well with Flavors You Love." Peggy plans demonstrations and flavor sampling using herbs from her own wonderful garden. Pencil in this date for sure!



August 9th – Sarah Jones will speak on Caregiver Fatigue

Come join us on the dates above at 11:30 for a lite lunch and discussion.

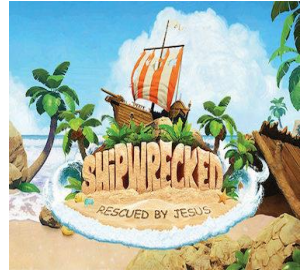
All are welcome!

August:

- 1st: 6-8 p.m. Decoration Night at Faith: All are welcome to help with our VBS decorations.
- 6th-9th VBS: Register NOW 😊
- 12th: VBS Sunday

VBS

**VBS: Save The Date 2018 VBS
“Shipwrecked, Rescued by Jesus”
Monday, August 6th – Thursday,
August 9th
5:30-8:00 p.m.**



**Light Dinner from 5:30-6:00 p.m.
VBS from 6-8 p.m.**

If you are interested in volunteering, please email Katie klove@faithlutheranokemos.org or use this link!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b084daeaf28a6fb6-vbsleaders>

Please register your child/ren using the link below

<https://goo.gl/forms/juWcDCKMpgLGqnqB2>

**Sunday School starts
Sunday, September 9th
and Teachers are Needed!**

**We will have 3 classes on Sunday morning.
PK-K, 1st-2nd Grade, 3-5th Grade Trinity**

The PK-2nd grades will be using the **BUZZ curriculum**. This program is easy for volunteers—great for kids! What if you could literally open the box and start your lesson? Buzz makes Sunday school sweet & simple. Preparation is simple—if it's in the lesson, it's in the box! With Buzz, all you prepare is your heart. Read the Bible background. Enjoy a weekly devotion. Pray for your kids. You're ready! Preparing to teach Buzz is stress-free and meaningful.

Trinity (3rd-5th grade) will be using the Trinity Curriculum they have used in the past. We do have a leader for that group, however a sub list would be great.

Please contact Pastor Ellen if you are available to help on 1-2 Sunday mornings per month. prellen@faithlutheranokemos.org

CARING COMMITTEE NEWS

In one-month children in our community will be go back to school. They will need to start their day with a healthy breakfast. You can help make sure that happens by joining the Caring Committee in the annual Back-to-School Breakfast Bag Food

Drive. Individuals, families and committees are encouraged to shop for any or all of the following items:

- Oatmeal
- Cold Cereal
- Pancake Mix
- Syrup
- Canned Fruit
- Muffin Mix
- Juice
- Jelly
- Peanut Butter
- Breakfast Bars
- Instant Breakfast Drinks



Place your food donations in the grocery cart between now and September. With cash donations we will purchase milk, bread and eggs. There will also be a sign-up sheet hanging on the Committee Information board.

Thank you, Faith Family, for your care, concern and desire to help others in our community in HIS name.

GREEN TEAM NEWS –

The logo for Consumers Energy, featuring the company name in a blue, sans-serif font. The text is partially enclosed by a green, swooping graphic element that curves around the right side of the letters.

The Green Team is planning a **Consumers Energy Workshop/Luncheon event for Sunday, September 30, following worship.**

Consumers Energy representatives will be here to share information regarding the Helping Neighbors Program they are offering to customers. This program encourages customers to have a Free Energy Audit done on their home. Faith Lutheran Church will get credit for all energy audits done using the Faith Lutheran code that has been provided for us (FAITHLU18).

If 50 homes, ***anywhere in the state of Michigan***, have this done, Faith Lutheran Church will receive \$500 from Consumers. If we are able to get more homeowners to register and receive this free audit, we could receive up to \$2,000 from Consumers.

September 30 will be the kick-off event for this fundraising effort. The Green Team hopes to raise enough money to eventually put more insulation in the attic of the Parish House and replace the front window of the house with something that is more energy efficient. Consumers Energy desires that we have 50 people attend this kickoff/informational luncheon. *A sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex* so Consumers knows approximately how much food they will need to provide.

A Consumers Energy representative will also be present at our Community Picnic, sharing this information with attendees.

BEER & HYMNS AND BAR THEOLOGY JOIN FORCES

– We are collaborating with St. Paul Lutheran church and doing some cross-promotion of some events. Members of St. Paul Lutheran will be joining us for Beer & Hymns on the first Sunday of every month. Beer & Hymns takes place upstairs at Williamston Pub & Grill ([132 E Grand River Ave](#)), beginning at 5:30 p.m. Join us for singing, fellowship, food, and fun.

On the third Sunday of every month, bring your thoughts and stories as we join with members of St. Paul Lutheran and gather together at Red Cedar Spirits ([2000 Merritt Rd., East Lansing](#)), around 6:30 p.m. Red Cedar offers delicious mock-tails in addition to their locally made small batch alcohols. Snacks are available, and they are also open to patrons bringing in food. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend who doesn't think they are interested in church but might enjoy talking about faith issues and meeting new friends.

