

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back! We never left as we've been worshipping via video and Drive In over the spring and summer. Luana has been successfully worshipping for a few weeks now and Farmersburg is starting inside this month. I think that we've done a great job of keeping things going during a difficult time. We've even had some fun along the way. Please pray for our councils so they can make the best decisions. Also for our Sunday school and confirmation teachers as we do our best to serve while keeping everyone safe.

There is one thing that is clear with this pandemic and our response to it, it's very much a work in progress. When you are "feeling" your way through something the holy spirit is often our guide to do what's best and what's right. We call upon the comforter to help get us through this time. We'll do it together with that guidance from above.

Blessings to you,

Lay Minister Jeremy Wolfe

Jeremy Wolfe

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We are confirming Ethan and Cayl on Reformation Sunday, Oct 25th.

Our current confirmation students are starting on Wednesday September 2nd at 7 PM. We are using Google Meet instead of meeting in person for the first few weeks.

Please email jeremy.wolfe@csuglobal.edu for more info if you need it.

Jeremy Wolfe

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FARMERSBURG

CHURCH COUNCIL

Pres: John Fuelling (20)

V. Pres: Brad Hoth (21)

Sec: Tammy Muller (20)

Treas: Lindelle Scherf (22)

Council Members: Jeff Klinge (21)
Tracey Phillips (22) & Zach Radloff (22)

CHURCH SECRETARY:

Kelly Shaw

FINANCIAL SECRETARIES:

Kelly Shaw & Brenda Hoth

OUTSIDE JANITOR:

Loren Scherf

INSIDE JANITOR:

Mary Beth Tielbar

WELCA:

Pres: Shirley Marmann

V. Pres: Velma Kuehl

Sec: Nancy Moon

Treas: Becky Fuelling

Mission Action: Bev Moon,
Nancy Moon, Marlene Glawe

MEN'S GROUP:

Pres: Jason Klinge

V. Pres: Brad Hoth

Sec/Treas: Don Bossard

ALTAR GUILD:

Directress: Cheryl Bossard

Sec: Loretta Weipert

Treas: Velma Kuehl

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY YOUTH

Pres: Logan Engelhardt

V. Pres: Braden Landt

Sec: Ashley Shaw

Treas: Ethan Goltz

ST. JOHN MINISTRY TEAM

Pres. Tammy Muller (21)

Sec. Sherri Johnson (20)

Members: Brenda Hoth (20)
Vicki Baade (21)
Theresa Rodas (22)
Janelle Smith (22)

NEWSLETTER EDITORS:

Cheryl Bossard & Tammy Muller

Church Website:

<http://www.stjohn-farmersburg.org/>

Remember to like St. John Facebook Page.

FARMERSBURG NEWS



September 6 10:00 am Outside Drive -In Worship with Communion

Remember to bring your Food Shelf items. See article for current needs.

September 13 10:30 am Inside and Outside Drive-In Worship



A special offering will be collected for the Crisis Fund for SOTH (See article on page 6)

September 20

9:45 am Acolyte Training

10:30 am Communion Inside and Outside Drive-In Worship

Commissioning of Acolytes

September 27 10:30 am Inside and Outside Drive-In Worship

The **Worship Committee** met August 19 to discuss worship service guidelines when we open for inside services on September 13.

- Face coverings are highly recommended. Face masks will be available if you don't have one
- Seating in every-other pew
- Hand sanitizer available in narthex
- Hymnals will be removed from the pews, worship service will be printed in the bulletin
- No singing, organist will play soft music for reflection instead of hymn singing
- No offering will be taken during the service. An offering plate will be on a stand in the back of the church for people to drop off their envelopes.
- Communion will be in the pews with individually bagged wafers & sealed wine cups.
- Worship helpers (ushers & greeters) will hand out bulletins & help guide people to their seats. Also hand out communion wine & bread on Communion Sundays. Will also need to check on outside parishioners if anyone needs bulletins & communion

Adding a Temple Talk to the service. Parishioners are asked to share ministries of the church, inspirational readings (such as Footprints in the Sand poem) or a devotion.

St. John Farmersburg Council Minutes

August 12, 2020

Present at meeting: John Fuelling, Tammy Muller, Lindelle Scherf, Brad Hoth, Jeff Klinge, Zachary Radloff and Jeremy Wolfe. Absent: Tracey Phillips

Meeting called to order by President John Fuelling at 6:32 PM. Opening prayer by Jeremy.

Zach moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Jeff. Motion carried. Motion to approve the minutes of July 8, 2020 meeting made by Brad, seconded by Zach. Motion Carried. Jeff moved to approve the treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Zach. Motion carried.

Lay Minister Report: In discussion with Pastor Lynn Noel, Jeremy's official title in print is lay minister or Synodically Authorized Minister (SAM). He has started to do home visits. At this time, he cannot visit the nursing homes due to COVID. Website is a work in progress. <http://www.stjohn-farmersburg.org/>

Old Business:

Discussion on when to open the church and move worship services back inside. Tammy moved to start having worship inside on Sunday, September 13 with the option of drive-in with the radio transmitter for those who do not wish to come inside yet. Seconded by Jeff. Motion carried. Face coverings are recommended. Also, seating will be in every other pew. Worship committee will meet to finalize re-opening plans for worship. September 6 will be outside/drive-in worship service.

Confirmation Sunday for Ethan Goltz was set for October 25, which is Reformation Sunday.

Harvest Meal will be for October 25. If we cannot do a sit-down meal, it will be carry-out only.

New Business:

Confirmation classes will start in September. Jeremy will be meeting with the parents to finalize plans.

ELCA "God's work, our hands" service day is September 13. Worship Committee will organize this.

Committee Reports:

Parish Education – needs to meet to finalize plans for Sunday school

Property – painting of Sunday School addition is completed

Worship Committee – next meeting is August 19

Women's Group – LWR pick-up will be September 12 from 7:30 am - 10:30 am in Decorah

Motion to adjourn by Jeff at 7:26 pm. Seconded by Brad. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be September 9 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by

Tammy Muller, secretary



FARMERSBURG NEWS



July, 2020 – Treasurer's Report

Income:

225.00
1339.00
320.00
887.00

Loose:

Initial Offering:

Rental income: 450.00

Missions:

NE Iowa Synod: 265.00
SOTH: 215.00
EWALU: 35.00
St. Pt. Home: 60.00
LSI: 45.00
Food Shelf: 80.00

Staff Compensation:

Pastor: 1657.01 + 50 GC from April
Portico:
Secretary: 400.00 GC for April & May
Inside Cust.: 209.22
Outside Cust: 120.05
Organists: 55.41 (7-12 & 26)

Expenses:

Black Hills (gas): 19.87
Alliant (elec): 141.34
NEIT: 80.41
Gage Exterminating:
Fisk Farm & Home 564.29 (Tents)
City of Farmersburg 212.56 (3rd Quart utilities)

Total Income: 2771.00

Total Expenses: 4210.16

General Checking Balance – July 1, 2020 16,483.53
July 31, 2020 15,044.37

Lindelle Scherf, Treasurer

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

July 12 51

July 26 43



September

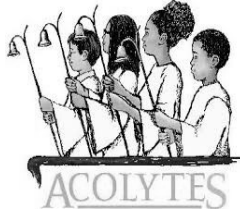
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4 Heather Crogan
6 Brad Hoth
Nick Kirby
7 Lee Zurcher
Blake Walleser
8 Nathan Johanningmeier
Gloria Tayek
11 Annabelle Rae Palmersheim
Addison Corlett
12 Kenneth Erickson
13 Doug Little
14 Allan Wiedemann
15 Mara Wright
16 Martin Hope
Emma Phillips
17 Michelle Scherf
18 Max Byroade
19 Russell Pate
21 Jordan Klinge
Matthew Radloff
22 Doug Glawe
Dorothy Jennings
23 Dennis Henning
25 Lisa Pritchard Knickenbocker
27 Loretta Weipert
Brayden Hoth
28 Charlie Byroade
29 Harold Henning

FARMERSBURG NEWS

There will be instruction for the new acolytes and reviewing for those who have acolyted in the past on **September 20th @ 9:45 am** in the Church sanctuary. Remember your masks This includes the following:

Kaylee Hoth
Landon Goltz
Taylor White
Adrianna Schoulte
Arthur Hatlan
Autumn Shaw
Isabelle Kirby

Commissioning of the acolytes will be during the 10:30 am Worship on September 20th.



WELCA September News

12 Lutheran World Relief Truck—
7:30 AM -10:30 AM at Olson's
Explosives, Decorah, IA. This will be the only In-Gathering in 2020.

16 1:00 pm Unit Meeting & Election of officers
Thought for the Day: Nancy Moon
Devotions: Becky Fuelling
Snack: Shirley Marmann

Altar Guild

Julie Kurth
Deb Tidwell



As we are opening the church for worship we will again utilized the usher, greeter and communion assistant lists but in a different way. You are asked to be worship helpers. There will be no greeting or ushering, but you will wear masks and hand out bulletins and

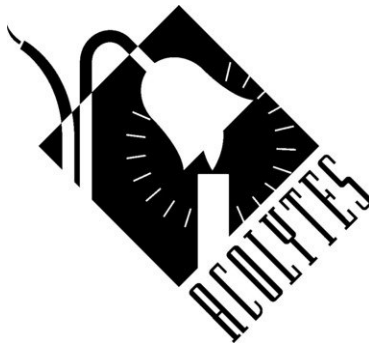
communion. You also will need to hand bulletins and communion out to the people that stay in their cars for worship. Your attendance is important to carry out these tasks as we attempt to worship both inside and out. If you can not or do not want to help please call the church office.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP HELPERS ARE:

September 6 and 13 Zach Radloff, Lyn Tielbar, Wyatt Glawe,
September 6 Bill Scherf IV, and Erin Scherf, & Tammy Muller
September 13 Josh and Megan Schoulte
September 20 & September 27 Dan Moon, Blake Brainard,
Clark Wikner & Rod Stagman
September 20 Lindelle Scherf, Sharon Henning & Zach Radloff
September 27 Clark & Kris Wikner

SEPTEMBER ACOLYTES

6 Kaylee Hoth
13 Autumn Shaw
20 Isabelle Kirby
27 Ashley Shaw



September

5 William & Michelle Scherf
7 Ron & Gloria Tayek
20 Paul & Loretta Weipert
23 Ken & Heather Crogan

KNOWN "SEPTEMBER" BAPTISMS

3 Diane (Henning) Walz
Morgan Peterson
7 – Lendall Schievelbein
8 – Wyatt Glawe
9 – Cheryl Bossard
11 – Ben Wikner
16 – Nick Scherf
21 – Nicole Tuecke
29 – Kyle Moon
Dacia Schoulte

Remembering your baptism day



Anyone having an anniversary in October or November?
Please call or Text Cheryl Bossard @ 563-599-8886 with the date or call 536-2369.



September



FARMERSBURG NEWS

With Deepest Sympathy



To the family and friends of Ivon Harlan Ihlenfeldt who passed away on August 13, 2020. Graveside services were held at Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Clayton Center.

Services were held for Donald Herbert Karl Wagner on August 21st @ St. John Farmersburg. Our sympathy to his family and friends.



Church Website:

<http://www.stjohn-farmersburg.org/>

Jeremy is working on St. John's website. It has a new look. It is a work in progress so continue watching for more changes and information added.

Temple Talk & Special Collection
on September 13th



The Crisis Fund was established in 1987.

Contributions to the fund are received from area Churches (both Conference & non-conference) as well as Businesses, Organizations & Individuals from Clayton County and surrounding areas, supporting the Mission here at Shepherd of the Hills. The Crisis Fund supplies emergency assistance with rent, utility and fuel bills for families here in Clayton County and outlying areas. The Fund does not pay for deposits for rent or utilities.

An example of a situation: A family down on their luck. Car broke down, individual needs the car to go to work, to help support themselves. The Crisis Fund does not pay for the car repairs. Individual is torn between fixing the car, or keeping the heat on for themselves & children. We cannot pay for the car repairs, but we can help with the utility payment, which frees them up to pay for some car repairs.

Families must have a referral from an area agency or Pastor to utilize funding. Families are protected throughout the winter months from November 1st thru March 31st from disconnection due to the Utility Moratorium Laws, however when the weather changes prior to November 1st after the March 31st deadline, families are not protected. Monetary donations can be received anytime throughout the year, but especially needed in late fall & spring, as families are needing to connect/disconnect utilities for heat, electric & water. In fiscal year 2019, we served 101 families with \$11,456.84 of assistance. We serve many different households from single income, elderly on fixed incomes, to double income families, just down on their luck! Any contributions, large or small, are appreciated more than you know! SOTH works closely with many different agencies on a daily basis, sometimes utilizing 3 different sources to assist with Crisis Fund Assistance! Blessings to all throughout the uncertainty of this pandemic!

Heather Crogan, Director, Shepherd of the Hills Ministry

LUANA

CHURCH SECRETARY & FINANCIAL TREAS.:

Karla Schrader

CHURCH COUNCIL:

President: Keith Johnson (20)

V. Pres: Luke Steege (20)

Sec: Sonya Anderson (21)

Cur. Treas: Linda Davis (20)

Bene. Treas: Cindy Landt (21)

Financial Counters: Council

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Loren Lenth (20),

Duaine Palas (20),

Doug Schlein (21),

Janelle Smith (22),

Edith Searles (22),

Mary Schroeder (22) &

Cayl Anderson (Youth) (20)

CUSTODIAN: Jeff Krambeer

WELCA:

Pres: Betty Handke (20)

V. Pres: Anna Schroeder (20)

Sec: Marj Schrader

Treas: Linda Davis

Mission Action: Carol Goettler

ALTAR GUILD:

Pres: Sherri Johnson (2020)

Sec: Darci Engelhardt (2020)

Banners/Linens/Candles:

Mary Schroeder (2021)

Jeanne Miller (2022)

Special Services/Flowers:

Betty Handke (2021)

Diane Kraus (2022)

Bapt./Comm.:

Sherri Johnson

Darci Engelhardt

Seasonal Banners:

Jeff Krambeer

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY YOUTH:

Pres: Logan Engelhardt

V. Pres: Braden Landt

Sec: Ashley Shaw

Treas: Ethan Goltz

ST. JOHN MINISTRY TEAM

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SEPTEMBER 6 8:30 am Worship Inside or Outside with Communion

Remember it is Food Shelf Sunday

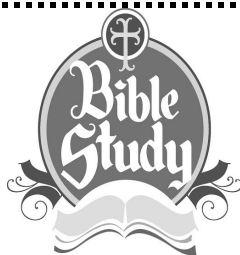
Senior Recognition Sunday

September 13 9:00 am Worship Inside or Outside

September 20 9:00 am Worship with Communion

Inside or Outside

September 27 9:00 am Worship Inside or Outside



WELCA: Sept. 1 at 1:30pm. Jeremy will lead bible study from our Sept. "Gather" magazine. Everyone is welcome to join on the north lawn (weather permitting). Bring a chair. Alternate plan is to meet in a Sunday School room. No lunch this time.



2020 Senior Recognition will be Sunday, September 6th at the 8:30 am service in Luana. Our Seniors off to college are Keri Picha, Jordan Schubert and Kaleb Tilson.

Congratulations to all and have a great year!



1- Paul & Jeanne Miller

2- Paul & Darci Engelhardt

4- Luke & Kim Steege

18- Kevin & Katie Tilson

Oswald & Carol Goettler

19- Levi & Michelle Gieseke

26- Tom & Becky Harnack



SEPTEMBER Birthdays

2- Diane Kraus

5- Jeff Krambeer

8- Cindy Landt

11- Gertrude Lee

17- Lisa Donlon

Paul Engelhardt

18- James Meyer

20- Vicky Baade

22- Duaine Palas

26- Duaine Davis

29- Curt Kraus

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

Council Minutes

Tuesday, August 11th, 2020 @ 7pm

PRESENT: Lay Pastor Jeremy Wolfe, Keith Johnson, Linda Davis, Janelle Smith, Mary Schroeder, Karla Schrader, Duaine Palas, Loren Lenth, Cindy Landt, and Sonya Anderson.

ABSENT: Edith Searles, Luke Steege, Cayl Anderson, and Doug Schlein.

Meeting called to order by President Keith Johnson at 7:05 pm. Lay Minister Jeremy Wolfe read devotions and prayer.

Secretary's Report: Sonya Anderson read the Secretary's report. A motion was made by Mary Schroeder to approve this and second by Loren Lenth.

Treasurers/Financial Report: All who were present reviewed the financial report. Linda Davis made a motion to approve and Cindy Landt second this.

OLD BUSINES:

New computer was installed last week and it is working great. Waiting for the delivery of the copy machine.
Calls are out for the needed parsonage repairs.
Blacktopping: plan to have completed in August.

NEW BUSINESS: It was all in agreement for Jeremy Wolfe to create and manage the church website, there will be no cost to create. Find 1-2 people that may want to be the Administrator or oversee updates along with Jeremy.

There have been no concerns or problems with the worship services being held in the Sanctuary. People are happy to get back into worshipping inside the church on Sundays. People may continue to sit outside on the North Lawn to hear the service as well.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

Janitor position is open. Job description is available. Will put in the bulletin, newsletter, and list on church's webpage. Karla has been overseeing disinfecting after services, lock up of the church, and making sure lights are turned off.

Thank you to Janelle Smith for updating the bulletin board.

Linda Davis asked for the Circles to resume holding Bible studies once a month in the back room. Jeremy will lead the Bible studies. People should enter to attend these through the side door. Everyone was in agreement to have these begin.

Karla Schrader is compiling a list of who has keys to the church. Please contact Karla with the key number if you have one.

Next Council Meeting: Sunday September 13th, 2020 at 7:30am.

Discussion of Senior Recognition, Karla will contact Jordan, Keri, and Kaleb.

Confirmation Service: On Reformation Sunday, October 25th, 2020.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32pm by Sonya Anderson and seconded by Cindy Landt.

The Lord's Prayer was led by everyone upon closing of the meeting.

Submitted by, Sonya Anderson



LUANA NEWS

JULY TREASURER'S REPORT – 2020

Submitted by Karla Schrader

CURRENT FUND:

ENDING BALANCE, June 30, 2020 12,862.88

INCOME

July 5	1,797.00	
July 12	875.00	
July 19	872.00	
July 26	<u>185.00</u>	
	3,729.00	
transfer from Fund	<u>7,500.00</u>	
		<u>11,229.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME		24,091.88

EXPENSES

Black Hills Utilities –Nat. Gas	20.19
Alliant - Electricity	141.30
Karla Schrader –Secretary	307.83
NEITEL	122.64
IRS	253.23
Jeremy Wolfe – June Mileage	429.10
Joe & Matt -Parsonage a/c	794.63
Farm & Home – paint	48.66
Karr Tuckpointing	<u>15,348.00</u>
	17,465.58

TOTAL EXPENSES-----\$ 17,465.58

ENDING BALANCE. July 31, 2020 6,626.30

SPECIAL FUNDS

Ruby Breitsprecher CD	5,299.74
St John Scholarship Fund CD	40,076.87
Willard & Anne Kamin CD	4,211.05

FURNACE/RENT/REPAIR FUND

Bal. June 30, 2020	\$84,547.48
transfer to current	7,500.00
Interest	<u>82.47</u>
Bal. July 31, 2020	\$77,129.95

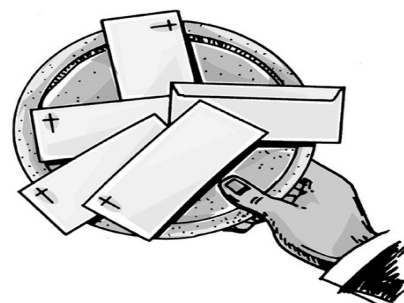
BENEVOLENCE REPORT *Submitted by Cindy Landt*

INCOME

July 5	Offering	125.00
	Food Shelf	25.00
July 12	Offering	5.00
	Food Shelf	5.00
July 19	Offering	79.00
	Food Shelf	5.00
July 26	Offering	15.00
	Food Shelf	<u>5.00</u>
		264.00

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

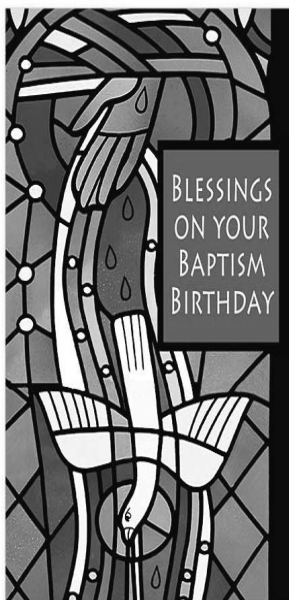
	Att.	Comm
Aug. 2	35	32
Aug. 9	32	
Aug. 16	36	35
Aug. 23	<u>33</u>	
TOTAL	136	67
AVERAGE	34	33



EXPENSES

SOTH	130.00
Food Shelf	40.00
Synod	<u>94.00</u>
	264.00

LUANA NEWS



September Baptismal Birthdays

- 12- Kelsi Davis
Tyce Wikner
- 14- Sharon DeSotel
- 15- Robert Handke
Norman Mueller
- 16- Kelsey Johnson
- 18- Jade Moeller
- 22- Logan Engelhardt
Jeff Krambeer
Sabrina Swenson
Miles Gieseke
- 23- Doug Schrader
- 24- Dawn Dull
Brooklyn Landt
- 25- Diane Kraus
- 26- Kim Steege
- 27- Stan Dull
Levi Gieseke

September Greeters/Ushers:

Jeff & Edith Krambeer
Flowers: Diane Kraus
Altar Guild: Betty Handke



Scripture Reader:

Sept. 6: Vicky Baade
Sept. 13: Jerry Schroeder
Sept. 20: Linda Davis
Sept. 27: Mel Lenth



Donald John Baade, 84, formerly of Luana, died July 14, 2020 at the Good Samaritan Society, West Union. Graveside services were held Saturday, July 25 at 1:30pm at the St. John Lutheran cemetery, Luana with Pat Malanaphy, Hospice Chaplain, officiant.

Christine Mary Baade, 84, formerly of Luana, died July 31, 2020 at the Good Samaritan Society, West Union. Graveside services will be held Saturday, August 15 at 1:30pm at the St. John Lutheran cemetery.

Earl Gene West who passed away July 21, 2020 at Gundersen Hospital. Our sympathy and prayers to family and friends of Donald, Christine and Earl.



Read Prayers:

Sept. 6: Janelle Smith
Sept. 13: Jeff Krambeer
Sept. 20: Karla Schrader
Sept. 27: Keith Johnson

Acolyte/Read Psalms:

Sept. 6: Cayl Anderson
Sept. 13: Kyle Tilson
Sept. 20: Elena Schierholz
Sept. 27: TBA

September 2020, LSI Story

We are Still Here: LSI's Services for People with Disabilities

LSI Team Leader Ada works at Harmony House in Muscatine, a 24/7 care facility provided through LSI's Services for People with Disabilities. The home provides consistent care to five Iowans with intensive disabilities and medical conditions. Ada and her team assist residents with most parts of their day, from movement around the home and hygiene routines to medications and meals.

Because of COVID-19, the residents at Harmony House have not been able to safely see their families or participate in the volunteering or work they love, as some are able to do. But Ada and her team are there to offer a familiar face and structure when everything else feels uncertain. On days when clients feel scared or unsure, Ada and her team provide support and comfort.

Throughout the pandemic, Ada and her team have worked long hours to ensure they follow additional safety precautions, protecting both themselves and the clients they serve.

"We are an essential part of their daily life, regardless of whatever storm lies in front of us. My work is needed for my clients to survive," Ada says. "But they are essential to me and the other staff. They are the reason we do what we do."

BOTH CHURCHES NEWS

Members of: SJ Luana & SJ Farmersburg (*Italicized*)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS, Heidi Trotter, Curt Kraus, Sharon Larson, Claudia Anderson, Erma Swenson, Kevin Krambeer, Bunny Fox, Misty Hughes, Keith and Gertrude Lee, Dawson Spiker, Tom Meuleman, Greg Snitker, Dallas Tielbar, Dallas Thompson, Luke Baade, Olga Tidwell, RoseMary Tielbar, Dan Berns, Brooke Scherf Maxine Kuehl & Angie Gerndt

MILITARY: Avery Smith, Ali Crogan, Andrew Rodas, Beth Rodas

POSTVILLE GOOD SAM: Ellenore Doerring

STONEY BROOK VILLAGE: Elaine Gehring

EAGLE RIDGE INDEP. & ASSISTED LIVING: Lawrence Linderbaum

ELKADER CARE CENTER: Cheryll Scherf, Vila Schroeder,

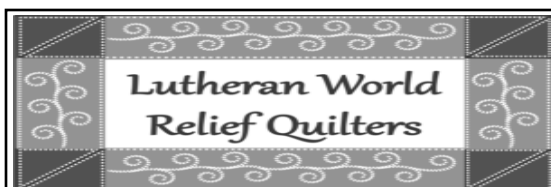
STRAWBERRY POINT: Russ Pate

WEST UNION GOOD SAM.: Gertrude Lee

GARDEN VIEW PLACE: Nadyne Reardon, Shirley Henkes

ASSISTED LIVING ROCHESTER, MN 55901: Dorothy Kluth

HOMEBOUND: Mary Russett, Mae Mueller, JoAnn Meyer, LuNida Landt; Glenda Henkes; Isabel Kurth, Imogene Ihlenfeldt



September 12 Lutheran World Relief Truck—
7:30 AM -10:30 AM at Olson's Explosives, Decorah, IA.
This will be the only In-Gathering in 2020.

Clayton County Food Shelf

POB 48 – St. Olaf, IA 52072

Monday – Friday: 9-Noon

1 – 4:00 pm

Ph #563-783-7794

Utoni Ruff, Director

Current Needs for September:

Canned Dinners

Dry Dinners

Canned Fruit

Pasta

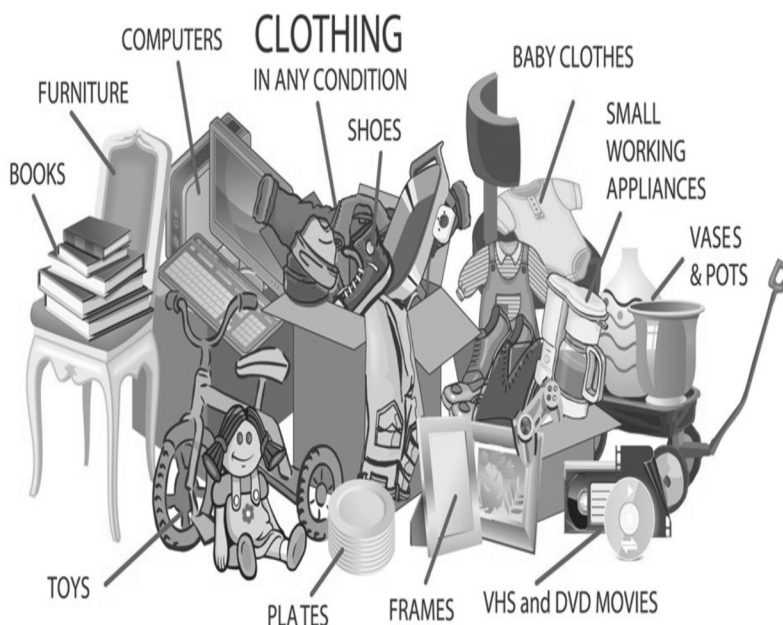
Remember to bring your items to
St. John Luana or St. John
Farmersburg on **September 6th.**
The food shelf is in need.



INTERCHURCH COUNCIL NEWS

Goodwill Truck in Monona September 26

8:00 am—11:00 am St. Patrick's Parish
of Monona will man the truck.



GOODWILL CANNOT ACCEPT: large appliances, TV's, hide-a-beds, beds & mattresses, carpets, construction materials, chemical products, tires, and live plants.



Shepherd of the Hills Ministries

NEWSLETTER - SEPT 2020

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ANNUAL CRISIS FUND

HOG ROAST

At the time of this writing, we are within 6 weeks of event time. Many different ideas were discussed including a drive thru/take out event, with partial/full catering. At this time, with the many unknowns in our surrounding communities, the hard decision was made to postpone the event indefinitely.

We will be holding a stewardship drive this fall to help replenish the Crisis Fund for the upcoming winter months. During 2019 Fiscal Year, we were able to help 101 families with \$11,456.84 with emergency utilities & rent assistance.

Monetary donations can be sent to 100 W. Hill St, PO Box 36, St. Olaf, IA 52072. Please put CRISIS FUND in the memo line! 🙏

Clothing Center Update

The Clothing Center remains closed at the time of this writing. I have received some questions on why the center is closed? The sad reality, is it is ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO SANITIZE all items in between clients/families, thus the decision is to remain closed at this time. Clients/families are still able to have items packed and receive them. The OFFICE REMAINS OPEN for regular business hours to assist with Crisis Funding and other needs.

Back to School 4 Kids Project

We held the annual project on Aug 12, 2020. We have packed 160 backpacks thus far, for area children heading back to school. Many area districts begin classes on August 24, 2020. Thank you to all those donating to this great project, along with a reduced crew of volunteers, packing each bag with basic school supplies!

Virtual - Catechism Bible Study

One in Faith will be hosting a Catechism Bible Study with African American Reflections weekly in October. The Catechism can be purchased from Augsburg Fortress directly, or can be ordered through Pr. Margaret by Sept 11. Please contact Pr. Margaret - mryj2232@gmail.com to register or for more information.

Welcome to Shepherd of the Hills Conference B:

I would like to take this time to welcome *Pastor Mike Ashman* to *St John's American & St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Guttenberg!* He is originally from the Green Bay area, having lived in Ohio, Washington, Michigan (UP) and Iowa. He was ordained in 1993. He has enjoyed working with the youth, at camp and in the parish. He is joined by his mother, Vera and beloved cat, Puddytatt! We wish him many blessings as he begins his service here in Northeast Iowa! Welcome Pastor Mike! 😊

Shepherd of the Hill's Needs:

The Operating Fund pays the utilities, insurance on the building, supplies and salary for the Director, Lawn/Snow Care.

The Crisis Fund is used to help families in need with rent, utilities or fuel assistance.

Please utilize the MEMO LINE on your check to specify Crisis or Operating Fund!

IMPORTANT DATES:

October 4th
*Annual Crisis Fund
Hog Roast - Postponed*

December 7th - 11th
*Christmas 4 Kids Project
Setup days & Giveaway days*

Any event/date may be subject to Change

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