

Our Daily Bread

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
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JUNE 2023

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

A NOTE FROM YOUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As I look out my kitchen window I see the garden Devynne and William planted. The potatoes are going strong and the beans are beginning to twine around the poles. Other plants are just sprouts, pushing tiny leaves toward the sun. We should have a summer of beautiful flowers and fresh vegetables.

Summer is a time for growth. Not the raucous fast birth and growth of spring, but the slow and steady growth that matures and strengthens a plant. It is the same for individuals and congregations.

Summer is a time to study the word and contemplate your faith. It is a time to fellowship with other believers in a calm, laid back fashion that is often not possible amid the joyous, hectic celebrations of Christmas and Easter.

It is a time to tell the story of Jesus to those who don't know it and ask and answer questions about faith. So I encourage you to spend time with the word of God this summer. Make your leisure time about growth that matures and strengthens your faith in God.

Janet

STATED SESSION MEETING

Our next Stated Session Meeting is scheduled for July 16, 2023 at 12:15 p.m. in the Rainbow Room. Joe Alexander is going to lead the devotional and opening prayer. If you cannot make it, please let Lori Gast know – (214) 218-7784.

POT-LUCK LUNCH

We have decided to kick off the summer with a Pot-Luck Lunch Celebration. It's going to be on Sunday, June 4, 2023 following the Worship Service. Hope to see everyone there!

CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY

Our thoughts are with the homeless, so we are collecting clothing for the needy. Especially needed are men's clothing, and socks in dark colors in all sizes. Please bring these items to the church and place them in the laundry basket located in the opportunity corner.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I am acknowledging those of you who participate in the Worship Service each month. We would love to have everyone who worships here be a part of the Worship Service. Talk to Barry Krueger if you would like to volunteer for a specific task, or just sign up on the sheets across from the sanctuary kitchen.

Special thanks in May go to:

1. The liturgists – Pat Nash and Bill Gast
2. The greeters – Elizabeth Price, Lori Gast and Joan Christy
3. Those who brought snacks for after worship – Pat Nash, Elizabeth Price, and Joan Christy
4. Joan Christy for being the Gatekeeper
5. Lori Gast for filling the candles with oil
6. Joan Christy and Elizabeth Price host the after worship refreshment time with help from Church Life.
7. Bryan Booth Krueger for preparing the communion
8. William Boyanton for helping clear off the communion table and taking the dirty dishes to the kitchen.
9. Elders serving communion: Pat Nash and Lori Gast
10. The Ushers – Okoro Kalu, Ivan Yuhanna and Joe Alexander
11. Barry Krueger and our wonderful choir for singing such beautiful anthems.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our leaders, our Presbytery, our church, the Session, our troops, Lorrinda and Joe Alexander, Sue Fitch, Makia and Mireille Epie, Irmagene Mitchell, Martha Brashear, Nancy Hollingsworth, Thomas Alexander, continued prayers for Bryson, Millie Allen, travel mercies for all our members traveling, Bryan's mom, the church and nation of Ukraine, Makia's people in Cameroon, Cori's mom, Gene Knox and Jewell Victorino, Carolyn Clayton was diagnosed with cancer, all the people in Turkey and Syria who lost loved ones in the earthquake, DeSoto Food Pantry, Barry's granddaughter Anna, Prayers for the people of Nigeria, Joan's sisters Marj and Connie, Max Jewell is at home, but needs continued prayers, the tornados just keep coming – prayers for the people affected by them, Tracy Berkich, Janet asks for prayers for a disturbed 8 year old child, Alice Anne's best friend's mother has had shingles since last July, Joan Christy, Michael was in a motorcycle accident, Jose Villatoro passed away – prayers for his family and friends, immigrants at the borders, Paul was in a bad accident – if he wakes up he'll have a long recovery, Phyllis (not Speck) has multiple medical issues..

CELEBRATIONS

Pat is celebrating that Joan Christy is feeling better, Happy Mother's Day, Spencer got all A's again, Tiffany is back from London and had a wonderful time, she'll be going to D.C. for a summer internship, Okoro said Praise and Adoration to God for Tiffany's safety.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following is the new treasurer's report.

April 2023

Bank balance	\$48,515
Expenses	\$6,981
Dedicated Funds	\$15,492
Available Funds	\$33,023

Plus there are investments totaling \$85,137 not immediately available to us and are volatile. The figure to hang our hats on is the **available funds**.

Please continue to support the church with the 3 T's – Time, Talent, and Treasure.

Thank you,

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Christy, Treasurer.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 10 Arah Enoh

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

June 18 Manfred and Catherine Enoh

June 27 Joe and Lorrinda Alexander

June 29 Ivan and Heidi Yuhanna

GOSPEL READINGS for JUNE

June 4 - Matthew 28:16-20

June 11 - Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

June 18 - Matthew 9:35-10:8

June 25 - Matthew 10:24-39

JUNE 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00 AM Art Group	2	3
4 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service w/ communion Pot-Luck Lunch	5	6	7	8 10:00 AM Art Group	9	10
11 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service	12	13	14	15 10:00 AM Art Group	16	17
18 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service	19	20	21	22 10:00 AM Art Group	23	24
25 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service	26	27	28	29 10:00 AM Art Group	30	