

The Living Springs Journal

"CELEBRATE...SHARE...SERVE"
ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL

September 2020



FAITH
Forward in

FORWARD IN FAITH! – from Pastor Eric

Now **FAITH** is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by **FAITH** our ancestors received approval. By **FAITH** we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By **FAITH** through **FAITH** by **FAITH** without **FAITH** by **FAITH** by **FAITH** by **FAITH** by **FAITH** in **FAITH** by **FAITH** by **FAITH** by **FAITH** by **FAITH** through **FAITH** ... for **FAITH**

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our **FAITH!** (from Hebrews 11:1–12:2a)

Each July/August, our various Ministry Leaders gather in prayer to seek the Spirit's guidance for a theme as we prepare for a new Faith Formation year. As with everything else in life, we knew our upcoming Faith Formation year was going to be significantly different due to the lingering COVID impact. However, as always, it was amazing to sense the Spirit's guidance, as our hearts and minds were directed to the above passages from Hebrews (which happened to be our congregation's Bible Book of the Month for July—no mere coincidence, I'm sure, but rather the tug of the Spirit!).

The Hebrews passage provides a long list of powerful examples of how God guided, sustained, led, and supported God's people throughout history and throughout so many difficult circumstances — all through the gift of **FAITH!** This gift of faith points through and beyond things we can see with our eyes (like the effects of a virus) to those greater things which cannot be seen readily with mere physical vision: deep, powerful, life-giving things like forgiveness, mercy, eternal grace and love. We are reminded that **by faith**, God is always working something deeper, beyond things we can see on the surface. The Cross provides a perfect example: on the surface, people could see a Galilean carpenter's son being executed by the Roman Empire along with other ordinary criminals; but beyond what could readily be seen with the eyes, God was working something so much deeper—the hope of salvation for all humanity, for all the cosmos (cf. John 3:16).

In all circumstances—through this deeper action of God that points us beyond what we readily see—we rejoice that the Spirit is always moving us **forward in faith!** On one level, we might say God is moving us **forward in faith** *in spite of* the barriers created by the COVID pandemic. We are not called to sit around, just waiting and waiting to resume God's work once things get back to what we had once called "normal." So, *in spite of* the challenges, the Spirit calls and empowers us to move forward in new, creative, and imaginative ways—as a community of disciples, in our Kingdom ministries, and in our personal journeys with God. But such "moving forward" not only happens *in spite of* those unique challenges & circumstances, it can also happen *through* the unique challenges & circumstances of our time. For while God may not cause a pandemic, God can still nonetheless use this historic time to jolt us out of our past habits, our past comfort levels, our past perspectives—and use this time to help us see possibilities that God is calling each of us to embrace: so that in our journeys of ever-growing, ever-deepening faith, we are not "going back" or staying stagnant, but allowing God to move us **forward in faith!**

Hebrews 12 concludes a great litany of faith by celebrating that we are not experiencing this forward movement of faith alone—but rather we are surrounded by a "great cloud of witnesses" who themselves were moved forward in faith by God throughout the centuries before us. Just imagine who is there, in that great eternal cloud of witnesses, cheering YOU on, as God seeks to move you **forward in faith!** (those cheers, by the way, are there not to encourage us to "go backward" or "stop where we are!"). We are called to run forward, with perseverance, in the race that is now set before us, here in our generation, in our time of history—recognizing that "the race" is not a solo sprint, but rather a massive marathon relay. Now, at this point in history, the baton has been passed on to you and me from the generations who have run their leg of the race before us **by faith**—so that we might carry the baton of the cross and complete our leg of the race **by faith!** Thus, in each of our lives, we are building on Faith Formation themes from recent years: actively doing justice, loving kindness, walking humbly with God (Micah 6:8); actively bearing the Spirit's fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control (Galatians 5:22); and growing deeper in grace, in love, in Christ!

I am tremendously excited about the creative "Forward in Faith—God's Work, Our Hands" Kickoff Sunday on Sept. 13. I am tremendously excited, as well, about this Faith Formation year ahead and all the unique ways each of us will be involved in Bible Studies, Faith Milestones, Sunday Adult Classes, Youth Groups, Confirmation, Children's Sunday Faith Alive, Child Development Ministry, Bible Books of the Month, Faith5, at-home devotions/prayer—and all our ongoing, forward-moving ministries of Worship, Community Hope, Fellowship & Care. *Forward in faith ... forward in faith ... forward in faith!* May the Spirit empower us as we carry the baton and now run our leg of the race!

With much thanksgiving for each of you, *Pastor Eric*

SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

"Forward in Faith"

CONGREGATION KICKOFF

(God's Work, Our Hands!)

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Worship Stream starts 9:45

Drive-Thru Faith Stations, 11:00-12:15

At-Home Ministry Bingo, 12:45-1:30

At-Home GWOH Activity, afternoon

WORSHIP STARTING SEPT. 20

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"IN-PERSON" WORSHIP OPTIONS

Sundays 8:15-9:00 (outdoor, all ages)

Sundays 11:15-12:00 (indoor, all ages)

Tuesdays @ Noon (indoor, sr. adults only)

Sign-up Required—Limit 40 persons

Masks Required, Arrive Early for Check-In

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FULL WORSHIP STREAMED

Each Sunday @ 10am

**Full Music/Liturgy/Sermon, Children's Message
(sign up to come be part of taping, Wed @ 7:15)**



Announcing ...

Living Springs
“FORWARD IN FAITH”
KICKOFF SUNDAY

September 13

(God’s Work, Our Hands!)

9:45—10:45 ***“Forward in Faith” Streamed Worship***

For those who wish to watch the stream with others, feel free to come gather distanced/masked on the church lawn or in the sanctuary (limit 40 inside).

NOTE: We will have small outdoor screens, so if planning on watching out doors, you may want to bring your own phone/device with cell service.

11:00—12:15 ***Drive-Up Stations @ Church Parking Lot***

- * HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION Station
- * CHILDREN’S FAITH ALIVE, CONFIRMATION, JR/SR YOUTH Station
- * *LIVING WATER, BREAD OF LIFE* - ADULT/FAMILY FAITH Station
- * *GOD’S WORK, OUR HANDS* - CHALLENGE CARD, T-SHIRT Station
- * BACKPACK FOOD MINISTRY (975 x \$8) “STUFF-A-BUS” ([see page 6](#))
- * VIRTUAL BINGO CARD & COOKIE PICK-UP Station

12:45—1:30 ***At-Home Virtual Ministry Bingo***

- * Go home & eat your own Sunday lunch (with your LS Cookies for dessert!)
- * While eating, join the big LS Virtual Ministry Bingo Game, using the free “Ministry Bingo Card” you completed at drive-up station that morning.
- * Each person will designate a specific Community/Church Ministry on your card. If you win, we will make a donation to that ministry in your name.
- * Bingo link meet.google.com/gfo-kqdz-kxn or call in: 1-252-665-6551 PIN: 537 822 269#

Afternoon ***At-Home GWOH Activity***

Pick one activity from your “God’s Work, Our Hands” Challenge Card and complete it that afternoon as a family or individual. There are many options, which can be done from home, or by going out into the community. Pick other activities to complete later throughout the fall, as you wish.

Notes from: *Living Springs Child Development Center*

From Tammy Mancuso, Director

Hello and Blessings to all,

As we head into our academic year here at the C.D.C. as well as in the community, we continue to diligently follow our new protocols, as the health and safety of our children, families and teaching team is of the utmost importance.

What an exciting time to be in the field of education, these are certainly unprecedented times as we work within this new norm and digital age of learning.

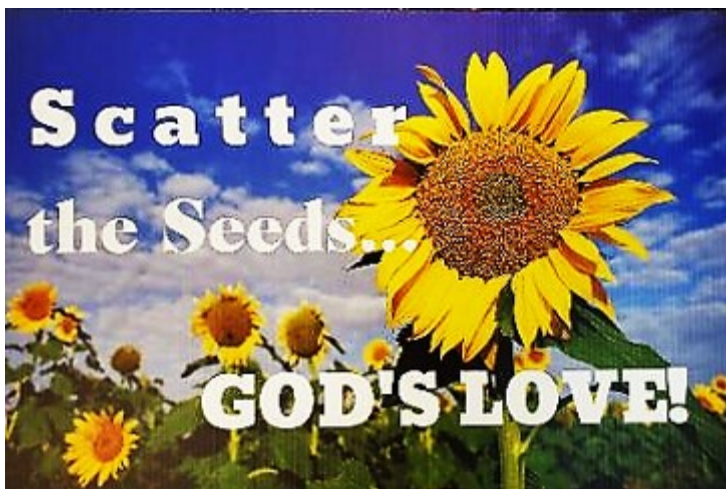
As we continue to have discussions about love and awareness in our world, we also share our thoughts and ideas of how we can Move Forward in Faith.

I would like to share a few examples of how we are continuing to move Forward In Faith.

- ♥ Our students created and shared artwork for an Art Show display at the Rice Estates.
- ♥ We have opened two new E-Learning Support classrooms to ensure that families know that their school age children are welcomed, supported and nurtured as we work together in this new environment of E-Learning and collaboration.
- ♥ Our students are becoming Pen-Pals and Art-Pals with residents of The Rice Estates.
- ♥ Our teaching staff had the opportunity to share stories about how they have moved Forward in Faith over the years during our recent Teacher-In-Service Day. We shared how we are able to resonate and call upon the strength of those that have come before us, those that have helped to pave the road of Faith as our journey Forward continues.
- ♥ I am excited to be a witness as we watch our community of disciples move Forward in Faith by continuing to Scatter Seeds of love, acceptance, joy and compassion.

We wish you well,

LSLC Child Development Center TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY Thursday-September 10th



**POST A MESSAGE OF THANKS AND GRATITUDE
FOR OUR AMAZING TEACHERS AND STAFF!**

To thank our teachers and staff,
the CDC Board invites everyone to
Visit the CDC face book page and
Post a message between now
and September 10th
Let them know how thankful we are for
their ministry with our children and
families!

Gail Buchanan & the CDC Board

Notes from: *Hope Ministry*

Picture Pals and **Pen Pals**

A Ministry with our Rice Estate Family



CDC Picture Pals

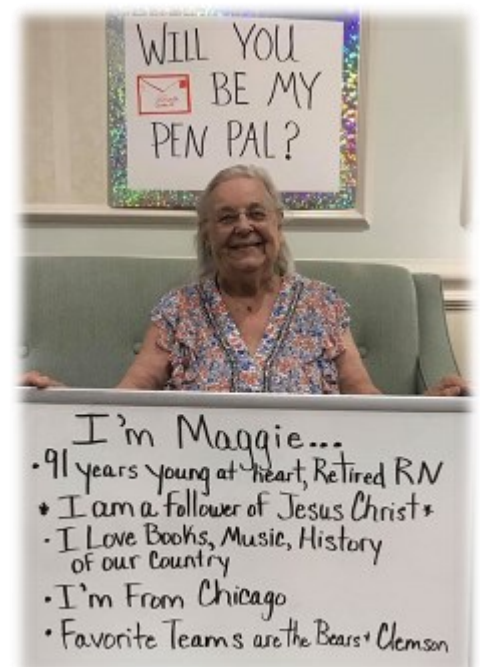
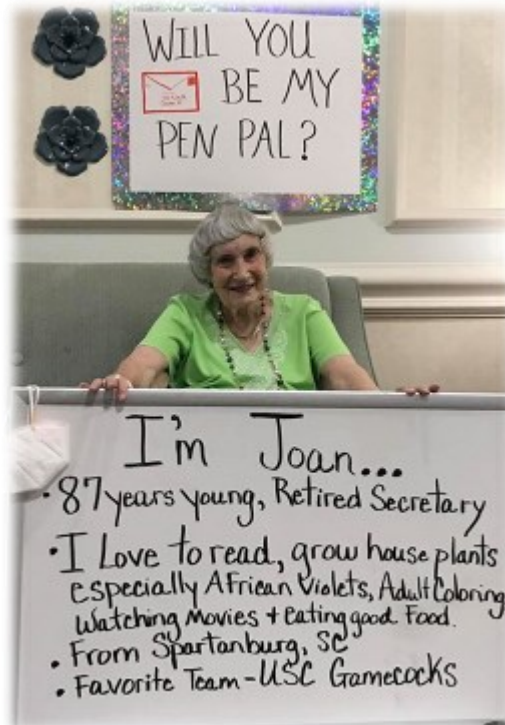
In August, our Child Development Center children drew and colored pictures, shared their favorites: colors, food, play, places to visit and what makes them happy along with a message that "God loves you and so do your friends at LSCDC". 50+ pictures were delivered via the *Picture Pal Express* to the Rice Estate. We can't wait until our friends at the Rice Estate share their art and something about themselves!

Pen Pals

Will you be my pen pal?

Several of our Rice Estate family want to be pen pals. There's **Maggie**, a retired nurse who loves to read and Clemson!; **Cecil**, a retired court reporter who loves, birdwatching, fishing and most of all cats!; **Joan**, a retired secretary who loves to read, growing African violets, adult coloring, and the USC Gamecocks! Prayerfully consider being a Pen Pal to one of these ladies who regularly attend the LSLC Rice Estate Dinners. See their pictures and other interest they have shared.

Send all correspondence to their first name, Rice Estate, 100 Finley Road, Columbia, SC 29203



BACKPACKS – STUFF A BUS

The kiddies are back to school and the need for supplementary food on the weekend for homeless/ unaccompanied youth is more of an issue now than in all the years we have been involved in this program. We have agreed to take on another Richland 2 school – Blythewood Academy which added 15 bags to our commitment (Richland 2 lost a sponsor who supplied 200 bags).

A bag cost is approximately \$8 – here are your options if you choose to participate:

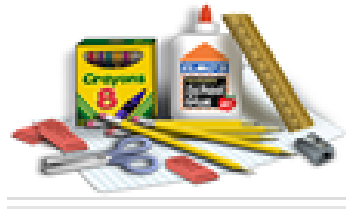
- ✦ **Givify:** Backpack/Stuff a Bus / or a check to LS (backpack program in memo section)
- ✦ **Order/buy from your local supermarket:** drop off in the backpack shopping carts
- ✦ **Amazon event registry:** “Stuff a Bus/Backpacks” - deliver to Living Springs c/o Backpack Program https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/eZNZFuZ?ref=wl_share
- ✦ **Adopt a child:** (pick a fictitious name) for the whole school year -- \$296.



"God's Work. Our Hands./ Stuff a Bus" is being coordinated with our GIFT Sunday/Rally Day on September 13. Look for the stuff a bus in the drive-by parade. The shopping carts will be available to put your donated food items in, purchase a backpack sticker (\$8) and help us reach our new goal to supply 975 food bags by the Christmas! Together, we can do it!!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Thank you to everyone that contributed to our school supply drive for Richland 2 – it will be exciting for the students that cannot afford all the necessary items to be able to ask and receive what they need. You are the best Living Springs!



Notes from: *TELS - Traveling Evangelists of Living Springs*

TELS – ANNO DOMINI...The Story of Stephen and the Apostles *Saturday, October 24*

The date for our trip to NarroWay live Theatre is still scheduled for Saturday, October 24 – the bus will leave LS at 10:15 am or you have the option of driving to Fort Mill in your own vehicle. The ticket price of \$35 includes a Greek meal. We have checked with NarroWay and they are following safety guidelines and have been performing since June 13. Contact [Karen Kranz](#) for information.



Notes from: *Justice Ministry*

For many of us it hasn't been an easy year. Some compare this year to 1968, a year of civil unrest and great social change. Some compare this year to 1929, the beginning of the Great Depression. Some say we can't compare 2020 to these years because we are experiencing not only civil unrest, social change, and economic downturn, but also a great pandemic. It's been a tough year for us and for our neighbors, too.

In Romans 8: 31-32 Paul writes, "³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else?" And in verse 39 Paul continues, "...for nothing will separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus." What an encouraging word in a year of upheaval! **God is present for us, totally and completely, and nothing can separate us from God's love.**

I'm reminded of these scriptures as the new cycle for Justice Ministry begins in September. We engage in Justice work because God commands this and because we see our neighbor's great need. In our house meetings over the last three years we have asked what made us angry and what kept us awake at night. We heard that many in our community needed affordable housing, mental health care provision, better education, and safe neighborhoods without crime and gun violence. We voted to address these problems and to begin to find solutions.

We joined with 35+ other congregations and have made a difference in the Midlands: formation of an affordable housing trust fund is in process and many officers and deputies now are trained to engage more effectively with those with mental illness. We continue to work to address education disparities and crime and gun violence in our neighborhoods.

As God's children we stand with and stand up for our neighbors in need. **God's unwavering support and love for us that Paul writes about in Romans are what enable and spur us to support and love our neighbor. In fall 2020 this is more important than ever:** more evictions are occurring, incidence of mental health problems is increasing, education resources are strained, and gun violence continues to threaten our community. Through MORE Justice Living Springs partners with 35+ other congregations of faith to follow the command in Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of us but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God."

In September, Living Springs, will begin the listening process in our individual **congregational House Meetings** to find out what concerns us in our communities and what keeps us awake at night. Here are the dates of house meetings planned thus far:

Helen Doeringhaus & Wayne Kannaday – **Sunday Sep 20 at 4:00 pm - online**

Peg & Jim Zieche - **Thursday Sep 24 Time TBD – online**

Gail Buchanan – **Sunday Sep 27 at 4:00 pm - online**

Mike Davidson & Gwen Furcron– **Thursday, October 1 at 7 pm**

Adam Woodruff - **TBD**

Look for an invitation in coming weeks to a Living Springs house meeting! After we complete the LS House meetings, we will meet in October with hundreds of other people of faith across the Midlands to decide what to focus on this year in our justice work together.

Here's an update on our MORE Justice work this month:

- Gun violence is a daily concern for many people in the Midlands. We participated in a Town Hall on September 1 on Group Violence Intervention (GVI), an evidence-based strategy adopted by dozens of cities to reduce gun violence in communities. GVI is designed to reduce homicide and gun violence, minimize harm to communities by replacing enforcement with deterrence, and foster stronger relationships between law enforcement and the people they serve. Meetings with law enforcement, community leaders, and others affected by gun violence continue as we address this problem together.

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- Affordable Housing has never been a timelier problem to address than right now given the economic downturn. Prior to COVID, Columbia ranked 8th in the nation in evictions, and affordable housing options remain in short supply. A solution that has worked in over 750 other communities across the nation is an Affordable Housing Trust Fund to allow creation of more safe, affordable housing units. We're making progress on establishing an Affordable Housing Trust Fund for Columbia.
- We've been in touch with Richland 1 about school climate and discipline policies in the district. We continue to share information, meet with others concerned about these problems, and work toward strengthened education for all students in the Midlands.

Join us for the Justice journey again this year! **And rejoice in the good word that God is with us and nothing – not even the lifechanging events of 2020 - can separate us from God's love!**

If you'd like information at anytime, please talk with a Justice Team Leaders: Gail Buchanan, Mike Davidson, Helen Doerpinghaus, Gwen Furcron, Wayne Kannaday, Adam Woodruff, Jim Zieche, Peg Zieche



Notes from: *Lifelong Discipleship*

Forward In Faith Opportunities for Adults

Looking for ways to stay connected to God and connected to others who are, too?

You have plenty of opportunities to accomplish both at the same time. Look at these options and choose one or more that fit you schedule. For now, all groups meet virtually via Google Meet or ZOOM.

Sundays

9:00am – Adult Class –discussions highlighting the 2nd lesson for that Sunday's worship, using a series called "Daily Faith Practices". Coordinator – Helen Doerpinghaus – helend@sc.rr.com

9:30am – *Faith in Action* – if you are looking for more than Bible study, this is the group for you. The name of the group says it all as it finds ways to live out our faith in simple ways. During COVID, we have been reaching out to fellow disciples through phone contacts, emails and cards to offer fellowship and comfort. Coordinators – Steve Bloss – sbloss1947@gmail.com and Mike Davidson – mdavidson33@gmail.com

Tuesdays

10:00am – Ladies Bible Study – will be reading and discussing "31 Verses to Write on Your Heart", by Liz Curtis. The back cover notes "Here are the words you are looking for when your faith needs a boost or a friend needs encouragement..." Coordinator – Beverly Hoppert – beverlyhoppert@gmail.com

6:00pm – Evening Bible Study – will read and discuss one of the Living Springs Bible Books of the Month each month. For September this group is covering the book of Job. Coordinator – Steve Bloss – sbloss1947@gmail.com

Thursdays

8:00pm – Men's Devotional Group (*Take Up Your Cross & Move Forward in Faith*)– reading and discussion of selected readings based on a theme chosen by the group that week. Coordinator – Marshall Hurlbert – marshallhurlbert@gmail.com

Books of the Month 2020-21

Sept:	Job	Mar:	Mark
Oct:	Ezekiel	Apr:	Philippians/Colossians
Nov:	Ecclesiastes & Jonah	May:	Psalms 51-100
Dec:	Joel-Zechariah-Malachi	June:	I & II Thessalonians
Jan:	Proverbs (31 chapters)	July:	I, II, III John & Jude
Feb:	Psalms 1-50	Aug:	Psalms 101-150



Notes from: *Mission Partnership Team*
Packing & Delivering Backpacks to Cristo Rey



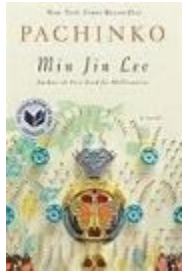
Progress on Cristo Rey's Building!



Notes from: *Women's Ministry*

WOMEN'S RETREAT

This event has been postponed until next year – mark it down! The weekend of October 8 – 10, 2021 at the Coastal Retreat on the Isle of Palms! Pastor Jackie Utley has agreed to present the program next year. As we move closer, information will be posted in the Journal.



LADIES BOOK CLUB

Next Gathering: October 5

Our book for October is Pachinko by Min Jin Lee. Even though we have been googling our meet, it has been a good discussion of our book and we can still have our glass of wine and snack on our own goodies. Next meet is Monday, October 5 at 7 pm – it looks like we might be able to meet in person at this one...we will see as it gets closer. There are copies of the book in the workroom if anyone would like to read – they have to be returned by October 27.



Notes from: *Men's Ministry*

Lutheran Men Sunday will be *September 29th*. Please contact [Bob Turnmire](#) to see how you can be part of this annual worship opportunity.

Join us for this month's **virtual breakfast meeting**.

BYOC (Bring your own Cheerios, coffee, cheese grits, etc.) at 8:00 am on *Saturday, September 26th* and join us for devotions, fellowship and a brief business meeting. Please see the meeting information below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85705508378?pwd=VklpSTY3R0dRRkttL3J1eS8wK1dBZz09>

Meeting ID: 857 0550 8378

Passcode: LSLC LMM



Exciting News: Congregation Phone Messaging

With an update to our church database software, we are able to add a phone messaging feature - to make sure *everyone* is getting up-to-date news about worship services, faith formation classes, youth, etc.. This will be very important as we take future steps toward gradually providing safe, trial in-person worship opportunities and other exciting ministries.

If you have made any changes to your primary phone number(s) over the past year or so, please call the office (or email [Lisa](#)) so that we will have your accurate number in the system.



Notes from: *Sr. Youth*

We are excited to keep "thinking outside the box" with our Sr. High Youth Group. For the months of September and October we will alternate meeting virtually and meeting outdoors, socially distanced, of course. We are trying to accommodate our youth's schedules, so our times and meeting days have changed some. We are aware that things are very fluid right now and we will plan to discuss with the youth what works best for them for November and December. Our meeting schedule is below and is also posted on our Youth Google Calendar. Please contact Leslie Bloss at lbloss3306@gmail.com or 803-413-1994 with any questions.

Virtual via Google Meet

meet.google.com/twp-utsw-yhn

(US) +1 315-965-2411 PIN: 801 778 041#

Sept. 8 - 7:30-8:30

Sept. 22 - 7:30-8:30

Oct. 6 - 7:30-8:30

Oct. 20 - 7:30-8:30

Socially Distanced on the Church Lawn

Grab your mask and bring your own tailgate chair or blanket and grab some food or pack some snacks for yourself to enjoy while we meet.

Sept. 13 - 6:00

Sept. 27 - 6:00

Oct. 11 - 6:00

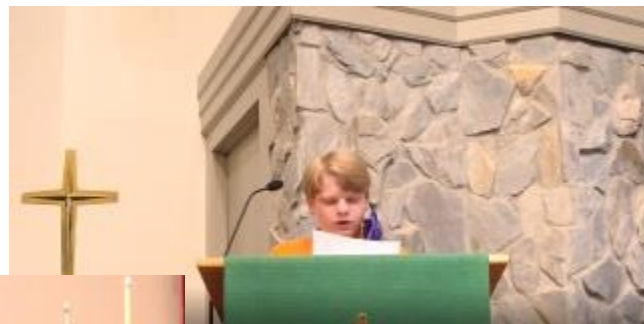
Oct. 25 - 6:00

Sr. Youth Mystery Mission Tour - Thank You from Advent Lutheran Church

Thank you so much for your contribution to our hunger ministries. It will be put to good use immediately and it is greatly appreciated. It was a blessing and joy to speak with your youth and thank you for the opportunity. When this current reality shifts, should you find yourself in New York City, please know you have a standing welcome at Advent Lutheran Church. God bless you and your ministry.

In Christ. Pastor Danielle Miller

Youth Leading Worship on August 30



Notes from: *Worship & Music Ministry*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE, LECTOR, USHER...

Yes – you can participate and volunteer to serve for online and/or in-person opportunities! So many options and a chance to see if God is calling you "Forward in Faith" to serve in some capacity during our worship services. Online worship is recorded on Wednesday evening at 7:15 pm; in-person services are at 8:15 am on Sunday and noon on Tuesday. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4baea92fa0f85-worship1>



Be like Mikey – try it, you might like it!

An Exciting Virtual Singing Opportunity!

We would like to invite you to join us in an endeavor that may give you a little diversion and some happiness. We're putting together a virtual choir featuring anybody who wants to participate. All you need is a iPhone/Android phone, and a computer with a set of headphones. You can even make it work with two iPhones/Android Phones and a set of headphones. We're going to record *What a Friend We Have In Jesus*. We'll send the music, and recordings and give you detailed instructions. We'll even help you record if you would like, in a Covid safe way of course. The Disciples of Harmony just finished recording an anthem that will play this Sunday. It was fun and an honor to lift our voices in praise! Just let [Jim Zieche](#), [Mark Stuart](#), or [Virginia Herlong](#) know and we will do the rest. If you know of someone who would like to join us, pass this on. Stay Safe, we look forward to hearing from you!

In-Person Worship!





VETERANS

Backyard BBQ

Friday, Sept 11TH | 12:00 - 1:30 PM

**Join us out back under the tents,
for good company, great food,
and cold refreshments!**

**We salute our Veterans
who have served the U.S.A.
Ask about Veteran's Wall
while you're here on Patriot Day!**

**Chef Harvey is excited to fire up the grill
Enjoy and relax - we know you will!**

RSVP by 9/8 | 803.223.9560


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September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10A Bible Book of Month 12P Thankful Tuesday InPerson Worship (Sr. Adults, sign-up required) 5P Bible Study 7P Handbell Group	2 930A LSCDC Chapel Time 5P Virtual Choir Group 5P Hope Team 6-7P Communion Distribution—Parking Lot 6:30P Sr. Youth 7:15P Worship Recording	3 11A Good News Team 6:30P Justice Team Leaders (LS/Adams/Rehoboth) 8P Take Up Your Cross Devotion Group	4 11A No Fear Friday	5
6 8:15A InPerson Worship (sign-up required) 9A Adult Class 930A Faith in Action 10A Worship Streaming 4P GraceWorks Youth	7	8 10A Ladies Bible Study 12P Thankful Tuesday Sanctuary Worship (Sr. Adults, sign-up required) 530P Finance 6P Bible Study 7P Fellowship Mutual Care 730P Sr Youth Virtual	9 330P LSCDC Bible Time 5P Virtual Choir Group 7:15P Worship Recording (6:30 for special music)	10 930A LSCDC Chapel Time 630P LSCDC Board 8P Take Up Your Cross Devotion Group	11 11A Forward in Faith Friday 12P Veteran's BBQ @ Crossings/Harmony	12
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Birthdays, Wedding and Baptismal Anniversaries

September 1 ♥ Gary & Susan Bradham
September 2 Peri Baker
 Sophia Skipper
September 3 ♥ Bob & Laura Turnmire
September 4 Steve Bloss
 Peg Fox
September 6 Karlene Stuart
September 7 ♥ Steve & Elouise Niemeyer
September 10 Anne Ducate
 Sarah Schultz
September 11 Christina Rauer
September 12 Helen Doerpinghaus
 Chris Kannaday
 Matt O'Donnell
 Bob Turnmire
September 13 Sadonia Grimmer

September 15 ♥ Jerry & Marj Appleton
September 16 Chris Collins
September 17 Anita Dye
 Tonja Kopec
 London Mancuso
September 18 Collin Flores
 Nancy Franck
 ♥ Bill & Nancy Franck
September 23 Scott Graves
 Midge Gunvalson
 Emma Harris
 Sarah Hurlbert
 Cathy Loman
 ♥ Chris & Christa Cassidy
September 28 Logan Smith



Celebrate Your Baptism

Don't forget to check the bulletin to see if we will be celebrating your Baptismal Anniversary during this month's Sunday worship services. Immediately below the Gathering Music, there are printed the names of those who are celebrating a baptismal anniversary *in that week*. When the gathering music begins, individuals can quietly come forward to meet Pastor Eric at the baptismal fountain. There, he will re-trace the cross with the water on your forehead and offer a special prayer of blessing for you (children may be accompanied by parents). There is nothing to be anxious about - everything is done quietly while the music is being played. For those who know only the month of your Baptism, you can join us on the first Sunday of the month (if you prefer some other Sunday, please let us know). **If you do not know your baptismal information, then please pick a month when you would like to celebrate this gift of God's grace in your life – and notify the office**, so that we can add you to the celebration list (we'll simply mark the choice of your month with an asterisk). Even if you don't know the exact date, it's important to celebrate this special gift of God's grace in your life. Again, we encourage everyone to research your Baptismal date and find out as much information as you can – let us know if we can help!



September 4 Eric Nelson
September 7 Bob Gabbard
September 9 Ed Brennan
September 15 Meredith McKenzie
September 18 Vickie Crapps
September 19 Rachel Drafts
 Preston Ginn

September 24 Mike Davidson
September 25 Susan Bradham
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September 26 Bryson Lay
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September 29 Ginny Devereaux

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