



The Messenger

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Please join us as we worship our way through these “**dog days of summer**”! We have a cool and spacious sanctuary and fellowship hall to enjoy together, as well as the YouTube and Zoom options for those who do not choose to get out and about.



As we hear in the news about the Covid virus variants, we want to be diligent in keeping our gatherings respectful of each other’s “space”. Do not take it personally if someone changes their seating to create the space they may desire for continued “social distancing”, or if someone prefers a wave or a fist bump instead of a hug or handshake. Consideration for people’s feelings and concerns is a gracious way to navigate these trying times.

May God Bless Everyone!

Jan Rice

Worship Committee Moderator

Election Day

August 3rd is primary election day. St. Andrews is a voting facility, so the fellowship hall will be in use from 6:00 a.m. 'til 8:00 p.m. Exercise your right to vote. Check the Election Commission website for your voting place.



Doorstep



Doorstep has been working with the Impact Avenues program assisting homeless families with household items once they are housed. We have also been working with MAP (Mobile Access Partnership and the Shower and Laundry Trailer by providing clothing so customers accessing those services can have a fresh set of clothing when they finish their shower. Donations we currently need for these programs are (gently used) queen & twin sized comforters & blankets, small appliances, pots & pans, lamps, curtains, silverware, men's & women's shorts, women's summer dresses & men's jeans
Doorstep's 4th Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Fun Run is Sunday, October 3rd at 2pm at Lake Shawnee. Sign up details are coming...

We are lacking the following items to be able to make hygiene kits for our clients.

If you can donate any of the following items,

we would greatly appreciate it!!

Monday – Friday from 9am – 2pm. South parking lot door...

Shampoo/Conditioner 2-in-1 (full size), Razors, Hair Brushes



We are creating (or re-creating) The Lunch Bunch
We plan to meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Our 1st lunch will be on 8/18 at 1:00 pm at Cracker Barrel.
We hope you can join us for fun and fellowship and good food. If you need transportation please let me know. Please let me know by 8/15 if you plan to attend so we can let the restaurant know how many. Husbands are invited also but you will have your own table.

Dianne Deuser 785 220 5995

Since we now have the Lunch Bunch to which everyone is invited, we will discontinue the 3rd Friday Men's and Ladies Luncheon.



The storage shed took on a new look as a crew worked this week to refurbish it with new shingles, siding and doors. Funds for the restoration came from the Richard O'Neill memorial fund.



Health Issue



Remember to drink a lot of water during this heat & humidity. It is difficult to keep hydrated and it is a major health issue, especially with older people.

August 2021 LECTONARY READINGS



August 1 (Proper 13) – 2 Samuel 11:26--12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

August 8 (Proper 14) – 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25—5:2; John 6:35, 41-51;

August 15 (Proper 15) – 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Psalm 111; Ephesians 5:15-20-; John 6:51-58

August 22 (Proper 16) – 1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

August 29 (Proper 17) – Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Communion will be celebrated on August 1st..

August Birthdays



Zackary Brown, August 1st

Dianne Deuser, August 13th

Jan Rice, August 30th



Tom and Jeannette Luedke, August 4, 1984

Caring for our Members and Friends

Keep these folks in your prayers:

Mary Ottiwell, Mary Jane and Junior Elder, Norm Schiesser, Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, Karl Wilmers, Dolores Wilmers, JR McDaniels, Bob Wist, Andy O'Neill, Tad and Gail Estes and family, Paulette Schrock, Gabby.



Remember all those who serve -our active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, police officers, and medical personnel who continue to serve, the hungry and the homeless. Pray for peace and calm for our nation and our community as conflicts still continue. Pray for our government officials that they may serve the people, and respect the dignity of all.



Session Meeting

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-July 18, 2021

[P] '23 Betty DeShazer [P] '22 Claudia Hamer [P] '21 Dianne Deuser
[P] '23 Bill DeShazer [A] '22 Matthew Reynolds [P] '21 Sharon McDaniels
[P] '23 Charles Franks [P] '22 Stephanie Reynolds [A] '21 Jo Ann Miller
[P] '23 Linda Ozaki [P] '22 Jan Rice [A] '21 Janet Schiesser

[P] Session Moderator- Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

[P] Clerk of Session-Bill DeShazer

[P] Treasurer-Stephanie Reynolds

Balance in checking 6/30/2021 - \$14,772.94

Memorial Fund - \$3,797.30

General fund pledge income in June- \$3,584.00. General fund non-pledge income - \$1,610.00. Loose offering - \$97.00.

Received \$5,000.00 memorial gift from Larry William in memory of his parents, Ronald and Frances William and his brother Ronal Wayne William. Funds to be used for building upkeep and repairs.

Pastor Stacey to be gone August 22nd.

The floor sealer has been put down in the pastor's office.

Doorstep still needing Christmas in July items.

Rescue Mission's travelling laundry/shower trailer needing laundry and bath supplies.

We will not be doing a blessing box. Part of our thought was we already donate to Doorstep and Rescue Mission. Another was concern about food items keeping in the heat and cold.

Sunday morning bible study prior to worship to resume in the fall.

There will be a congregational meeting on August 1st following worship to elect two members at large to serve on the nominating committee.

Next Communion will be on August 1st.

~ August 2021 ~						
◀ July						September ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion Congregational Meeting Zach Brown – B'day	2	3 Election – Voting here	4 Tom & Jeannette Anniv.	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Dianne Deuser B'day	14
15	16	17	18 1:00-Lunch Bunch-Cracker Barrell	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Jan Rice – B'day	31	Notes: No Session Meeting this month.			

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Worship 11:00 AM

